

Order of Worship for Sunday, May 23, 2021

Day of Pentecost

Fifty days of Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it—to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world.

Gathering

**Indicates to stand if you are able*

Prelude and Bell

* Thanksgiving for Baptism *(on screen)*

* "O Day Full of Grace" #627

* Greeting

* Prayer of the Day

Word

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-25, 35b

Romans 8:22-27

* Gospel Acclamation

* Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

(after announcement of Gospel: Glory to you, O Lord)

(response after reading of Gospel: Praise to you, O Christ)

Message

"Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading" #401

* Statement of Faith

* Offering/Offertory

* Prayers & Lord's Prayer

* Sharing the Peace

Sending

Announcements

"God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind" #400

Benediction

Dismissal and Bell

Remember in your prayers

Chet Tschetter, Mick Rose, those affected by COVID-19, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, terrorism and violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound. Continue to pray for the overseas missionary we support. Pastor Alex LaChappelle serving as a pastor of Nairobi International Lutheran in Kenya, Africa. Note: you may honor a loved one and support Pastor LaChappelle in Kenya. Contact the church office for information.

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Congratulations to our graduating high school students! Emma Bowman, Mason Dougherty, Greta Hentges and Claire Reed.

Friedman's Fables a collection of "fables" by the noted Rabbi Edwin Friedman will be a book study for this summer. These pithy fables stimulate imagination and conversation. In-person study is being offered at noon on Fridays in the Gathering Room. Contact Pastor Dan to join this study. Books are available.

Soap Drive—Lutheran World Relief Commercially wrapped soap needed! This soap is used over-seas for schools, hospitals, clinics, households and refugee camps. This is an ongoing drive, so please continue to donate. A collection basket is located on the table in the lower Narthex area.

KMRS Radio Broadcast dates are: July 18, August 22, October 24, November 21, December 24. Help support the ELCA Worship Hour by sponsoring a broadcast (\$65) in memory or in honor of a loved one. Contact the church office for more information.

Baby Blanket Ministry There is a need for more baby blankets for our baptismal baby blanket ministry. Blankets can be sewn or crocheted, and are needed for both boys and girls (gender neutral blankets work great too!) Blankets can be dropped off at the church office.

Donate with Venmo! You can quickly and easily make donations to First Lutheran through Venmo. Not familiar with Venmo? (it's a safe and easy way to transfer money) Check out and download the app on your smart phone (available for Android and Apple) or check out their website at www.venco.com.

Stevens County Food Shelf supplies a 5-day emergency or supplemental food package to residents of Stevens County. There is no fee for this service, but clients must provide proof of residency. The food shelf welcomes people's donations of food to support our community. Monetary donations are also very helpful in purchasing food supplies. The Food Shelf is located on the corner of 7th Street and Iowa Ave and their hours are: Mondays: 2:30-3:30pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 10:30-11:30am, Thursdays: 5:30-6:30pm. You can reach the food shelf at 320.589.7436.



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this week at First

TODAY	9:30am Worship 6:00-7:30pm Sr. Fusion at First Lutheran
Mon., May 24	— No events scheduled
Tues., May 25	11:00am Pastor's Text Study 7:00pm Church Council Meeting 7:00pm Women's Bible Study
Wed., May 26	— No events scheduled
Thurs., May 27	8:30am Share & Care (quilting group)
Fri., May 28	12:00pm Friedman's Fables (in Gathering Room)
Sat., May 29	— No events scheduled
Sun., May 30	9:30am Worship