

Schedule for the Week

Sunday, March 22nd

1-4 pm Faith Stepping Stone 4 Class: Holy Communion

Wednesday, March 25th

5 pm Soup & Bread Supper

6 pm Lenten worship (LiFT! Students check your schedules)

6:45 pm Desserts with FAITH5 led by LiFT! Students

Sunday, March 29th – Palm Sunday

9:15 am coffee fellowship

10:00 am worship with communion/LAUNCH

2026 weekly need: \$3,639.00
Last week's offering: \$1,786.10
Thank you for giving joyfully!

Hunger Free Food Pantry Item of the Month for March is pancake mix and syrup.
Thank you for your generous support!

Holy Week Services: Palm Sunday is March 29th at 10 am. Maundy Thursday is April 2nd at 7 pm, Good Friday is April 3rd at 7 pm. Easter Service is April 5th, at 10 am.

LiFT! Confirmation will be assisting with Lenten Services, soup suppers, and desserts/FAITH5. 8th AND 9th graders: Sermon notes due May 1st. 6th & 7th graders: Sermon notes due June 1st.

LAUNCH Sunday School students will sing on March 29th during worship for Palm Sunday. There is no LAUNCH class this day and they will stay in worship.

Faith Stepping Stone 2 Class: Cradle Roll Graduation will be held on Sunday, March 29th from 3-5 pm. This is for students that will be 4 by August 1st and enter LAUNCH in the fall. If you did not receive a letter for your child, please let the office know.

2025 giving statements & 2026 Offering Envelopes are in your church mailboxes. The list for the mailboxes is on the left side of them taped in page protectors. Mailboxes are located across from the elevator on the second floor.

Women's Night Out April 12th at 4 pm at Garden Gate in Carrington. More information to come soon. Reserve your ticket today. Females 10 and older are welcome.

FLC 2nd Annual Women's Retreat has been set for September 24-26 at Metigoshe Ministries. Mark your calendars and look for more information to come soon.

Welcome to Worship at
First Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22nd, 2026



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PASTOR: Rev. Amy Kippen

MINISTERS: All Members of the Congregation

MISSIONARIES: Willie Langdji, Central Africa

MISSION PARTNER CHURCH: The Neighborhood Church, Fargo

Acolytes: Layne Allmaras & Raegyn Lange

Ushers: Donny & Kristen Allmaras family

Reader: Allmaras family

Power Point: Shelly Ehni

Sound: Kevin Cartwright

The Radio Broadcast today is sponsored in memory of
Our parents by David & Gail Roberts.

GATHER

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

L: God's chosen ones, holy and dearly loved – why have we gathered?

C: To worship the One who clothes us in grace.

L: What shall we wear as we come before the Lord?

C: We will wear compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, and patience.

L: When we are irritated or wounded, what shall we put on?

C: We will wear forgiveness, bearing with one another in love.

L: When differences threaten to divide us, what shall bind us together?

C: Above all, love – the perfect bond of unity.

L: Beloved of God, clothe yourselves in Christ.

C: We will wear love. Amen.

Opening Songs

I Just Wanna Be a Sheep

A la la la la

Red Willow Owner Congregation Update *Jess Gulseth, RWM Executive Director*

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray, **God of love, bless our worship as we gather to celebrate the ministry of summer Bible camp. Clothe us this day with compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, and patience. Wrap us in your love and teach us to wear love, so that in our worship and our living, we reflect Christ. Amen**

WORD

Scripture Readings *(in insert)*

Storytime & Noisy Offering (recipient is LAUNCH/VBS)

Daily Scripture Themes

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God**

Summer 2026 Scripture Colossians 3:12-14

Message by *Jess Gulseth*



Offering & Hymn of the Day

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Offertory *Doxology*

Apostle's Creed

Prayer Song *Sanctuary*

Prayers of Intercession

Val, Tony, Camden, MarJean, Randy, Richard, Paul, Jenny, Janel, Becky & Wayne, Bruce, Barb Perleberg & family on the death of her brother, Janelle Koeplin & family on the death of Charlotte

Prayer Song *Sanctuary*

Passing of the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

SENDING

Lord's Prayer

Closing Litany

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Benediction

Sending Song *Fill My Cup*

Dismissal:

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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Genesis chapter 45

Joseph had not seen his brothers in over 20 years, since they had sold him into slavery and lied to their dad that he was dead. In those years, Joseph had risen to a high ranking position in Pharaoh's court. It had been his duty to prepare the land for the famine which now had overtaken them. When the brothers saw Joseph, they did not recognize him. But Joseph recognized them.

