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**The Mission of First Lutheran Church is
to serve God's purpose in the world
to gather, equip and send.**

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WELCOME GUESTS: Please take a candle (or bubbles for children) from the gathering space near the Worship Room or the table in the café as a reminder of your visit. Also, please pick up a newsletter to see what is happening at FLC. For questions, please call 292-9125, email info@firstlutheran.com or check website, www.firstlutheran.com.

**those who are able may stand*

+ GOD CALLS US TOGETHER +

Gathering Time

“Shout to the Lord”

Zschech

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;
Let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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Nothing compares to the promise I have in,
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Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

“Indescribable”

Story/Reeves

From the highest of heights
To the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall
To the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique
In the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt
Where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses
Laden with snow
Who imagined the sun
And gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us
The coolness of night
None can fathom

Chorus

You are amazing God!

Chorus

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And you know them by name
You are amazing God
Incomparable unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And you love me the same
You are amazing God
You are amazing God

*Song **“You’re Worthy of My Praise”** Ruis

Leader: I will worship	All: I will worship
Leader: With all of my heart	All: With all of my heart
Leader: I will praise You	All: I will praise You
Leader: With all of my strength	All: All of my strength
Leader: I will seek You	All: I will seek You
Leader: All of my days	All: All of my days
Leader: I will follow	All: I will follow
Leader: All of Your ways	All: All of Your ways

Chorus I will give You all my worship, I will give You all my praise.
You alone I long to worship, You alone are worthy of my praise.

Leader: I will bow down	All: I will bow down
Leader: And hail You as king	All: And hail You as king
Leader: I will serve You	All: I will serve You
Leader: Give ev’rything	All: Give ev’rything
Leader: I will lift up	All: I will lift up
Leader: My eyes to Your throne	All: My eyes to Your throne
Leader: I will trust You	All: I will trust You
Leader: Trust You alone	All: Trust You alone.

Chorus (2 times)

You alone are worthy of my praise.
You alone are worthy of my praise.

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+ GOD SPEAKS TO US +

Children’s Message Pastor Charlie Zimmerman

Bible Reading Mark 11:1-11 *The Message*

When they were nearing Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany on Mount Olives, he sent off two of the disciples with instructions: "Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a colt tethered, one that has never yet been ridden. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'The Master needs him, and will return him right away.'"

They went and found a colt tied to a door at the street corner and untied it. Some of those standing there said, "What are you doing untying that colt?" The disciples replied exactly as Jesus had instructed them, and the people let them alone. They brought the colt to Jesus, spread their coats on it, and he mounted.

The people gave him a wonderful welcome, some throwing their coats on the street, others spreading out rushes they had cut in the fields. Running ahead and following after, they were calling out,

Hosanna!
Blessed is he who comes in God's name!
Blessed the coming kingdom of our father David!
Hosanna in highest heaven!

He entered Jerusalem, then entered the Temple. He looked around, taking it all in. But by now it was late, so he went back to Bethany with the Twelve.

Message

“Collision Course”

Pastor Charlie Zimmerman

Reconciliation with God and Others

Leader: We were there, O Lord. We were right there with them – praising you and spreading out before you garments and palms.

All: We were there with them, and for the same reason. We want you to be everything we want you to be. We praise you because we convince ourselves you are everything we want you to be.

Leader: But we were not there, not when you needed us.

All: Like the crowd, we left you and went in search of someone who would give us what we want.

Leader: Forgive us for selfishness. Meet us there even as you met that earlier crowd. Work to bring us around to your way of seeing you.

All: Give us your words, your dreams, your mission. In our better moments we know that what you think is what is really important as you lead us in the way we are to follow you. Grant us courage to act on what we know is true about you.

+ WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE +

Prayers of the People

(After each petition the leader will say: "Lord of the Journey" and the people will respond, "Show us the way.")

