

**Connecting people to  
God and to each other.**



**FIRST  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

**KNOW THE STORY**

We will deepen our connection with God and with others as we worship and study our way through the Bible. We will seek a path forward to deepen the spiritual vitality where the Story is known, disciples are raised up, and lives are transformed.

**SERVE THE NEIGHBOR**

We will deepen our connection with our neighbors so that hunger is reduced, loneliness is eased, and Christ's love is experienced in tangible ways. We will serve our local community within the area of homelessness and food insecurity. We will do what the Christian Church has always provided — hope, help, and strength!

**WALK WITH THE NEXT GENERATION**

We will deepen our connection to the next generation by building relationships, providing opportunities for spiritual experiences, surrounding them with a team of support, and providing resources for parents.

**CONNECT | WORSHIP | IMPACT**

**Welcome!**

*We are glad you're here.*

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**WELCOME TO CELEBRATION WORSHIP**

SUNDAY - 10:30 A.M. | JUNE 28, 2026

**WELCOME**

**SONGS:**

*Living Hope*

*Nobody Loves Me Like You*

**CONFESSION**

**SONG:** *There Was Jesus*

**SCRIPTURE:** Proverbs 23:17-18

**MESSAGE:** Pastor Marty Tollefson

**OFFERING**

**SONG:** *Honey in the Rock*

**PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG:** *Rise*

**BAPTISM**

**Callan James**

*son of Madison and*

*Michael Quamme*



# WELCOME TO SANCTUARY WORSHIP

SUNDAY - 9:30 A.M. | JUNE 28, 2026

## PRELUDE:

*Shenandoah* – arr. Clay Christiansen  
Terri Diers, organist  
*America, the Beautiful* – arr. John Innes  
*This is My Song* – arr. John Innes  
Terri Diers, pianist; 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 #327)

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

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

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY:

L: Let us pray,

**C: Dear Lord, I come before You today, laying down my comparisons, my insecurities, and my desires to have what others have. Forgive me for the moments I let envy creep into my heart, looking at the seemingly easy paths of others. Grant me strength and clarity of heart to trust in Your holy ways. In your name we pray, Amen.**

### HYMN OF THE DAY: (Blue Hymnal #783)

*Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*

### SCRIPTURE: (Elaine Nelson)

Proverbs 23:17-18

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Green Hymnal pg. 83)

#### GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

#### MESSAGE: Pastor Marty Tollefson

### HYMN OF THE DAY: (Insert)

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

## BAPTISM:

**Cohen Zachary Havelka,**  
*son of Autumn and Garrett Havelka*

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

## OFFERING

### SPECIAL MUSIC:

Music by Kristin Griffeath

### 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

CONTINUED...

### 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

### SENDING HYMN: (Green Hymnal #293)

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

### POSTLUDE

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save* - arr. Charles Callahan  
Bill Tweten, organist



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, June 28

- 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Celebration Center
- 7 p.m. Foundations Summer Study for High School Students, Offsite

### Monday, June 29

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

### Tuesday, June 30

- 8 - 9 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Luther Room
- 1 - 3 p.m. Knit & Crochet Group, Bethany
- 2 - 3:30 p.m. Fit & Strong Exercise Class for Seniors, Gym
- 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Tae Kwon Do, Gym

### Wednesday, July 1 - No Summer Concert Tonight

- 1:30 - 3 p.m. Wednesday Fellowship, Chapel & Great Hall
- 7:15 p.m. The Way of Wisdom: Women's Bible Study, Adult Ed. Room

### Thursday, July 2 - Church Office Closed

### Friday, July 3 - Church Office Closed

### Sunday, July 5

- 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Celebration Center

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

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

**Welcome**  
to First Lutheran

We're so glad you've joined us for worship!  
If you're a guest, please scan the QR to let us  
know how we can connect with and pray for you.



## YOUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

### YOUR PASTORAL TEAM

**Pr. Stephanie Tollefson** [stollefson@flcfargo.org](mailto:stollefson@flcfargo.org)  
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**Pr. Jessica McEvers** [jmcevers@flcfargo.org](mailto:jmcevers@flcfargo.org)  
**Rollie Johnson** [rjohnson@flcfargo.org](mailto:rjohnson@flcfargo.org)

### COUNCIL OFFICERS

**Karen Carlson**, President  
**Brad Keller**, Vice President  
**Jon Erickson**, Treasurer  
**Carole Schalow**, Secretary

### GENEROSITY



**In-Person Giving:** offering plate during worship  
**Online Giving:** [flcfargo.org/generosity/](http://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

### 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, Deb Liebel, Diana, Donna, Faith Simonson, Gene, Gene, Glenn, Jan Baldner, Jan Stoffel, Janice Ames, Jeanne, Jeremy Tjon, 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, Margaret Sellin, 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*

### SYMPATHIES

First Lutheran Church sends sympathies and prayers to the friends and family of:

**Cindy Quinlan**, mother of Michael Spiese  
**Justine Swanson**, mother of David and Mary  
**Joyce Rude**, mother of Jackie Osland



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# CONNECT - WORSHIP - IMPACT

## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**May, June, and July**

**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

*Please note: During the week of the 4th of July, First Lutheran Office will be closed on Thursday, July 2 and Friday, July 3. We hope everyone has a nice holiday!*

## SUMMER SERMON SERIES: PICNIC THROUGH PROVERBS

**May, June, and July**

***"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."*** -Proverbs 3:5-6

This summer, join us for *Picnic Through Proverbs*, a journey through biblical wisdom for everyday life. Proverbs are not quick answers but invitations to reflection. They show us what it looks like to trust God and to grow through study, thought, and faithful practice. These sayings shape how we see and respond to the world, guiding our decisions, relationships, and daily lives. 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.

