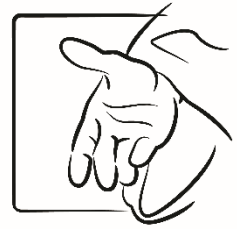


SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"Your Best for Jesus"

July 20, 2025



PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Three p. 184

Opening Hymn *"Thy Word Is a Lamp"*

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Verse 1

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,

Still You're there right beside me.

And nothing will I fear as long as You are near.

Please be near me to the end. **Chorus**

Verse 2

I will not forget Your love for me and yet

My heart forever is wandering.

And Jesus be my guide and hold me to Your side,

I will love You to the end. **Chorus**



+ SERVICE OF PREPARATION +

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+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit **Psalm 119:57-60, 64; antiphon: v. 105**

Your word is a lamp to my feet
 and a light to my path.

The Lord is my portion;
 I promise to keep your words.

I entreat your favor with all my heart;
 be gracious to me according to your promise.

When I think on my ways,
 I turn my feet to your testimonies;

I hasten and do not delay
 to keep your commandments.

The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;
 teach me your statutes

Your word is a lamp to my feet
 and a light to my path.

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Kyrie *p. 186*

Gloria in Excelsis *p. 187*

Salutation and Collect of the Day *p. 189*

(All) O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Genesis 18:1-10a*

¹ The Lord appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and

said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” ¹⁰The Lord said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.”

A: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Epistle Reading *Colossians 1:21-29*

²¹You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

²⁴Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

A: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

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Holy Gospel *Luke 10:38-42*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁸Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she

went up to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.” ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴²but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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Kid’s Word Katie Prelerson

Hymn of the Day *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” Hymn # 575*

Sermon *“Your Best for Jesus” Luke 10:10:38-42 Pastor Ziegler*

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Offering

Prayers of the Church



+ Holy Communion +

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Distribution

Hymn *“Lord of All Hopefulness” Hymn # 738*

Hymn *“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” Hymn # 851*

Hymn *“In Thee Is Gladness” Hymn # 818*

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Hymn *“Jesus, Name Above All Names”*

Verse 1

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessed Redeemer, living Word.

Verse 2

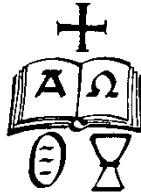
Jesus, loving Shepherd,
Vine of the branches, Son of God.
Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor,
Lord of the universe, Light of the World.

Verse 3

Jesus, way of salvation,
King of Kings, Lord of Lords.
The way the truth, and the life.
Mighty Creator, My Savior and Friend.

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Go and Tell!



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Those serving the Lord and us:

Preacher and Liturgist: Reverend Karl P. Ziegler

Organist: Dave Ricke

Elders: Lucas Smith (8:00 a.m.)

Derek Ohlin (10:30 a.m.)

Acolytes: Olivia Bohl & Ellen Graham (8:00 a.m.)

Georgianna Getzfred & Greyson Liggett (10:30 a.m.)

Readers: Maxine Igou (8:00 a.m.)

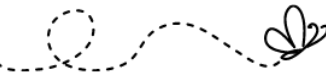
Alice Clemenger (10:30 a.m.)

Altar Guild: Hilarie Price

Attendance: Saturday, July 12, 5:30 p.m. – 53

Sunday, July 13, 8:00 a.m. - 118, 10:30 a.m. – 160

This Week at First Lutheran



1

Monday, July 21st 11:30 – Silver Eagles Potluck Luncheon. This month the group is collecting for both NeighborGood and the Lutheran Thrift Shop. The NeighborGood donation is boxed dry mixes (cake, brownies, cornbread, etc.) and the Lutheran Thrift Shop donation is peanut butter, jelly, water, or Gatorade.

