

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

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 clear glass vases (12” or taller with 4” opening) to decorate for the 150th 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 150th Anniversary celebration, donations will not be accepted until after July 1. The rummage sale will be August 13, 14 and 15. Talk with Brenda Richards with any questions.

CHOIR ANTHEM - "The Heavens Are Telling" from *The Creation* by Franz Joseph Haydn (ad. Hopson) Alfred Publishing
The heavens are telling the glory of God. The wonder of God's work displays the firmament. The day that is coming flows from today. The night that is gone is followed by tonight. In all the land resounds the word. Words are never spoken, yet ever understood.



The National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 7, 2026

@ Noon - 1 PM

Farmer's Room

Government Center
315 Tenth Street, Worthington



First Lutheran Church – ELCA

1200 4th Avenue - Worthington, MN 56187

Ministers: All baptized members – Jeanette McCormick, Pastor

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May 3, 2026 – Paul's Sermon at Athens (* = please stand)

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (p. 94)

*GATHERING SONG ELW 737, "He Comes to Us as One Unknown"

*GREETING

*KYRIE (p. 138)

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE (p. 140)

"This Is the Feast"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

READING: Acts 17:16-34 (Red Bible p. 902)

PSALM 19:1-4, 7-10 (Red Bible p. 433)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142)

"Alleluia"

*GOSPEL: John 1:16-18 (Red Bible p. 862)

SERMON

Pastor Jeannette

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 526, "God Is Here!"

*NICENE CREED (p. 104)

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*PEACE (p.143)

OFFERING/CGC MOMENT

CHOIR ANTHEM

Sanctuary Choir, "The Heavens Are Telling"

From *The Creation* by Franz Joseph Haydn (ad. Hopson) Alfred Publishing

*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

*COMMUNION/LAMB OF GOD (p. 146)

COMMUNION SONGS

ELW 496, "One Bread, One Body"

ELW 588, "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p. 146)

SENDING OF COMMUNION (p. 146)

*BLESSING

*SENDING SONG

ELW 650, "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*DISMISSAL (p. 146)

SUNDAY SERVANTS

ASSISTING MINISTER/LECTOR: Erin Makela
ACOLYTE: Olivia Gerdes
SOUND: Pat Demuth
POWERPOINT: Glenda Lais
PIANIST: Cindy Anderson
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Eric Parrish
VAN DRIVERS: 5-3 Matt Russell (360-5835)
5-10 Daren Bauman (360-9275)
GREETER: Mary Ferguson
LIVESTREAM: Becca McGaughey
COFFEE: Dale & Debbie Koob & Jane Benson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 82 Attendance a year ago: 79
Attendance Last Wednesday: 12 Livestream: 314



Members: Grace McGaughey, 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: 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 May 4-10, 2026

Monday – 4	9:00AM	BULLETIN DEADLINE
	2:00-3:30PM	GriefShare
Tuesday – 5	7:00AM	Early Risers Bible Study
Wednesday – 6	5:15PM	Year-End Celebration/Worship
Thursday – 7		
Friday – 8		Pastor's Sabbath Day
Saturday – 9		
Sunday – 10	8:00AM	Grace Lutheran Worship
	8:45AM	Sunday School
	9:30AM	Worship – Partnership in the Gospel

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Madalyn Laffrenzen by Jim & Paula.
(Service time is 8:00 am on the radio 104.3 FM.)

Why we sing *He Comes to Us as One Unknown* alongside the story of Paul in Athens is because both hold together the mystery of a God who is already present, even where God has not yet been fully named. Drawing on Albert Schweitzer's image of Christ coming "as one unknown," the text traces how Christ is encountered not only in familiar forms, but in quiet stirrings, unexpected places, and moments we might otherwise overlook. It honors the reality that faith often begins not with certainty, but with a sense, a nudge, a question that refuses to go away. Like Paul, we are called not to stand apart from the world, but to listen for where God is already at work within it. As we sing, we are called not simply to speak, but to meet others with curiosity, and to bear witness to the One who is already closer than we imagine.



We, at First Lutheran, congratulate the Senior Class of 2026 on their accomplishments and wish them the best for the future. On Sunday, May 24 we will be honoring our seniors at our worship service and at the coffee hour to follow.