

SENIOR RECOGNITION

Cake and coffee in honor of our grads will be served between all services in the Family Room.

VBS 2018 SHIPWRECKED: RESCUED BY JESUS

June 11-15 | 8:30-11:30am | FLC

Ages preschool through 5th grade. Register at www.firstlutheranalexandria.com now!! Volunteers are needed. Please email Randi Rach if you are able to volunteer Randi.Rach@firstlutheranalexandria.com.

FATHER'S DAY & CRAZY SOCKS!

Saturday, June 16 and Sunday, June 17 | Worship

We will honor the fathers and important father figures in our lives. Prizes will be awarded in worship for the dad with the wildest and craziest socks! We will also be collecting men's and women's athletic sock donations for our middle schoolers to take to Churches United in Ministry in Duluth. Place donations in the sock drawer near the welcome center.

WESLEY BELL RINGERS CONCERT

Monday, June 18 | 7:30-8:30pm | Sanctuary

The Wesley Bell Ringers are a group of 15 high school students and college freshmen. They glorify God and the sponsoring congregation by their music, appearance, behavior and attitude. Please join us for this extraordinary musical event!

YOUTH DAY AT THE LAKE

Wednesday, June 20 | 1:00-4:00pm | 1402 Maple Dr. SE

For all 6th-12th graders. Rain or Shine!

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION OPENING

If you have interest in this position please contact Greg Tvrdik in the church office or pick up an application and job description at the Welcome Center. Please have your application/resume submitted by June 20.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS

Tuesday, July 31 | 3:00pm departure | Target Field

Sign up at the Welcome Center. Cost is \$55. Sign up deadline is Sunday, July 1.

ELCA WORLD HUNGER'S GLOBAL FARM

The weekend of June 16-17, we will take a special offering that will go toward the ELCA World Hunger's Global Farm. This is the recipient of the offering that will be taken during the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, June 27-July 1. Envelopes will be provided for your gift. After June 16-17, you may write a check and put "World Hunger Global Farm" in the memo line and put in the offering plate.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Welcome to First Lutheran Church, where faith and life meet.

OUR MISSION

First Lutheran is a vibrant Christian community committed to connecting faith and life for people of all ages through worship, learning, and serving in Jesus' name.

MORE INFORMATION

Stop by our Church Office during business hours or by the Welcome Center before and after worship services. Volunteers and staff are available before and after worship services to assist you. Children's bulletins and Worship Bags are available for use at the back of the Sanctuary.

LEARN MORE AT

FIRSTLUTHERANALEXANDRIA.COM/EVENTS or stop by the Welcome Center for our Weekly or Monthly Calendar.

PRAYER REQUESTS | HOSPITAL VISITS

If you have a prayer request or if you or a loved one are hospitalized and would like a visit, please call or email the church office at 320-762-2196 or admin@firstlutheranalexandria.com. For emergency after hours needs please call 320.219.5492.

GIVING

Offering envelopes are located in each pew. You can also give by texting 320.500.6014 or by visiting us online at firstlutheranalexandria.com/your-gift.

OUR PASTORS

Greg Billberg, Lead Pastor
Kari van Wakeren, Associate Pastor
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WELCOME
THANKS FOR JOINING US



SATURDAY | 06.09.18
SUNDAY | 06.10.18

WELCOME AND GREETINGS

P: *We worship as we live, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*
C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine #774

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We take a moment to be still, confess our sins, and get right with God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

C: 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.

P: *God who is rich in mercy...*
...that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Merciful God, your love never fails. Help us today to trust in your grace and to let go of that which you have already forgiven. Give us confidence in your promises that we may experience the hope and peace which is ours through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

(5:00) Roger and Barb Riley
(8:30/9:45) Gracie Lewis

CHILDREN’S TIME

(8:30/9:45/11:00) Congregation sings *He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands* as children come forward.

SCRIPTURE READING See insert.

