



## First English Lutheran Church

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### Second Sunday After Epiphany

January 19, 2025

CONTEMPORARY

9:00 am

#### PREPARATION

Prelude Gathering Music:

SONG SHEET

'Cornerstone,' (pg. 3) 'The Goodness of God,' (pg. 7) 'Faith is Believing,' (pg. 8) 'Encourage One Another,' (pg. 8) 'The Blessing,' (pg. 12) & 'Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)' (pg. 12)

Bells

Welcome & KDIO Announcements

#### GATHERING

Gathering Hymn

'The Goodness of God'

SONG SHEET PG. 7

**Call to Worship:** (*inspired by Psalm 36:5-10*)

P: How can we keep still this day?

**C: There is joy in this place!**

P: God's steadfast love extends to everyone.

**C: God reaches out to us all in forgiveness and compassion.**

P: Thanks to God for all the wonderful blessings we have received.

**C: Let us celebrate God's joyful love for and with us! Amen.**

**Litany of Confession:** (*inspired by Psalm 36:7-9*)

P: O God, we confess we take so much for granted...when it is too cold.

**C: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!**

P: O God, we confess that too many...or they do not act responsibly.

**C: How precious is your faithful grace, O God!**

P: O God, we confess we have failed...and joy to those who suffer.

**C: How precious is your never-ending forgiveness, O God!**

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

P: The good news is that God...you are forgiven.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Prayer of the Day: P: O God of steadfast love, **C: at the wedding in Cana your Son Jesus turned water into wine, delighting all who were there. Transform our hearts by your Spirit, that we may use our varied gifts to show forth the light of your love as one body in Christ. Amen.**

## WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 62:1-5

OT pg. 536

Psalms 36:5-10

ELW Psalm 36

L: <sup>5</sup> Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**C: <sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O LORD.**

L: <sup>7</sup> How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**C: <sup>8</sup> They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

L: <sup>9</sup> For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

**C: <sup>10</sup> Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

NT pg. 133

Song of Invitation      *'Let the Children Come to Me'*      SONG SHEET PG. 7

Children's Message      Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Special Music      *'Miracle Worker'*      Senior Choir

Gospel Lead In      *'Thy Word'*

Holy Gospel: John 2:1-11

NT pg. 71

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

Sermon Song      *'Faith is Believing'*      SONG SHEET PG. 8

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Affirmation of Faith

P: We believe in God, the creator and giver of life...as God's people on earth.

**C: Amen.**

## MEAL

Prayers of Intercession (*based on John 2:1-11*)

P: God of wedding parties and new wine... loss of property and lives.

**C: Bless the many people who must toil for such long hours, that there is no time or energy to laugh or sing, especially emergency workers, military personal, and volunteers who aid others in disasters.**

P: God of priceless love, bless your children... into indifference, or despair.

**C: Bless the many who are caught in vicious circles of evil and can see no way to escape and those who are drawn to Christ and new life, yet who fear the scorn of family, friends or workmates.**

P: God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated.... deployed to areas of conflict

**C: Bless those who with much trembling, hand their lives over to you. Let no one be uninformed that the Holy Spirit speaks through Christ giving you the gift of faith and courage for the days to come.**

P: God of unending love....to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing.

**C: Bless us with courage to use the gifts that make us special, to serve and build each other up. In the name of the Christ who makes all things new.**

P: God of abundance,....deeply in the lives of all who trust in You. **C: Amen.**

### **Offering Collection and Presentation**

Offertory Hymn

*'Cornerstone'*

SONG SHEET PG. 3

Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

P: God of grace, your love reaches to the... now and always. **C: Amen**

Prayer of Preparation

P: Lord, we do not come to your table...now, and forever.

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was...Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

pg. 154

**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.**

Invitation to Communion:

P: The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

Post Communion Blessing

### **SENDING**

Commission and Benediction

P: Go now, with trust in Christ who has quenched...love and serve the Lord, **C: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Peace:

P: And now as we leave this place... 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!**

Sending Hymn

*'Encourage One Another'*

SONG SHEET PG. 8

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 Jim Johnson by Sharron 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](http://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.

**Birthday Wishes go out to** Arlen LaCombe whose birthday is on Friday.

**May the God of all consolation be with Rita Verheul and family** on the death of her husband, Richard "Dick" Verheul. Services will be held at a later date. in the Independent Living Dining Room at FWV. No gifts please.

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

**The annual meeting of the congregation is today, after service.** Grab a cup of coffee and join us for the meeting back in the sanctuary.

**2024 Giving Statements** \$250 or higher have been sent out. If you don't receive a statement and would like one, please contact someone in the office.

**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.)

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT** Larry Dahle, Jane Debner, Ruth Hansen, JoAnn Hasslen, 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, 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.



**Come One, Come All! (Ages 18-100)! Join our 1<sup>st</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup>

Time: 6:00 pm

**Cost:** FREE



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

**This Week's Ministry Assistants—Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>**

**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

**Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Organist:** Kathy Haukos      **Coffee Servers:** Harley & Ellie Helgeson

**Tech Desk:** Terry Kalberg & Marina Thomson      **Lector:** Chris Petersen

**Greeters:** Sara Mattison & Liam      **Acolytes:** Martino & Nash

**Ushers:** Dean Longnecker, Marilyn Chindvall, Josh Wollschlager, & Rodney Torgerson

# Weekly Calendar

**Sun – 1/19** 9:00 am Contemporary Worship – Communion  
– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

TBD Annual Meeting of the Congregation (in sanctuary)



**Mon – 1/20** **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Office Closed**



**Tues – 1/21** 8:30 am Day of Love

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

**Wed – 1/22** 9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

11:00 am Staff Meeting

3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8<sup>th</sup> grade)

4:30 pm Confirmation (9<sup>th</sup> grade)

5:30 pm Channel 3 broadcast & Youth Group (7-12<sup>th</sup> grade)

7:00 pm Senior Choir

**Fri – 1/24** 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

**Sun – 1/26** 9:00 am Worship – Baptism of Iver Boerger – Noisy Offering  
– Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School

10:15 am WAM Meeting

