

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Day of Pentecost

May 17, 2026

Welcome and Announcements *(Guests please sign the attendance book in the pew)*

Memorial Day "Flanders Field"

Doris Asseltine

Sharing the Peace

Opening Song: "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind" (ELW 400)

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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Confession & Forgiveness

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb!

Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.

Break down barriers that divide us.

Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ ‘In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”.

Psalm: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴ How manifold are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is
full of your creatures.

²⁵ **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its
swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

²⁶ There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport
of it.

²⁷ **All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

²⁸ You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with
good things.

²⁹ **When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.**

³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are
created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹ **May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

³² You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³ **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

³⁴ May these words of mine please God.
I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b} **Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

^{3b} No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

*Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: John 7:37-39

³⁷ On the last day of the festival [of Booths], the great day, while Jesus was standing [in the temple,] he cried out, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, ³⁸ and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, ‘Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.’ ” ³⁹ Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

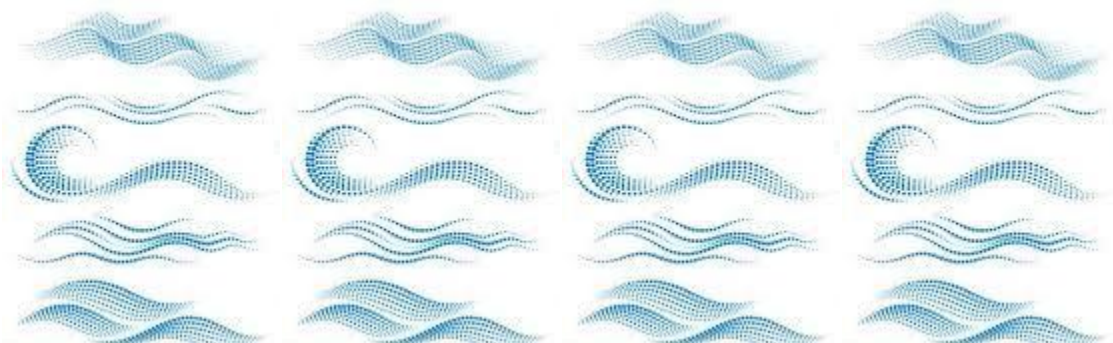
The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children’s Sermon

Sermon-“Wind & Water!”

Pastor Hans Anderson



***Statement of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**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.

***Prayers of the People:**

Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

O God, you send the Holy Spirit to gather your church into one. Inspire all ministers of the gospel to speak prophetic and hope-filled words to all whom they encounter. Bless the work of interreligious dialogue. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You send the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth. Protect all living things, bring forth clean water and abundant food, and grant us wonder as we contemplate all you have made. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You send the Holy Spirit to break down the barriers of communication among nations. Bestow peace in war-torn areas, guide all in government and society to work for justice, and guard those serving in the armed forces, especially as we remember those who died in service to their country. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You send the Holy Spirit to accompany those who feel abandoned. Provide food for those who hunger and drink for those who thirst, soothe those who are anxious or bereaved, comfort those who are sick or suffering, and answer all who call upon your name. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You send the Holy Spirit through the gift of baptism. Bless both those preparing for or affirming their baptism. May they be encouraged by this community of faith as they live out their baptismal promises. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

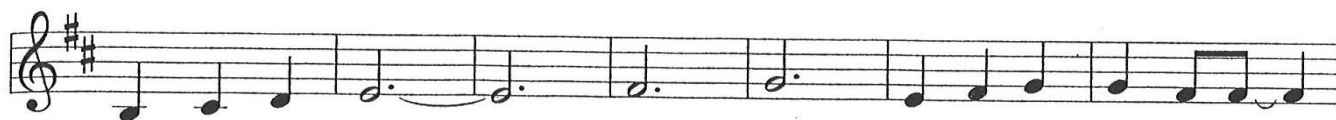


Hymn of the Day: "Spirit of Gentleness" (ELW 396) (Offering will be taken during the hymn)

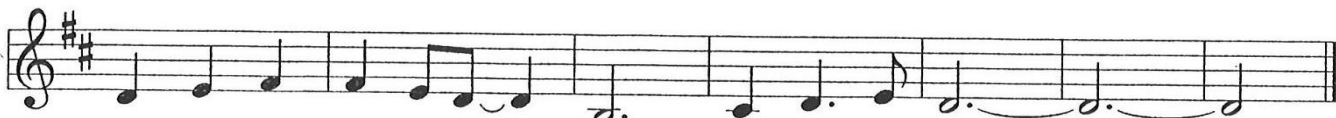
Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



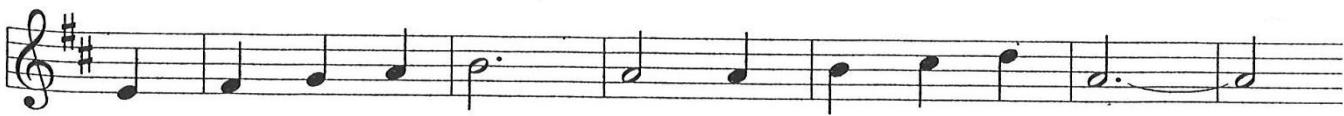
stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



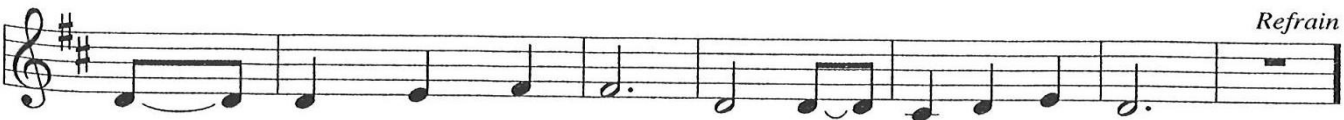
- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

