



June 21, 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Joint Worship to be the church together.

Voices from all congregations – Hope, Augustana, First Lutheran  
Worship broadcast via radio and YouTube. YouTube links found on:

[www.hopeff.org](http://www.hopeff.org) [www.augustanalutheran.org](http://www.augustanalutheran.org)

[www.firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://www.firstlutheranchurchff.org)

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**PRELUDE**

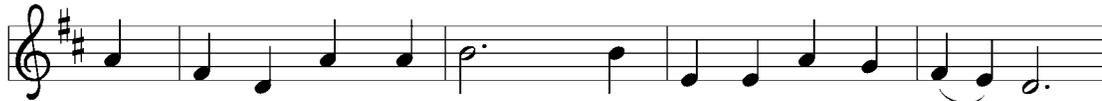
**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A SERVICE OF BEGINNING - LYNN MELCHIOR**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*O God, My Faithful God*

**ELW #806, v.1,2**



1	O	God, my	faith - ful	God,	true	foun-tain	ev - er	flow - ing,			
2	Give	me	the	strength	to	do	with	read - y	heart	and	will - ing
3	Keep	me	from	say - ing	words	that	lat - er	need	re - call - ing;		
4	When	dan-gers	gath - er	round,	oh,	keep	me	calm	and	fear - less;	



with - out	whom	noth-ing	is,	all	per - fect	gifts	be - stow - ing:				
what - ev - er	you	com-mand,	my	call-ing	here	ful - fill - ing—					
guard	me,	lest	i - dle	speech	may	from	my	lips	be	fall - ing;	
help	me	to	bear	the	cross	when	life	seems	dark	and	cheer-less;



give	me	a	health - y	frame,	and	may	I	have	with - in		
to	do	it	when	I	ought,	with	all	my	might—and	blest	
but	when,	with - in	my	place,	I	must	and	ought	to	speak,	
help	me,	as	you	have	taught,	to	love	both	great	and	small,



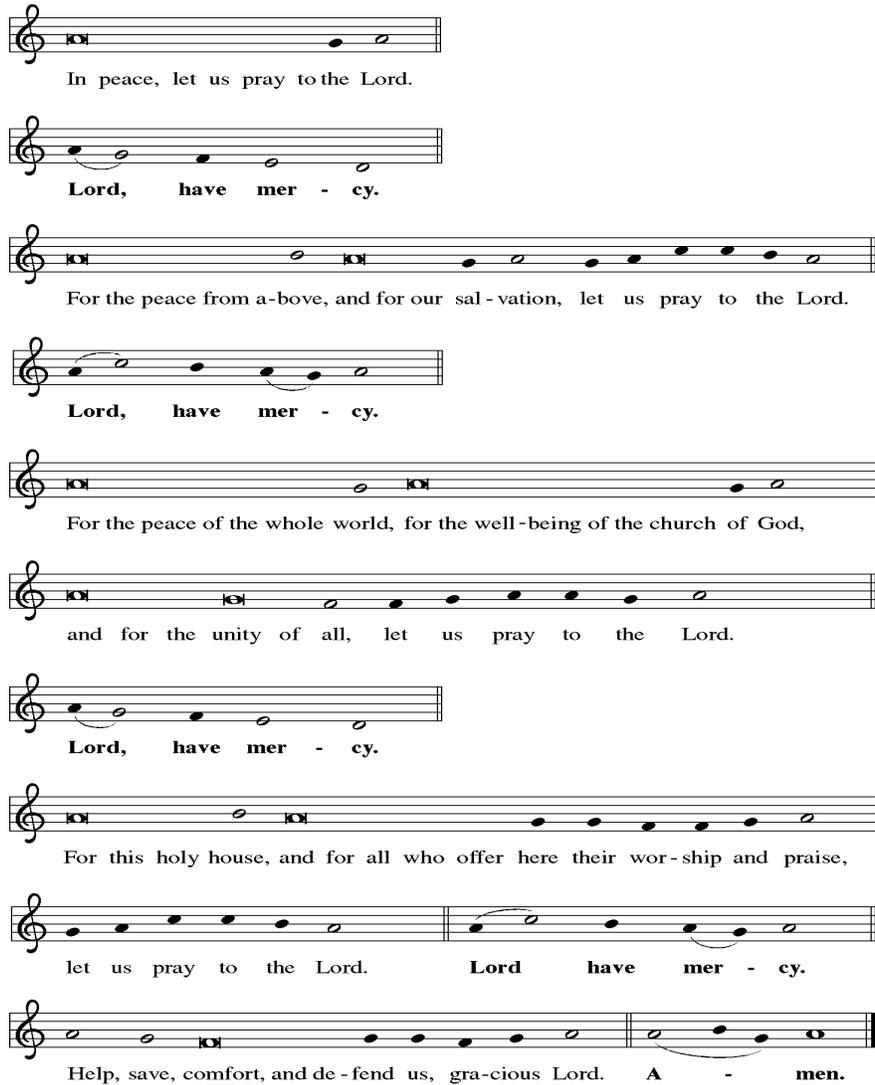
a	con - science	free	from	blame,	a	soul	un - stained	by	sin.	
what - ev - er	I	have	wrought,	for	you	must	give	suc - cess.		
then	to	my	words	give	grace,	lest	I	of - fend	the	weak.
and,	by	your	Spir - it's	might,	to	live	at	peace	with	all.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: WAS FRAG ICH NACH DER WELT, Ahasuerus Fritsch, 1629–1701

