

**SAVE THE DATES** – 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of First Lutheran Church will be on Saturday, June 27 & Sunday, June 28. More information to come soon.

**First Lutheran** is scheduled to deliver Mobile Meals May 4 through 8 and May 11 through the 15. Natalie has put out a sign-up sheet in Centennial Hall.

**Save the date** - May 3rd - All ages are welcome to join us for planting and more at Shalom Hill Farm in Windom, MN. More information to come. Talk with Brenda Richards to reserve your spot today!

**May 6** - End of year celebration at church - ALL are welcome! Join us at First Lutheran for a meal at 5:15 pm followed by an informal worship service at 6:00 pm led by the youth.

**We are collecting** glass vases (12” or taller) to decorate for the 150<sup>th</sup> celebration. If you have any you would like to donate, please put them on the kitchen counter. Thanks so much, Jane.

**RUMMAGE SALE** - Due to the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, donations will not be accepted until after July 1. The rummage sale will be happening August 13, 14 and 15. Talk with Brenda Richards with any questions.

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life” (Text: George Herbert; Trad. Irish Melody; arr. Hopson; Alfred Pub.)

*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death.*

*Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength; such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest.*

*Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart; such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.*

*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death.*

**First Lutheran Church – ELCA**

**1200 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue - Worthington, MN 56187**

Ministers: All baptized members – Jeanette McCormick, Pastor

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**April 19, 2026** – Paul’s Conversion (\* = please stand)

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (p. 94)

\*GATHERING SONG ELW 389, “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

\*GREETING (p. 138)

\*KYRIE (p. 138)

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE (p. 140)

“This Is the Feast”

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

READING: Acts 9:1-19a (Red Bible p. 893)

PSALM 67 (Red Bible p. 460)

CHILDREN’S SERMON

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142)

“Alleluia”

\*GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24 (Red Bible p. 787)

SERMON

Pastor Jeannette

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 421, “By All Your Saints” (vs. 1, 8 & last)

\*NICENE CREED (p. 104)

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

\*PEACE (p.143)

OFFERING/CGC MOMENT/CHOIR ANTHEM

Sanctuary Choir, “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life” (arr. Hopson; Alfred)

\*OFFERING SONG ELW 367, “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” (vs. 4)

OFFERING PRAYER

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING/DIALOGUE (p. 144)

\*PREFACE/HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 144)

\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (p. 145)

\*LORD’S PRAYER (p. 145)

\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

\*LAMB OF GOD (p. 146)/COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

ELW 477, “I Received the Living God”

ELW 474, “Bread of Life from Heaven”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p. 146)

SENDING OF COMMUNION (p. 146)

\*BLESSING (p. 146)

\*SENDING SONG

“Go to the World” (Sine Nomine)

\*DISMISSAL (p. 146)

**FAITH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SUICIDE PREVENTION**

**JOIN US FOR ONE OR ALL OF THESE SESSIONS: 6:30 PM-8 PM EACH NIGHT**

- All materials provided. Free will donation for all resources and materials.
- Donations are appropriate for teenagers to adults.
- Conversation time will take place but no one is expected to share.
- You do not need to be a patient to benefit from these sessions.
- Children is available.
- All diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds/denominational backgrounds are welcome.

**APRIL 15: INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATION AND CONVERSATION**  
We will talk about how faith, the church and mental health relate in a conversational format. There will be an introduction led by Pr. Jeanette McCormick. Those adults and youth will divide for small group conversations.

**APRIL 22: QPR AND ENDING THE SILENCE SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING**  
Join us for QPR (Question, Persuade and Refer) training for adults as an "Ending the Silence" training for teens. Sessions will be taught by certified instructors, Pr. Jeanette McCormick, Sonika and Renee Lopez. RSVPs for this session are sought for planning; contact information below.

**APRIL 29: PANEL AND LANTERN MAKING**  
A panel of mental health workers and individuals affected by mental health issues will share their stories. Questions are encouraged. Youth will use the stories to create lanterns (shades of blue best for visibility) as we struggle with mental health.

**All Events Will Occur at First Lutheran 1200 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. Worthington, MN 56187**  
Community organizations will be present to share information and resources. Inquire about mental health for children (ages 6-12) and youth (ages 13-18) at the bottom.

