

June 28, 2015

5th Sunday after Pentecost

FIRST LESSON Lamentations 3:22–33

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the LORD has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the LORD will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 8:7–15

Now as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you — so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something — now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has — not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

GOSPEL Mark 5:21–34

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

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(Congregational response spoken after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

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The woman who has suffered bleeding for 12 years somehow knows that if only she can touch Jesus, his healing power will flow out to her. We cannot touch the flesh and blood Jesus. But He offers us something just as good: his very body and blood. In the bread and wine of Communion, Jesus gives himself to us in a way we can touch and taste. His healing power flows into us today so we can leave here ready to share that healing with the world.

Announcements

***Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

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***Opening Hymn**

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

ELW 767

***Apostolic Greeting**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

***Kyrie**

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***Hymn of Praise**

This is the Feast

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***Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray. . . .

C Amen

Blessing & Sending of Serve: 15 Group

First Lesson

Lamentations 3:22–33

The book of Lamentations is one of our most important sources of information about the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians in 587 B.C. Though the people admit that God's judgment was just, today's reading declares a fervent trust that God will not leave them forever.

(Congregational response spoken after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

Special Music

Jesus Loves Me

Lorie Line

Pastor Jennifer Rose, piano

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 8:7–15

Paul encourages the Corinthians to honor their commitment to participate in the collection his churches are organizing for the Christians in Jerusalem. He presents Jesus as an example of selfless stewardship and reminds them that Christians have received abundantly so that they can

This Week at First Lutheran:

**Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship/Holy Communion
Serve: 15 Blessing & Sending**

**Monday: 9-3:00 p.m. WELCA Love Days
5:00 p.m. Al-Anon
8:30 p.m. Softball – Bell State Bank
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Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. Staff meeting

**Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. Al-Anon
10:00 a.m. AA
Serve: 15 returns from Winnipeg**

**Thursday: 8:45 am Morning Watch – Pr. Saul – KBRF AM 1250
9:30 a.m. Sr Bible Study & Coffee
5:30 pm Worship**

Friday: Church Office Closed

Saturday: Church Office Closed

Next Sunday, July 5

9:30 am Worship/Holy Communion

Altar Flowers are given by Eldon & Margaret Kratzke.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by David & Vicki Hanneman

Join Us for Fellowship and Refreshments in the narthex following worship. Serving this week is the First Lutheran Relay for Life Team.

Known Hospitalized: Margaret Petersen at Lake Region Hospital.

Large Print Bulletins are available. If you would like a copy for worship, please ask an usher.

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.

Quilts for sale! Today, there are several quilts available for sale from our quilters. They are displayed in the Narthex, and proceeds are given to Luther Crest.

Church Softball Games are tomorrow night! Come out to Bell State Bank Field at 8:30 and 9:30 to cheer on our First Lutheran Team!

*** Gospel Acclamation**



(After Gospel is announced, congregation says, **Glory to you, O Lord.**)

*** Gospel**

Mark 5:21-34

(After Gospel is read, congregation says, **Praise to you, O Christ**)

Sermon

Breathing in and Breathing Out

Pastor Saul

Hymn of the Day

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW 612

Children's Event

Pastor Saul

*** Apostles' Creed**

Inside back cover of the ELW Hymnal

*** The Prayers**

P ...Lord, in your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

OR

P ... Let us pray to the Lord,
C Lord, have mercy.

*** The PEACE is shared**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

Offering

Arabesque #1
Jennifer Rose, Piano

Debussy

*** The Offertory**

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
 it with- in me. Cast me not a- way from your pres- ence, and take
 not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re- store to me the
 joy of your sal- va - tion, and up- hold me with your free Spir - it.

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

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*** Holy Communion**

Words of Institution

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

Distribution of Communion

Hymns during Communion

ELW 471, 790

*** Post Communion Blessing**

*** Post Communion Song**

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

ELW 204

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
 Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.
 Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with
 shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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*** Prayer, Blessing & Sending**

(Congregational response: "Thanks be to God")

*** Postlude**

* Indicates when congregation stands

Senior Pastor:	Saul Stensvaag
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Sacristan:	Carolyn Sund
Communion Assistants:	Rick & Linda West
Cantor:	Jon Gunderson
Greeters:	Jack & Sandy Pearson
Acolyte:	Cole Knudson, Olivia Becker
Lector:	Pam Western
PA:	Margaret Ness-Ludwig