**GREETING**

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

## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**READING: Psalm 69:16-18**

<sup>16</sup>Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; in your great compassion, turn to me. <sup>17</sup>Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress. <sup>18</sup>Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION****GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-34**

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup>So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. <sup>34</sup>Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON****PASTOR GRETCHEN ENOCH**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*God of Our Fathers*

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y hand  
 2 Your love di - vine has led us in the past;  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti - lence,  
 4 Re - fresh your peo - ple on their toil - some way;

leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 in this free land by you our lot is cast;  
 make your strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.  
 lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies:  
 oh, be our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay;  
 Your true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease;  
 fill all our lives with heav'n - born love and grace

our grate - ful songs be - fore your throne a - rise.  
 your word our law, your paths our cho - sen way.  
 your boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 un - til at last we meet be - fore your face.

Text: Daniel C. Roberts, 1841–1907, alt.  
 Music: NATIONAL HYMN, George W. Warren, 1828–1902

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### 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.

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## COMMUNION

This is the Lord's Table, all are welcome here. In your home is an ordinary table now set apart and holy, Christ is present there. All are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper, wherever you may be.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, throughout the generations you have come to be present with us at our tables, turning ordinary meals into holy moments for us to experience your grace in tangible ways. In an upper room of a guest house in the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The body of Christ given for you. *(all share in eating the bread)*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The blood of Christ shed for you. *(all sharing in drinking of the cup)*

Together as the body of Christ, trusting that the distance that separates us is bridged by the Holy Spirit who makes us one, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

# COMMUNION HYMN

## Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW #471, v.1



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

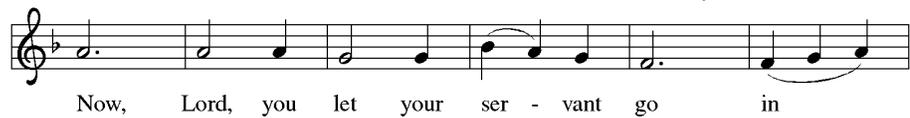
Text: African American spiritual  
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

## LORD'S PRAYER

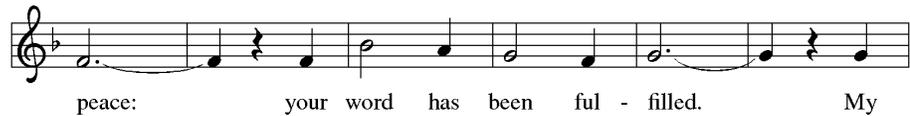
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN***Now, Lord***WOV #624**

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in



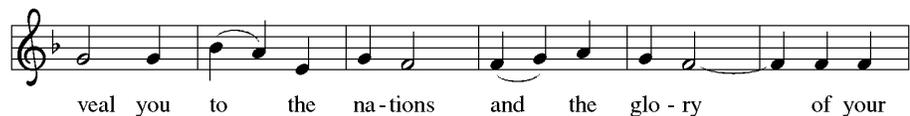
peace: your word has been ful - filled. My



own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of all peo-ple: a light to re -



veal you to the na-tions and the glo - ry of your



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther,



and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and

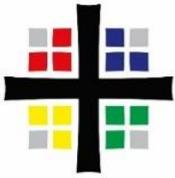


will be for - ev - er. A - men.

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**DISMISSAL****Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.**



## FIRST LUTHERAN ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY JUNE 21, 2020

Church phone number 739-3348 and email [office@flcff.org](mailto:office@flcff.org).