Genesis chapter 45:

³ Joseph spoke to his brothers: "I am Joseph. Is my father really still alive?" But his brothers couldn't say a word.

They were speechless—they couldn't believe what they were hearing and seeing.

⁴⁻⁸ "Come closer to me," Joseph said to his brothers. They came closer.

"I am Joseph your brother whom you sold into Egypt. But don't blame yourselves for selling me. God was behind it.

There has been a famine in the land now for two years; the famine will continue for five more years—neither plowing nor harvesting.

God sent me on ahead to pave the way and make sure there was a remnant in the land, to save your lives in an amazing act of deliverance.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸⁻⁹ Then God spoke to Elijah: "Get up and go to Zarephath and live there."

¹⁰⁻¹¹ So Elijah went to Zarephath. As he came to the entrance of the village he met a woman, a widow, gathering firewood. He asked her, "Please, would you bring me a little water in a jug?" As she went to get it, he called out, "And while you're at it, would you be so kind as to bring me something to eat?"

¹² She said, "I swear, I don't have so much as a biscuit. I have a handful of flour and a little oil in a bottle."

¹³⁻¹⁴ Elijah said to her, "Don't worry about a thing. Go ahead and make a small biscuit for me and bring it back here. Then go ahead and make a meal from what's left- for you and your son. The jar of flour will not run out and the bottle of oil will not become empty."

¹⁵⁻¹⁶ And she went right off and did it, did just as Elijah asked. And it turned out as he said—daily food for her and her family. The jar of meal didn't run out and the bottle of oil didn't become empty: God's promise fulfilled to the letter, exactly as Elijah had delivered it!

John chapter 13

13 ¹⁻² Just before the Passover Feast, Jesus knew that the time had come to leave this world.

³⁻⁶ Jesus knew that the Father had put him in complete charge of everything, that he came from God and was on his way back to God.

So he got up from the supper table, set aside his robe, and put on an apron. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of the disciples. When he got to Simon Peter, Peter said, “Master, *you wash my feet?*”

⁷ Jesus answered, “You don’t understand now what I’m doing, but it will be clear enough to you later.”

⁸ Peter persisted, “You’re not going to wash my feet—ever!”

Jesus said, “If I don’t wash you, you can’t be part of what I’m doing.”

⁹ “Master!” said Peter. “Not only my feet, then. Wash my hands! Wash my head!”

After Jesus had finished washing their feet, he took his robe, put it back on, and went back to his place at the table.

¹²⁻¹⁷ Then Jesus said, “I’ve laid down a pattern for you. What I’ve done, you do. A servant is not ranked above his master. If you understand what I’m telling you, act like it—and live a blessed life.

Matthew 8

²³⁻²⁵ Then Jesus got in the boat, his disciples with him.

The next thing they knew, they were in a severe storm. Waves were crashing into the boat—and Jesus was sound asleep! They roused him, pleading, “Master, save us! We’re going down!”

²⁶ Jesus reprimanded them. “Why are you such cowards, such faint-hearts?” Then he stood up and told the wind to be silent, the sea to quiet down: “Silence!” The sea became smooth as glass.

²⁷ The men rubbed their eyes, astonished. “What’s going on here? Wind and sea stand up and take notice at his command!”

Jeremiah 1

God said to Jeremiah:

⁵ “Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you:

⁶ But Jeremiah said, “Hold it, Master God! Look at me. I don’t know anything. I’m only a boy!” ⁷⁻⁸ God said, “Don’t say, ‘I’m only a boy.’ I’ll tell you where to go and you’ll go there. I’ll tell you what to say and you’ll say it. I’ll be right there, looking after you.” ⁹⁻¹⁰ God reached out, touched his mouth, and said, “Look! I’ve just put my words in your mouth—hand-delivered!