

First
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ELCA

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Music Sunday



May 21, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Добро пожаловать! Witam Cię Bem-vinda أهلاً وسهلاً
 ברוך-הבא Bienvenue Tere tulemast خوش آمدید සුඛසා-ආරාධනා Bienvenido
 सवागत हैं **Welcome** ยินดีต้อนรับ Karibu
 Ngiyakwemukela Hoş geldiniz Hoan nghênh
 Tere tulõmast Välkommen Ласкаво просимо Velkommen Zoo siab txais tos!
 Soo dhowow فارسي نالمنز لاسکاوو پروسیمو 환영합니다

At First Evangelical Lutheran 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!

*Please fill out the “Welcome to Worship” slip
in the pew rack and pass to the side aisles*

Guidance for using this bulletin and the hymnal:

- ✧ All are invited to speak those responses printed in **bold**.
- ✧ ELW refers to material from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal in the pew rack in front of you.
- ✧ Numbers preceded by “ELW” refer to the hymns and songs found in the middle and back portions of the hymnal
- ✧ Numbers preceded by the word “pg” refer to material found in the front portion of the hymnal.
- ✧ “OT pg.” or “NT” pg. are in the old and new testament of the pew Bible.

We live stream our worship services on YouTube

Hearing Assist devices available from the sound booth.

You can also connect hearing aides through our T coil / Loop system

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew. Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.

Empower our witness to your resurrection.

Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

Amen.

Gathering Anthem

“Every Valley”

-Joseph M Martin

Chancel Choir

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise “Now the Feast and Celebration” ELW 167



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



Prayer of the Day

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Anthem “Amazing Love” - Joan Pinkston

Chancel Choir

Lesson Acts 1:6-14 NT pg. 90

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” ELW 172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Gospel

John 17:1-11

NT pg. 85

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Glen Egertson

Today we welcome Pastor Glen Egertson. Pastor Glen is one of the Executive Directors of Lutheran Retreats, Camps, and Conferences.

Thank you for presiding and your proclamation!

Anthem

“The Apple Tree”

-arr. K. Lee Scott

Chancel Choir

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,

Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of God's People

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The Peace

Offertory Anthem "O Bread of Life From Heaven"

-David AshleyWhite

Chancel Choir

Offertory Hymn "Goodness is Stronger Than Evil" ELW 721



Good -ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron - ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



ours, vic - t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you (... ..) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Words of Institution

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
 (... ..)

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With this congregation and your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

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

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. All are welcome.

Prayer After Communion

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Benediction

“A Closing Prayer”

-Lois Musmann

This anthem was written as a gift for the First Lutheran Chancel Choir in 1990 by former choir director Lois Musmann.

It is sung each week as a closing prayer during choir rehearsals.

Sending Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" ELW 855

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, c - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.
Thanks be to God.

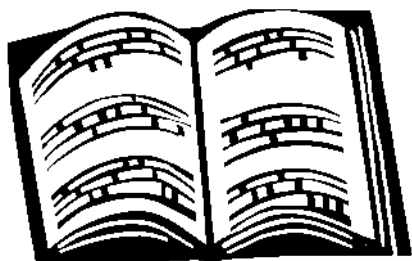
Postlude

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CHOIR

Thank you to the dedicated members of First Lutheran Chanel Choir for your gift of music: Jeanne Fortier, Kathy Aldrighetti, Melanie Hendrickson, Deborah Alg., Linda Murphy, Kathy Swenson, Debbie Olsen, BB Qui- nones, Sue Lebner, Marit Hendrickson, Larry Anderson, Roger Swenson, Larry Davenport, David Griesemer, Allan Griesemer, Mark Wolkenbauer.

They could not do what they do without the gentle guidance and massive sup- port from their Director, Tamara Craver and Organist/ Accompanist ex- traordinaire, Kimberly Amin.

