

## February 5, 2023 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

*Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

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

Prelude and Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness **pg. 94**

“Gather Us In” **#532**

Prayer of the Day

### Word

Isaiah 58:1-12 (page 647 OT in pew Bible)

Psalms 112:1-9 (on screen)

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (page 146 NT in pew Bible)

Special Music

\* Gospel Acclamation **pg. 142**

\* Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20 (page 4 NT in pew Bible)

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

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

Message

“Christ, Be Our Light” **#715**

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

Prayers of the Church

Sharing the Pledge

### Meal

\* Offering

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

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

\* Proper Preface

\* “You Are Holy” **#525**

\* Words of Institution

\* Lord’s Prayer

Communion *You are welcome to come to the altar to receive Holy Communion. If you prefer, gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Just ask the server.*

Post Communion Prayer

### Sending

Blessing

“Go, Make Disciples” **#540**

Dismissal and Bell

### Remember in your prayers

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*Russell Anderson, Carol Voorhees, Steve Van Kempen, Carol Day, Anita Stoker, Marla Miller, Mick Rose, those affected by COVID-19, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound. Continue to pray for the overseas missionary we support, Reverend Dr. Philip J. Knutson and Lou Knutson serving in South Africa.*

## upcoming events and announcements

**Volunteers Needed!** Looking for an opportunity to serve at church outside of Sunday mornings? We are looking for assistance with changing the altar paraments and baking communion bread. Paraments are changed reflecting the changing seasons of the church year. Homemade communion bread is served on the first and second Sundays of each month, plus special occasions. Training will be provided with both positions! For more information, please contact Sharon Ehlers at 320-808-4500 or the church office at 320-589-3242.

**Valentine's Day Party!** Senior Ministry is hosting a Valentine's Party on Tuesday, February 14th from 2:00-4:00pm in the church fellowship hall. Everyone is invited, so bring your family and friends! Free transit rides for Morris residents.

**Caring for Caregivers Forum** on Sunday, February 19th at 10:45am in the Gathering Room. This open dialog will be facilitated by Diane Kittelson, has a Master's Degree in Health and Human Services Administration, and has been working with the aging population for over 20 years. Through personal experience Diane can relate to the challenges caregivers face on a daily basis and offers a person-centered approach to assisting caregivers. Learn more, as we also hope to have a monthly Respite Care Day here at First Lutheran.

**First Lutheran Women (WELCA)** will hold a planning meeting on Saturday, February 25 at 9:00am at Common Cup. All are welcome as we look forward to the year ahead.

**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 Pastor Dan at 320.894.3577 or the church office at 320.589.3242. Hospital and nursing home staff can not contact the Pastor or church office without permission.

### In Today's Service: February 5

**Ushers:** Al Harris, Greg & Naomi Fynboh family

**Lector:** Denise Odello                      **Nursery:** Robi Bowman

**Acolytes:** Lilly Nesvig & Aubrey Williamson

**Communion:** Vicki Dalager (bread)

**Communion Servers:** Bob Dalager, Cheryl Higgins, Emilie Brustuen

**Video:** Mike Odello                      **TV slides:** Jennie Odello

### Next Week's Service: February 12

**Ushers:** Steve & Michelle Just family, Lindy Ekola

**Lector:** Lindy Ekola                      **Nursery:** Jone Anderson & Hannah Schneider

**Acolytes:** Sawyer Fynboh & Jaxon Hilbrands

**Communion:** Sharon Ehlers (bread)

**Communion Servers:** Doug Ehlers, Liz Harris, Ward Voorhees

**Video:** Dave Jungst                      **TV slides:** Brenna Jergenson

# welcome

## First Lutheran Church, ELCA

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Sun., Feb 5	8:30am	Choir Rehearsal
	8:30am	Sunday school
	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30am	Coffee/Fellowship
	3:00-4:00pm	Cub Scouts
	6:30-8:00pm	Sr. Fusion at First
Mon., Feb 6	—	No events scheduled
Tues., Feb 7	11:00am	Pastor's Text Study
	6:00pm	Property Committee Meeting
Wed., Feb 8	6:00pm	Element Classes at First
Thurs., Feb 9	8:30am	Share & Care (quilting group)
	10:00am	Pastor at Skyview Plaza (worship)
	6:30pm	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Fri., Feb 10	10am to Noon	Pastor at Common Cup
Sat., Feb 11	8:00am	Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran
Sun., Feb 12	8:30am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30am	Coffee/Fellowship
	2:00pm	Sons of Norway
	6:30-8:00pm	Sr. Fusion at First