



First English Lutheran Church
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Lisa Berdan, Senior Choir Director
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9:00 am

January 12, 2025

Baptism of Our Lord
ELW SETTING TWO

PREPARATION

Prelude
Bells
Welcome & KDIO Announcement

GATHERING

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, ☩ one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **C: Amen.**

P: Merciful God, **C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

P: God proclaims these words of assurance:...beloved children of God. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn *'This Little Light of Mine'* #677
Greeting pg. 120

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.**

Hymn of Praise *'Glory to God in the Highest'* pg. 121

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, **C: you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through 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: Isaiah 43:1-7

OT pg. 520

L: ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

C: ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

L: ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

C: ⁴ The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

L: ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

C: ⁶ the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

L: ⁷ The voice of the LORD bursts forth in lightning flashes.

C: ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

L: ⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

C: ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

L: ¹¹ O LORD, give strength to your people; give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

Special Music

'Call You By Name'

Senior Choir

Second Lesson: Acts 8:14-17

NT pg. 96

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

pg. 124

Holy Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

NT pg. 46

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

Hymn of the Day

'Baptized and Set Free'

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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.

Prayers of Intercession

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Shall We Gather at the River' vs. 1, 3, & 4 #423

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

(Refrain): **Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

3. Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. (Refrain)

4. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. (Refrain)

Text & Music: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899.

Offertory Prayer **C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

pg. 134

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.

SENDING

Blessing

P: The Spirit of the triune God ☩ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **C: Amen.**

Peace

P: And now before we leave... May the peace of Christ go with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'All Are Welcome'

#641


Bells, Postlude

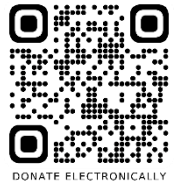
1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

Pastor Cheryl's Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 4 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 10 am to 4 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 3:30 (and then teaching confirmation classes), & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am – 4 pm (unless up at FWV/or visiting members) or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email 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 in memory of Ervin Mikkelson by Darlene and family. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for December:  \$19,120.33. Here is what we received: \$28,721.16. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



January's pink envelope emphasis is for our Technology Fund. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in a basket in the Narthex.

May the God of all consolation be with Kevin & Becky Backstrand and family on the death of his mother, Colleen Backstrand. The memorial service will be in the spring.

Join us to help celebrate Barbara Nornes' 90th birthday on Saturday, January 25th from 2-4 p.m. in the Independent Living Dining Room at FWV. No gifts please.

The annual meeting of the congregation is January 19th (January 26th is the backup). There will be a vote on the FELC/Zion Lutheran Partnership Agreement. You can review the agreement on our website under About FELC -> Church Updates.

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.)

GLLM's summer programs have opened and spots can fill up fast. There is a \$65 early bird discount by Feb. 13th. We have flyers in the pickup room or office.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT Jane Debner, Ruth Hansen, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter; Dick Verheul; 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, 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.



CHANGES TO THE SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: You will notice a few changes to our morning worship each Sunday due to the partnership with Zion Lutheran. The pastor will leave before the end of the service to be ready for worship there at 10:30. A leader will complete the dismissal and end of service.

- The Sharing of the peace is moved to the end of the service and prior to the dismissal and closing hymn allowing the congregation to greet each other before they leave as pastor will not be greeting them.
- Announcements will be moved to the end of the service after the sharing of the peace
- The Welcome at the beginning, will be brief and only announce the KDIO sponsors.

Come One, Come All! (Ages 18-100)! Join our 1st Adults-Only Game Night!

The evening begins with a sloppy joe supper and then board, card, and dice games to follow. Please call FELC to register (320-839-2527), as a head count is necessary for meal preparation. Transportation can be arranged if people need rides from Fairway View or other local locations. Come for laughs and fellowship! See ya there!

Where: FELC Basement

When: Friday, January 24th

Time: 6:00 pm

Cost: FREE



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—Jan. 12th

Organist: Carol Ydstie **Coffee Servers:** Cody Backstrand & Kristi Ehrenberg
Tech Desk: Terry Kalberg & Marina Thomson **Lector:** Kathy Randall
Greeters: Sara Wollschlager & Kimberly **FWV: TBD**
Ushers: Glenn Henningson, Art Vollmer, Jon & Kim Anderson
Acolytes: Katelyn & James

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Jan. 19th

Organist: Lisa Berdan **Tech Desk:** Marge Dragseth & Marina Thomson
Acolytes: Dawson & Jace **Lay Assistants:** Kirsten & Bryson Karels
Greeters: Jim Foster & Bennett **Lector:** Sara Mattison
Coffee Servers: Amanda Stattelmann & Michelle Bauer
Ushers: Dean Longnecker, Josh Wollschlager, Rodney Torgerson, & Marilyn Chindvall

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 1/12 9:00 am Worship – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live
10:00 am Council Meetings, Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School



10:30 am (or TBD) – Council Voting Meeting
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (Pre-recorded)

Mon – 1/13 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Tues – 1/14 8:30 am Day of Love
4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed – 1/15 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast
3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th graders)
4:30 pm Confirmation (9th graders)
5:30 pm Youth Group (7-12th graders) & Channel 3 Broadcast

7:00 pm Senior Choir
Fri – 1/17 **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun – 1/19 9:00 am Contemporary Worship – Communion
– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School
10:30 am Annual Meeting of the Congregation (in sanctuary)