**The flowers on the altar** are given by Steve and Gayle Fitz in celebration of their 47<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**The radio broadcast** is sponsored by David and Vicki Hanneman in honor of all fathers.

**The church building** is now open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The office will be staffed during these times, as we are able. Worship services will continue to be closed to the public. Church and public meetings can be held, with the following guidelines:

- Groups of 10 or less.
- Being aware of physical distancing.
- Masks encouraged.
- Sanitization of the room after the meeting.

**First Lutheran, Hope & Augustana** will continue to provide worship opportunities on Sunday mornings. All worship services are closed to the public, but will be live streamed on YouTube and on-air on KJKK AM 1020 or Channel 977 FM97.7 at 9:30 am. Services are also being aired on PEG Access Channel 8. The schedule can be found on the website: <http://pegaccess.com/channel8programming.html>. We have added communion into our livestreamed and broadcasted worship service. We will be celebrating communion every Sunday. You are encouraged to participate as you feel comfortable.

**If you have a pastoral care emergency**, you can contact Pastor Gretchen at 218-321-0995. Please continue to call (leave a message) and email with questions or concerns. Phone: 218-739-3348, Email: [office@flcff.org](mailto:office@flcff.org), or check our website [firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://firstlutheranchurchff.org) for updates.

**We appreciate your on-going support of the ministry** of First Lutheran Church. Your gifts may be mailed to the church at 402 South Court Street, or you can visit the website [firstlutheranchurchff.org](http://firstlutheranchurchff.org) and click donate on the upper right corner and set up your donation plan. Any questions, please call the office 739-3348.

**Lynn Melchior, our seminary intern**, has joined us in the office! Her title will be Vicar Lynn. She will be in the office Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. These hours will change every so often based on her schooling requirements at Luther Seminary. To contact her call 218 321-0967 or email [lynn@flcff.org](mailto:lynn@flcff.org). She will be a part of our radio and YouTube broadcasts, so watch/listen for her there. Welcome Vicar Lynn!

**Meals by Wheels** will be delivered by First Lutheran volunteers starting tomorrow, June 22 through June 26. *We still need coverage for 1 more route.* Please contact Jennifer by text or phone call (701-238-0276) or via email ([77jennifer@msn.com](mailto:77jennifer@msn.com)). Thanks so much!!

**VBS To-Go Bags** will be ready for drive thru pickup on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and on Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the front entrance of First Lutheran Church. For ages 1 year old through 6th grade. Be sure to stop by to get your bag of fun and engaging activities to bring Jesus into your child's everyday life!

**Blood Drive** will be held at First Lutheran on Tuesday, June 30 from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Due to COVID-19 safety concerns, all sign ups must be done in advance – no walk-ins accepted. To make an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) enter sponsor code: Fergus First Lutheran.

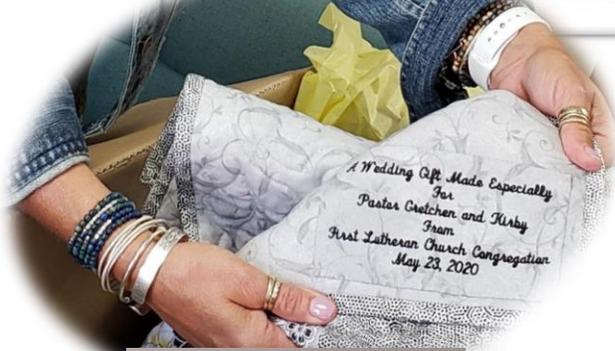
**“Go Make Disciples” VBS Virtual Day Camp** with Luther Crest for ages 5 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be coming this August. More information on registration coming this summer.

**Riverside Lions Club** of Fergus Falls is having a shoe drive. They are looking for new or gently used shoes. There is a collection box in the Narthex, and the doors to church are open Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thanks for helping out with this project.

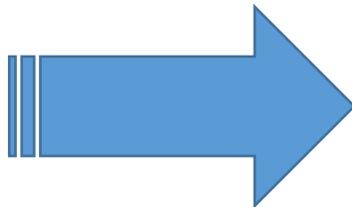
**Financial Update:** As of June 15, 2020, year-to-date revenue: \$231,583, year-to-date budget \$259,710.



Steve Guttormson, Council President, surprised Pastor Gretchen at our staff meeting with a gift from the congregation for Kirby & Pastor Gretchen's wedding. She was thrilled with the beautiful quilt made by the quilters at First Lutheran, and knows Kirby will love it as well!



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