Romans 8: 1-4
Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 14: 25-29
The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Greg Billberg

SERMON SONG

Lead Me, Guide Me #768

BAPTISM (5:00)

Pages 228-231

BAPTISM SONG (5:00)

Raindrops, oceans, lakes and rivers; welcome, child of God.
Mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters; welcome, child of God.
When the world feels wide around you, when the dark of night surrounds you, we are here to tend and guide you. Welcome, child of God.

CONFESSION OF FAITH WE CONFESS OUR SHARED FAITH.

Apostles’ Creed: on back cover of ELW hymnal.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING WE RETURN TO GOD A PORTION OF OUR BLESSINGS.

OFFERING PRAYER

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. In Jesus’ name, amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (5:00)

LORD’S PRAYER

See the inside back cover of ELW hymnal.

DISTRIBUTION (5:00)

All are welcome. Gluten free wafers and white grape juice are available upon request.

COMMUNION SONG (5:00) *Lamb of God, p. 112*

COMMUNION BLESSING (5:00)

BENEDICTION GOD’S BLESSING IS SPOKEN OVER US.

P: Blessing
May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, †Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL WE DEPART TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD.

P: *Go in peace and serve the Lord.*
C: Thanks be to God.
P: *And all God’s children said,*
C: Amen!

SENIOR CLASS OF 2018 BLESSING (9:45)

Alison Amundson, Brock Anderson, Carissa Bautz, Jason Bergerson, Jackson Boline, Aubrey Born, McKenzie Carlson, Nolan Christenson, Austin Clayton, Ellen Dee, Benjamin Dirck, Zachary Dummer, Dylan Eddy, Cody Faber, Jared Fridgen, Courtney Gould, Jackson Grove, Summer Hanson, Amos Hedstrom, Jack Hilbrands, Jacob Jahnke, Jonathan Jahnke, Blake Johnston, Blake Johnson, Katie Kent, Allison O’Kane, Cameron Rice, Tanner Saxton, Taryn Schmidt, Evan Schroeder, Kyli Staples, Ryan Swanberg, and Daniel Thompson

SENDING SONG

Blessed Assurance #638

PRAYERS

BAPTISMS: (5:00) Jasper Larry Lussenden, parents are Mark and Alissa Lussenden; (6/8) Lilly Jay Paulson, parents are Brady Wieweck and Katie Paulson

WEDDING: Katie Paulson and Brady Wieweck

HOSPITALIZATIONS: Harold Ranum, Diana Mages, Jane Kasmaker

SYMPATHY TO: Pastor Ron Otterson and family on the death of his wife Dori

RADIO BROADCAST

Given by Avis & Art Haug in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary on June 12th.

90 DAY SUMMER CHALLENGE

Your generosity and support of our mission throughout the summer is what allows us to carry out ministries like VBS this week. Thank you for making a difference!

OFFERING ENVELOPE CLARIFICATION

Oops! For those who receive printed offering envelopes, there was an error in printing. The “Summer Budget Support” envelope will be designated to the budget. Support for World Hunger should be the blue World Hunger envelope.

WORSHIP IN THE PARK

Sunday, May 27 - Sunday, September 2

Another summer of outdoor worship began on Sunday, May 27 and goes through Sunday, September 2. Lake Carlos State Park worship is at 10:30am and City Park worship is at 11:00am. (7/15 & 7/29 11:00am worship will be at the church due to conflicting events at City Park).

NEW MEMBERS

If you are interested in becoming a member at First or learning more about our ministry, please fill out the blue Connect Card in your pew and indicate your interest.

FIGHT AGAINST SUMMER HUNGER CAMPAIGN

The DMS Shelf fund received a Horizon Health grant for \$1,645 to put toward our efforts to end student hunger in District 206. This money will go directly to supporting United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties Summer Backpack Attack program and Mobile Food Drops. If you wish to donate in support of the fight against summer hunger, you may do so by either writing a check to First Lutheran with DMS Shelf in the memo line, or by going to United Way’s website. Thank you to all those who have supported The Shelf at Discovery Middle School this school year!