The Music Director Search Committee has started their work. If you know of anyone that may be a good fit for this position, please have them review the job description on our the website. There are also flyers regarding the position available in the office

Sunday May 21		Next Sunday May 28
Diane Brown	Altar Guild	Claudia Havard Mitch Heitritter
<i>*Needed</i>	Acolyte	<i>*Needed</i>
Larry Anderson Jeanne Fortier	Reader/ Communion Assist.	Theron Pace Mac Barnes
Theron Pace Mac Barnes	Greeter / Ushers	Griesemer Family
Erick Hendrickson	Sound / IT	Tom Olsen
<i>*Needed</i>	Hospitality	<i>*Needed</i>
Debby Westen	Security	BB Quinones

Kimberly Amin, Keyboardist ~ Tamara Craver, Music Director

Erick Hendrickson, AV / Tech

Melanie Hendrickson, Admin Assistant

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This Week at First

Sunday 21	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:15 AM	Adult Forum — Chapel
<i>** Today we welcome Pastor Glen Egertson from LRCC as he discusses mission to youth and young adults.</i>		
	1:00 PM	BATAK Worship — Sanctuary/PH
Wednesday 24	10:00 AM	COMIC Quilters — Fireside Room
Thursday 25	11:00 AM	Bible Study — Zoom
	<i>** Zoom Meeting ID: 873 1032 5401 Passcode: 401510</i>	
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Saturday 27	11:00 AM	SDA Worship — Sanctuary / PH
	7:00 PM	AA Care and Share — Parish Hall
Sunday 28	9:00 AM	Worship — Sanctuary
	10:15 AM	Adult Forum — Chapel
	1:00 PM	BATAK Worship — Sanctuary/PH

Endowment Fund News:

Your love for this congregation and its ministry would go on FOREVER!

“IN PERPETUITY” is a long, long time!

Please prayerfully consider listing the First Lutheran Endowment Fund in your will or estate plan or other type of planned giving. Your planned giving instructions allow you to specify First Lutheran programs or services; your financial support will insure continued blessings for future generations.

The Endowment Committee will be providing information in the coming months that can assist you in this type of planned giving.

Prayer Ventures from the ELCA

21 Our faith is centered in the good news of Jesus Christ and inspires gratitude, joy and a spirit of love and mercy. “Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord” (Psalm 68:32).

22 Pray for those recently diagnosed with cancer, who experience fear, hope, disbelief and difficult decisions; give thanks for health care professionals, chaplains, congregational ministries and cancer support groups that surround them and their families with care, encouragement and prayer.

23 What a life we live as disciples of Christ! We encounter temptations, humbling situations and conflict, yet we are emboldened by our faith and prodded forward by the Spirit in our baptismal journey. Give praise and thanks to God!

24 Pray for young people celebrating their graduations from high school and for parents and teachers who have equipped and encouraged them along the way; remember students who struggle with school, that they might have people in their lives who encourage and support them.

25 Remember in prayer candidates who serve in congregations and are involved in the ELCA Theological Education for Emerging Ministries (TEEM) program; give thanks for the scholarship assistance provided by ELCA Fund for Leaders.

26 Give thanks and praise to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit, which enriches our faith and gives us the ability to witness to God’s love and mercy and serve our neighbors everywhere.

27 Give thanks for the work of ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response, ministries of our church that gather our resources and combine them with those of domestic and global partners and companion churches to respond to our neighbors who have been impacted by hunger, poverty, injustice, and natural and human-caused disasters.

Remember in prayer...

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

Healing and strength: friend of the Murphy’s, Jim; family of the Havard’s, Richard; mother of Michele Krstenansky, Marcia; friends of the Garcia’s, Karen and Fred; friend of the Johnston’s, Bob; family of BB Quinones, Dakota, Peaches, and Nakohni; Maggie, Alyssa, Laura, and Adan; parents of Erick Hendrickson, Solveig and Jim; family and friend of the Pace’s Nancy and Tammy; friend of Diane Brown, Marilyn; friends of the Barnes’, Larry and Pam; friend of the Griesemer's, Susan; Tom and Debbie Olsen.

Continuing prayers: Dianne Anderson; Wayne Barnhart; Donna Barnes; Scott Huseh; Jan Martus; 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.

** 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.

* 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.***