



GATHERING MUSIC

Great is the Lord

WORSHIP TEAM

Here I Am to Worship, Freedom is Come

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

For All the Saints

HYMN #422, vs 1,2,3



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; . .
saints triumphant rise in bright array; the
gates of pearl streams in the countless host, . .



name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
King of glory passes on his way.
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle,
4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the
5 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful



they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
distant triumph song, and hearts are brave a gain and arms are
servants cometh rest; . . . sweet is the calm of paradise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
strong.
blest.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all! **People: And also with you!**

Minister: Let us pray together. **People: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses--**

Minister: Patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets and psalmists, disciples and evangelists, martyrs and saints. Our loved ones now resting in you, who guided us, nurtured and cared for us; your precious children in this community of believers. Family and friends who help, guide and uplift us and fellow believers in every country, every denomination -- children of your family, sheep of your fold, saints of your redeeming.

People: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who followed, obeyed, adored you – our grateful hymn we sing.

Minister: We remember the saints who have gone before us. We remember our brothers and sisters from our congregation who have been born to eternal life this last year: *(bell tolls and candle lit after each name is read)*

Phyllis Anderson Marjorie Iversen Lynal Oscarson Grace Strass Helen Pederson
Sheila Elliott LaRoy Nell Norby Robert Lorsung Eldon Kratzke Gerald Elliott
Eunice Peterson Anthony Perez Stanley Quam Edwin Stahl Doris Teberg
Evelyn Horton Kenyon

Minister: We remember the people dear to us who have died in faith who we continue to miss. God we give you thanks for this great cloud of witnesses.

People: We give thanks for their life and witness among us. Blessed be their memory. Amen!

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.**

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

ELW #157

Leader: in peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your world, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Help, save and defend us, O God. **Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW #167

Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom, praise and glory forever more! Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through 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

READING: REVELATION 21:1-6A

A reading from Revelation.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." ⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ^{6a}Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 11:32-44

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

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

SERMON

"Where Are You Headed?"

PASTOR GRETCHEN ENOCH

HYMN OF THE DAY

Give Thanks for Saints

ELW #428



1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -
2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere
3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling
4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -



round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so
mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the
pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an
live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their



while they live and when they die how force - ful -
true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on -
in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -
hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that



ly they speak— the strong, who once were weak!
toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.
cerns they own— God's love through them is known.
we may say we share their pil - grim way.

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. Amen.

OFFERING

We Are an Offering

ELW #692

The musical score is written on six staves of music. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering." The score includes various musical notations such as treble clefs, 7/8 time signatures, and triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above the notes).

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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

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

COMMUNION HYMNS

Day by Day

ELW #790

What Feast of Love

ELW #487

BLESSING

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

SENDING HYMN

When the Saints Go Marching In

Oh when the saints go marching in, Oh when the saints go marching in,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number When the saints go marching in.

Oh when the Lord in glory comes, Oh when the Lord in glory comes,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number When the Lord in glory comes.

Oh when they gather round the throne Oh when they gather round the throne
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number When they gather round the throne.

And on that hallelujah day And on that hallelujah day
Oh Lord I want to be in that number And on that hallelujah day.

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION FOR PASTOR DAVID STROM

Pastor: We, of First Lutheran Church, after prayerful deliberation, have appointed David Strom to be Visitation Pastor. I present him for installation.

The minister questions the pastor to be installed.

Pastor: Pr David, in the presence of this congregation, will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, and promise to discharge your duties in harmony with the constitution of this church?

David Strom: I will and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: Will you distribute the sacraments and provide pastoral care in alignment with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the Lutheran Faith?

David Strom: I will and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: Will you love, serve and pray for God's people? Will you nourish them with the Word and the Holy Sacraments, leading them by your own example in the use of the means of grace, in faithful service and holy living?

David Strom: I will and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

David Strom: I will and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them. Amen.

Pastor: And you, people of God, will you receive this messenger of Jesus Christ, sent by God to serve God's people with the Gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

Congregation: We will.

Pastor: Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

Congregation: We will.

Pastor: The office of Visitation Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

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This Sunday, November 7, 2021 : All Saints Sunday

- 9:30am Blended Worship with Holy Communion with Installation of Pastor David Strom followed by coffee & fellowship, *Narthex*.
- 11:20am Education Committee
- 10:45-11:15am Sunday School & Butterflies
- 11am-2pm Confirmation Intensive, *Fellowship Hall*

Monday, November 8:

- 9am-3pm Love Days Quilters
- 5pm Al-Anon

Tuesday, November 9:

- 12pm Yoga, *Narthex*
- 5:30pm Yoga, *Narthex*
- 6:00pm Council, *Kairos*

Wednesday, November 10:

- 9:30am Al Anon
- 10:00am AA
- 1:00pm Cookie Monster AA
- 3-4:30pm FLY K-6, Roosevelt Park
- 4:30-5:30pm FLY 7-12, *Youth Room*
- 5:00pm OA
- 6:00pm Hosanna Handbells
- 7:30pm Adult Choir *Narthex*

Thursday, November 11:

- 12:00 pm Middle of the Mess Book Study, *Narthex*
- 6:00pm Women's AA

Next Sunday, November 14

- 9:30am Worship with Holy Communion & Blessing of Quilts and School Kits, followed by coffee & fellowship, *Narthex*.
- 10:45-11:15am 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 and flowers on the altar are sponsored by Tedd Steenbock in memory of Patti's birthday on November 13th.

We have openings to sponsor the radio broadcast: 2022 Dates are open; Cost: \$100. **Providing altar flowers** is available for Dec. 5 and into 2022. Please sign up on the kiosk in the Narthex or call the office at 739-3348. Thank you!

A slide show is being created to accompany a performance by the choir for the Thanksgiving Eve service. The theme is "Giving Thanks to God". We are looking for any pictures of families, special events, selfies, landscapes, sunrises/sunsets, etc... that you are thankful for. This slideshow will also be broadcast on YouTube as part of the joint Fergus Falls ELCA Thanksgiving Eve worship service. By submitting the picture, you are giving permission for this to be used for worship and it will be streamed on YouTube. Please submit digital photos to Kristy@flcff.org or text to (218) 531-9544 by Wednesday, November 10th.

Sunday School: Join us for Sunday School from 10:45-11:15 in the education wing lower level.

Children ages 0-3 years and a special adult- Butterflies will be starting November 7th in the lower education wing, classroom #3. Our 30 minute class begins with a warm welcome, next a craft and toddler lesson/story, singing, a wiggle activity and ends in prayer. An exciting change this year is that Butterflies Sunday School will be in session every Sunday that the older Sunday School children meet.

Thank you for the Halloween Candy, Trunk or Treat was a great success!

Luther Crest- Registration for Summer Camp 2022 will open on November 1, 2021. Winter Youth Retreat- 3-6 Grade Retreat: January 14-16, 2022 and 6-9 Grade Retreat: January 21-23, 2022 check out the website: luthercrest.org for registration and more information. Early bird registration rate for Summer camp ends February 14th.

We are in need of prayer shawls! If you knit or crochet please make some for us and bring to the office. 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. Please place your Thankoffering in an envelope and mark it "Thankoffering". 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.

Service Food Cards: we have great need in our community for help with food, if you wish to help us purchase more Service Food cards please use one of the offering envelopes and write "Service Food Cards" on the outside. Thank you.