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SERVICE Opportunities

Reader

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Special Music

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WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

Our *FLC Care Team* is here to support you through life's moments—both joyful and challenging. Whether you are celebrating an exciting life event, such as a new baby or home, or if you are walking through illness or loss, we want to be there for you.

We would love to visit & we have homemade meals prepared & ready to share. Let us care for you or someone you know.

You may visit the church office or reach out to Sue Jorgenson (701) 421-7049 Cindy Geiger (701) 770-1741

First Lutheran Church Cares

Sunday, November 15th Scripture readings will be:

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18 **Responsive Reading: Psalm 90:1-8,12**

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 **Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30**

United In Christ - Together We Serve

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Watford City

212 2nd St NW, Watford City, ND 58854



November 8th, 2026

Church Year Reflections

***Today's Scripture**: Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb. **Today's altar paraments** are green to symbolize growth in faith, new life, and fruitfulness. The tradition of using green after Holy Trinity Sunday developed over time alongside the liturgy itself.*

FLC Mission Statement

Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ, we're sent to proclaim the praise of God and bear His creative and redeeming Word of the kingdom to all the world.

Please keep in your prayers

† Elva Lou Johnston
† Barb & Ron Quale
† Darin Swensrud
† Donna Lou Sanford
† Eleanor Kostad
† Jenn Wisness
† Jessica Wisness Burns
† Keith Schmidt
† Laurie Stenehjem
† Melinda Haugeberg
† Paul Young
† Rory Johnsrud
† Kenny Sanford
† Shirley Lee Family
† Ron Broderson Family

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** Please stand as you are comfortable and able.*

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.

Blessing

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. ***Amen.***

Sending Hymn *Soon and Very Soon* **#439**

Dismissal *United in Christ, together we serve.* **Thanks be to God.**

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Upcoming Events

November 8th, Sunday
9:30am Worship
10:30am Fellowship
4pm Community Cantata Rehearsal

November 9th, Monday
1pm Quilting

November 10th, Tuesday
10am Text Study
11am Lefse-making prep @FLC
1pm WELCA Circle Meeting

November 11th, Wednesday-VETERANS DAY
1pm Lefse-making in Centennial Hall @FLC
5pm Property Committee
6pm Church School, Confirmation, & Adult Bible Study

November 15th, Sunday
9:30am Worship / Communion
10:30am Fellowship
4pm Community Cantata Rehearsal

November 16th, Monday
1pm Quilting
1pm Finance Committee

November 22nd, Sunday
9:30am Worship
10:30am Fellowship
10:45am FLC Council Meeting
4pm Community Cantata Rehearsal

Sermon

*** Hymn of the Day** *When Peace like a River* *(vs 1,3,4)* **#785**

Apostles' Creed **pg 217**

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 **pg 218**

L: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. Please respond to God, in your mercy with ***Hear our prayer.***

Special Music

*** Offering Song** *We Give Thee but Thine Own* *(v1)* **#686**

Offering Prayer

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer **pg 221**

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

Sunday, November 8th, 2026

Gathering Hymn *Spirit Song*

Verse 1: O let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love;
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let Him have the things that hold you, and His spirit, like a dove,
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Verse 2: O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy;
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
O give Him all your tears and sadness; give Him all your years of pain,
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Announcements

* Confession & Forgiveness **pg 94**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. ***Amen.***

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
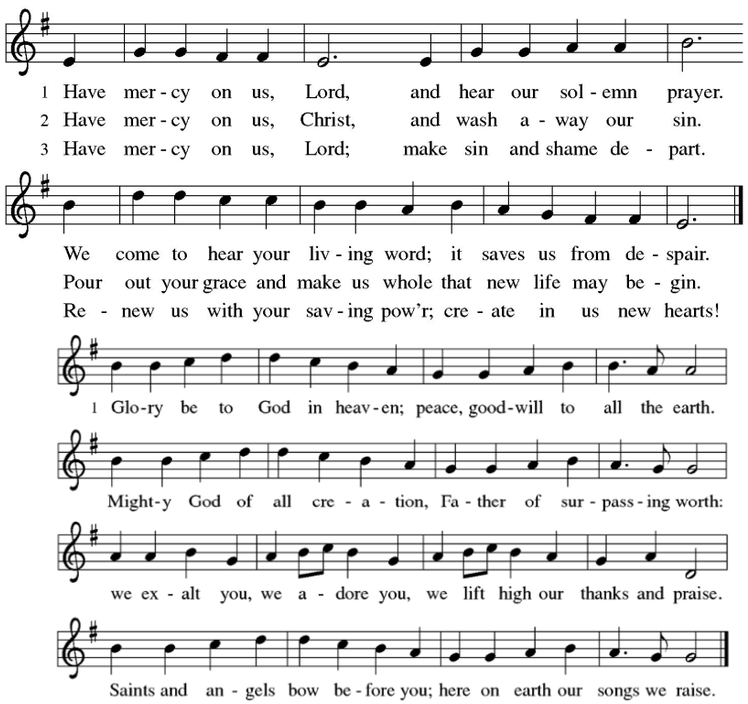
Most merciful God, ***we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of 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.***

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. ***Amen***

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

pg 203



Share the Peace

Prayer of the Day

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

* Opening Hymn

Blessed Assurance **#638**

First Reading

Amos 5:18-24

Responsive Reading

Psalm 70

L: Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.

R: Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

L: Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

R: Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the Lord!"
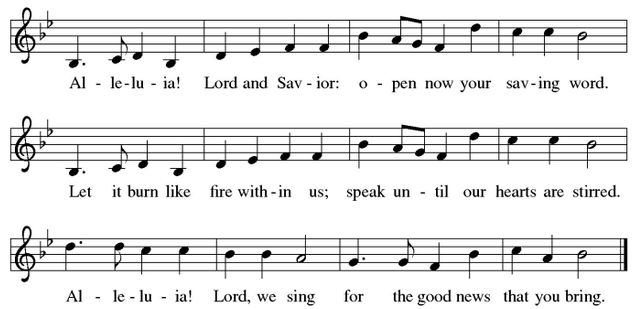
L: But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God.

R: You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel Acclamation



* Gospel

R: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 25:1-13

R: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message