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Giving and Receiving of Gifts and Signing of the Fellowship Books

I see the city lights all around me, everyone's obscure
Ten million people each with their problems
Why should anyone care and in Your eyes I can see

I am not just someone, vastly lost in this world
Lost in a Sea of Faces
Your body's the bread, Your blood is the wine
Because You traded Your life for mine

Sometimes my life it feels so trivial
Immersed in the greatness of space
Yet somehow You still find the time for me
It's then You show me Your love
And In Your eyes I can see and in Your arms I will be

I am not just someone, vastly lost in this world
Lost in a Sea of Faces
Your body's the bread, Your blood is the wine
Because you traded Your life for mine

If only my one heart
Was all You'd gain from all it cost
Well I know You would have still been a man
With a reason to willingly offer Your life

I am not just someone, vastly lost in this world
Lost in a Sea of Faces
Your body's the bread, Your blood is the wine
Because You traded Your life for mine

I am not just someone, vastly lost in this world
Lost in a Sea of Faces
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Because You traded Your life for mine

Just one in a million faces

+ GOD EMPOWERS AND SENDS US +

Welcome to Communion

(All who wish to participate are invited to share in the Lord's Supper. We come forward by the diagonal aisles. We use a method called intinction. You will be given a wafer (bread), which can then be dipped in either the wine (chalice) or grape juice (clear glass). We return to our seats by the straight aisles. Children are encouraged to come forward for a blessing, to know that God loves them.)

Communion Song

“Jesus, Messiah”

Tomlin/Carson/Cash/Reeves

He became sin Who knew no sin
That we might become His Righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing, love so amazing.

Chorus

Jesus Messiah
Name above all names Blessed Redeemer
Emmanuel The rescue for sinners
The Savior from Heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread, his blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn
Love so amazing, Love so amazing

Chorus

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You, God
The light of the world

Chorus

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all, Lord of all
Lord of all

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*Blessing

Leader: Dismiss us now to follow your way, celebrate your presence, and love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

All: Amen.

Blessing and honor glory and power
Be unto the Ancient of Days
From ev'ry nation all of creation
Bow before the Ancient of Days

Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory
Ev'ry knee shall bow
At Your throne in worship
You will be exalted O God
And Your kingdom shall not pass away
O Ancient of Days
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And Your kingdom shall not pass away
O Ancient of Days

Your kingdom shall reign
Over all the earth
Sing unto the Ancient of Days
For none can compare
To Your matchless worth
Sing unto the Ancient of Days

Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth
Shall declare Your glory
Ev'ry knee shall bow
At Your throne in worship
You will be exalted O God
And Your kingdom shall not pass away
O Ancient of Days, O Ancient of Days, O Ancient of Days

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Leader: Go with Christ to love and serve the world.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

*To share this service or hear it again, please visit
the website Worship page later this week or request a CD.*

*After 8:45 and 9:00 worship, you are invited to the Fellowship Hall/Cafe for coffee and
conversation, then attend the Faith Formation class of your choice at 10:00 am.*

Thanks to Luke Bump for playing with the Living Stones this morning. We appreciate you
Luke!

Thank You to Those Serving Today

Ministers - The people of the First Lutheran faith community.

Worship Leader

Charlie Zimmerman, Senior Pastor

Director of Worship Ministries

Karen Brown

Contemporary Worship Coordinator

Susan Klaiber

Sound Reinforcement

Mike Bingaman, Matt Poehler and Holly Miller

Welcoming Team

The Lindberg family

Lay Reader

Andrew Chamberlin

Flowers in the Worship Room are given to the glory of God by Carol McPeeters and her
sisters in celebration of their parents, John and June Witherspoon's 50th wedding anniversary
on 2/20 and by John Shobert in celebration of family.

Flowers in the Fellowship Hall are given to the glory of God by Bob and Joretta Klepfer in
celebration of Joretta's mother, Margaret Kennerly's 97th birthday.

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Karen Brown celebrates her 10 year anniversary at FLC this month! Please join us
for a reception in her honor on February 28 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you
would like to write a note or card for Karen on this special occasion, please leave in the
church office for Maryellen Paton or bring with you on the 28th. Thank you, Karen, for
sharing your musical gifts with FLC for the past decade!!



On this first Sunday in Lent, we happily welcome you to the Lord's house. May the risen Christ be our Guest, and may every heart be open to receive him. Faith Formation begins at 10:00 am. Nursery care is available for those up to 4 years old.

Congregational Ministries

The overview of the Natural Church Development process is today at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall.

The Nominating Committee is beginning the process of identifying and selecting nominees for the following positions: Council Vice President (3 year term, moving from VP, to President, and lastly At Large member), Stewardship Chair (2 year term), Endowment Committee (2 year term), and Nominating Committee (2 year term). Forms can be picked up in the church office or you can have it emailed to you, and can be placed in the nominating committee box in the church office. All forms should be returned by March 1.

