



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Connecting people to God and to each other.

**CONNECT** We warmly welcome and invite everyone to participate and engage in ministry, with a special focus on hospitality, small group ministry, and service.

**WORSHIP** We strive for worship to be invitational, contagious, and relational. We want more people to hear the message of Jesus, and we will do anything to erase any barrier that prohibits people from a spirit of worship.

**IMPACT** We will make a difference in this world as Jesus-followers. We will engage in impactful acts of service, encourage generosity, and strive to leave a long-lasting impact on the next generation.

CONNECT | WORSHIP | IMPACT

# Welcome!

*We are glad you're here.*

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## WELCOME TO CELEBRATION WORSHIP

SUNDAY - 10:30 A.M. | MAY 31, 2026

### WELCOME

#### SONGS:

*The Plans*

*Word of God Speak*

### CONFESSION

**SONG:** *Gratitude*

### SCRIPTURE

**MESSAGE:** Rollie Johnson

### OFFERING

**SONG:** *I Speak Jesus*

### PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### BENEDICTION

**SONG:** *Every Act of Love*



# WELCOME TO SANCTUARY WORSHIP

SUNDAY - 9:30 A.M. | MAY 31, 2026

## PRELUDE:

*Simple Gifts* –arr. Charles Callahan  
*Ash Grove* –arr. Charles Callahan  
Bill Tweten, organist

## WELCOME

## OPENING PRAYER

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C: Amen

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Moment for silent reflection.*

L: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen.

### OPENING HYMN: (Green Hymnal #507)

*How Firm a Foundation*

### GREETING & KYRIE: (Green Hymnal pg. 78)

### HYMN OF PRAISE: (Green Hymnal pg. 79)

## PRAYER OF THE DAY:

L: Let us pray,

**C: Dear Lord, Thank You for the gift of communication and the immense power You have given to my words. Your Word reveals that the tongue can bring life or death, and I want my speech to reflect Your love, grace, and truth. In your name we pray, Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE:

Proverbs 10:18-19; 12:18; 18:21

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Green Hymnal pg. 83)

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 28:16-20

**MESSAGE:** Rollie Johnson

## HYMN OF THE DAY: (Green Hymnal #231)

*O Word of God Incarnate*

## APOSTLES' CREED (Green Hymnal pg. 85)

## OFFERING

### SPECIAL MUSIC:

Music by Kate Moe

### OFFERTORY HYMN: (Green Hymnal pg. 96)

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

**Create in me a clean heart, oh God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### THE 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. And 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.**

## BENEDICTION

CONTINUED...

**SENDING HYMN: (Green Hymnal #400)**

*God, Whose Almighty Word*

**POSTLUDE**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies* -arr. Robert Hobby  
Bill Tweten, organist



**\*Large print bulletins available (see ushers)**



# WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, May 31**

9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Worship, Celebration Center

**Monday, June 1**

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Foot Care Ministry, Fireside Room

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Quilters, Adult Ed. Room

**Tuesday, June 2**

1 - 3 p.m. Knit and Crochet Group, Bethany

2 - 3:30 p.m. Fit & Strong Exercise Class for Seniors, Gym

**Wednesday, June 3**

1:30 - 3 p.m. Weds. Fellowship, Chapel & Great Hall

**Thursday, June 4**

9 - 11 a.m. Helping Hands, Great Hall

2 - 3:30 p.m. Fit & Strong Exercise Class for Seniors, Gym

**Friday, June 5**

5 p.m. Wedding of Brittany Posey and Nathan Kaeding, Sanctuary

**Saturday, June 6**

4:30 p.m. Wedding of Ashley Thompson and Alex Toms, Sanctuary

**Sunday, June 7**

9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Worship, Celebration Center

Calendar also available at [flcfargo.org/calendar/](http://flcfargo.org/calendar/)



## YOUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

### YOUR PASTORAL TEAM

<b>Pr. Stephanie Tollefson</b>	stollefson@flcfargo.org
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### COUNCIL OFFICERS