***Offertory Prayer**

**Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus,
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 apple juice are available from the communion server upon request.
You are welcome to this Table of our Lord.*

Holy Communion Distribution

***Post Communion Prayer**

**Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.
In the name of Jesus,
Amen.**

***Blessing:**

**God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.**

Sending Song- "O Living Breath of God" (ELW 407)



1 *So - plo de Dios vi - vien - te que en el prin - ci - pio cu - bris - te el a - gua,*
1 O liv - ing Breath of God, wind at the be - gin - ning up - on the wa - ters;
2 O liv - ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
3 O liv - ing Breath of God, bear - ing us to life through bap - tis - mal wa - ters;



So - plo de Dios vi - vien - te que fe - cun - da - ste la cre - a - ción:
O liv - ing Breath of God, bear - ing the cre - a - tion to won - drous birth:
O liv - ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
O liv - ing Breath of God, sigh - ing with cre - a - tion for free - dom's birth:

Refrain / Estribillo



Ven hoy a nues - tras al - mas, in - fún - de - nos tus do - nes;
Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



So - plo de Dios vi - vien - te, oh San - to E - spí - ri - tu del Se - ñor.
O liv - ing Breath of God, Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe in us as we pray.

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Music: Swedish folk tune

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***Dismissal:**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!





Reader: Rene Frigaard
Communion Assistants:
Zoom: Cora Hohnstadt
Sound: Denice Smith
Ushers: Paul Pearson & Neil Smith
Altar Guild: JoAnn Nelson & Penny Siewert
Counter: Denice Smith

The Week Ahead

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Pentecost

Worship Service	9:00 AM
Fellowship & Coffee Time	10:00 AM
Congregational Care Commission	10:00 AM

Monday, May 18, 2026

Kitchen Committee	1:30 PM
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Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Out to Lunch Bunch	11:00 AM
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Thursday, May 21, 2026

Dorcas Circle	9:00 AM
Naomi Circle, meet at Denice Smith's home	1:30 PM

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Worship Service	9:00 AM
Fellowship & Coffee Time	10:00 AM

Vacation Bible School
Mark Your Calendars!
VBS will be July 6-10
Hosted at Riverview Church

Announcements

Sunday Services at First Lutheran continue to be in-person and via Zoom. To join us via Zoom, go to www.zoom.us and select the blue "Join a Meeting" link at the top center of your screen. (You won't need to create an account.) Type in the appropriate Meeting ID number and click the blue "Join" button.

Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m. – Meeting ID is 882 7501 6398 Passcode is 753902.

Bulletins can be sponsored for \$25.00 per week. Today's bulletin is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 613, in honor of **Poppy Month**. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

Dear Families with younger children: we enthusiastically welcome you and your growing family to celebrate the worship service with us. *Please relax*. We understand that God put the wiggle in children and we want them to feel welcome -- it's their church, too! Be sure to participate in the service as kids learn how to "do" church by watching you. Quiet activity bags are available in the back of the church. Talk about church at home and in the car and address any curiosities children have.

Finally, **THANK YOU** for joining us -- we know it takes a lot of hard work and effort to get here.!

Thank you First Lutheran Church! We are giving **\$750.00** to the **Make A Splash Dock Challenge** for Voyageur's Lutheran Ministry. \$550 is from the special offering last Sunday and \$200 is from the Mission Trust Fund.

We are proud to recognize **May as Poppy Month**—a time to honor and remember the sacrifices made by our veterans. The red poppy is a symbol of the lives given in service to our country, and it continues to represent our commitment to those who have served and are still in need today.

The **American Legion Auxiliary Unit 613 Poppy Fund** provides direct assistance to veterans and their families in our community. Every dollar donated stays dedicated to helping with essential needs such as housing, medical expenses, and daily living support.



OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Our May outing will be to Andy's in Crosslake. We will meet on May 19th in the church parking lot at 11:00 AM

Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Madeleine Primmer

Ryan Kelley

Juliet Perry Stevens, Jodi Perry's daughter, recovering from surgery

Arlan Hagen, fractured three vertebrae in his back

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 & Chief Amanda Mitchell, nephew of Mary & Randy Krecklau

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, May 10 ,2026

Attendance: 112

Offering May 10, 2026	\$3,562.00	Weekly Budget:	\$3,803.77
Direct Deposit:	\$ 75.00		
Vanco	\$ 313.10		
Offering transfers:	\$2,749.00		
Total Offerings:	\$6,699.10		

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

2025-2026 Giving: \$120,959.05 Expenses: \$120,475.73

Income less Expenses for April:

\$15,044.30 - \$17,156.52 = **-\$2,112.22**

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



Vanco provides a secure and user-friendly way to give to our church online.

Boggle MasterMind Skip Bo Euchre Yahtzee Uno Backgammon

Starting June 1, 2026

GAME DAY

First Lutheran Church

Every Monday,

from 1:00-3:00 PM

Bring a game you enjoy.

All adults are welcome

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Monoploy Stragego Parcheesi Pinochle Backgammon Phase 10 Scattergories

Bridge Chess Sequence Pictionary Trivial Pursuit Apples to Apples Gin Rummy Clue Mille Bornes

Battleship Hearts Dominoes Scrabble Sorry Checkers 500 Rummy Aggravation Cribbage Canasta