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“Connecting People with Christ through Worship, Relationships & Service”



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2019

Education Hour: 9:00 am
Morning Worship with Communion: (1st, 3rd and 5th) 10:15 am
Wednesday Evening Worship: 6:30 pm

AS WE GATHER: Welcome to all who gather in our worship today, especially the new friends who are with us this morning! We gather in the presence of the King of Kings, but what a joy it is to know He is also our Saviour, our Friend, our Brother. You are special to Him and to us. Whether you are here for the first time or whether you already know us as friends, we warmly welcome you. We will do everything we can to help you worship with us. We will try to inform you of all we are doing as we gather to celebrate. We care because He cares!

POEM: By Carol Sandau

WELCOME:

P: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it"

Welcome to all who gather here. You may have come because a friend invited you. You may be a long-standing member or a new member of our faith family.

One common need brings us here to celebrate today. We all need a friend: One who will respond to our every need and support us when our efforts fail. Such a friend is here. He is Jesus Christ. Gathered around His Word, let us greet one another in the spirit of friendship and may we worship together the One who has promised to always be there when we need a friend. The peace of the Lord be with you!

C: And also with you

HYMN: *10,000 Reasons*

Chorus: Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes (Chorus)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Chorus)

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore (Chorus)

Worship Your holy name Lord I'll worship Your holy name

INVOCATION:

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Hear what God the Lord will speak,

C: for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints.

P: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet.

C: Righteousness and peace kiss each other.

P: Yes, the Lord will give what is good.

C: Righteousness will go before Him.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Yes, the Lord gives what is good. He sends His Word to every nation. But we have not always desired to hear His Word. We have not always done what His Word says. We have not always spoken His Word faithfully to others. Let us confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

Silence for reflection.

P: Heavenly Father,

C: we confess that we have ignored Your Word. We confess that at times we have shamefully treated those who speak Your Word. We confess that we have desired our own way and not Your way. Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away Your indignation toward us!

P: In love, God chose us for adoption as His heirs through Jesus Christ. We have redemption through Christ's blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace. As a called and ordained servant of the risen Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing, that we should be holy and blameless before Him.

P: Let us pray. O Lord, You have made us heirs of Your kingdom through the blood of Christ. Bolster our courage that we speak Your word of repentance and forgiveness so that more of Your people might believe and receive You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN: Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness blessed be Your name.

Chorus: Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering blessed be Your name. (Chorus)

You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Leviticus 19:9-18

“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God. “You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD. “You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. “You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD. “You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.”

A: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1:1-14

“Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

A: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:25-37

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter

C: Glory to You, O Lord

“Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.” But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper,

saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

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

CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed

C: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN: Jesus Messiah

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus: Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing (Chorus)

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God The Light of the world (Chorus)

Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

SERMON:

OFFERING: It is our privilege to give to the Lord from the bounty He first gives to us. These gifts support the work of this congregation, and reach out with the Gospel into all the world.

HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision*

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all

INSTALLATION OF OUR VBS STAFF:

PRAYERS:

A: Let us pray for our friendship with Christ.

P: Jesus, our dearest friend, abide in us that we may abide in You. By Your Holy Spirit bring to our friendships greater love, deeper devotion and more lasting fruit. Jesus, friend of sinners,

C: Be our friend.

A: Let us pray for those whom Christ will soon call "my friends."

P: Holy Spirit, work mightily in Your Word Your gracious friendship that spans time and space and brings new life and salvation. Bless all among us today with friendship in Christ, that knowing and trusting Him as their Saviour, they may attain everlasting life. Jesus, friend of the lost and wayward,

C: Be their friend.

A: Let us pray for those who are sick and recovering.

P: Friend of the suffering, bring healing to those who are ill, especially to . . . Give them patience, wisdom, courage and endurance, that in good health or poor they may render You service and praise. Jesus, friend of the sick,

C: Be their friend.

A: *Let us pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones.*

P: Friend of the grieving, as You visited the home of Your friends, Mary and Martha of Bethany, so visit these, Your friends, sharing their sorrow and assuring them that You are "the resurrection and the life." Jesus, friend of those who mourn,

C: Be their friend.

A: *Let us pray for the witness of our church.*

P: Friend of this Christian community, grant us Your heart for the lost, the poor, the outcast and the lowly. Send us into our community and throughout the world that all may know of Your love and live in Your friendship. Jesus, compassionate friend of all in need,

C: Be their friend through us.

P: These and all the prayers of Your faithful friends we offer for Your name's sake, trusting in Your grace.

C: Amen

P: Lord Jesus Christ, when we need a friend we come to You offering all within our hearts. Remember us all in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

ALL: 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.

BENEDICTION:

P: What a Friend we have in Jesus! His gifts to us are forgiveness, love, hope, an anchor in the storms of life, and the assurance of eternal life in heaven!

C: Jesus is a friend who truly meets all the needs of all of His friends!

P: And now the time has come for us to leave this holy place and to return to the ebb and flow of daily life in family, community, and work.