<b>Karen Carlson</b> , President
<b>Brad Keller</b> , Vice President
<b>Jon Erickson</b> , Treasurer
<b>Carole Schalow</b> , Secretary

### CELEBRATE PRAYER

We believe in the power of prayer. As God's people, please pray for these publicly-requested individuals and their families:

*Allen and Delores Brynjulson, Bill Parker, Bonnie Lyczewski, Brian, Brian Tessman, Bruce Jorgensen, Chet Leverson, Claryce Iverson, Cora Lieb, Darrell Moon, David Anderson, Dawn, Deb, Diana, Donna, Faith Simonson, Gene, Gene, Glenn, Jan Baldner, Jan Stoffel, Janice Ames, Jeanne, Jim Hulberg, Joanne Herrmann, Kay Maden, Kelly Walters, Kristie Sundell, LaMae Friskop, Laola Rakotomahenina, Larry, Larry Berg, Laurie Bjornson, Linda Johnson, Lea Vacha, Lois Altenburg, Makenna Mattesi, Mary Ann Berg, Maika Knudson, Matt Walters, Mavis Bennett, Mike, Naya, Patty Anderson, Paul Hulberg, Phyllis and Donald Sutherland, Renitta and Gene, Ruth, Ruth Dunicliff, Sean, Selso, Sharon, Solen, Susan, Todd McComb, Tracy*

### GENEROSITY



**In-Person Giving:** offering plate during worship  
**Online Giving:** [flcfargo.org/generosity/](https://flcfargo.org/generosity/)  
**Text to Give:** Text "Give" to 833.890.5248  
**Mail a Check:** 619 Broadway N, Fargo, ND 58102  
**Scan to Give:** Scan the QR code



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# CONNECT - WORSHIP - IMPACT

## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Starts Sunday, May 24**

### Sundays

**9:30 a.m.** - Sanctuary\*

\*The FLC radio broadcast is on KFGO AM790 and FM104.7 at 9:30 a.m.

**10:30 a.m.** - Celebration Center

### Wednesdays

**1:30 p.m.** - Wednesday Fellowship



## SUMMER CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

### Monday - Thursday

**8 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

### Friday

**8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

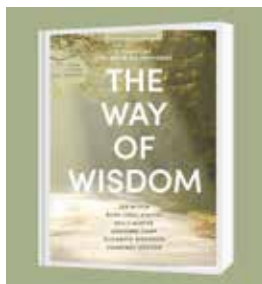
## THE WAY OF WISDOM: WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

**Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m.**

**June 17, 24 and July 1, 8, & 15**

**Co-led by Pastor Stephanie Tollefson and Alyssa Holmen**

What does it look like to walk wisely in today's world? Join us for a five-week women's Bible study through the book of Proverbs as we explore God's wisdom for everyday life and deep-rooted faith through teaching videos and guided discussion. Bring a friend and come discover the wisdom of Proverbs as an invitation to walk steadily in God's Way. Sign up at the Welcome Desk or scan the QR code.



## MEN'S GROUP

### Tuesdays

Looking for a men's group to grow in your faith and connect with others?

### Men's Group with

**Pastor Marty Tollefson**

Tuesdays, 8 - 9 a.m. in the Luther Room

No registration required - come as you are and join us!



## SLOVAKIA TEACHING MISSION EXPERIENCE

**October 10 - 18, 2026**

Join First Lutheran this fall as we travel to Slovakia for a mission experience! Our mission partner has invited a team to assist with English classes for students (Pre-K-High School) at their Center for Christian Education. Those with teaching experience are encouraged to apply, but individuals with a heart for youth are also welcome!

