

First English Lutheran Church

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November 24, 2024

CHRIST THE KING
Service of the Word

9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude
Bells
Welcome & Announcements
Temple Talk (Evangelism's Mission Emphasis)

Kirsten Karels Katie's Kicks

Blessing of the Quilts

P: The body of Christ is made up of many members, all with special talents from God, who calls us to go and do likewise for our neighbors. Gracious God, send forth your Spirit today as we call upon you to bless these quilts and the work of our hand.

C: Without their efforts and gifts, we could not be all God calls us to be. We give thanks to you Lord, for those who generously shared their resources to make these quilts possible. Move us by their example to live generous lives.

P: Paul writes of the Macedonian Christians who wanted to share in ministry: "They gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us." (2 Cor. 8:5)

C: Ministry flows from a commitment to serve the Lord. May these quilts help those who receive them know they are your children, loved and valued.

Paul also writes to the Romans "Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up." (Romans 15:2) May each compassionate touch be known to those who receive them as an expression of your love.

P: At the works of your hands, we sing for joy and gladly carry on the mission of Christ to show love to our neighbor.

C: Bless these quilts and those who receive them as we dedicate them to your service, trusting that your love will go wherever each is sent, making it more than just a piece of material, a collection of items — making each piece created, an expression of love. May those who receive them find dignity in their use and comfort in their warmth.

P: Renew in us the commitment to use our gifts in the service of others, and especially of those in need of comfort and care. Show us ways we may serve you together with our neighbors in need.

C: Thank you, Lord God, for the hands that have made and assembled these quilts and the opportunity to give of ourselves. Remind us that we are all a part of the family of God, a patchwork of love, sewn together in unity, and commissioned by your Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **C: Amen.**

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, **C: we confess that sin has** taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy & true...rejoice in your salvation. C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn 'Crown Him with Many Crowns' vs. 1, 3-4 #855

- 1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.
- 3. Crown him the Lord of love-- behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.
- 4. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4. Music: George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty and ever-living God, C: you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

OT pg. 642

Psalm 93

ELW Psalm 93

L: 1 The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it can-not be moved.

C: ² Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

L: 3 The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

C: 4 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

L: 5 Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8

NT pg. 193

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Noisy Offering

Special Hymn

'Joyful, Joyful, Sing Praise'

Senior Choir

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'

pg. 216

Holy Gospel: John 18:33-37

NT pg. 86

P: The Holy Gospel according to... C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Apostle's Creed

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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.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn

'Jesus Shall Reign' vs. 1-3

#434

- 1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2. To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3. People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt. Music: attr. John Hatton, d. 1793.

Offertory Prayer

C: Amen.

Prayers for the People of God

P: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

Lord's Prayer pg. 221

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.

<u>SENDING</u>

Blessing

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured out, + bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'Lift High the Cross'

#660

Bells

Postlude

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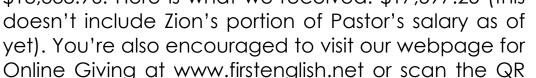
1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

Pastor Cheryl plans to be in the FELC Pastor office on Wednesdays 11 - 6:30 (unless in a meeting or confirmation classes) & Thursdays 10 - 3 pm (unless up at FWV with members) or by appt. You can contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email her at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Pastor Cheryl in memory of her daughter Sally Rondeau who passed away 2 years ago on Dec. 1st. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for October: \$18,338.96. Here is what we received: \$17,597.25 (this





Code from the offering cards or bulletins.

November's pink envelope emphasis is for God's Work, Our Hands / service projects. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in a basket in the Narthex.

Thanksgiving Eve service is Nov. 27th at 7:00 pm. We will need an additional acolyte and ushers to help with that service. Please contact the office if you would like to volunteer. Thanks!

All Endowment requests must be turned in to the Endowment committee by November 27th.

God's Creations Fundraiser Calendars are in! If you'd like one, they can be bought in the office or in the Narthex following church! They're \$8.00. You can bring cash or pay by check (please write checks for calendars out to FELC Youth).

We are always looking for people to help with our Sunday School teaching in ANY capacity (twice a month, only a certain age groups, etc.) so PLEASE consider and let Sara Wollschlager know if you are interested. (Materials & lessons are prepped and supplied for you weekly.)

December 1st bulletins will be printed earlier (due to the holiday), on Wednesday, November 27th, not Friday. Please keep this in mind if you want to put an announcement in that bulletin. Please let Barbara or someone in the office know ahead of time.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Bellingham Community Center, Tuesday Dec. 10 1-6 p.m. Call Audrey at (320)568-2385 for an appointment for both whole blood and Power Red donations. All donors will receive a \$15 gift card by supplying an email address.

