

May 22, 2016

Holy Trinity Sunday

**First Lesson Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31**

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: 'To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

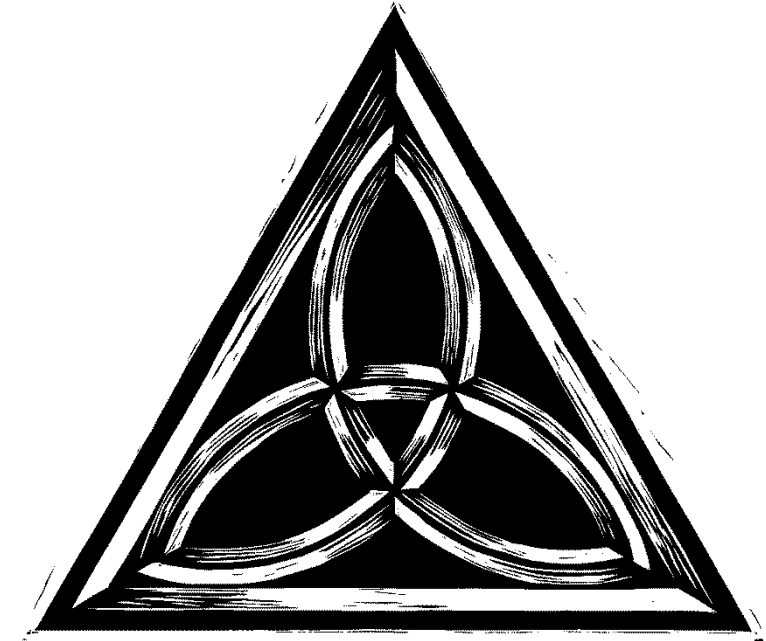
**Second Lesson Romans 5:1-5**

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

**Gospel John 16:12-15**

[Jesus said,] 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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 May 22, 2016  
 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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Online  
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 (QR Code)



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Sometimes it can be challenging to hear the truth – the truth about ourselves and our sinful nature, or the truth about others. It can be even harder to speak the truth to a brother or sister when we know it will hurt or offend. Sometimes this tension causes us to become silent. How does the Gospel help us to move into being truth tellers? And how do we share the true, good news of God’s love with others?

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

*Shine, Jesus Shine*  
 Sunday School Students

**Sunday School Teacher Appreciation**

**Announcements**

**\*Entrance Hymn**

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

**ELW 414**

**\*Apostolic Greeting**

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**\*Kyrie**

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**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Glory to God*

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**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Anthem**

*All Glory, Laud and Honor*  
 Hosanna Handbells

arr. Tucker

**First Lesson**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

In the Bible, wisdom has many faces. It is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, it is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God but also as God’s helper, rejoicing in God’s creation, especially in human beings.

(congregational response after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

**Second Lesson**

Romans 5:1-5

Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ’s Holy Spirit.

(congregational response after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

**\*Gospel Acclamation**



(Congregational response after Gospel is announced: **Glory to you, O Lord.**)

**This Week at First Lutheran:**

- Today:** 8:30 a.m. **Worship/ Teacher Recognition/ Sunday School sings in worship**  
 9:45 a.m. **Sunday School – LAST DAY**  
 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
 11:00 a.m. **Worship/ Teacher Recognition/ Sunday School sings in worship**  
 12:00 p.m. Girl Scouts  
 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate Service @ Kennedy Auditorium
- Monday:** 9:00 a.m. WELCA Love Days  
 5:00 p.m. AI-Anon  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m. Staff meeting
- Wed:** 7:00 a.m. **XY Men’s Bible Study at Café 116**  
 9:30 am AI-Anon  
 9:30 a.m. **Sarah’s Circle at Pioneer Pointe**  
 10:00 a.m. AA  
 1:00 p.m. **Hannah’s Circle in Kairos Room**  
 6:30 p.m. Hosanna Handbells
- Thursday:** 8:45 a.m. M. Watch – Pastor Saul – KBRF AM 1250  
 9:30 a.m. Sr Bible Study & Coffee
- Friday:** Church Office Closed
- Saturday:** Church Office Closed

**Next Sunday, May 29 - NOTE: ONLY ONE SERVICE TODAY**  
 9:30 a.m. **Worship/ High School Senior Recognition**

OFFERING UPDATE			
	Budgeted (5-1 to 5-31)	Actual(5-1 to 5-18)	Difference
Monthly	\$ 39,927.00	\$ 44,338.20	\$4,411.20
	Budgeted (1-1 to 5-31)	Actual(1-1 to 5-18)	
Year to date	\$ 199,651.00	\$ 185,318.74	-\$14,332.26

**Summer Schedule Begins NEXT Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> with one service at 9:30 only.**  
**There will be Thursday evening worship at 5:30 beginning Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>.**  
 Office Hours will be 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday beginning Tuesday, May

**Altar Flowers** are given by Bud & Linda Mellon in celebration of their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Rose on the Altar** is in celebration of the baptism of Lillian Marie Hagebock, daughter of William and Leisha Hagebock. Sponsors are Jordan Burns and Jared Pedersen. Guardian Angel is Madison Muchow.

