

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Schedule

Traditional Worship – Fellowship Hall	8:45 A.M.
Contemporary Worship – Worship Room	9:00 A.M.
Education Hour	10:00 A.M.
Traditional Worship – Worship Room	11:15 A.M.
Shout! Evening Service – Worship Room	6:30 P.M.

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



**First Lutheran is a partner in the NC Synod
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.**

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*

+those who are able may kneel

Preparation for Worship

+Silent Prayer

Greeting

Handbell Prelude (11:15)

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

Arr. Kevin McChesney

Dave Limburg, Trumpet

++ God Gathers Us Together ++

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen.

Leader: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Assembly: 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. We invite those who are able to kneel; others may be seated.

+Leader: Most merciful God,

Assembly: 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.

Leader: 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.

Assembly: Amen.

*Sharing the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Assembly: And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, "Peace be with you."

*Gathering Song

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Hymn 634

*Greeting

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

Assembly: And also with you.

*Kyrie

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*Canticle of Praise

(8:45)

"Glory be to God"

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(11:15)

"Seven Times a Day" (I will praise Him)

Gordon and Smith

Children's Choir

Arr. from CD by Bruce Buxton

Billy Summers and Bruce Buxton, accompanists

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

Leader: Let us pray. O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land.

Assembly: Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

++ God Speaks to Us ++

Children's Sermon

Pastor Jay Hilbinger

Lesson

Isaiah 50:4-9

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*Lenten Acclamation

Glo-ry to you, O Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th chapter.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Holy Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

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Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly: Praise to you, O Christ.

Communion Meditation

“Opposites Attract...Confrontation”

Pastor Jay Hilbinger

*Hymn of the Day

“O Master, Let Me Walk with You”

Hymn 818

++ We Respond to God’s Grace ++

*Nicene Creed

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+Prayers

Leader: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

After each portion of the prayers:

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

Assembly: Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Leader: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Assembly: Amen

Offering and Signing of Fellowship Books

Musical Offering

(8:45)

“We Will Glorify”

Paris

Fellowship Choir

(11:15)

“The Holy City”

Adams

Chancel Choir

*Offertory

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

Hymn 679, v. 3

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us.

Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

*Offertory Prayer

Leader: Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation.

Assembly: 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.

++ God Empowers and Sends Us ++

*Great Thanksgiving

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Leader: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy, Holy, Holy

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Leader: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Leader: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

*Lord's Prayer

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Leader: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Communion Hymn
(2 measures of introduction)

"Lamb of God"

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Receiving of Communion

(All who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are invited to share in the Lord's Supper. At 8:45 we approach the altar by the center aisle and then stand across the front. We return to our seats by the side aisles. At 11:15 we approach the altar by the diagonal aisle. An usher will direct you to a place around the altar. Those who are able are invited to kneel. If you would prefer grape juice rather than wine, please hold on to the bread until the communion assistant is before you. That will signify your desire for grape juice. We return to our seats by the straight aisles. Children are encouraged to come forward for a blessing and to know that God loves them.)

Post-Communion Blessing

Leader: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Assembly: Amen

*Prayer for Our Chaplains and Communion Ministers

Leader: Let us pray. O God, our help and shield, as Jesus sent out his followers as laborers in the field:

Assembly: Bless our chaplains and communion ministers who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our absent sisters and brothers. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this Holy Communion, that through the body and blood of your Son, we may all know the mystery of Christ in us, the hope of glory. Amen

*Post-Communion Prayer

Leader: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son.

Assembly: By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Benediction

Leader: 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.

Assembly: Amen.

*Sending Song

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Hymn 855

Leader: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

Postlude (11:15)

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Setting by Wilbur Held

Worship Note: The paraments have been changed to purple, which is the liturgical color for the season of 40 days prior to Easter; this season is called Lent. “Lent” comes from an Old English word for spring, and during this season we are encouraged to look within our lives and seek to renew ourselves as people of God who are given new life in our baptism. We repent and turn around to a new way of living. Purple is a strong color and has been interpreted to symbolize both royalty or pain and suffering.

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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.

Thank You to Those Serving Today

Lay Reader: 8:45: Diane Vanderwerff

11:15: Shirley Yount

Communion Assts.: 8:45: Phyllis Lambeth and Donna Walli

11:15: Cynthia D’Agostino and Cecilia Adams

Altar Guild: 11:15: Ned and Linda Cline

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.

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!!



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 Klaiber, Contemporary Music Coordinator
Madeleine Dassow, President of the Congregation