

WORSHIP ON THE LAWN

Saturday, July 6 | 5:00pm | FLC Lawn

Our annual Worship on the Lawn will be held on the Douglas Street lawn. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket.

FLC IS MOVING!!

Day #1: Friday, July 26 | 9:00am-12:00pm or 1:00-4:00pm

Day #2: Saturday, July 27 | 9:00am-1:00pm

Day #3: Monday, July 29 | 9:00am-12:00pm or 1:00-4:00pm

Do you have a truck or a trailer? Do you have muscles or packing skills? FLC is in need of your moving skills! We will have various shifts for you to sign up for at the Welcome Center. If you have a truck or trailer we can use, please contact Greg Tvrdek in the church office. If you have any questions please give Greg a call at 320-766-1633. Shifts will begin at the Douglas Street Church for loading.

SPONSOR A BIBLE CAMP CAMPERSHIP

Saturday, June 15 - Sunday, June 30

Each summer people from First Lutheran attend Luther Crest Bible Camp. We as a congregation encourage this important experience by offering financial assistance through First Lutheran. You can help "support a camper" with a gift in any amount now through June 30. We have a special camping themed gift to all those who give \$125.00 or more. Check out the camping table in the parking lot entry!

ON OUR WAY REJOICING

Sunday, August 4 | 9:00-11:30am | Both Church Locations

All are welcome to join us for this historic worship service recognizing our move from the corner of 9th and Douglas to our new site. We will officially transition from our current site to our new church home. There will be **ONE** worship service that morning that will begin at 9:00am and midway through the service, the congregation will process out with hymnals and items from the sanctuary and form a police escorted procession that will proceed to our new building (1655 18th Ave E) where we will celebrate communion and conclude the worship. At least two hours should be allowed for this event. Our annual congregational picnic will follow this exciting event at our new church!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

Due to the *On Our Way Rejoicing* worship event on Sunday, August 4, there will be NO Legacy Gardens 10:00am or Carlos State Park 10:30am worship. Please join us instead for this exciting congregational event in our church's history!

USED BOOKS

In preparation for the move, the library committee has gone through our inventory and pulled books that are no longer needed. Please stop by the book tables in the Family Room and take any books that interest you during church office hours and weekends during worship through July 8.

MISSION QUILTERS POTLUCK SALAD LUNCHEON

Tuesday, July 16 | 8:00am-12:00pm | Fellowship Hall

You are welcome to join us for our last work day in this building!

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

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. Our Lil' Kingdom Kids/Nursery is open but unstaffed throughout the summer. It is located on the preschool level of the building in the Rainbow Room.

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.

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 WORSHIP LEADERS

Greg Billberg, Lead Pastor
Kari van Wakeren, Associate Pastor
Ben Jacobson, Associate Pastor
Judy Holmen, Interim Pastor
Randy Morken, Director of Music and Liturgy



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For more information, visit us online at firstlutheranalexandria.com.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT
GRATITUDE. GRACE. KINDNESS. JOY.



SATURDAY | 6.29.19
SUNDAY | 6.30.19

WELCOME AND GREETINGS**GATHERING SONG**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #858

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: *In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

C: Amen.

At this time, we take a moment to be still, confess our sins, and receive God's forgiveness. Silence is kept for reflection.

C: Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith.

We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: *Hear the Good News: God's Spirit lives in you. Through Christ Jesus, you are forgiven and freed. Go now into the world and live with hearts filled with gratitude, grace, kindness, and joy. In Jesus' name.*

C: Amen.

GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: *Heavenly Father,*

C: You have shown us great kindness. When we were lost, You found us. When we were tangled up in sin, You gave us new life. Clothe us today in Your goodness, so that through our kindness, all may know of Your redeeming love. Through Jesus Christ, Our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

(5:00) Jan Holverson

(8:30) Gracie Lewis

CHILDREN'S TIME

(8:30) Congregation sings *I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy* as children come forward.

SCRIPTURE READING See insert.

First Reading: Ephesians 4:30-32

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Luke 6:27-36

The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Ben Jacobson

SERMON SONG

All Are Welcome #641

BAPTISM (5:00)

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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.**

(5:00) Apostles' Creed: on back cover of ELW hymnal.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING **WE RETURN TO GOD A PORTION OF OUR BLESSINGS.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P: *Blessed are you,*

C: O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (5:00)

LORD'S PRAYER

See back cover of ELW

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)

P: *The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.*

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION **GOD'S BLESSING IS SPOKEN OVER US.**

P: *The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.*

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL **WE DEPART TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD.**

P: *Go in peace. God's Spirit is with you.*

C: Thanks be to God.

P: *And all God's children said,*

C: Amen!

SENDING SONG

Precious Lord, Take My Hand #773

PRAYERS

WEDDING: Morgan Nordly and Jackson Gregory on June 29, 2019

BAPTISM: (5:00) Hudson James VanWatermulen son of Matthew and Victoria VanWatermulen

HOSPITALIZED: Dorothy "Dot" Swanson; Clarette Johnson

SYMPATHY TO: Kathy and Larry Ortloff on the death of Kathy's Mom, Verna "Peggy" Giese

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Scott Larson; Dolores Larson; Randy and Laura Mickelson; Matt and Victoria VanWatermulen and Hudson; Casey and Robyn Schoenebeck and Ashley and Aidan; Kari Brickweg; Jena Huffington and Owen

RADIO BROADCAST

This week's radio broadcast is given by DiAnn Ness and family in memory of Dan Ness.

LEGACY GARDENS WORSHIP SPONSOR

Today's Legacy Garden Outdoor Worship is given by Fred and Terri Bursch in honor of their wedding anniversary.

PREACHING SERIES: LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

June 15 - July 7

There are plenty of negative voices around us. During this series, we will explore how the spirit is calling us to bring a new voice to our situations. The weekly themes are gratitude, grace, kindness and joy.

KID AT HEART TIME

Sundays | 9:30-9:45am | Worship in the Gardens

Calling all people of any age or life stage! Kid at Heart Time will focus on our ability to notice and tell stories all week long between worship. Look for the Kid at Heart Spirit Challenge each week in your outdoor worship booklet insert.

BAPTISM EDUCATION CLASS

Tues, July 9 | 6:30-7:00pm | Sanctuary

This class is for anyone interested in baptism at First Lutheran. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.