

First Lutheran Church, Amery

A people and a place of grace.

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Welcome to worship!

All are welcomed. All are loved.

*Our mission is to know Jesus
and to make Jesus known. John 17*



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Lent 1

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Jn. 17

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross.....Red 335

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS, PSALM 25 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me. **Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed| in their schemes.** Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths. **Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.** Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.** Gracious and upright is the LORD; therefore he teaches sinners in his way. **He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.** All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

GREETING, KYRIE-spoken HYMN: Great Is Thy..... Red 733

Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Genesis 9:8-17 God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will

remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

HYMN: Give Me Jesus.....Red 770

GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15 *The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the gospel of God's reign.* In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

APOSTLES' CREED

CHILDREN COME FORWARD

SERMON

HYMN: Spirit of Gentleness.....Red 396

PRAYERS

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

LORD'S PRAYER

Amazing Grace.....Red 779, Beautiful Savior Red 838, MUSIC

BLESSING The blessing of God's eternal love, the courage to follow the way of the cross, and the guidance of the Spirit in the desert places of our world, be among you and remain with you forever. **Amen**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **We will! Thanks be to God.**

**We thank you for all of your faithful stewardship!
We just spent \$10,000 on 2 furnaces (Fellowship Hall & Bell Tower)
and if you would like to give to the furnace fund,
we would greatly appreciate it. Thanks!**

Ministers: All Members of the Church
Music: Beth Ray, Julie Hanlon-Johnson
Lector: Elaine Meyer
Communion Help: Dave Curtis, Gary Ganje
Coffee Helpers: Ruth Circle
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Acolyte:
Communion Bread: Elaine Meyer



PRAYERS: Dorie Peters, Rose Gilbertson, Shari Johnson, Darnell Dunham, Doug Gunderson, Lynn Albee, Shane Larkin, Dennis Heiken, Amanda Gates, Ally Fox, Darrel Rothe, Jessica Heiden, Ruth Hard, Marlin Swanson, Jim Smith, Mary Ames, Glenn Stevermer, David Mork, Anonymous, Ron Hahn, Kelly Fitzgerald, Jackie Wenzel, Becky Martell, Kathy Hetzel, Jon Pankonien (Sharon), Loretta Wittig (Mary Lou), Marty Rimestad, Dave Knutson (Rasmussen), Sally & Casey Haasnoot, Jason Amans, Patti & Bill Hansen, Tom Gust, Jeanine, Karen Swager, Tracy Viebrock, Diane Salls, Colleen (Marge), Julie DuBois, Kim Hilda, Scott Wolden, Logan Gullickson, Troy Lange. Schools, wars, natural disasters, mental health.

Care facilities: Lila Ward, Andrew Larsen
Families: Eloise Heathfield, Mary Stevens, Al Bringewatt, Wrich family, Darlene Schraufnagel (Kathy & Lou), Linda Cords (Tony & Jackie family), Jerry Bjork (Linda T), Keith Millermon, Cathy Hagen
Military: Jason Werlinger, Chase & Connor Clausen, Kathi Buss, Curtis Williamson, Nick Sorensen, Keilan Mehls, Lexi Boe.

FIRST FRUITS GIVING BEYOND FIRST LUTHERAN

Jesus' command is to go out to all nations with the saving love of God. (Mt.28)
 In our 2024 budget, we commit ourselves to giving **\$10,000 to the ELCA** and **\$2,000 to Seminary Scholarship**. Please write on your envelopes or memos.
 Please continually give to these categories until we meet our goals.

LOOSE COINS in our offering go to Northwoods Homeless Shelter.

Please give generously! 2024 Year to Date: ELCA \$743; Seminary \$55

Check out our app. Search store for First Lutheran Amery. Like First Lutheran Church of Amery on Facebook & Instagram to get news & updates. **Online giving is available.** (?-s ask Steve O)

CHURCH IN SOCIETY is collecting SNOWPANTS for the Amery Intermediate School, youth sizes 12-18 and small adult. Place them in the bin in the narthex. Thanks!

**SUNDAY 9am Worship 10am Coffee, Sunday School, Choir
 2pm Luther Pt Annual Meeting**

WED. 5:30 FURNACE Supper (by Council) **5:45 Bible Study 6:30pm WORSHIP**

Thursday 8am Bible Study 8:30am Quilters

Saturday 10am Women's Group Brunch

Sunday 9am Worship 10am Coffee, Sunday School, Choir



Happy Birthday

- 19 Linda Millermon
- 20 Belle Meyer
- 21 Adeline Amans
- 23 Alexis Madsen
- 24 Jacob Andersen, Maddyx Madsen

Men in Mission Scrip will be sold in the office during the week and in the Narthex on Sunday mornings.