

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements *(Please pass the attendance pad along the pew.)*

Litany:

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Friends in Christ: Today we give thanks to God and we seek God's blessing as we gather to dedicate this day as "God's work, our hands."

To the praise and glory of God!

We are called as a people of God to serve the Lord with all our heart, mind, and strength, and to love one another.

May our faith lead us to action!

As a people of God, we seek ways to listen and serve others. Let us find ways to use our various gifts so we reach out in compassionate care for others; for the common good.

Let us be a Church without Walls!

Let us pray... We give you thanks, O God, for those who labor on this "Church without Walls" Sunday, and we acknowledge the various gifts you provide by your Spirit for the common good. We ask you to bless the fruits of our work. Grant us faith to know your gracious purpose in all things, and continue your blessing upon us by your Holy Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Let us bless the Lord!

The blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with us all. We are already commissioned each day to go forth to use our gifts to serve others. Today, we are commissioned with thousands of other ELCA members of the body of Christ in the United States to proclaim our faith in action.

It is God's work, our hands!

Kneel Down Holy Communion

Offering

***Hymn:** “God’s Work. Our Hands.” (see next page)

Organizing of Service Teams

Directions for the Day

Group Picture – SMILE

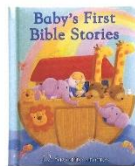
God’s Work. Our Hands.



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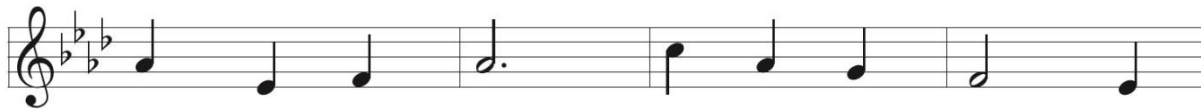
Babies & Bibles

Will meet Sundays following communion, across the hall from the nursery. This will be for parents with infants up to age three.

Club 45

Will be for 4- and 5-year-olds. They will also meet right after communion, in the nursery upstairs, for some play and fellowship. Parents are also included.

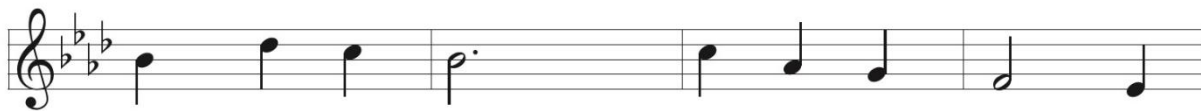
* Hymn: "God's Work, Our Hands."



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
 4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your Gos - pel.

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Reader:	Sandy Gilbertson
Sound:	Cora Hohnstadt
Zoom:	Paul Pearson & Dean Johnson
Ushers:	Val Johnson
Communion Assistants:	Jodi Perry & Donna Swenson
Altar Guild:	Owen Johnson
Counter:	Nancy & Owen Johnson, Chairs
Coffee:	

Bulletin Sponsorship: Bulletins can be sponsored for \$25.00 per week. The bulletin sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

Annual Meeting: First Lutheran's annual Congregational Meeting is **Sunday, September 29 at 10:00 a.m.**, immediately following the Worship Service. It is important that all confirmed members of the church attend. Please stay and be a part of this important meeting.

Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Caleb Prushek, great nephew of Jane Orth
Cleone Hoplin
Lars Larson
Clifford, great grandson of Leonard and Jan Nelson
Bonnie Bandy, sister of Shirley Schmidt
Denny Aleckson
Harvey and Marion Kelley
Gordon Greenwald, friend of Cora Hohnstadt
Michaela, fiancée of Penny Siewert's son, Paul
Roz Diogivanni



Those in the service...

SMSgt Bradford, son of Bill & Kaye Schroeder
Captain A.J. Depman, nephew of Bill & Kaye Schroeder
Sgt Christopher Krecklau, son of Mary & Randy Krecklau
E-6 Nathaniel & E-6 Amanda Mitchell, nephew of Mary & Randy Krecklau

The Week Ahead

Sunday, September 8, 2024

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service

9:00 AM

God's Work. Our Hands. Service Projects

9:30 AM

Wednesday, September 11, 2023

Bible Study

10:00 AM

Sunday, September 15, 2024

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship

9:00 AM

Coffee & Fellowship

10:00 AM

Church Council

10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, Sept. 1, 2024

Attendance: 53

Offering:

Sept. 1, 2024	\$2,280.00	Weekly Budget:	\$3,132.40
Direct Deposit:	\$ 255.00		
Total Offerings:	\$2,535.00		

Year-to-Date (Fiscal year starts September 1)

2023-2024 Giving:	\$150,067.30	Expenses:	\$135,937.87
2024-2025 Giving:	\$2,460.00	Expenses:	\$0.00

Income less Expenses for August:

\$12,383.00 - \$13,734.95 = (\$1,351.95)

If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-2969 or email him at pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com

WOW!

Wednesday After School Program

6-week session beginning

September 25th

at 3:30 PM

at First Lutheran Church

SCHEDULE

3:30 PM Snack, Video, & Game

4:00 PM Craft or Science Project

4:30 PM Story or Drama

5:00 PM Meal

6:00 PM Confirmation

6:00 PM Chosen Video Series

Register online or call

218-587-2316 for more information

\$5 per family

Per week

First through

Sixth Grade

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