

## Order of Worship for Sunday, August 29, 2021

### 14th Sunday after Pentecost

*Jesus protests against human customs being give the weight of divine law, while the essence of God's law is ignored. True uncleanness comes not from external things, but from the intentions of the human heart. Last week Jesus to us "the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life" (John 6:63). Now James says God has given us birth by the word of truth. We who were washed in the word when we were born in the font return to it every Sunday to ask God to create in us clean hearts.*

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## Gathering

*\*Indicates to stand if you are able*

Prelude and Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness **pg. 94**

"Gather Us In" **#532**

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

## Word

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 (page 149 OT in pew Bible)

Psalm 15 (on screen)

James 1:17-27 (page 202 NT in pew Bible)

Children's Message

\* Gospel Acclamation **pg. 142**

\* Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (page 36 NT in pew Bible)

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

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

Message: "What's happened to my dear old church?"

"Let My Heart Be Good Soil" **#512**

\* Statement of Faith—Apostles' Creed **pg. 105**

\* Offering/Offertory

\* Prayers

\* Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Peace

## Sending

Benediction

"For the Beauty of the Earth" **#879**

Dismissal and Bell

*Thank you to Pastor John Smith for leading us in worship today.*

### In today's service:

*Ushering: Dick Smith, Linda Holland  
& Karen Bolling*

*Acolytes: Sarah & Shannon*

*Dougherty*

*Lector: Mike Odello*

*Video: Kyle Dougherty*

*TV Slides: Ward Voorhees*

### Next Week's service—Sep 5:

*Ushers: Al Harris, Tim Grove,  
Lindy Ekola*

*Communion: Elizabeth Harris*

*Acolyte: Madelyn Grove*

*& Madelyn Siegel*

*Lector: Allyn Plattner*

*Nursery: Vicki Dalager*

*Video: Dave Jungst*

*TV slides: Judy Buro*

## Remember in your prayers

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

**Coffee Hour** will be serving each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service. If you can help out, please sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office.

**Pre-Order Pie Sale Deadline** is Wednesday, September 1st. Order forms are available on the table in the Narthex and in our August newsletter.

**School Supplies for Lutheran World Relief** are being collected. Donations can be dropped off in the collection box located in the Narthex. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the church office. A list of supplies needed is printed in the August newsletter.

**Burgers, Beverages and Blessings** meets each Wednesday at 6:30pm at the Fireside in Morris. Join us....all are welcome!

**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) and then search for "FirstLutheranChurch MorrisMN".

**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.

**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.



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## this week at First

TODAY, Aug 29	9:30am	Worship
	10:30am	Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall
Mon., Aug 30	—	No events scheduled
Tues., Aug 31	11:00am	Pastor's Text Study
Wed., Sept 1	6:30pm	Burgers, Beverages & Blessings at Fireside
Thurs., Sept 2	—	No events scheduled
Fri., Sept 3	—	No events scheduled
Sat., Sept 4	8:00am	Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran
Sun., Sept 5	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30am	Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall