

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday of Easter/New Member Sunday

May 11, 2025

Welcome and Announcements *(Please pass the attendance pad along the pew. If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address.)*



New Member Installation

PRESENTATION

Denice: We have several individuals to welcome as members to First Lutheran Church, a member of the Northeastern Minnesota Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, on this New Member Sunday. If these individuals would join Pastor Anderson at the font. As they are doing so, I'll introduce them. Joining us by affirmation are Desi, Bristol and Otto Aleckson, Roger and Wendy Hoplin, Andi Streng, Charles and Cullen Erickson, Dick and Kathy Herold, Holly, Jonathan, Connor, Emilyynn and Ronin Rowell, Sue Hagen, Hudson Juel, Dave and Carmel Holtz, Sarah Gearey, Lena, Levi and Lainey Winter, Matthew, Kara, Anna and Maeve Rohr, Ercell Dupont, Gary Kouba and Gavin Wolmutter. These individuals have been worshipping with us, been involved in our community of faith, and desire to make public affirmation of their baptism by joining this congregation.

Pastor: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these new members, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

Pastor: Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these, our companions, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

People: Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Pastor: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? If so, answer, "I renounce them."

New Members: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

New Members: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

New Members: I renounce them.

And you, all the people of First Lutheran Church, gathered here representing this specific congregation and the Church of Christ as a whole, I ask you to confess your faith, the faith into which we baptize. Do you believe in God the Father?

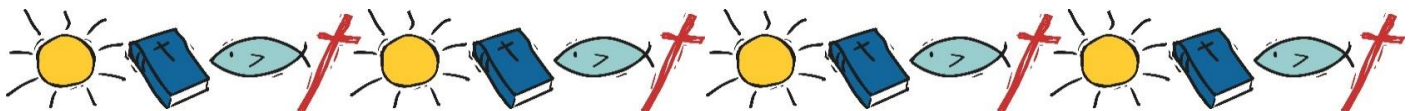
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so, please respond, "I do, and I ask God to help and guide me."

New Members: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these new members and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in these new members the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Denice Let us rejoice with and welcome our sisters and brothers in Christ whom we have received this day through affirmation of baptism as members of First Lutheran Church:

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Denice It is appropriate to welcome these new members with applause, as they return to their seats and worship continues with the Sharing of the Peace.

***Sharing the Peace**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you

Opening Hymn: "All Are Welcome" (ELW 641) (Verses 1 & 5)(printed on back page of bulletin)



Welcome

***Gospel Announcement**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

***Gospel:** John 21:9-13

⁹ When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly is seated.

Children’s Message

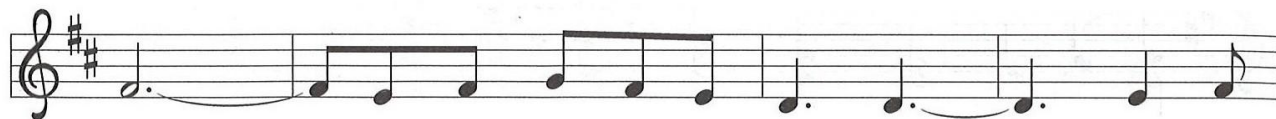
Sermon- “Breakfast on the Beach”

Pastor Hans Anderson

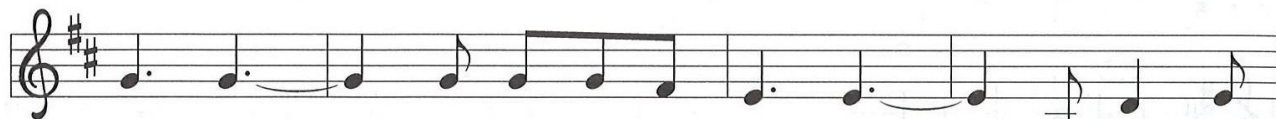
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Song of the Day: "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore" (ELW817)



1	Tú	has	ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla,	no has bus -
1	You	have	come down to the lake - shore	seek - ing
2	You	know	full well what I have, Lord:	nei - ther
3	You	need	my hands, my ex - haus - tion,	work - ing
4	You	who	have fished oth - er wa - ters;	you, the



ca - do	ni a sa - bios ni a	ri - cos;	tan só - lo
nei - ther	the wise nor the	wealth - y,	but on - ly
trea - sure	nor wea - pons for	con - quest,	just these my
love for	the rest of the	wea - ry—	a love that's
long - ing	of souls that are	yearn - ing:	O lov - ing



quie - res	que yo	te	si - ga.
ask - ing	for me	to	fol - low.
fish nets	and will	for	work - ing.
will - ing	to go	on	lov - ing.
Friend, you	have come	to	call me.

Refrain / Estribillo



Se - ñor,	me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos;	son - ri - en - do,
Sweet Lord,	you have looked in - to my eyes;	kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre.	En la a - re - na	he de - ja - do mi
you've called out my name. . . .	On the sand I	have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca;	jun - to a ti	bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
small boat;	now with you,	I will seek oth - er seas.

***Prayers of the People:**

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

You guide your people to the waters of life. Make your church a nourishing place for all who are thirsty for hope and healing. Renew us in the waters of baptism, and send us forth as signs of your love. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

You tend to the earth, sustaining life in all places. Revive fragile ecosystems and restore species in danger of extinction. Teach us new ways of living in balance and harmony with our non-human neighbors. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

You lead all peoples along right pathways. Grant wisdom and compassion to judges, lawyers, mediators, and legal advocates. Dismantle systems of mass incarceration, empower processes of restorative justice, and encourage all who strive for healing in our communities. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

You wipe the tears from every eye. Tend to all who struggle with anxiety or depression, loneliness, or despair. Enfold all who are in any need in your shepherding care. We pray for the following..... Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

This Mother's Day, bless mothers, grandmothers, and all who offer mothering care. Come close to those whose relationships with their families are difficult, and console all who grieve the loss of mother figures or the loss of children. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
Amen.

Offering

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son (repeat)**

**And now let the weak say, I am strong
Let the poor say, I am rich
Because of what The Lord has done for us
And now let the weak say, I am strong
Let the poor say, I am rich
Because of what The Lord has done for us
Give thanks**

***Offertory Prayer**

**Risen One,
you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again,
breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.
Amen.**

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

**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;
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.**

† Communion †

*All who believe in the death and resurrection as given in this bread and wine are welcome to the table today.
Please follow usher's guidance to come forward to receive communion and then return to your seat.
Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available from the communion server upon request.
You are welcome to this Table of our Lord.*

Holy Communion Distribution

***Post Communion Prayer**

**Living One,
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life
to a wounded and weary world.
Amen.**

***Blessing:**

**The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always.
Amen.**



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE.

***Sending Hymn: "For All the Faithful Women" (ELW 419)**



- 1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,
Insert one or more of stanzas 3-11 or this general stanza 2:
2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un - known,
Last All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.

in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,
All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.

we of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise
With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.

that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.
we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

Miriam

- 3 We praise your name for Miriam,
who sang triumphantly
while Pharaoh's vaunted army
lay drowned beneath the sea.
As Israel marched to freedom,
her chains of bondage gone,
so may we reach the kingdom
your mighty arm has won.

Hannah

- 4 To Hannah, praying childless
before the throne of grace,
you gave a son and called him
to serve before your face.
Grant us her perseverance;
Lord, teach us how to pray
and trust in your deliv'rance
when darkness hides our way.



*Dismissal:

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



Communion Assistants:

Zoom:

Cora Hohnstadt

Sound:

Denice Smith

Ushers:

Paul Pearson & Jim Riess

Altar Guild:

Irene Gearey, Penny Siewert & JoAnn Nelson

Counter:

Denice Smith

Coffee

Jody Perry

The Week Ahead

Sunday, May 11, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter/New Member Sunday

Worship Service

9:00 AM

NEW MEMBER POTLUCK

10:00 AM

Directory Photos

10:00 AM

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Bible Study

10:00 AM

Thursday, May 15, 2025

Dorcas Circle

9:00 AM

Sunday, May 18, 2025

5th Sunday of Easter/Make a Joyful Noise

Worship Service

9:00 AM

Coffee and Fellowship

10:00 AM

Church Council

10:00 AM

New Member Potluck TODAY, following Worship



Announcements

To view **Sunday Services** via Zoom:

Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m. – Meeting ID 893 3233 9261 Passcode 053880.

Bulletins can be sponsored for \$25.00 per week. This week's bulletin is sponsored by Penny Siewert in memory of her husband Stan. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

This morning, we will be having a **potluck** in honor of our new members. Please join us!

New Members we are honoring today are:

Desi, Bristol and Otto Aleckson

Dave and Carmel Holtz

Roger and Wendy Hoplin

Sarah Gearey, Lena, Levi and Lainey Winter

Andi Streng, Charles and Cullen Erickson

Matthew, Kara, Anne and Maeve Rohr

Dick And Kathy Herold

Gary Kouba

Holly, Jonathan, Connor, Emilyynn and Ronin Rowell

Gavin Wolmutt

Sue Hagen

Ercell Dupont

Hudson Juel

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After 15 faithful years, the **First Lutheran Church refrigerator** was beyond repair. A new refrigerator was purchased, which was \$2,846.61. A generous memorial donation for kitchen use covered \$1,522.90 of this cost. Some donations have been given, but the FLCW budget would welcome any donations to cover the remaining **\$445.00**. Donations will allow budgeted benevolence giving of First Lutheran Women to continue. Donations should be to FLCW. Any questions, please contact Denice Smith, Kitchen Committee Chair.
THANK YOU!

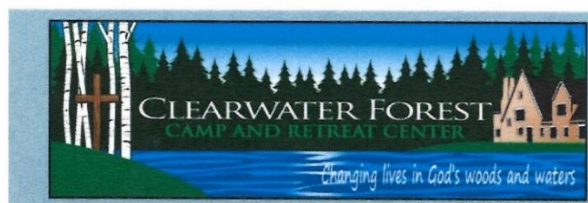
FLCW RETREAT AT CLEARWATER FOREST CAMP

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Our day includes lunch, a bible study led by Pastor Hans, enjoyment of the camp grounds and a pontoon ride.

We will carpool from the church at **10:30 AM**

COME ENJOY THE DAY



Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Caleb Prushek, great nephew of Jane Orth
Cleone Hoplin
Grace Anderson
Jan Otness, as she prepares for heart surgery
Rene Frigaard, as she prepares for heart surgery
Neil Smith, recovering from back surgery
Gloria Johnson
Sue Hagen



Those in the service...

Senior Master Sergeant Bradford, son of Bill & Kaye Schroeder
Major A.J. Depman, nephew of Bill & Kaye Schroeder
Sgt Christopher Krecklau, son of Mary & Randy Krecklau
E-6 Nathaniel & E-6 Amanda Mitchell, nephew of Mary & Randy Krecklau

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, May 4, 2025

Attendance: 103

Offering

May 4, 2025	\$3,363.00	Weekly Budget:	\$3,301.40
Direct Deposit:	\$ 205.00		
Total Offerings:	\$3,568.00		

Year-to-Date (Fiscal year starts September 1)

2024-2025 Giving: **\$114,331.42** Expenses: **\$106,640.73**

Income less Expenses for April:

\$16,235.75 - \$12,784.10 = \$3,451.65

If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-9166 or email him at pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com



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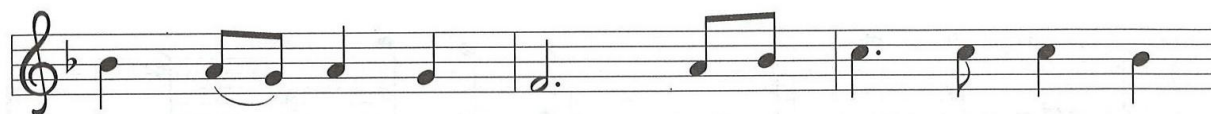
Opening Hymn: "All Are Welcome" (ELW 641) (Verses 1 & 5)



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 stran - ger bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.