C: but as we return to life's ebb and flow, we return in the confident knowledge that God Himself is our friend - and the gift of Jesus, His Son, is the seal of that "forever friendship."

P: So let us go our separate ways, always mindful that we are bound together by the gentle cords of redeeming love, expressed by our Heavenly Friend in the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

C: We will depart in peace and joy to love and serve the Lord! Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: *This is Amazing Grace*

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus: (Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace This is unfailing love
That You would take my place That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings (Chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy, worthy, worthy (Chorus)

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YAHOO! WE'RE GLAD TO SEE YOU! Please accept our invitation to come and worship with us again. Let us know if we can serve you in a further way. If you are a guest with us today, we hope that you will remember that Jesus wants to be your Friend for Life, and we would love to share in the friendship

with you. **Thanks to all who made this day a blessing for us and our friends! We appreciate all your efforts!**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins tomorrow and runs for the next two weeks. We thank God for the students who have registered. Please keep all of our staff, volunteers, and students in your prayers. Thank you to all our volunteers!

Please remember that with so much happening, it may be difficult to reach people in the office. Your patience is appreciated.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/ Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Please pray that God would work through the pastors, teachers, and volunteers in our Vacation Bible School this week.

Family Focus

This Week at FLC

Today:	Installation of VBS Staff
Monday - Friday:	9:00 – 11:45 am Vacation Bible School
Wednesday:	6:30 pm Worship/Communion
Sunday:	9:15 am Adult Bible Study
	10:15 am Worship with Communion

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (July 21st) **“Let’s Get Close”** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Communing with God – Lord’s Supper. Hear this message on CHR 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

WE SAY THANKS ONCE AGAIN to the organizers, cooks, musicians and the many people who have made this another wonderful celebration. We are blessed through your service to God and to us! We hope you enjoyed the breakfast—and that you truly were blessed through the Bread of Life that God gives us in His Word.

Labor of LOVE

OUR SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES, even though our Sunday School classes have ended. We're continuing our study of the book of Acts. Join us as 9:15 am each Sunday as we share together in the study of God's Word! We have other bible study opportunities, too!

JULY'S MISSION OF THE MONTH - Lutheran Association of Missionaries & Pilots (LAMP). LAMP's volunteers and staff from Canada and the United States share the love of Jesus to Indigenous people in communities in remote northern Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia through Christ-centered Bible studies and other outreach projects. Each year over 5,000 youth and adults are impacted by the ministry of LAMP.

JOIN US FOR OUR MIDWEEK SUMMER SERVICES, especially if you are travelling and can't be with us on Sunday morning. Jesus called the Word the *one thing needful*. Don't forsake the spiritual food that we need so desperately! Come and worship on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. It's a great midweek lift, too! The sermons are different from Sunday. Communion is offered the Wednesday *after the 2nd and fourth Sunday of the month*.

NEEDED: ROOM TO RENT IN SASKATOON: Kellen Rosenau will be attending the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon this coming September. Kellen wanted to reach out to the congregation to inquire if any members may know of family or friends that may have a room to rent in Saskatoon during the upcoming school year (September- April). Please contact Kellen directly at 403-993-8047 or email kellen.rosenau@gmail.com



OUR SUMMER SERMON SERIES, based on your requests and suggestions, has begun. Copies of the sermons are regularly published on the website, either in print (look for Printed Sermons) or as videos. If you have questions, let the pastors' know, so that you may grow through God's Word.

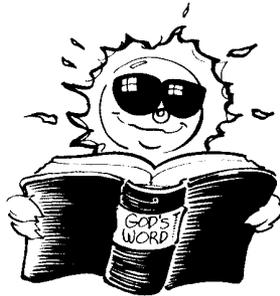
WE ARE LOOKING TO OUR FALL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM, and to those students who will begin their time of deeper study into the Scriptures and the catechism, to know the blessings God gives us as His people. Our normal routine is to begin as students enter Grade Six. We'll soon be sending out letters of information, but you can also speak to the pastors or Deaconess Miriam to

have your child enrolled. Watch for the letter, and for a meeting for parents and students, as we look to the ways we can make this a blessing to the students and their families.

GOD HAS BLESSED US IN MANY WAYS. That is true for us as a church, and if we are honest with ourselves, it is true for each of us. Those blessings enable us to serve Him in joy. They provide the means for our faithful stewardship, too.

We hope you will remember that our bills and ministry costs continue in these days. When you are away, please set aside your regular gift for the Lord's Work. Let's stay on top of our budget needs! We've been falling behind this year; let's get back on track, remembering God's faithfulness in first giving to us.

IT IS ALWAYS NICE TO SEE THOSE BLUE T-SHIRTS, worn by our members at activities that we sponsor. We saw some at the Stampede breakfast; we'll likely see some at VBS this week. We still have a few of these available in the church office, although sizes may be limited. Let the office know that you would like to have your own shirt—and use it to show others we are proud of our church family!



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