

Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, October 21st: *No LiFT! Confirmation*

6 pm Worship

Sunday, October 25th:

9:15 am coffee fellowship

10:00 am Worship

Weekly offering needed: \$3,640.00

Last week's offering: \$2,610.55

Thank you for giving joyfully!

Hunger Free Food Pantry Item of the Month As we look ahead and prepare for our Christmas Boxes, which are distributed in conjunction with the Share the Joy program, our IOTM for October is stuffing. Thank you for your support and generosity in our mission to end hunger in our communities.

LAUNCH Sunday School LAUNCH will meet today. November dates are 1st, 8th, and 15th (9:15 am start), and 22nd.

LiFT! Confirmation will be held October 28th. November dates are 4th (Theme Event), 8th (Servant Event), and 18th (Servant Event). The Lock-in with Metigoshe in Motion will be November 10th – 11th starting at 8 pm.

Fall Supper Fundraiser. Our annual congregational turkey dinner is scheduled for November 8th. Every member of the congregation is asked to participate through volunteering and/or providing funds to purchase supplies for the meal. Please see the sign-up board in the fellowship hall for suggested donations and volunteer tasks and times.

Luther League will meet today at 4:30 pm.

God's Open Table

We welcome all people to the Lord's table for Holy Communion. You do not need to be baptized or a member of First Lutheran. You do not need to be a certain age, as we defer to parents' wisdom as to whether a blessing or communion are provided. You do not need to confess or be anything other than as you are.

In our Lord's Supper, Jesus promises to be truly present in the bread, wine, and grape juice, bringing to us the gift of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

Jesus is the host at this table of grace. Come, receive, and be blessed.

Welcome to Worship at

First Lutheran Church

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 18th, 2026



Our Mission

Living out our faith
in Jesus Christ, we strive
to love all people by
accepting unconditionally,
caring faithfully, and
giving joyfully.

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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

Musician: Annette Hovey

Acolytes: Kelsy Larson & Kinley Thompson

Ushers: Corey & Tammy Longnecker

Reader: Whit Burkhardtsmeier

Power Point: Janel Fortney

Sound: Kevin Cartwright

Communion: Bruce Hirschert

The Radio Broadcast today is sponsored in memory of
Eldon & Betty Clelland by Jake Clelland & family.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Everyone who serves God come and offer thanks.

Thank you God for your love to me.

Everyone who has gathered in this place, lift your hearts and praise God

Thank you God for your love in this place.

Shout praises to God for you are God's servants.

Thank you God for your love to others.

All who worship in this place, who serve our God, come and shout praises.

Thank you God for your love that we can share.

Praise the name of our God who is kind and good.

Thank you God for your steadfast love endures forever.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who creates, saves, and sends us with love that lives forever.

Amen.

Joined to Jesus in the waters of baptism, we give thanks for what Martin Luther termed the happy exchange, the righteousness of Christ for our human sin; the mercy and forgiveness of God that wrapped us in sacred belonging and purpose in these waters.

For a word of the dawn of creation, which spoke water and life into being.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

For the great flood that revealed nature's power and God's commitment to life after death.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

For the river that carried Moses safely, building a bridge between mothers and nations.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

For the rock split open in the desert, spilling water for those thirsting for freedom.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

For the One who turned water to wine and met a woman at the well with living water.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

For the gift of holy baptism, which declares there are no more God forsaken places, and nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus.

Thanks be to God. Hallelujah! Amen.

Opening Song 685 *Take My Life that I May Be*

Prayer

Song of Praise 692 *We Are an Offering*

Scripture Readings

First Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

Responsive Reading Psalm 100

Second Reading Ephesians 2:4-10

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

Storytime & Noisy Offering

Holy Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

L: The Gospel of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

Message

Offering & Song of the Day 574 *Here I Am, Lord*

Offertory *Doxology*

Faith Stepping Stone 5: Entering Confirmation Blessing

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Val, Tony, Camden, MarJean, Jenny, Becky & Wayne, Jared & Sarah, Ron, Logan, Byron, Alfons, Owen, Leonard & Lois, Bev, Candy

L: Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

Passing of the Peace

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

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Communion Prayer & Blessing

Benediction

Sending Song 689 *Praise & Thanksgiving*

Dismissal:

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