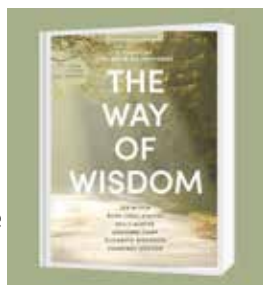
## THE WAY OF WISDOM: WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

**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.



## FOUNDATIONS: SUMMER STUDY

**June 21, 28; July 12, 19, 26; August 2**

**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.



## VOLUNTEER TO SUPPORT FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

**July 16 - 18 (various shifts  
each day)**

Volunteer as a Fargo Street Fair Parking Lot Attendant at First Lutheran! This fundraising opportunity supports the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Fargo MobilePack. Proceeds go towards the 2027 grocery bill to fill the MannaPacks distributed to schools, orphanages, medical clinics, and feeding programs in 70 countries around the world. The FLC church lot will serve as a pay lot for Fargo Street Fair attendees on July 16-18, with all proceeds going toward this cause to reduce global hunger. To sign up, scan the QR or contact Polly Kloster at [pkloster@flcfargo.org](mailto:pkloster@flcfargo.org).



## 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!

# News YOU CAN USE!

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## SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS

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



## WYDLIFE 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. For questions or to find out about need-based scholarships for camp, contact Gina at [youthadmin@flcfargo.org](mailto:youthadmin@flcfargo.org).



## TRUTH ACTION GROW

**July 9, 16, & 30 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Locations: TBD**

Truth Action Grow (TAG) is a summer gathering for youth who has just completed grades 5-8. Join us for games, a devotional, and time with friends as we grow in faith! Watch for an email from the youth team about sign ups. Questions? Contact Gina at [youthadmin@flcfargo.org](mailto:youthadmin@flcfargo.org).

## BUDGET FORUM

**Sunday, August 23 | The Chapel**

**10:45 - 11:15 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Save the date for the First Lutheran Budget Forum. In the meeting, we'll go over the budget that was approved by the Council that will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

## ANNUAL MEETING

**Sunday, August 30 | The Great Hall**

**11:30 a.m. meal is served | 12 p.m. meeting starts**

The Annual Meeting is a time for members of First Lutheran Church to come together in reflection and vision. We'll review highlights from the past year and hear about First Lutheran's vision going forward, vote on new council members, and look at church finances. See you there!

## 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. If weather doesn't cooperate, we will move the concert indoors.

**July 8** - Musical Theater (Featuring students from Tollwood's *Frozen* and Gooseberry's production of *13* - with other special guests!)

**Theater Ticket Drawings!** Multiple winners will be drawn throughout the evening.

*Feed My Starving Children FargoPack*

**July 15** - Gina Powers Band

*Heart n' Soul Community Cafe*

**July 22** - Heart and Soul Churches United

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

Food available for a charitable fee (cash or card accepted) and goes to support First Lutheran's mission partners.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Wednesdays: July 15, 22, & 29**

Help make our Summer Concert Series a success! We're in need of volunteers to serve in a variety of ways: **meal prep, meal set up and service, popcorn sales, and clean-up.**

Flexible shifts make it easy to serve, enjoy the music, and connect with others. Plus, proceeds from the food sales go to First Lutheran mission partners. Please scan the QR to sign up or contact Poly Kloster at [pkloster@flcfargo.org](mailto:pkloster@flcfargo.org). Thank you!



## NEW COOLING SYSTEM INSTALLED

The church's chiller system, which provides cooling and climate control throughout the facility, recently exceeded its expected service life and required replacement. After reviewing the condition of the equipment and receiving a recommendation from the Property Committee, the Church Council authorized the replacement to avoid the risk of system failure and to ensure continued comfort and functionality within our building. Installation of the new chiller was completed this week. Praise the Lord!

## Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

*I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.* — John 10:10 LEMMEL  
Helen H. Lemmel Helen H. Lemmel

1 O soul, are you wea - ry and trou - bled? No light in the  
2 *Through death in - to life ev - er - last - ing He passed, and we*  
3 His word shall not fail you—He prom - ised; Be - lieve Him, and

1 dark - ness you see? There's light for a look at the Sav - ior, And  
2 *fol - low Him there; O - ver us sin no more hath do - min - ion—For*  
3 all will be well: Then go to a world that is dy - ing, His

1 life more a - bun - dant and free!  
2 *more than con - querors we are!* Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus,  
3 per - fect sal - va - tion to tell!

Look full in His won - der - ful face, And the things of

earth will grow strange - ly dim In the light of His glo - ry and grace.