# First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redlands

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Bridge Pastor: Woody Hall

*Ministers*:
Each Member



# Name of Jesus Sunday



January 1, 2023 9:00 a.m.

#### آماذً و سيادً Добро пожаловать! Witam Cię Bem-vinda

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At First Evangelical Lutheran Church all are welcome here — disciples and doubters, sinners and saints, wanderers and wonderers, young and young at heart, insiders and outsiders — all of God's children are welcome in this community as we worship together, learn together, serve together, pray together and play together seeking to follow Jesus in our daily lives. We are blessed by your presence here today!

# You belong here!

### This Week at First

Sunday 1 9:00 AM Worship — Sanctuary

Monday 2 Office CLOSED

Pastor Woody on vacation this week

Thursday 3 No Bible Study this week
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
 Saturday 7 11:00 AM FLC Council Mtg — Zoom
 7:00 PM AA Care and Share — PH
 Sunday 8 9:00 AM Worship — Sanctuary
 10:20 AM Adult Forum — Chapel

We are now live streaming our worship services. Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.

Large Print Bulletins available in the Narthex

#### Prelude

"Scherzo on 'God Rest Ye Merry" - T. Bohlert

## Welcome to Worship

Today we will continue the season of Christmas with a hymn sing. For each hymn, Pastor Woody will ask for 1-2 suggestions from the following list. Call out your favorite hymn or number for this "choose your own adventure" celebration.

All Hymns can be found in the ELW (cranberry) hymnal in your pews.

Joy to the World	267
What Child Is This	296
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly	276
Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful	283
Oh Little Town of Bethlehem	279
Angels, from the Realms of Glory	275
It Came upon the Midnight Clear	282
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice	288
The First Noel	300
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming	272
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	270
The Bells of Christmas	298
Away in a Manger	277
I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve	271
Go Tell It on the Mountain	290
Angels We Have Heard on High	289

### Gathering Hymn

#### Invocation and Litany

We worship in the name of the One who creates, redeems, and sanctifies, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

#### Invocation and Litany (cont.)

As the Wise Men of old followed the star:

Help us, O God, to follow the leading of your Spirit.

As they were led to the Savior:

Lead us, O God, to him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

As they brought treasures to the King:

Empower us, O God, to bring his gifts of faith and hope and love to the world.

As they fell down and worshipped the Child:

Inspire us, O God, to serve him every moment of our lives.

As Herod was kept from doing him harm:.

Keep us, O God, from doing violence to his name by thought or word or deed.

As Mary kept all things and pondered them in her heart: **Enable us, O God, to remember and to love.** 

As your Son shines forever as the Light of the world:

Shine forth in us, O God, that we may be lights of the world in our generation.

Holy Jesus, come from God:

Fill us now and always with your light. Amen.

# Prayer of the Day

Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lesson

Galatians 4:4-7

NT pg. 145-146

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Hymn

Gospel

Luke 2:15-21

NT pg. 45

The holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Woody Hall

Hymn of the Day

Prayers of God's People

God of Grace,

Hear our prayer

The Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always,

And also with you.

Offertory

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

- Cherwien

Offertory Hymn

## Offering Prayer

Good and loving God, we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have blessed us with your gifts, let them be blessing for others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy (...) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.

#### The Words of Institution

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

#### Communion Distribution

Glory to God in the highest! Come to the table of peace.

Please follow the directions of the ushers, forming a single line, safely distanced. The Pastor will distribute the bread, and a communion assistant will offer your choice of red wine or white grape juice. You may dispose of your cup at the hand sanitizer station at the front of the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and the Pastor will bring communion to you.

All are welcome.