The Powlas Deal Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 2 (note change of date due to Lent) at the church in Room 4 at 7:00 pm. The hostess will be Kim Harms and the program will be learning how to fold boxes and assembling Easter baskets for Mary's House residents. Please bring items for the baskets for 14 children and 8 adults.

Youth Ministries

Service Project and Pizza for 5th and 6th graders tonight from 4-6:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall: We're making catnip toys for local animal shelter. Please bring old socks (no holes!) and \$4 to cover supplies and food. Pizza, drinks and dessert will be served.

24-Hour Hunger Lock-In Event Has Been Rescheduled! All Youth Grades 7-12 are welcome to join! Friday, February 26, arrive at FLC at 7 pm Event ends Saturday, February 27 at 1:30 pm. Cost- \$13 (covers t-shirt and supplies & 'break-fast' meal). Fasting Time by the honor system begins at 12:30 pm Friday. **Sign up by February 14 (or re-confirm your participation) on the youth board!

Children's Ministries

Children's Ministry Planning Meeting... Anyone interested in planning for Children's Ministry please join us as we plan for the 2010-2011 year, on Sunday February 28 at 10:15 or immediately following the reception for Karen Brown in Room 1.

Day Camp Registration is now open. The dates for this year's camp are June 21 – 25. The cost is \$125 if you register by April 5 or \$140 after that date. Registration closes on May 24. See Denise or the FLC website for further details.

Worship Ministries

The Worship Ministries division will meet next Sunday, 2/28 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm in the Luther Cafe. If you are interested in attending, Karen Brown, Maryellen Paton or Pat Bergen can give you additional information.

Community Ministries

TWO WEEKS! Explore discipleship at First Lutheran in the New Beginnings Class at 10 am, March 7 in the Parlor. The class focuses on discipleship through a Lutheran lens and gives an overview of ministries here. The next joining date is March 14. Questions? Please ask a pastor or Frank Moore, frank@firstlutheran.com, 292-9125 Extension 102.

CHICKS FOR CHANGE! For Lent 2010, parents and other caring adults can teach children to show love in action through God's Global Barnyard!

"Chicks for Change" focuses on collecting 100 chicks for a needy part of the world; **little chicks can make a big difference!** Within a few months of birth, chicks begin laying eggs. Eggs make great meals for growing children, and the extra eggs generate income.

From TODAY though April 4 (Easter), look near the library for a bulletin board full of chicks. Pick a chick, sign it (or buy one or more with friends!) and post it on the board. When we reach 100 chicks, which cost \$10 each, the pastors will appear in a chicken suit or mask to thank everyone! You'll want to see that! Also, little banks will be distributed in classrooms and near the offices of Frank Moore and Denise Riley.

Please make checks to First Lutheran Church or the ELCA World Hunger Appeal and put "chicks" on your offering envelope.

Community Ministries and Children's Ministries are working together so that children will learn about sharing and caring. For more information, ask coordinator Amy Schenck (540-8395, aschenck73@gmail.com), Denise Riley, or Frank Moore.

LAST CALL! Temple Emanuel on Jefferson Road is hosting an interfaith event with Sen. Kay Hagan, Sunday, March 7, 7:30 pm. Coffee and dessert will be served. Seating is limited; please contact Frank Moore by TOMORROW, 292-9125, frank@firstlutheran.com.

Stewardship

CARING FOR CREATION: The Green Team, led by Kay Zimmerman, examines ways to be more environmentally conscious in our homes and at the church. This group is the practical extension of one of the church's strategic purposes - Caring For Creation. If you have questions or want to help, contact Kay, zimmermank@greensboroday.org, 288-8891. Also, check out www.elca.org/stewardship to see how the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is responding (particularly the Earthkeeping resource for downloading or ordering) or www.nclutheran.org for the NC Synod's efforts.



2010 sounds like a good year to have another Congregational Retreat at Lutheridge. Please mark your calendars for Oct 8-10, 2010. Our first planning meeting will be April 11th at the church at 4:00 PM. Let's have a big group come together with excitement to help make this weekend special. Please call Donalyn Johnson at 288-5106 with questions and don't forget to mark your calendars.

The Rev. Dr. Charles M. Zimmerman, Sr. Pastor
The Rev. John S. Hilbinger, Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Brady Y. Faggart, Pastor Emeritus
Karen S. Brown, Director of Worship Ministries
Dr. Billy Summers, Choral Director
Susan Kfaiher, Contemporary Music Coordinator
Madeleine Dassow, President of the Congregation