

# First Lutheran Church

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*adapted from Divine Service, GIA*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

LSB #549 v1-3



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;  
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;  
3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.  
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.



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Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SIN

Pastor: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised  
to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for personal self-examination.)*

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: **have mercy on us. We confess to You that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted You with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In Your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by Your Spirit that we may live and serve You in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.**

# ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Pastor: With joy, I announce that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin in the Name of the Father, and of the † Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen. Thanks be to God!**

## KYRIE

*Pastor:*

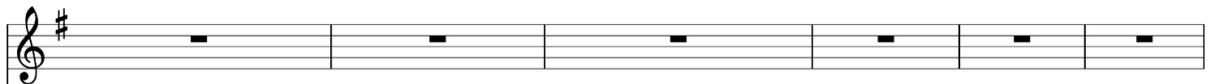


In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:*



**Lord, have mer-cy.**



**Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.**

*Pastor:*



For the Reign of God, and for peace through-out the



world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:*



**Lord, have mer-cy.**



**Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.**

*Pastor:*

For Your people here, who have come to give You praise, for the strength to live Your Word, let us pray to the Lord.

*People:*

Lord, have mer - cy.  
Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

*Pastor:*

Help, save, and de - fend us, O, God.

*People:*

A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Now The Feast”

Refrain

Now the feast and cel-e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev - er - more!

Verse 1:



Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of God. \_\_\_\_\_

*To refrain*

Verse 2:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and glo - ry to



Christ \_\_\_\_\_ for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*To refrain*

Verse 3:



For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo - ple of God;



to make all things new. \_\_\_\_\_

*To refrain*

PROMISE OF CHRIST'S PRESENCE

Pastor: The Lord is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray...

All: **Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 6:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Hear what the LORD says:

Arise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth,  
for the LORD has an indictment against his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

<sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you?  
How have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery,  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup>O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised,  
and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

<sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,  
“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

<sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

<sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Elder: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

LSB 850



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple  
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils



pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;  
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion



Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this  
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these  
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's  
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
 days, For the liv - ing of these days.  
 goal, Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.  
 dore, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

MESSAGE

OFFERING

*During this time while we are worshiping together in person and virtually,  
 we pray you consider electronic giving or mailing in your offering.  
 For options, please contact the church office.*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Deacon: Lord, in Your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

## PRAYER FOR OUR SCHOOL FAMILIES

### **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

#### COMMUNION FAMILY PRAYER

*On Screen*

#### LORD'S PRAYER

*On Screen*

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

#### AGNUS DEI

Pastor: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

**All: Have mercy on us.**

Pastor: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

**All: Have mercy on us.**

Pastor: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.

**All: Grant us Your Peace.**

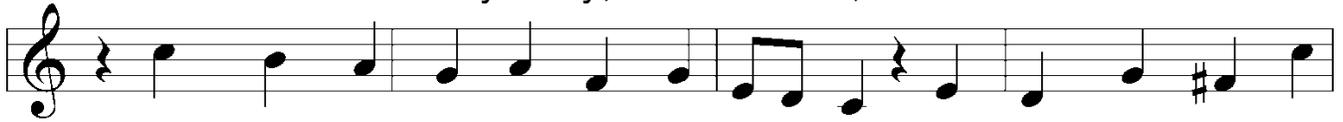
#### ASSURANCE OF CHRIST'S PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the incarnate Christ, who came and dwelt amongst us, is with you now and always.

**All: Amen.**

***WE INVITE YOU TO SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST WITH YOUR BROTHERS  
AND SISTERS AT THIS TIME.***

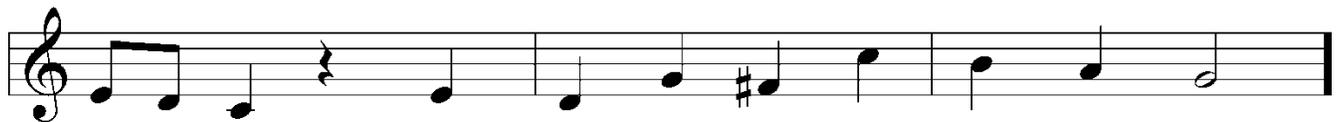
#### RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for  
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in Thee and  
 3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is nigh, who  
 4 Though death may threat-en with dis - as - ter, It can - not rob me  
 5 My heart has now be-come Thy dwell-ing, O bless - ed, ho - ly



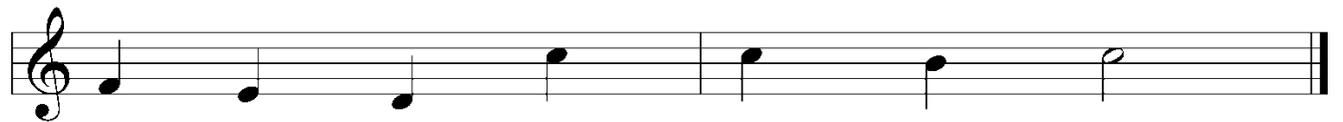
me didst shed, These are my life and strength for -  
 Thou in me. No sor - row fills my soul, de -  
 jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and thus se -  
 of my cheer; For He who is of death the  
 Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy prais - es



ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
 light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.  
 cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.  
 mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.  
 tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

*Refrain*

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be



for my soul the high - est good!

