

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

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

Sharing the Peace

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Presentation: I present Lily, Paisley, Reagan & Grayson to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

In Christian love you have presented these children for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring them to the services of God's house, and teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As they grow in years, you should place in their hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of their Baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

Parents & Sponsors: I do.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom. To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Parents & Sponsors: I do.

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, 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.

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.

I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon this child: 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. **Amen**

Lily, Paisley, Reagan & Grayson, children of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

(A lighted candle is to be given to the sponsor of the children)

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon Al & Jenna, parents of Lily, and Rachel & Tomas, parents of Paisley, Reagan & Grayson. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for these children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with these children the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Through Baptism God has made Lily, Paisley, Reagan & Grayson a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God. Amen.



Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷ O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all day long;
everyone mocks me.
⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out;
I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.
⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him
or speak any more in his name,"
then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
¹⁰ For I hear many whispering:
"Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.
"Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him
and take our revenge on him."
¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.
¹² O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous;
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.
¹³ Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.

Psalm: Psalm 69-7-10, 16-18

⁷ Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach,
and shame has covered my face.
⁸ **I have become a stranger to my own kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.**
⁹ Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen
upon me.
¹⁰ **I humbled myself with fasting,**

but that was turned to my reproach.
¹⁶ **Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind;
in your great compassion, turn to me.**
¹⁷ Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
¹⁸ **Draw near to me and redeem me;
because of my enemies deliver me.**

Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b} Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

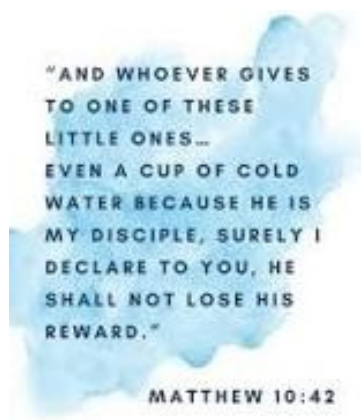
Children’s Message

Pastor Hans Anderson

Noisy Offering

Message- “Warm Welcome, Cool Water”

Pastor Hans Anderson



*Prayers of the People:

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Life-giving God, you have called your people to lose their lives for Jesus' sake. Strengthen your church to follow you in the face of difficulty. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Creator God, you know every sparrow that falls to the ground. Protect migrating birds, endangered species, and their natural habitats. Empower us to care for your creation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, you call us to act justly and love mercy. Protect those with marginalized identities to whom we have not shown the abounding love of Jesus. Bring an end to oppression and bigotry in all forms. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sustaining God, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disability. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Empowering God, strengthen us to live out our diverse callings. We pray especially for fathers and father figures, that they show your compassion and care. We pray for all for whom this day is difficult or painful. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

Hymn of the Day: "We are Baptized in Christ Jesus" (ELW 451) (*Offering will be taken during the hymn*)

1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;
2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,
3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo-ry be to Christ the Son,

that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;

And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,
God has made a new be - gin - ning from the ash - es of our past;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, glo - ry now re-sounds a - gain

we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

***Offertory Prayer**

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
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.*

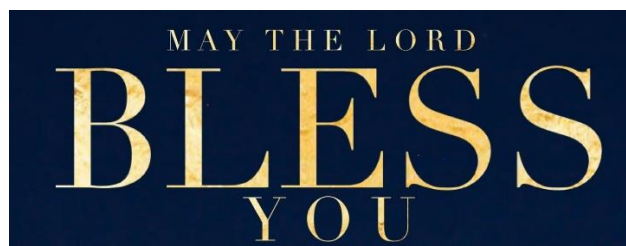
Holy Communion Distribution

***Post Communion Prayer**

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

***Blessing:**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
† one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.



Sending Song—"Thy Holy Wings" (WOV 741)

1 Thy ho - ly wings O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver me
 2 Oh, let me nes - tle near thee, with - in thy down - y breast
 3 Oh, wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood.

and let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee.
 where I will find sweet com - fort and peace with - in thy nest.
 Give me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good.

Oh, be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place,
 Oh, close thy wings a - round me and keep me safe - ly there,
 Oh, take in - to thy keep - ing thy child - ren great and small,

and let my ev - 'ry mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.
 for I am but a new - born and need thy ten - der care.
 and while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

Text: Carolina Sandell-Berg, 1832-1903, st. 1,3; Gracia Grindal, b. 1943, st. 2 and tr., st. 1, 3
 Music: Swedish folk tune, arr. *With One Voice*, 1995
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***Dismissal:**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.