Youth bake sale - we will be planning to have a youth bake sale on Sunday, December 15th after church. If you would like to donate baked goods to their event, please contact Kaitlyn Burdorf at 320-766-4717 or at kmburdorf@hotmail.com.

Coffee Fellowship needs volunteers to continue. Please contact the office or sign-up in the fellowship hall if you're willing to help to prepare & serve coffee. If no one volunteers to serve, we won't have coffee fellowship that Sunday.



FELCW SALE..... Many have asked and perhaps there are many who, even if this is very last minute, would like to donate to a small craft sale!!! The ladies of FELC have napkins, towels, scrubbies and dishcloths for sale. The sale will be held on Sunday, December 8th in the church Narthex and will be held before and after the service giving you the opportunity to shop. We are also giving you, women and men the opportunity to bring a craft item or even a gift basket to sell if you wish. We would ask that if you donate, you do not bring food items. You will have the opportunity to purchase FOOD items on Sunday, December 15th from our youth. If you are wanting to bring an item or items, we would like you to have them at the church on Friday, December 6th. We certainly are aware that this is VERY last minute and there are other events happening the same day, but it was the only day available on the busy calendar. Sometimes it's the simple events that did not involve hours of planning that are the best! This is one of those events....we discussed...we are doing!! All proceeds will go to the FELCW.

The Day of Love has been busy doing God's Work with their hands. Today Pastor Cheryl will bless a total of 66 quilts. The Christmas quilts will be taken to the nursing home for our church members and the remaining quilts will be delivered to our community Project Christmas and to the Orphan Train for our ongoing mission work. Our goal is to donate quilts to all those in need. The need is great. To each of you who have donated monetarily and to the Endowment Board, we say a huge thank you. With your help, we are able to continue doing such a project and undertaking for the mission of our church. We continue to send our weekly cards and to each

of you that have saved cards to recycle, a huge thank you. Last year we sent out over 1,000 cards and our work continues. Your dollars also help us immensely with the postage costs. Thank you... Thank you to all who have and continue to support our group. God's Blessings.



The Silence and the Sound is a musical presentation of the story of Christmas, which will be performed at the Abbey of the Hills in Marvin, SD on Saturday, Dec. 7th at 3:00 pm and Sunday, December 8th at 1:15 pm and 4:30 pm. A freewill donation for the event will benefit the local food shelf and the ongoing mission of The Abbey of the Hills. There will be cookies & coffee following the presentation. There are no reserved seats, but please register your concert preferences online abbey@abbeyofthehills.org or by calling the Abbey (605) 398-9200. Limited Seating Available

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT Carol Barrett, Jane Debner, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Ruth Hansen, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Roger Nornes; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.

REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—Nov. 24th

Organist: Kathy Haukos Coffee Servers: Weber & Schmeichel Families Tech Desk: Terry Kalberg & Marina Thomson Lector: Marge Dragseth Acolytes: Meadow & Lola Greeters: Amelia & Lynne Giese

Ushers: Tami Lundberg, Marilyn Chindvall, Jackie & Mel Domine

This Week's Ministry Assistants — Nov. 27th Thanksgiving Eve.

Organist: Carol Ydstie **Lector:** Archer Dorry

Tech Desk: Marina Thomson **Greeters:** Garry & Ethel Swenson

Acolytes: Archer & VOLUNTEER

Ushers: Paula Reisdorph & **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Dec. 1st

Organist: Carol Ydstie **Coffee Servers: NEED VOLUNTEERS**

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson **Lector:** Becky Parker **Greeters:** Hartley & Amy Hodenfield **Acolytes:** Archer & Lexi

Ushers: Kim Anderson, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson, and Dave Ellingson

Lay Assistants: Marilyn Chindvall & Kirsten Karels **FWV: TBD**

Weekly Calendar

Sun - 11/24 9:00 am Worship (w/Rev. Pastor Cheryl) - Quilt Blessing -Noisy Offering – Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

(Christmas Practice)

10:15 am WAM Meeting 4:00 – 5:15 pm Christmas Cantata Practice WAM



Tues - 11/26 NO DAY OF LOVE

4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed – 11/27 THANKSGIVING EVE. (No confirmation or youth group)

(Bulletins Printed Early)

9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

11:00 am Staff Meeting

5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast

7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve. Worship Service with Pastor Cheryl

Thurs – 11/28 THANKSGIVING – OFFICE CLOSED

Fri - 11/29 OFFICE CLOSED hanksgiving

Sun - 12/1 9:00 am Advent Worship (w/Rev. Melissa Gall) - Communion - Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

NO **SUNDAY** SCHOOL

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Endowment Meetina 10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded) 4:00 – 5:15 pm Christmas Cantata Practice