# COMMUNION SONG

# "Blessed are They"

Blest are they, the poor in spirit  
 Theirs is the kingdom of God  
 Blest are they, full of sorrow  
 They shall be consoled

### *Chorus:*

Rejoice and be glad  
 Blessed are you; holy are you  
 Rejoice and be glad  
 Yours is the Kingdom of God

Blest are they, the lowly ones  
 They shall inherit the earth  
 Blest are they, who hunger and thirst  
 They shall have their fill

### *Chorus*

# POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

**All: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

# BENEDICTION

*Pastor:*



May God bless us and keep us.  
 May God's face shine on us and be gracious to us.  
 May God look on us with favor and ✠ give us peace.

*People:*



A - men.

Blest are they who show mercy  
 Mercy shall be theirs  
 Blest are they, the pure of heart  
 They shall see God

### *Chorus*

Blest are they who seek peace  
 They are the children of God  
 Blest are they who suffer in faith  
 The glory of God is theirs

### *Chorus*

Blest are you who suffer hate  
 All because of me  
 Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom  
 Shine for all to see

### *Chorus 2x*

- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,  
Whom David Lord did call,  
The God incarnate, man divine,  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
[The God incarnate, man divine,  
And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
[Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
[To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
[We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ATTRIBUTIONS

- "ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME" Lutheran Service Book #549, Public domain; Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-92, sts. 1-5, alt.; *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, sts. 6-7, alt.; Tune: Oliver Holden, 1765-1844; setting: *Service Book and Hymnal*, 1958
- "GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY" Lutheran Service Book #850; Public domain; Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1878-1969; Tune: John Hughes, 1873-1932; setting: Henry V. Gerike, b. 1948
- "THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR" Lutheran Service Book #619; © 1941 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission. Public domain; Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder, 1677-1754; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941, abr.; Tune: *Emskirchner Choral-Buch*, Leipzig, 1756; setting: *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

### Serving Our Lord Today

(Please contact the office to sign up for Children's Messages or to be an Usher. Please see Nancy Peterson to be a Reader.)

Pastor	<b>Rev. Bart Loos</b>	Deacon	<b>Paul Lang</b>
Elder	<b>Jack McAllister</b>	Children's Message	<b>Deacon Paul Lang</b>
Reader	<b>Maxine Loos</b>	Audio Video	<b>Justin Alfama</b>
Altar Guild	<b>Sherrie Baca</b>	Pro Presenter	<b>Kevin Patrick</b>
Flowers	<b><i>Happy Birthday Roger!</i></b>		

### First Lutheran Staff

Pastor	<b>Rev. Bart Loos</b>	Deacon	<b>Paul Lang</b>
Preschool Director	<b>Nancy Durkovic</b>	Admin. Asst.	<b>Sophie Killian</b>
Director of Music	<b>Mark McCombs</b>		

## Regarding Holy Communion

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is a family meal. We invite you to join us in this meal. If you are our guest this morning and have any questions regarding the Lord's Supper, please speak to Pastor Bart Loos or Deacon Paul Lang before the service. As you prepare to receive this family meal, it is helpful to ask yourself these questions:

- Am I a baptized Christian who trusts in Jesus Christ alone for salvation?
- Do I believe that I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness?
- Do I believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine?
- Do I desire to live in the strength of the Holy Spirit and walk in the path of righteousness as revealed by God's holy laws?

## Activities This Week

January 29th, 2023 – February 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

For details on the church calendar, please visit <http://www.flcmb.org/events>

<b>Sunday 1/29</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am 4:00-5:30 pm	Sunday Worship (In-person & Live on FB) Sunday School Blessing of the Animals
<b>Monday 1/30</b>		
<b>Tuesday 1/31</b>	9:40 am 7:00 pm	COL Chapel In-person and Live on Facebook Elder's Meeting
<b>Wednesday 2/1</b>	5:45 pm 7:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal Cornerstone Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday 2/2</b>		
<b>Friday 2/3</b>		<i>Pacific Southwest District Women's Retreat</i>
<b>Saturday 2/4</b>		<i>Pacific Southwest District Women's Retreat</i>
<b>Sunday 2/5</b>	9:30 am 11:00 am	Sunday Worship (In-person & Live on FB) Adult Bible Study <i>Pacific Southwest District Women's Retreat</i>