Questions/Concerns? Please contact Pr. Jeanette McCormick at 507-376-6148 or 612-636-1533 (cell) or email [pastorjeanetteccormick@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjeanetteccormick@gmail.com)

### SUNDAY SERVANTS

**ASSISTING MINISTER/LECTOR:** Ryan McGaughey

**ACOLYTE:** Olivia Gerdes

**SOUND:** Kevin Fleming

**POWERPOINT:** Pam Fleming

**PIANIST:** Cindy Anderson

**VAN DRIVERS:** 4-19 Midg White (360-3215)

4-26 Larry Woodbury (360-2689)

**GREETER:**

**LIVESTREAM:** Erin Makela

**COFFEE:** Robert & Bonnie Bents & Miles & Ady Hein

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 93

Attendance a year ago: 183

Attendance Last Wednesday: 12

Livestream: 403

**Burial** for Terry Morrison will be held on Saturday, May 2 at 3:00 pm at Memorial Gardens in Worthington. All are welcome.



**Members:** Laura Christensen, Bob Benson, Linda Towne, Mike Vosburgh, Logan Waldner, Shirley Frisch, Erin Schutte-Wadzinski, Wadzinski Family, Leroy Merkel, Alvin Kuehl, Jean Black, Dennis Zierke, Kathy Summers, Glenda Lais, Val Veen, Zach Kempema, Gayle Huehn, JoAnn Kruse, Charlene Wachter, Marilyn Frisch, Julie & Denny Christensen

**Members in Nursing Homes:** Joan Tofteland

**Members in Care Facilities:** Rosann Boots, Karen Lewis, Jean Bender

**Family Members & Friends:** Ron Tuin Family & Friends (Julie Bauman's dad), David King (friend of Kevin & Pam Fleming), Verna Hill, (mother of Mary Ingenthron), Avrey Smith (brother of Austin Peters-Smith), Diane (DeWitt) Duitsman, Tiah Colacci (friend of Pastor Jeanette), Aaron & Amy Koob (nephew of Dale & Debbie Koob), Rita Knutson, Wendy Frodermann (family of Eric & Lisa Milbrath), Rachael Felske (granddaughter of Karen Buchman), Darlene Voxland (Aunt of Lisa Waldner), Suzy Wilson (cousin of Gayle Huehn), Ken Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing and Nancy Hellstrom), Vickie Bierman (sister of Lisa Waldner), Darlene Vaala (grandmother of Tiffany Neugebauer), Debbie Schannaw (daughter of Gayle Huehn), Rick Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing & Nancy Hellstrom), Kelly Reeves & family (Friend of Lisa Waldner), Maghan Fleming (Daughter-in-law of Kevin & Pam Fleming), Mark Richards, Joe Christensen (son of Nora Leinen & Gene Christensen), Butch Zeiner (Valerie Veen's brother), Josh Hansen (Mary Ingenthron's son)

**Our service men and women and Love INC**

### FELC SCHEDULE FOR April 20-26, 2026

Monday – 20	<b>9:00AM</b> 2:00-3:30PM	<b>BULLETIN DEADLINE</b> GriefShare
Tuesday – 21	7:00AM 6:00PM 7:15PM	Early Risers Bible Study Finance Team Church Council
Wednesday – 22	6:00PM 6:30PM 6:30-8:00PM	Worship Sanctuary Choir Confirmation/Mental Health Program
Thursday – 23		
Friday – 24		Pastor's Sabbath Day
Saturday – 25	11:00AM-2:00PM	Centennial Hall Reserved
Sunday – 26	8:00AM 8:45AM 9:30AM	Grace Lutheran Worship Sunday School Worship – Paul & Silas

**Radio Broadcast Sponsor:** In memory of Mike Smith by his family.  
(Service time is 8:00 am on the radio 104.3 FM.)



**Blessing of the Seed** - Spring is here. It's planting time again. Bring your seed to our service on Sunday, April 26 for a special blessing before planting.

**Why we sing** *Go to the World!* as we hear the story of Paul's conversion in Acts is because this hymn names the outward turn that follows an encounter with Christ. Saul's certainty is interrupted and transformed, and through the courage of Ananias, who is sent to meet him not as an enemy but as a brother, a new community begins to take shape. Written by Sylvia Dunstan, the text echoes the Great Commission while pointing beyond the walls of the church, calling us into a faith that is lived in the world, especially among those we might least expect. The hymn reminds us that God's grace is not confined to familiar boundaries but is already at work, drawing people together, restoring dignity, and creating new possibilities for belonging. As we sing, we are invited into that same movement, to go with humility and courage, to meet others as bearers of God's image, and to trust that the Spirit continues to widen the circle of grace.