**Application Deadline:** June 15

**Learn More & Apply:** Visit the Welcome Desk or scan the QR for details, estimated cost, and the application.



## FOUNDATIONS: SUMMER STUDY

**Starts June 14 | Sundays at 7 p.m.**

**Grades 9 - 12 (2025-26 school year)**

**Location: TBD (local coffee shop)**

What does it look like to build a faith that lasts? Join us for *Foundations* — a study that “exists to help you establish a friendship with God strong enough to build your life on.” Students will meet in separate boys and girls groups while studying the same content. Girls are invited to join Pastor Jessica McEvers, and boys are invited to join Sam Erickson for a summer of Bible study, meaningful conversation, and hangout time. Scan the QR to sign up!



## DOWNLOAD A PHONE WALLPAPER!

Scan a QR code to choose from three summer-themed designs to go with our Summer Sermon Series: *Picnic Through Proverbs*. Each time you check your phone, you'll see our series verse (Proverbs 3:5-6) and be reminded to trust God — He will guide your steps.



# News YOU CAN USE!

Connecting people to God and to each other.

## SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS!

Sign up your kids and teens today - don't miss these opportunities to grow in faith and create fun memories!



## VACATION BIBLE X-PERIENCE (VBX)

**Age: 3 - Grade 5 | June 8 - 11 | 6 - 8 p.m.**  
**Hope North Campus: 2900 Broadway N. Fargo**  
**Cost: \$40 per child (family max \$75)**

Join us for Lost Planet: The Way Home - a week of music, games, and faith!  
**Online registration is closed. Walk-ins welcome, please arrive early to register.** Scan the QR for more info!



## LUTHER CREST DAY CAMP

**Grades K - 5 | June 25 | 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Luther Crest, Alexandria, MN**  
**(depart from First Lutheran)**  
**Cost: \$40 per child**

A full day of camp - worship, games, crafts, and swimming! Scan the QR to find out more and sign up.



## WYLDLIFE SUMMER CAMP

**Grades 6 - 8 | July 21 - 25**  
**Detroit Lakes, MN**  
**Cost: \$750 (\$100 deposit)**

A fun faith-filled week to make friends and lasting memories! Scan the QR to find out more and sign up.



## YOUNG LIFE SUMMER CAMP

**Grades 9 - 12 | June 12 - 17 (travel June 11 & 18)**  
**Lake City, Michigan**  
**Cost: \$1,200 (\$100 deposit)**

An unforgettable week of adventure, friendship, and growing in faith. Scan the QR to find out more and sign up.



For questions or to find out about need-based scholarships for any camp, contact Gina at youthadmin@flcfargo.org.

## SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

**Wednesdays**  
**June 10 - July 29**

Join us for FREE concerts this summer sponsored by First Lutheran Church Foundation! See you on Wednesday nights for food at 5 p.m.\* and concerts at 6 p.m. We'll meet in the lot to the west of the church building.

**June 10** - Post Traumatic Funk Syndrome

**June 17** - Brass Interference

**June 24** - Worship Bands

**July 8** - Musical Theater

**July 15** - Gina Powers Band

**July 22** - Heart and Soul

**July 29** - Front Fenders (and car show!)

\*Food available for a charitable fee and goes to support First Lutheran's mission partners.



## SUMMER SERMON SERIES: PICNIC THROUGH PROVERBS

**May, June, and July**

This summer, join us for *Picnic Through Proverbs*, a journey through biblical wisdom that helps us navigate everyday life. Proverbs are comparisons designed to invite reflection rather than offering quick answers. The book of Proverbs shows what it looks like to live

a faith that trusts God. We are called to center our thoughts and actions on Him — to study, to think, to learn the practical disciplines of faithful living. These sayings are not quick bites of inspiration; they are words to reflect and meditate upon, shaping the way we see and respond to the world. Wisdom is not only for deep thinkers. It's how we get through daily life. Wisdom guides our decisions, relationships, and reactions. Whether life feels calm or chaotic, this series invites us to gather around Scripture, reflect on God's truth, and grow in wisdom as we grow in the knowledge and image of Jesus, who is Wisdom itself.

