

† *Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. We invite you to journey with us as we explore the life of faith together. At First Lutheran all are welcome in every aspect of our congregational life. We believe that worship is central to our life together. God empowers us to live out our purpose which is to share his word and the promise of salvation.*



**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

**Sunday, June 2, 2019  
GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER**

*In today’s gospel the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus; we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN No. 838 ..... “Beautiful Savior”**

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

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**HYMN OF PRAISE ..... Page 149**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**HEARING GOD’S WORD**

**FIRST LESSON . . . . . Acts 1:1-11**

1In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning 2until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; 5for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."6So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Here ends the first lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 47**

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**C: For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.**

He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

**C: He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**C: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

**C: God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.**

The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND LESSON . . . . . Ephesians 1:15-23**

15I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 17I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, 18so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, 19and what is the immeasurable

greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. 20God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. 22And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, 23which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. Here ends the second lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ..... Page 151**  
**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL ..... Luke 24:44-53**  
P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.  
**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

44 Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." 50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON ..... Pastor Joyce Tollefson Capp**

### **RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

**HYMN OF THE DAY No. 393 .....  
“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!” (vs. 1,3,5)**

**APOSTLES’ CREED ..... Page 105**  
**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **RECEIVING OF OUR MORNING OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY HYMN No. 692 ..... “We Are an Offering”**  
**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION HYMNS ..... 496, 483, 479

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

**C: Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH

### BENEDICTION

P: May the blessing of the living God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage and hope now and forever. Amen.

**SENDING HYMN No. 547 ..... "Set Forth by God's Blessing"**

### DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is your light.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

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❖ ***Assisted listening devices are available from the ushers.***

📵 ***PLEASE remember to turn off Cell Phones and Pagers during worship.***

**WELCOME!** Great to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today. We practice open Communion at First Lutheran. If you believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, his body and blood shed for you, you are welcome to our table. ***Apple juice is available upon request.***

**THE WORSHIP RADIO BROADCAST** today is sponsored in honor of Dwight & Sheila Horton's 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary.

† **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Deb Smith, Dean Dickerson, son of Bill and Joyce Kunz and brother of Cristy Appel, as he struggles with health issues and Ike Madsen.

Ministers .....	Members of First Lutheran Church
Pastor.....	Rev. Joyce Tollefson Capp
Reader .....	Nancy Finzen
Organist.....	Paul Henriksen
Acolytes.....	McKenna Musch & McKenzie Jansen
Ushers	Duane Mabon, Dennis Peterson, Terry Swenson, Dan Scotting
Sound.....	Mark Zinnel, Mike Straw
Communion Assistant.....	Sheila Johnson

***This Week's Schedule - June 2, 2019***

<b><u>Today -</u></b>	
9:30am - Worship/Holy Communion	10:30am - Coffee Fellowship
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	
5:00pm - Adult Ed Comm. meeting	
<b><u>Friday - Saturday</u></b>	
Synod Assembly	
<b><u>NEXT SUNDAY</u></b>	
9:30am - Worship	10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

**2019 May Offering**

<b>Operating</b>	\$	<b>17,800.00</b>
<b>Mortgage Principal</b>	\$	<b>4,400.00</b>
<b>Income Needed</b>	\$	<b>22,200.00</b>
<b>Wednesday Offering - May 5</b>	\$	<b>5,424.84</b>
<b>Weekly Offering - May 12</b>	\$	<b>3,262.28</b>
<b>Weekly Offering - May 19</b>	\$	<b>5,113.98</b>
<b>Weekly Offering - May 26</b>	\$	<b>2,081.70</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	\$	<b>1,725.00</b>
<b>Total Monthly Offering</b>	\$	<b>17,607.30</b>

**Stewardship Quote:**

“You can’t take it with you, but you can send it on ahead.” - Anonymous



**Now there are Four Methods to use Simply Giving**

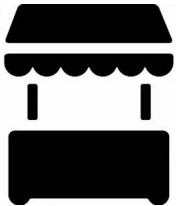
1. Your church offerings can be made weekly, every other week, or monthly through electronic funds transfer from your checking or savings account.
2. Free Mobile Giving App enables your church offerings to be made securely from anywhere, with 1-tap. Plus, it's completely FREE!
3. Below is a Quick Response (QR) code. When you scan this barcode-like QR code image with a smartphone's QR decoder, it will instantly connect you to the mobile version of the church's web page.

**"Scan to pay or give."**



4. You will be able to use your Credit card at the Church.

**FLY Fair stand Worker sign up on the Youth Bulletin board**



Please sign up for shifts to work this summer at the fair stand. **The Fair stand is in need of help from everyone**, not just youth, this year and we would really appreciate help from all ages to run the grill, run the till and take orders.

***The shifts go fast and you get to visit with a lot of people !***

**33rd Annual Quilt Auction Shetek Lutheran Ministries**

**Saturday, June 22, 2019 10:30am**

SLM Activity Center - located 8 miles north of Slayton on Hwy 59 then 2 miles east of Valhalla Road

**Quilt Preview** Friday, June 21 6:30-8:30pm

Saturday, June 22 8:30-10am

**Friday Picnic** Brats & burgers 5:30-7:30pm

Pontoon rides 5:30-7:30pm



**MORNING PRAYER:** Gracious God, we thank you for bringing us through the night and for making this new day. You send us out rested and uplifted by your presence. Wherever we go, whatever our work today, whomever we meet, help us to greet our tasks and our leisure with joy. We give you thanks, through Jesus the living Christ. Amen.

**EVENING PRAYER:**

Wondrous God, we marvel that this day has ended, filled with marks of your loved in moments of strife. How give us rest. Comfort those who have no bed this night, and keep them safe. We bow our heads in thanks for food, work, friends, family, challenges, and accomplishments. We pray this in the name of the Jesus who watches over us day and night. Amen.

