

First Lutheran Church, Amery

A people and a place of grace.



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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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain.....Green 301

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS, GREETING

KYRIE, PSALM: 22:22-30 Praise the LORD, you that fear him, stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory. **For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them.** My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. **The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations bow before him... **My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the LORD's forever.** They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

HYMN: Lamb of God

PRAYER: Eternal God, it is your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and to hold it fast; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant

between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.".. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarah your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

HYMN: The Wonderful Cross

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38 Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

CREED, CHILDREN COME FORWARD, SERMON

HYMN: When I Survey.....Red 803
OFFERING

PRAYERS, LORD'S PRAYER

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**

HYMN: On Our Way Rejoicing.....Green 260
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **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)
\$5000 for F.H. a.c. 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, Bible Study, NO Choir
WED. 5:30 SUPPER (by kids going on CO trip) **5:45 Bible Study 6:30pm WORSHIP**
Thursday 8am Bible Study 8:30am Quilters

Saturday 9-11am First Communion Class - Please call or email to register your child
Sunday 9am Worship 10am Coffee, Sunday School, Choir



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

Happy Birthday

25 JoAnn Buss, Amelia Fronczek-Rude,
Craig Hoffmann, Aurora White
26 Kelly Looman 27 Gary Bauermeister
29 Ruth Olson, Al Root