



*First Lutheran Church - Putting Christ First
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*Sunday, February 6, 2022
Pastor Thomas Thorstad's Installation*

*The NALC's Great Rivers Mission District Dean
Pastor Jim Lehmann Presiding*

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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL who are worshipping with us today! We hope that the service will be a joy and blessing to you.

LBW, green hymnal WOV, navy hymnal *Please stand as able.



Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All who believe that Christ is present in this Sacrament are invited to share in His supper. The inner glasses on the tray are grape juice, the rest of the glasses are wine. Children who have not received Communion instruction should kneel at the altar with their arms crossed upon their chest to receive a Baptismal blessing.

Prelude

Welcome and the Announcements

Order of Service

- *Brief Order for Public Confession P. 77
- *Opening Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" WOV 771
- *Apostolic Greeting and Kyrie P. 78
- *This Is the Feast P. 81
- *Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your Word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Lesson:

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."⁸ The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion.⁹ Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.¹⁰ The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes

of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Psalm 40:3-4, 7–11, 16 (read by half verse)

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Second Reading

Romans 10:14–17

¹⁴How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?^[a] And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

*Alleluia

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*Gospel

John 20:19–23

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews,^[a] Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

Sermon: PASTOR JIM LEHMANN

*Nicene Creed

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*Hymn of the Day: “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

WOV 752

*Installation begins

P Having been authorized by the Church to install the Reverend Thomas Thorstad, our co-worker in the Gospel, as Pastor of First Lutheran Church, I now ask for certification of this call.

Council President Jo Boehmer: We, of First Lutheran Church, after prayerful deliberation, have elected the Reverend Thomas Gorden Thorstad to be our Pastor. I present him for installation. This letter certifies the call.

The Congregation may be seated.

The minister questions the pastor being installed.

The minister addresses the congregation. Please stand

P And you, people of God, will you receive this messenger of Jesus Christ, sent by God to serve God's people with the Gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

C **We will.**

P Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

C **We will.**

The minister addresses the pastor being installed:

P The office of Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The newly installed pastor may kneel for the blessing.

P The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the

eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Almighty God, giver of all things, with gladness we give thanks for all your goodness. We bless you for the love which has created, and which sustains us from day to day. We praise you for the gift of your Son our Savior, through whom you have made known your will and grace. We thank you for the Holy Spirit, the comforter; for your holy Church; for the means of grace; for the lives of all faithful and good people; and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that our Lord has done for us, and enable us to show our thankfulness by lives that are wholly given to your service.

C Hear us, good Lord

Save and defend whole Church, purchased with the precious blood of Christ. Give it pastors and ministers filled with your Spirit, and strengthen it through the Word and the holy sacraments. Make it perfect in love and in all good works, and establish it in the faith delivered to the saints. Sanctify and unite your people in all the world, that one holy Church may bear witness to you, the creator and redeemer of all.

C Hear us, good Lord

Preserve our nation in justice and honor, that we may lead a peaceable life of integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear office in our land, especially the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, and all those who make, administer and judge our laws and help them to serve this people according to your holy will.

C Hear us, good Lord

Heavenly Father, shepherd of your people, we thank you for your servant, Pastor Thomas Thorstad, who is faithful in the care and nurture of your flock. We pray for him and his family as God

uses them as an example to all families. We pray that, following his example and teaching of his holy life that we may by your grace grow into the full stature of your Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

C Hear us, good Lord

Almighty God, you have raised up faithful bishops and leaders of your Church. May their life and ministry be a source of joy for us and a bulwark of your faith, so that we may serve you and confess your name before the world; through your Son, Jesus, Christ our Lord.

C Hear us, good Lord

Comfort with grace of your Holy Spirit all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those to whom death draws near. Bring consolation to those who in sorrow or mourning. And to all grant a measure of love, taking them into your tender care.

C Hear us, good Lord

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of him who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you in the unity of Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen

Congregation may be seated as the Installation Continues.

Pastor Lehmann and Jo Boehmer welcome the pastor. The congregation may offer acclamation with applause.

*Sharing of Peace

*Offering

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

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Communion Distribution

Closing Hymn: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

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*Thank the Lord

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*Benediction

*Threefold Amen

*Pastor: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

***Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

*Postlude

Please welcome Pastor Thomas Thorstad (Pastor Tom) and family to First Lutheran Church! May we have many years of ministry together.

Thank you to those Pastors who are sharing in our celebration of Pastor Tom's installation today, especially Pastor Jim Lehmann for presiding over the service.

Please join us for a meal in the fellowship hall.

Thank you Deaune (Pastor's wife) who made all of the rose arrangements. They are absolutely beautiful!!