

First Lutheran Church - Putting Christ First Kirkland, IL - Est. December 26, 1873

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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping with us today! We hope that the service will be a joy and blessing to you. Please complete the black friendship register, pass it down the pew for others to register and then place it in the offering plate. After worship, you're encouraged to introduce yourself to anyone you haven't met.

BC – Borning Cry Hymnal <u>LBW</u> – green hymnal <u>WOV</u> – blue hymnal *Please stand as you are able

Please stand as the bell is rung and we are called to Worship.

*THE SERVICE BEGINS

- **P** We begin this service **IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER**:
- **C** Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for creating all living things and causing them to grow;
- P AND OF THE SON:
- **C** O Jesus Christ, our Savior, in whom we have been born anew, help us to grow up in every way into You, who are our Lord;
- P AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:
- C Dear Holy Spirit, you have called us all and gathered us together as the Body of Christ, the Church. Help your church to grow in numbers, in faith, and in love. All: AMEN!

*OPENING SONG: "My Jesus, I Love Thee" BC 318

*WE CONFESS

- **P** Let us confess our weakness and sin, and hear the comfort of God.
- C Dear Holy Spirit, we do not know how to pray as we ought. We confess that we have lived according to the flesh, with our minds set on the things of the flesh. We know this is death. We pray that each day you will set us free, setting our minds on the things of the Spirit, which is life and peace.

(Romans 8:5-6,26)

*WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF SALVATION

P The Spirit helps us in our weakness, and prays for us with sighs too deep for words. You are no longer in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. He who raised

Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit. There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. His peace be with you!

(Romans 8:1,9,11,26)

C And also with you.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

You may be seated.

FIRST READING:

Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust — there may yet be hope; ³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the LORD will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the children of men.

P The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

PSALM 30 (read responsively by half verse)

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SECOND READING:

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints — ⁵and this,

not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you — see that you excel in this act of grace also. ⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

¹³For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, "Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack."

P The Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel

*GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²²Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet ²³ and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." ²⁴And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶ and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." ²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" 31And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" 32And he looked around to see who had done it. 33But the woman, knowing what had

happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. 34And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." ³⁵While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P The Gospel of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God. You may be seated.

SERMON - written by Rev. David Wendel

Read by Judy Lacefield

Please stand as you are able.

*SONG: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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*STATEMENT OF FAITH – Apostles' Creed

*THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Eternal God, you know the trials and tribulations we go through. You know how there are times when we think we cannot go on. But even in our darkest hours, you encourage us to hold on, to be patient, and to wait for your perfect timing. Help us to put our hope in you, even when we struggle to wait.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of love, like King David, we have made many grievous errors and sinful mistakes in our lives against you and against our neighbors. Grant us your mercy of forgiveness. Help us to forgive those who have caused us trouble, sorrow, and pain.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Freeing God, in Christ you have set us free from the power of sin and death and raised us to new life. Teach us to treasure the freedoms and independence which we are privileged to enjoy in this country. Help us to use our freedom in you for the benefit of our neighbor.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Holy God, touch those who are experiencing any kind of need. Touch those who are ill with your healing hand. Release those whose hearts and minds are held captive by grief, depression, or loneliness. [Especially we pray for] Bring to all the freedom of your life-giving presence and healing mercy.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

CLOSING RESPONSIVE READING

(The prophecy of Joel, recorded in Acts 2:17-21)

- **P** In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
- C And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy!
- **P** And your young men shall see visions!
- C And your old men shall dream dreams!
- **P** Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
- **C** Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

*CLOSING SONG: "O How I Love Jesus"

BC 278

*BENEDICTION

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord! C Thanks be to God!

Church Office: (815) 522-3886
Pastor: Pray for the next Pastor

Secretary: Dianna Wittwer (815) 378-6654(c)

Pulpit Supply: Judy Lacefield

Hosts: Lynne Peterson
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Website: www.kirklandflc.org pastor@kirklandflc.org secretary@kirklandflc.org Pianist: Nancy Plote

Offering Counters: Jean Bauer & Jo Boehmer 1 child Sunday, 6/23: 48 adults, 11 children

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!!!

Joanne Seegers 7/5 Phil Gronbach 7/7 Dennis Peterson 7/7 Laney Grandt 7/6/11 Sarah Keef 7/7

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS!!

Chris & Ashley Boyer 7/2/11

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who sent cards after my surgery.

Jane Johnson

FOURTH OF JULY FLOAT & CANDY NEEDED



The theme this year is "Freedom to Soar."

If you would like to help prepare the float, I am sure Bob & Lisa Coyle would appreciate it.

There are less than 4 days to prepare the float.

Candy for the 4th would be appreciated also!

Please place candy in the church office.

FUNERAL LUNCHEON

Please contact Jo Boehmer (815) 751-2908 or Louie Mielke (815) 494-3588 with food donations or donations of help, both are needed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 6/30: Join us after the service for coffee and fellowship.

Tuesday 7/2: Food Pantry set up, 9:30am; food distr., 12-2pm.

Thursday 7/4: Happy 4th of July!

Saturday 7/6: Harry Newberry funeral, 11am, luncheon to follow.

Communion Service, 5:30pm.

Sunday 7/7: Communion Service, 9am.

PARISH CONCERNS

Harry Newberry, husband to Kay, died on Friday. His visitation will be Friday, 7/5 at the Olson Funeral home, Kirkland from 4-7pm. Funeral will be here at First Lutheran on Saturday, 7/6 at 11am with a luncheon to follow.

May the promise of God's resurrection bring peace to the family & friends of Harry Newberry.

Please keep in your daily prayers all people in need, including those mentioned here:

- Abby (Pahnke) Bohn who is pregnant.
- All those who are suffering physical or mental illness, and their families, caregivers, and medical teams, especially:

Jane Johnson Richard Krabbe
Matt Johnson James Klus
Emmaline Haag Nathan Wrobel

- All those who are not able to worship with us because they are in health care facilities or homebound: Nancy Bakanas, George Vodden, Dale Johnson, Joannie Sanderson and many others.
- Our church as we begin the call process soon.
- Persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- All elected leaders, police officers, first responders, and military personnel, that they hear and receive God's guidance and protection.
- The NALC, NALS, the Great Rivers Mission District, and all Christian churches.

Next Week's Readings:

Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Mark 6:1-13