### Blessing

## Prayer after communion

Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### Benediction

God bless you and keep you, Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Silent Night"

**ELW 281** 

#### Dismissal

Christ the Savior is born!
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Postlude on Yorkshire"

- arr. Lasky

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Sunday January 1		Next Sunday January 8
Linda Constant Marilyn Pace	Altar Guild	Nancy Griesemer Melanie Hendrickson
** Needed	Acolyte	** Needed
Theron Pace Bob Close	Reader/ Communion Assist.	Diane Brown Melanie Hendrickson
Mac Barnes	Greeter/Ushers	Theron Pace
Erick Hendrickson	Sound/IT	Erick Hendrickson
Debby Westen	Hospitality	** Needed
Bob Close	Security	Kathy Aldrighetti

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# Life in Christ

Your Church Council has called our Annual Congregational

Meeting for January 29, 2023, immediately following our 9 o'clock worship service, in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is the following: To elect council members, To approve the amendment of our Constitution by substitution., To approve amendments to the bylaws of the Endowment Committee, To approve a request by the Endowment Committee that the Nominating Committee seek candidates for open positions in the Endowment Committee annually, and To approve the proposed budget for 2023. In preparation of this meeting, the Annual report will be available for review on January 15. There will be a budget hearing to discuss the proposed budget on Sunday January 22 following worship. Everyone is needed as we conducted the business of the church.

#### Church as a VERB – WORSHIP

#### Every Sunday we offer two ways to worship:

In person worship each Sunday at 9am.

\*\* Cold and Flu season is upon us again and COVID is still an issue. Many people are traveling and gathering with family during the holiday season. If you are not feeling well, please stay home and we encourage you to use your best judgement in the wearing of a mask during worship so as to keep you and your neighbor safe.\*\*

# Online Worship is also available through our website at www.firstlutheranredlands.org

We stream our online services. You can watch it live at 9 am or anytime throughout the week on our YouTube Channel.

# Life in Christ

#### Church as a VERB – LEARN

**Thursday Morning Bible Study** will not meet this week, January 5, but will resume on January 12 at 11:00 am. We look at the upcoming Gospel Lesson for each week. All are welcome! Zoom Meeting ID: 873 1032 5401 Passcode: 401510

**Book Club** will resume in January. Pick up a copy of Mitch Albom's "The Stranger in the Lifeboat" and start reading. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, January 18. All are welcome.

#### Church as a VERB - PLAY

First Mondays at First Lutheran is open to all adults (young or "older"). We will meet on February 6 for games, lunch, and more!

**COMIC Quilters** return on Wednesday January 11 at 10am in the Fireside Room. We are looking for anyone who can sew a straight line.

The church office sends out an e-Newsletter weekly.

We also send out the weekly prayer list and occasional member or breaking news items.

If you would like to be added to any of these lists, please contact the church office (909) 793-2267 and we will add your name to the email list.

### Remember in prayer...

# "Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs:"

For those who mourn: the Craver family at the death of Alan's mother, Donna.

# "Rest eternal grant her, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon her."

Healing and strength: friends of the Davenport's, the Zaharupolis family; friends of the Barnes', John, Troy, and Roger; friend of Jeanne Fortier, Adriana; friend of the Griesemers', Susan; family of the Lehner's, LaDonna; sister of Marilyn Pace, Nancy.

Continuing prayers for: Dianne Anderson; Donna Barnes; Wayne Barnhart; Scott Huseth; Jan Martus; Pastor Jill Kirchner-Rose and family; Pastor Sam Shadrach; Nancy Sturlaugson; Roger Swenson; Richard and Kristin Thibedeau; Lynda Wandler; friend of Karen Fredricksen, Spencer.

Our homebound: Arlene Coleman; Betty Frannea; John McMunn; Carlton Peterson; Loretta Sanders.

- \*\* Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, Elizabeth Eaton and Bishop of the Pacifica Synod, Dave Nagler.
- \*\* This congregation during this time of transition, the Call Committee, and the pastor God is preparing for this congregation.
- \*\* Our country.
- \*\* Peace.

# "Into your hand we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

\*\* The prayer list is refreshed each week using the "Welcome to Worship" slips.

If you have a prayer request, please include it on those slips

or contact the Pastor or church office.\*\*