Reader:

Communion Assistants:

Zoom:

Sound:

Ushers:

Altar Guild:

Counter:

Cora Hohnstadt

Sandy Gilbertson

Paul Pearson & Bill Schroeder

Rene Frigaard & Annette Newton

Wendy Swenson

The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Service

9:00 AM

Fellowship & Coffee Time

10:00 AM

CCC

10:00 AM

Monday, June 22, 2026

Game Day

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

Kitchen Committee

1:30 PM

Thursday, June 25, 2026

Operation Sandwich

10:00 AM

Saturday, June 27, 2026

SummerFest Bake Sale

9:00 AM

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost/ Games Day

Worship Service

9:00 AM

Fellowship & Coffee Time

10:00 AM



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 Jane Orth in honor of Marlen’s birthday on the 18th. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

FLCW needs a treasurer. All financial information is up to date. Needed is someone to make all budgeted donations, deposit funds, and complete a twice yearly Income and Expense Report for the FLCW Board Meetings. If finance is one of the gifts God has given you and you are willing to use this gift for First Lutheran Church Women, please contact Denice Smith at 218-820-4522. Thank you.

On Saturday, June 27, 2026 First Lutheran Church Women will hold a bake sale during the Pine River Summerfest Celebration. **Please bring one or two baked items to our tables in front of Jim’s Barber Shop. Set up will begin at 9:00 am.** We will take down following the noon parade.

ONE MORE VOLUNTEER is needed to help Holly Knutson, Penny Siewert and Mary Krecklau set up and manage the sale. If you can help please contact the church office @ 218-587-2316. Thank you

Our community **VBS** will be running from July 6-10. We are looking for some teen and/or adult volunteers to help with the arts and crafts station during the evening camp that runs from 5:15-8:00. You can do the whole week or you can volunteer for one evening--we'll take the help in any way! Please see Morgan Kepner or Melanie Lindquist if you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions. Thank you!

Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Madeleine Primmer

Ryan Kelley

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

Harvey Kelley

Those in the service...

Senior Master Sargeant 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, June 14, 2026

Attendance: 79

Offering June 14, 2026 \$2,163.00 Weekly Budget: \$3,803.77

Direct Deposit: \$ 75.00

Vanco: \$ 39.84

Total Offerings: \$2,277.84

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

2025-2026 Giving: \$136,079.35 Expenses: \$135,555.71

Income less Expenses for May:

\$15,373.71 - \$14,119.75 = 1,373.71

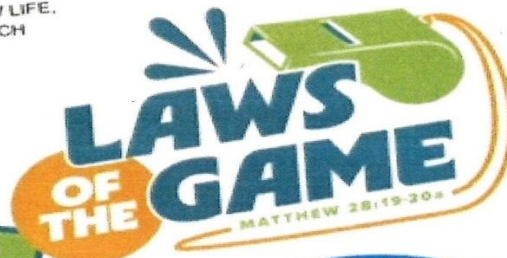
If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-9166 or email him at pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com

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2026 SPORTS CAMP



Join us this year for UW Sports Ministry's "Laws of the Game!" During the week, young athletes will explore the game plan God personally has for them.



FREE!

ACTIVITIES

Ages 6-12
Basketball, Soccer, Girls' Cheerleading, Arts
(Arts available in PM camp only)

Ages 4-5
Team 45

EVENT DATE

JULY 6-10

9:00 AM-12:15 PM

OR

5:00-8:15 PM

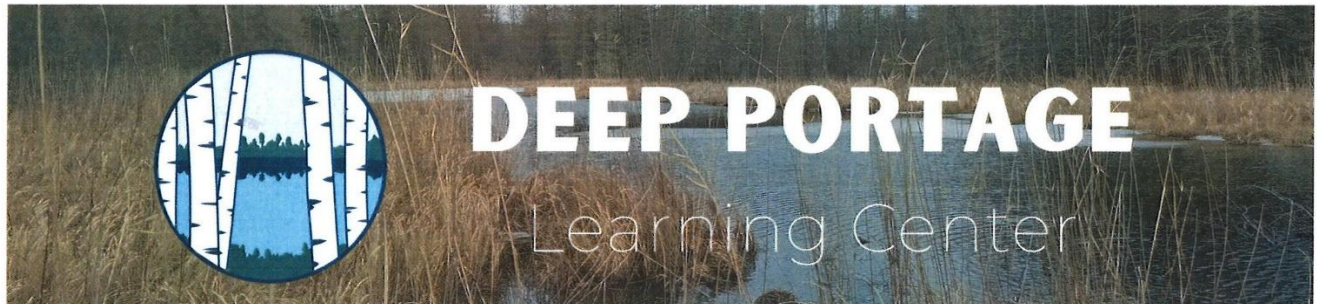
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uwsportsministry.org

Women's
Day of Retreat
Deep Portage Learning Center



Monday, June 29, 2026

**We will carpool from the church at
11:00 AM**

Lunch at noon

followed by a

Tour of grounds and facility

**Afternoon Bible Study, from the
Gather Magazine, led by Pastor Hans**

Please sign up on the clipboard on the narthex!