



GATHERING

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

ELW #408



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.
Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716-1796

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.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the **+** Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

KYRIE

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Lord, have mercy. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father. Receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord. You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit. In the glory of God the Father, Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

VICKI HANNEMAN

SPECIAL MUSIC

***How Firm a Foundation*, arr. Alan Lohr**

HOSANNA HANDBELLS

READING: DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14

⁹As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. ¹³As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 18:33-37

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

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

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

SERMON

"An Extraordinary King"

PASTOR DAVID STROM

HYMN OF THE DAY

Rejoice, for Christ Is King!

ELW #430, vs. 1,3,4



1 Re - joice, for Christ is king! Your Lord and king a - dore;
2 Our Sav - ior Je - sus reigns, the God of truth and love;
3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
4 He sits at God's right hand till all his foes sub - mit



re - joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more:
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove:
the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n:
and bow to his com - mand and fall be - neath his feet:

Refrain



Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; re -



joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: LAUS REGIS, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

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

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Amen.

OFFERING

Create in me a Clean Heart

ELW #186



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.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. 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.

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

Beautiful Savior
This Little Light of Mine
Change My Heart, O God

ELW #838

ELW #677

ELW #801

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW #855, vs. 1,3,4



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

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This Sunday, November 21, 2021 - Christ the King Sunday

- 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion, followed by coffee & fellowship, *Narthex*.
- 10:45-11:15am Sunday School & Butterflies

Monday, November 22:

- 9am-3pm Love Days Quilters
- 9am-12pm Pr Strom in the office
- 5pm Al-Anon

Tuesday, November 23:

- December Messenger Articles Due
- 12pm Yoga, *Narthex*
- 5:30pm Yoga, *Narthex*

Wednesday, November 24- Joint Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

- 9:30am Al Anon
- 10:00am AA
- 1:00pm Cookie Monster AA
- NO FLY K-6
- NO FLY 7-12
- 5:00pm OA
- 6:30pm Joint Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Thursday, November 25 - Thanksgiving

- Happy Thanksgiving! Have a great day everyone!

Friday, November 26:

- Office Closed

Next Sunday, November 28- 1st Sunday of Advent

- 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion, followed by coffee & fellowship, *Narthex*.
- NO Sunday School & Butterflies

Welcome to 1st Lutheran!

- * We are delighted that you have joined us for worship.
- * The invitation to Holy Communion comes from our Lord Jesus. You do not need to be a member, or Lutheran, to receive Holy Communion. All who trust Christ's promises are welcome.
- * Children are sometimes wiggly and noisy. We don't mind. They are always welcome here. If your small children are needing to move around or need comforting, there is space in the back of the Sanctuary with quiet toys and a rocking chair.
- * If you have prayer concerns, please be sure to let the church office know. Church phone number is 739-3348.

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Karen Lundstrom and Leonard Hatzenbuhler in honor of Leonard's dad's 100th birthday.

The flowers on the altar are sponsored by Steve and Gayle Fitz.

We have openings to sponsor the radio broadcast available into 2022; Cost: \$100. **Providing altar flowers** is available into 2022. Please sign up on the kiosk in the Narthex or call the office at 739-3348. Thank you!

Sunday School & Butterflies: Children ages birth-6th grade, join us for Sunday School from 10:45-11:15 in the education wing lower level.

We are in need of prayer shawls! If you knit or crochet please make some for us and bring to the office. Find patterns in the Narthex. Thanks!

Join us for a special Thanksgiving Eve Service, Wednesday Nov. 24, 6:30pm. We are welcoming members and musicians from other Fergus Falls ELCA churches for this community worship service.

Please donate to WELCA's Thankoffering. Place your Thankoffering in an envelope and mark it "Thankoffering". Make your checks directly to First Lutheran Church WELCA. Mail or bring into the office before Dec. 1. Find info in the November Messenger.

First will be providing **Christmas food baskets** again this year for those in need, sponsored by the Discipleship Committee. If you need one this year, please give the office your name, phone number and address.

There will be no Harvest Dinner this year but we are accepting donations to provide **Service Food Cards** for those in our community who come in for help.

First Lutheran will be running **Meals on Wheels** again December 13-17th. We have four full week slots open. Call the office to sign up 218-739-3348.

Wyldlife events for 6-8th graders in November: Nov 14th & 28th. Held 6-7:30pm in the Underground, the basement of the Keller Williams building.

Luther Crest- Register for the Winter Youth Retreats!

Come for a fun and faith-filled weekend at camp with all of your favorite camp activities: s'mores, games, bible dive, cabin time, and so much more! **3-6 Grade Retreat:** January 14-16, 2022, **6-9 Grade Retreat:** January 21-23, 2022, Cost: \$150/camper (\$50 non-refundable deposit) Register at luthercrest.org

Christmas Flower Arranging Class by Seeded Design please sign up in front of the office or on our website by November 30th. Class is \$35 on December 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the First Lutheran Fellowship Hall.

Advent Resources are available for you and your family in the Narthex. Take some home with you today!