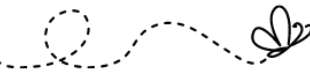
2

Thursday, July 24th – Butterfly Deadline
Youth Gathering Team Returns
7:00 – Pastor Ziegler's Zoom Bible Study

3

Sunday, July 27th 9:15 – Children's Ministry Meeting in the Martin Luther Room
6:00 - Youth Summer Sunday Sundaes – Bible Study and ice cream at the Laib's

Next Week at First Lutheran



1

Monday, July 28th 7:00 – Men's Bible Study
7:00 – Young Adult Bible Study in the Youth Room

2

Wednesday, July 30th 2:00 – Youth Serve at the Care Closet

3

Thursday, July 31st 7:00 – Pastor Ziegler's Zoom Bible Study

4

Saturday, August 2nd & Sunday August 3rd – Youth-led Services



Anniversaries

19th Kristin & Steven Hazuka
20th Douglas & Deborah Kelley, Zackary & Sierra Manley
21st Jordan & Melissa Roth
22nd Bill & Jeanne Buskevicius, Blake & Callissa Donnelly
25th Matthew & Kelly Wineinger
28th Derek & Lauren Ohlin
29th Jeffrey & Jessica Getzfred



Birthdays

19th Michael Schweitzer
20th Stanton Krause, Cora Palmer
21st Anton Glaug, Cabela Schleimer, Evie Shaw
22nd Joe Bannwarth, Rafferty Bannwarth, Logan Clark, Gerald Mann
23rd Michael Covrig, Briggs Helms, Lyle Henkensiefken, Jantzen Knispel
24th Shirley Schuessler
25th Dale Seiber, Taylor Shirck
26th Evan Friedrich, Joanie Fritz, Ellen Graham, Walter Lahs
27th Mike Benson, Elizabeth Kothenbeutel
28th Stephanie Hansen, Gavin Liggett, Lydia Rentschler, Alexandre Schweitzer
29th Lexie Busch

Don't see your name? Please call the church office at 402-339-3668 or email thechurch@1st-lutheran.org. We would love to include you!

Join us in praying for members & friends of First Lutheran:

God invites and welcomes our prayers. Know someone who needs prayer? Going to the hospital? Please call the church office (402-339-3668). Our pastor would love the opportunity to pray with you. We will not put your name in the prayer list unless you ask. Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks unless we hear from you that they need to stay on the prayer list longer.

Members

Trey Brehm
Bennett Getzfred
Arla Johnson
Corrinna Johnson

Gerald Johnson
Cliff Mosteller
Rodney Nathan

Jeff Nissen
Phyllis Palacios
Deb Ricke

Friends

Maddy Dimmitt (Julie Shoop's niece), Stefanie Erwin (Elaine Hansen's friend), Andy Glause (Jackie Roth's uncle), Paul Glause (Jackie Roth's uncle), Wanda Grace (Teri Lee's aunt), Mary Hartman (Cindi Hartman's mother), Karen Hasskamp (Jo Stricklett's sister), Jim (Joyce Reed's brother), Donna McCullough (Amy Rau's mother), Bette Peterson (Mary McMullen's mother), Juvy Rouse (Jackie Roth's cousin), Kathy Stolinski (Mary Kay Staicoff's friend), Ron Wolken (Joan Clark's uncle), Muriel Young (Jeff Getzfred's grandmother)

Missionaries and those serving abroad: Erin Mackenzie, and Pastor Roberto & Kathryn Weber.

Deployed Military: Douglas Cheek (Cheri & Dan Moore's grandson), Dustan Huber (Judy Morrell's son-in-law), Andre Salak (Michael & Merna Salak's grandson), Ty Troelstrup

The table provides a summary of year-to-date receipts in the General fund compared to the amounts expended and transferred for budgeted activities.

Electronic Giving: If you would prefer to give online, please look for the "Simply Giving" tab on First Lutheran's website. If you have any questions, please contact Bryan Clark (finance@1st-lutheran.org).

Through May 2025	
Receipts	\$289,928
Less: Expenses	<u>(302,307)</u>
Net	\$(12,379)
End of Month Balance	\$137,400
Kitchen Remodel Balance	\$93,207

The Marco family is grateful for the prayers we received from the church members. A donation has been made to establish a memorial in Lou & Neal's name.

Prepare for worship next week by reading and meditating on these readings!

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost	Genesis 18:(17-19) 20-33	Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19)	Luke 11:1-13
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OKTOBERFEST IS BACK SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Oktoberfest 2025 will be held on October 11th. Details and volunteer opportunities will be coming soon. And dust off those pie plates - we will be selling pies again this year and would love your contribution!