† 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.



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, June 30, 2019 GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

We have no good apart from God. That makes our Lord's call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruits: love, joy, peace, patience, and the like. This is the path of life.

PRELUDE WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN No. 714

"O God of Mercy, God of Light" (vs. 1-4)

CONFESSION OF SIN

- P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**
- P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

God of mercy,

- C: We confess that we have sinned against you and against one another and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us + all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news. **C: Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Page 219 "Salvation Belongs to our God"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

C: All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

C: will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

C: My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

C: I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand. I shall not be shaken.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

C: For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

1For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. 13For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. 14For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. 16Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. 18But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. 19Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, 20idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, 21envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, 23gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Here ends the second lesson. C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the ninth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

51When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go

to Jerusalem. 52And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; 53but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. 54When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" 55But he turned and rebuked them. 56Then they went on to another village. 57As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." 59To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." 60But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." 61Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." 62Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of 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. 798 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

CREED

C: We believe in God above us, Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.

We believe in Christ beside us, Companion and friend, redeemer of all the broken pieces of our universe.

We believe in Spirit deep within us, Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.

We believe in God's resurrection created world, Where all things are fixed, and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.

We believe in God above, beside, within, God yesterday, today and forever, the three in one, the one in three, We believe in God. Amen.

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

P: Let us pray.

C: All good gifts come from you, dear Lord, and from these riches we bring this offering. Help us to use it for the furtherance of your purpose in this place, and for the benefit of those in need. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH

BENEDICTION

P: May God, who began the good work within you continue to be at work in your life, bringing everything to completion on the day when Christ Jesus comes back again. May almighty God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and keep you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN No. 840.....

"Now Thank We All Our God" (vs. 1,3)

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME! Great to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today.

<u>THE WORSHIP RADIO BROADCAST</u> today is sponsored in honor of the wedding of Berit Henriksen & Kevin Wickland.

Ministers ... Members of First Lutheran Church
Pastor ... Rev. Joyce Tollefson Capp
Reader ... Kristy Henriksen
Organist ... Paul Henriksen
Acolytes ... Chase Wilson & Connor Wagner
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Sound ... Brad Willey & Jason Weber

† Continuing Prayer Concerns: Deb Smith, Dean Dickerson, son of Joyce Kunz and brother of Cristy Appel, as he deals with health issues, Robert Barenwald and the Barenwald family on the passing of Scott and Gladys Ihlen as she recovers from surgery.

This Week's Schedule - June 30, 2019

Today

9:30am - Worship/Noisy Offering for Soles for Souls

10:30am - Henriksen Family Coffee Fellowship

Thursday

Happy 4th of July!

Saturday

Henriksen/Wickland Wedding in Duluth

Next Sunday

9:30am - Worship/Holy Communion

10:30am - Coffee Fellowship

Stewardship Quote:

"If you haven't got any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble." - Bob Hope - American Comedian



2019 June Offering

Operating Mortgage Principal Income Needed	\$ \$ \$	17,800.00 4,400.00 22,200.00
Wednesday Offering - June 2	\$	2,693.00
Weekly Offering - June 9	\$	2,508.00
Weekly Offering - June 16	\$	6,634.50
Weekly Offering - June 23	\$	4,931.60
Weekly Offering - June 30	\$	
Other Income	\$	1,700.00

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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!

<u>The Noisy Offering TODAY</u> will be donated to the "Soles for Souls", a non-profit organization that collects used footwear and gives them to those in need. Shoes that are unusable are recycled-not put in a landfill.



Morning Prayer:

Lord Jesus awaken in me the touch of your Spirit. Give me courage I need to do what I have been asked to do. Take my fearful thoughts and feelings that occur in response to life's demands. Draw me deeper to your love and abide with me in all the moments of my day. Amen. (Joyce Rupp, Glimpses of Grace.")

Evening Prayer

For this day, O God, we give you thanks. In all the joys that came our way. The challenges that showed me more about your world. Thank you for people who I encountered and those who showed me care. Keep now this night from harm that when I rise from sleep, I will again give thanks and praise to you. Bless us and grant us rest in Jesus name. Amen.