

# First Lutheran Church, Amery

A people and a place of grace.

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"Take these things out of here!

Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"



## *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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*Jn. 17*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS, HYMN: All I Need**

**PSALM 19** The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork... The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent. **The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.** The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.** By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward. **Who can tell how often he offends? Cleanse me from my secret faults.** Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense. **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

**KYRIE.....Red 157, HYMN: Now the Feast.....Red 167**  
**PRAYER: Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**Exodus 20:1-17** God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work--you,

your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**HYMN: How Deep the Father's Love**

**GOSPEL: John 2:13-22** The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

**APOSTLES' CREED, CHILDREN COME FORWARD  
SERMON**

**OFFERING: Choir "I want Jesus to walk with me"**

**PRAYERS, THE LORD'S SUPPER, LORD'S PRAYER,**

**What A Friend Rd 630, This Is My Father's World Rd 143, 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)  
\$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      **Pastor** Tim Bjorge (H) 715-268-5557  
**Music:** Beth Ray, Julie Hanlon-Johnson      **Email:** flchurchamery@yahoo.com  
**Lector:** Mary Lou Wold      **Ushers:** Needed  
**Communion Help:** Jessica Smith & Needed      **Acolyte:**  
**Coffee Helpers:** Work Group One      **Communion Bread:** Larry & Julie Riemenschneider



**PRAYERS:** Matt Dunham, Darnell Dunham, Dorie Peters, Rose Gilbertson, Shari Johnson, Doug Gunderson, Lynn Albee, Shane Larkin, Amanda Gates, Ally Fox, Darrel Rothe, Jessica & Julie 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:** Dennis Heiken, Eloise Heathfield, Mary Stevens, Al Bringewatt, Wrich family,

**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**  
**WED. 5:30 SUPPER** (by Men in Mission) **5:45 Bingo or Bible Study 6:30 Worship**  
**Thursday 8am Bible Study 8:30am Quilters**  
**Sunday 9am SILENT MESSENGERS,/Worship 10am Coffee, Sunday School, Choir**



**Happy Birthday**  
3 Johs Bjorge  
4 Jason Amans, McAdam Smith  
6 Chloe Keller, Andrea Mathieu,  
Jean Mattakat, Elaine Root, Lila Schuh

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