

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Gathered by God, We Live Our Faith with:
Compassion, Grace, Gratitude, and Joy.**



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Check out Our Welcome Center



Under the window to the Narthex .. We have offering plates and a bin for vision and purpose giving.

Weekly newsletters are available as well.

Coffee and other refreshments are available at the Narthex Coffee Stand.

Strawberry Festival

Join us Thursday, June 13th for our annual Strawberry Festival.

Serving meals from 5 PM to 7 PM, with the Monmouth Community Band playing at 6 PM in the sanctuary.

All meals are free-will donations this year.

Menu is BBQ sandwich, chips, and drink, plus our famous strawberry topped dessert.

Volunteers are being sought. Denise Mann is leading the event this year.

Welcome to Worship

June 9th, 2024

Ordinary Time

Order of Service

Gathering

Announcements, Prelude
Confession and Forgiveness
Peace

Opening Hymn: ELW 652, Built on a Rock

The Word

Pastoral Greeting
Call to Worship: Based on Psalm 130

Prayer of the Day

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Hymn of Praise: ELW 880 O God, Beyond All Praising
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 3:20-35
Worship Video
Sermon
Hymn: ELW 598 For By Grace You Have Been Saved
Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom, Emily Agema, Gary Eyler, Cecil Lovdahl, Janet Lowe, Brian Elliott, Hannah Taylor, Carol Hanson, Suzanne Lovdahl, Ron Rieck

Holy Communion

Offering Prayer
ELW #460, Now the Silence
Communion Prayer
Lord's Prayer
ELW #462, Now We Join in Celebration, verse 1
Distribution
Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Hymn: Victory in Jesus
Benediction
Benediction Refrain: ELW 721 Goodness is Stronger than Evil
Dismissal

Ephesians 2:11-22

11 So then, remember that at one time you gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— 12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, 15 abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, 16 and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. 17 So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; 21 in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Mark 3:20-35

20 Then he went home, and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. 21 When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” 22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” 23 And he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. 26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. 27 But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter, 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness but is guilty of an eternal sin”— 30 for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

31 Then his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside asking for you.” 33 And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” 34 And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”