**Known Hospitalized this week:** Avery Peterson at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. Carol Donley and Bob Baker at Lake Region Hospital.

**Join Us for Fellowship and Refreshments** in the narthex following the 8:30 am worship. Serving today are the families of Hunter Haugen and Maria Myhre.

**Visitors!** If you didn't get a "Visitors Bag" when you came in this morning please pick one up on your way out after worship. You'll find them in a basket located on the small table on the ramp coming up from the narthex into the sanctuary.

**Large Print Edition** of the order of worship, the lessons, and the hymns for today are available. If you would like copies for worship, please ask an usher.

**We will Celebrate Sr. High Recognition Sunday** NEXT Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.

Senior Pastor:	Saul Stensvaag
Associate Pastor:	Jennifer Rose
Visitation Pastor:	Stan Satre
Sunday School Superintendent:	Cindy Larson
Organist:	Keith Melberg
Council President:	Elizabeth Abrahams
Cantor:	Linda Mellon
Sacristan:	8:30 – Mark & Susan Hermes 11- Carolyn Sund
Greeters:	8:30-Brad & Cheryl Buck
	11- Chad, Kelsey, Nolan & Dexter Felstul
Acolytes:	8:30-Alison Koch 11- Tucker Henkes
Lectors:	8:30- Laurie Whitehead 11-Anthony Perez
Hosanna Hanbells Director:	Linda Mellon
P.A. Operator:	8:30-Paul Dimke 11- Bud Mellon

**\*Gospel**

John 16:12-15

Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be borne by the coming Spirit, who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

(Congregational response after Gospel is read: **Praise to you, O Christ**)

**Sermon**

*Speaking Truth in Love*

Pastor Jennifer

**Hymn of the Day**

*Spirit of Gentleness*

**ELW 396**

**\*Apostles Creed** (8:30)

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism** (11:00)

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**\*The PEACE is shared** (8:30)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

**Offering**

*I'll Fly Away*

*arr. Honore*

Hosanna Handbells

**\*Offertory**

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
 cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
 seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
 Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
 prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**\*The Prayers**

P ...Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**C** 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

**\*Prayer, Blessing & Sending**

(Congregational response: "Thanks be to God!")

**\*Recessional Hymn**

*The Spirit Send Us Forth to Serve*

ELW 551

**\*Postlude**

\*indicates when to stand

**Meals By Wheels:** First Lutheran drives the week of May 16-20 and May 23-27. Call Rick West at 218-205-6963 if you are interested in helping out this wonderful Outreach program.

**Offering Envelopes:** If you have not yet picked up your offering envelope you have one more chance in May! They will be on the info counter in alphabetical order. Please let someone in the office know if you no longer want offering envelopes. Thank you!

**Take Stock in our Youth:** You are invited to purchase shares of stock in our youth program. Stock allows youth to attend youth events like synod gatherings, retreats, and summer trips. Stock sales will continue throughout the month of May. Stock is available at \$10 per share. All stockholders will be invited to a celebration dessert this fall. Thank you for your support of the First Lutheran Youth!

**Relay for Life** will be held June 17, 2016. We are having a First Lutheran Team again this year. If you would like to join the team, make a donation, or purchase a luminary in honor of or in memory of someone, please call Sue Toso at 218-770-5156.

**Summer Coffee Servers Needed!!!** Do you enjoy your cup of coffee and treat after Sunday morning worship? If you are willing to serve during the summer months of June, July & August, please contact Terry Gervais at 952-250-0432. We need YOUR help to have coffee on Sunday mornings.

**Check the kiosk for upcoming LutherCrest Events this summer!** 1) Monday-Friday, June 20-24 – Women's Week with Guest Speaker Marilyn Sharp 2) Thursday, July 21 – Night Owl Glow Trail Run and 1) Monday, August 8 – Luther Crest Golf Scramble

**ATTENTION OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans):** We have 32 tickets available for Tuesday, June 7, to travel with Ottertail Coaches to Moorhead to enjoy dinner and the play, "Blame It on the Movies" at Moorhead State University. This play features 75 songs from the most popular films; it is a romp through cinematic history. We will leave the church lower level parking lot at 4:00 p.m. Dinner is on your own (Place to be arranged) at 5:00 p.m. The play begins at 7:30 p.m. Cost for the play is \$20 (Bus paid for from OWLS account). Sign up and pay by check at Info Counter before June 2. Questions?? Call Margaret Kratzke at 218-736-3697. Also, check Kiosk and church bulletins for other planned events this summer- Margaret is open for suggestions.