<b>January 22</b>	<b>December Totals:</b>	<b>Fiscal Year (Sept-Dec)</b>
Offering \$7,128	Income \$37,133	Income \$105,972
Other \$1,250	Expenses \$35,363	Expenses \$118,155
<b>Total \$8,378</b>	Over/(Under) \$1,770	Over/(Under) \$(12,183)

Our January Monthly Mission is:  
**Concordia University Foundation**

Our December Monthly Mission was:  
**LCMS Specialized Pastoral Ministry**  
*"Ministering to people in hospitals/rehab  
centers, prisons, and retirement homes"*  
\$145

## ***Pray, Praise, and Give Thanks***

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (ESV)*

### **Birthdays**

29: Maria Austin; Kassia Jimenez; 1: Jeff McCombs; Hardin Herschel; 4: Roger Hennies;

### **Please add to your prayers**

Jane Freudenberg's friend, Mimi, admitted to the hospital + Max Schaller, in a search for housing + Helen Mosh's son, Adam + Carol Beck, ear and hearing + Dolores McAllister, recovering from surgery + Nancy Allen, healing from a fall + Carol Berman's father-in-law, Jay, and husband's aunt, Karen, diagnosed with cancer again + Kay Wells + Elizabeth Hodgeon's Aunt, Sheena, struggling with cancer + Lynn Imamoto's sister-in-law, Justine, undergoing treatment for melanoma + Pastor Scott Jonas, in recovery + Karen Bearns, undergoing health issues + Becky Guichard + Nancy Klomp + Emily Mendes, struggles with epilepsy + Ingeborg Aguirre + Russell Lawrence Jr., (friend of Julie Fellows) healing from pain, + Cheryl James + Mary Carlson + Karla Burkee + Gabby (Elizabeth's Friend) + Ava + Norma Iaia's husband and son

### **Homebound members**

Pastor John Durkovic, Olive Scarcliff, Bonnie Stull, Terry & Denise Hlebasko

### **Ongoing Prayers**

The ministries of First Lutheran Church & Circle of Love Preschool, Pacific Lutheran Junior/Senior High School, the South Bay Community, elected officials, our nation, unemployed and underemployed, Armed Forces, medical professionals, victims of COVID-19 Pandemic/Endemic, victims of natural disasters, and those who are traveling.

### **Please continue to pray for these cancer patients**

Lukas Lubs, John Durkovic, Heather Rogers, Joe Laliberte, Beth Braun, Joan Lewan (Carol Berman's Mother-in-Law), Joe DeMello (friend of the McCombs' family), Michelle (Julie Fellows' friend), Anna Baker's friend Gail Chambers, Itow family friends (Vincent Ortiz, Melissa Campbell, Dema Tajiri), and Diana (Becca Itow's aunt).

### **Please continue to pray for those who mourn**

Persecuted Christians, the Hennies Family, the Itow Family, the Meyers Family, the McCombs Family for the passing of Cathy Fioretta and Ryan McCombs, and the families of John Peters, Carlos, Norma Iaia's brother-in-law, Art Vanick, Joyce Rodgers, and Carol Berman's aunt Lisa.

## **Announcements**

*Please submit all announcements by Monday evening.*

*Thank you!*

### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Join us today between 4:00-5:30pm as we host a special drive-thru blessing of animals! God cares for them and cares for your pets. Please bring your pet for the special service and blessing in the lower parking lot! We will also be having a special item drive for the South Bay SPCA!

### **BELL CHOIR & CORNERSTONE CHOIR REHERSAL**

Join us for Bell Choir rehearsal this Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:45pm and the Cornerstone Choir rehearsal beginning at 7:00pm in the sanctuary!

### **FLC 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE**

Next year is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of First Lutheran Church of Manhattan Beach!! Join us as we dive into FLC's history throughout the years and plan the celebrations to commemorate this event! If you would like to join the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, please contact the church office at [flcoffice@first-lutheran.com](mailto:flcoffice@first-lutheran.com)

### **2023 FLOWER CHART**

The 2023 chart to sign up to place flowers on the altar is now available in the narthex. You can place the flowers in honor or in memory of loved ones and you are encouraged to take the flowers home after worship! The cost is \$50.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

Join us on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> for our Ash Wednesday Service beginning at 6:30pm.

## **Live Stream Worship Options**

You are invited to join us weekly for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in-person or online. Join us online on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/flcmb/live> and YouTube at <https://tinyurl.com/FLCYoutube>. The audio from recent sermons is available at <http://flcmb-org.transistor.fm>

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