

## Sunday, January 21, 2024 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

*As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptism is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.*

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*Hymns and liturgy are located in the red hymnal unless otherwise noted.*

### *Gathering* \* indicates to stand if you are able

Prelude and Bell

Welcome and Announcements

\* Confession & Forgiveness **pg. 94**

\* “I Love to Tell the Story” **#661**

\* Greeting & Kyrie **pg. 138**

\* Hymn of Praise **pg. 139**

\* Prayer of the Day

### *Word*

First Reading: Johan 3:1-5, 10 (page 514OT in pew Bible)

Psalm 65:5-12 (on screen)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (page 140 NT in pew Bible)

\* Gospel Acclamation **pg. 142**

\* Gospel: Mark 1:14-20 (page 30 NT in pew Bible)

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

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

Children’s Message

Message

“Jesus Calls Us, O’re the Tumult” **#696**

\* Statement of Faith: Apostles’ Creed **pg. 105**

\* Prayers of the Church

\* Sharing the Peace

### *Meal*

\* Offering/Offertory “Create in Me a Clean Heart” **#188**

\* The Great Thanksgiving **pg. 144**

\* “Holy, Holy, Holy” **pg. 144**

\* Words of Institution

\* The Lord’s Prayer

Special Music (during Communion Distribution)

Communion Distribution: *All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. If you prefer, gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; just ask the server.*

\* Post Communion Prayer

### *Sending*

\* Blessing

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” **#697**

Dismissal and Bell

### **Remember in your prayers**

*LaVonne Watson and family on the death of her brother, Rochelle Anderson, Anita Stoker, Mick Rose, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound.*

## upcoming events and announcements

**Coffee/Fellowship** Join us in the fellowship hall for coffee and treats following the worship service. All are welcome!

**Annual Reports** are available in the Narthex. Limit of one per family, please.

**Annual Meeting** First Lutheran's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 4 following the worship service. Be sure to attend this important meeting as we review 2023 and discuss the upcoming 2024 church year. Election of new council members, committee members and delegates will also take place. Don't miss it!

**Offering Envelopes** There are still 2024 Envelopes in the Narthex area. If you see ones that can be delivered please do so. Thanks!

**2024 KMRS Radio Broadcast** available dates are: Feb 18, April 14, May 19, June 30, Aug 25, Oct 6, Nov 17 and Dec 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.

**Help Needed!** First Lutheran is in need of worship servants! If you are willing to help serve as an usher/head usher, communion preparer, communion server, nursery attendant or an audio/video tech, please contact the church office. Training will be provided!

**Reminder!** If you or someone you know is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or home-bound and would like a pastoral visit or Holy Communion, please contact church office at 320.589.3242. Hospital and nursing home staff can not contact the church without permission.

### **Today's Worship Servants: Sunday, January 21**

**Ushers:** Al Harris, Jon & Micah Ulrich **Lector:** Allyn Plattner

**Nursery:** Lindy Ekola **Acolyte:** Giana Feuchtenberger & Abigail Anderson

**Communion:** Liz Harris

**Comm Servers:** Ward Voorhees, Laurie Feuchtenberger, Emilie Brustuen

**Video:** Dave Jungst

**TV Slides:** Jaxon Hilbrands

### **Next Week's Worship Servants: Sunday, January 28**

**Ushers:** Al Harris, Doug & Sharon Ehlers, Michael Bjorklund

**Lector:** Sharon Ehlers

**Nursery:** Amy Dougherty

**Acolyte:** Lilly & Owen Nesvid

**Video:** Kyle Dougherty

**TV slides:** Taylor Anderson

# welcome

## First Lutheran Church, ELCA

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### **TODAY: Sunday, January 21**

8:30am: Sunday school

9:30am: Worship with Holy Communion

10:30am: Coffee/Fellowship

### **Monday, January 22**

no events scheduled

### **Tuesday, January 23**

11:00am: Pastor's Text Study

12:00pm: Newsletter Articles Due

### **Wednesday, January 24**

6:00-7:30pm: Element Classes at First

7:00-8:30pm: Sr. Fusion at First

### **Thursday, January 25**

8:30am: Share & Care (quilting group)

### **Friday, January 26**

no events scheduled

### **Saturday, January 27**

8:00am: Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran

### **Sunday, January 28**

9:30am: Worship

10:30am: Coffee/Fellowship