#### FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# **Sunday, July 2, 2023**

After Pentecost, Year A - Lect. 13

Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE Holy Spirit Living Breath of God – All Are Welcome

HYMN OF THE MONTH: Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

# CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 89:1-4, 15-18

L: Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing; from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

C: for I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever; you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

L: "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

C: 'I will establish your line forever, and preserve your throne for all generations.'"

L: Happy are the people who know the festal shout! They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

C: They rejoice daily in your name; they are jubilant in your righteousness.

L: For you are the glory of their strength, and by your favor our might is exalted.

C: Truly, our shield belongs to the LORD; our king to the Holy One of Israel.

#### HYMN All Are Welcome

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- 1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
  All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
  All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY We pray together

L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



#### CHILDREN'S WORD

# A READING FROM: ROMANS 6:12-23 No longer under law but under grace

<sup>12</sup>Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup>What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, <sup>18</sup>and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

<sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.** 

# THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO: MATTHEW 10:40-42 Welcome Christ in those he sends **C**: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>40</sup>"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup>and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

P: THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD. C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

SERMON Pastor Julie Rogness

#### HYMN All Are Welcome

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- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

#### APOSTLES CREED

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.

INVITATION TO PRAYER - PRAYERS

SHARING OF PEACE – The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

GRATITUDE IN ACTION—OFFERING—OFFERTORY—GLOBE OFFERING Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings go to one of our global mission partners.

# **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: God of field and forest, sea and sky,

C: you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

# **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: 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, 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.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION – LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION - The table is ready. Come, eat what is good.

- Beautiful Savior, King of creation Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

#### COMMUNION BLESSING — BENEDICTION

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.
- P: The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
- C: Amen.

#### HYMN America the Beautiful

No. 888

- O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain:

  America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life: America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.
- O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

# Ringing of Bell

DISMISSAL L: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Everywhere I Go

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

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#### **CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SUN/JUL 2	9 AM	WORSHIP-In person & Live Streamed	
	7 PM	AA	
WED/JUL 5	6 PM	OUTDOOR WORSHIP- Bring Your Own Chair	
THU/JUL 6	4-7 PM	Farmers Market	
	7 PM	ΔΔ	

SUN/JUL 9 9 AM WORSHIP-In Person & Live Streamed

# SUMMER BOOK READ

Sponsored by Worship / Evangelism Committee -- Read "Ordinary Grace" by William Kent Krueger on your own. Book discussion is scheduled at Lacey's Restaurant on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 13 @ 4 pm</u>. Appetizers may be purchased individually. If unable to read the book, you are still welcome to join us and enjoy the discussion.

WED JULY 12 Outdoor Worship - 6 PM BYO Chair Gr. 6-8 Campfire & S'mores - 6:45 to 7:45 PM BYO Chair

# THURS JULY 13 - An Evening of Food, Fellowship & Entertainment.

Sponsored by the FLCW. Pastor Kevin Doely, a Musical Ventriloquist will present a heartwarming, funny program for all ages at 7:00 pm at First Lutheran. We will be serving a light meal of barbecue sandwiches and chicken salad croissants, fruit and ice cream at 6:00 pm prior to the program. Call Cora Lee, 612-756-4687 or Candy at 506-330-0640 to register for the meal for planning purposes. Free will offerings for each event. You may also come just for the program at 7:00 and give a free offering. We are looking forward to friends and others getting together for a fun evening to laugh, maybe sing and hear some wonderful stories.

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