

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

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*Welcome to worship at First Lutheran!  
As we encounter God's Word and respond with prayer and praise,  
may this gathering be for you a holy time of grace, inspiration, and renewal.  
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We're glad you're here!*

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy trinity, one God,  
Who forgives all our sin,  
Whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Almighty god...through Jesus Christ our lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**Have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned from you  
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

**We are truly sorry and humbly repent.**

**In your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,**

**things we have done and things we have failed to do.**

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your spirit,  
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy...that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN***What Wonderful Love Is This*

ELW 666



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

**GREETING**

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 (x2)

ELW 154

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

Music: *Mass No. 1*, Avon Gillespie

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.... **Amen.**

## READING: Exodus 17:1-7

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 95

<sup>1</sup> Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

<sup>2</sup> **Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms.**

<sup>3</sup> For you, Lord, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods.

<sup>4</sup> **In your hand are the caverns of the earth;  
the heights of the hills are also yours.**

<sup>5</sup> The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

<sup>6</sup> **Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker.**

<sup>7</sup> For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture  
and the sheep of God's hand. Oh, that today you would hear God's voice!

<sup>8</sup> **"Harden not your hearts,  
as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert.**

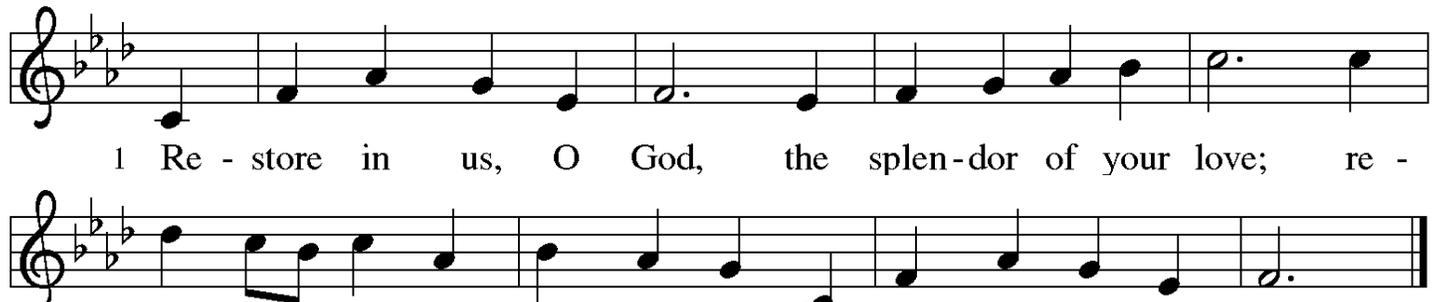
<sup>9</sup> There your ancestors tested me,  
they put me to the test, though they had seen my works.

<sup>10</sup> **Forty years I loathed that generation, saying,  
'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not know my ways.'**

<sup>11</sup> Indeed I swore in my anger, 'They shall never come to my rest.'"

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -  
new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

## GOSPEL: John 4:5-42

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

ELW 611



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing - place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav - 'ling days are done.

## **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.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

...Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

...through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 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**

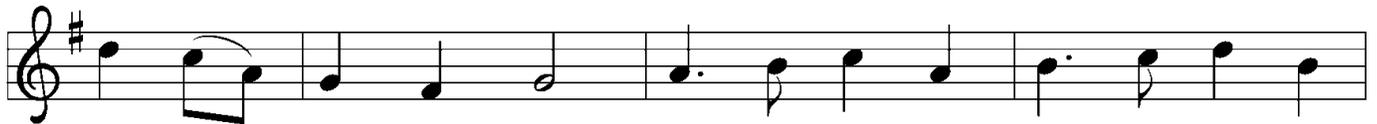
**Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.  
Amen.**



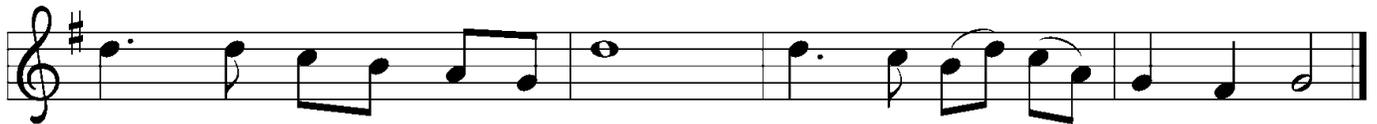
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem-er, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain where the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me  
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield me with your might-y arm, shield me with your might-y arm.  
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Serving in Worship Today*  
*Pastor Jess Daum and Pastor Trey Daum*  
*Randy Richards, Reader*  
*Mary Ermel, Organist*  
*Don & Kay Norton, Cantor*

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