

Welcome to First Lutheran Church! May God richly bless our time together through silence, in prayer, song, and in studying God's Word.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude/Chimes

Time For Quiet Reflection

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" ELW# 752

Greeting

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

Special Music "Psalm 1" From the Psalm library—Center for Worship Leadership

Money Minute

First Reading Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

Second Reading 1John 5: 9-13

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel John 17: 6-19

Children's Sermon Pastor Lynn Melchior

Sermon Pastor Lynn Melchior

Hymn of the Day "Crown Him With Many Crowns" vs. 1, 3, 5 ELW# 855

Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering "Holy, Holy, Holy" Setting 11

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Sending Hymn "Lord I Want to Be a Christian"

Dismissal

Postlude

MOTHERS: PLEASE REGISTER FOR GIFT BEING GIVEN TODAY!!

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May 12, 2024 Ascension of Our Lord

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

How Do We Apply it in Our Daily Lives

Acts:1:15-17, 21-26: Jesus, as ascended and the disciples are alone. They need to choose a new disciple to replace Judas – and did so by casting lots. Do you think this is a good way to choose a disciple?

Psalm 1: Due to the gift of Free Will – each of us gets to make choices. Do you choose to be a faithful person or a faithless person?

1 John 5:9-13: God gave us eternal life – through His Son, Jesus. When was the last time you thanked Jesus?

John 17:6-19: Jesus prayed for you. Yes, you – 2,000 years ago. He also died for you. Does that bring you joy?

Summer Camp Wish List:

Indoors:

Misc. Craft supplies

Storage Cubbies

8 qt size —for kids

Belongings when here.



Outside:

Scooters (2 & 3 wheel)

Flag Football belts

Kites

Nets

T-ball set w/wiffle balls

I have been made aware of a phone texting that appears to be coming from me. Please do not respond without checking to make sure that the text is really coming from me and not someone that is trying to hack into your system. Thanks all. Pastor Lynn

**2024 First Lutheran Church Initiatives:
Growing Young and Debt Reduction**

Mary Jane, Natasha, Sandy, Ray, Patricia, Michelle, Suzann, Darlene, Kathleen, Daryl, Sheri, Mike, Sean, Cheri, Gerry, Cathy, Tonya, Kim, Karen, Anita, Lois, Darrell, Jeff, Harold, and Anne.



Thank You For Sustaining Our Ministry!

*In person – drop in offering plate

*Use your banks "bill pay" option

*Mail a check – Send it to:

505 W Holdt St,
Battle Lake, MN 56515



***Scan the QR Code to donate now!**

***Direct Giving - <https://blfirstlutheran.org/simple-giving>**

Thank you for your generous giving.

Have you ever wondered about the budgets and costs of your church? Here is an FYI for you.

Weekly \$'s needed for budget: \$7,700

\$'s received for the budget on 05/5: \$7,868.00

Designated funds received (non-Budget \$): \$5,774.52

Direct deposits for May 1—May 8 \$1,954.00 (designated & General)

Thank you for the generous \$20,000 gift towards the debt reduction

THANK YOU!

Welcome to our WAFL versus Congregation challenge

Well all, the WAFL kids won the challenge in their miles to Disney World and to Lego land. Great job WAFL. Sign up sheet for at least 3-5 volunteers from the congregation to serve them ice cream. This will be served on the 15th at Glendalough our last day of WAFL.

Events Upcoming

May 16th—Red Cross Blood Drive @ First Lutheran for appointment call Brenda @ 218-864-5539

May 17th & 18th—Synod Assembly

May 19th—Matthew House Adult Forum

May 19th—Baccalaureate

May 22nd—Lock-in—5th grade and up

May 24th—Graduation

June 2nd—Mission Jamaica meeting 11:30 am

Welcome!

We are glad you are here. Join us as we worship God and love our neighbors. Those who are mobility challenged are welcome to remain seated while others stand.

Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee fellowship after service. To learn more about our ministries, visit our website at www.blfirstlutheran.org or grab a copy of our newsletter at the Kiosk near the entryway.

If you are visiting, introduce yourself to Pastor Lynn – she would love to meet you!

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" by Ken Medema (Who is blind). One night [in 1970], I was with a youth group. We started talking about a young man who was in the hospital and who really needed our prayers. In the middle of one prayer time. The idea for this little chorus came to me. I started humming, then singing. Soon the kids were mumbling along with me. We sang that chorus, "Lord, listen to your children praying," several times over.

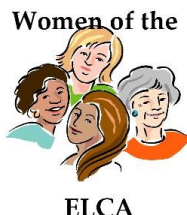
Crown Him With Many Crowns

The lyrics to this 1851 hymn were written by Matthew Bridges and Godfrey Thring and are sung to the tune 'Diademata' by Sir George Job Elvey. The full song features twelve verses with two very different theological perspectives. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. [Revelations 19:12](#)

Lord, I want to Be A Christian

"Lord, I want to be a Christian" is among a canon of African American Spirituals that appears both in mainline denominational hymnals and in African American hymnals in the United States. This publication was the outgrowth of the performances by the Fisk Jubilee Singers who codified the Spirituals in a musical style that reached a broader audience beyond the African American community.

Due to having the Day Camp starting in June we are in need of an enclosed trailer to be able to store donations for our WELCA rummage sale which is June 21st and 22nd. If anyone has one available that we would be able to use up until the dates of or sale, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Noisy offering for the Month of May will be going to help fund the FLC Day Camp for snacks and supplies needed. Thank you for your generous contributions!



Our quilters are looking for more thread. If you have any and are willing to donate please bring and they can be left in the office or the quilting room. Threads especially needed are pink, white and blues.



Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 12th

- 9:00 am Eggo
- 9:00 am Chosen
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Coffee/Fellowship

Monday, May 13th

- 9:00 am Quilters
- Open Youth Room

Tuesday, May 14th

- 9:30 am Lydia Circle
- 10:00 am Naomi Circle

Wednesday, May 15th

- 3:15 pm WAFL Last day to Glendalough
- 5:30 pm Confirmation
- 7:30 pm NA@ Sr. Ctr.

Thursday, May 16th

- 8:00 am TOPS
- 9 am to noon Mahjong
- 10:30 am to 7:30 pm Blood Drive

Friday, May 17th

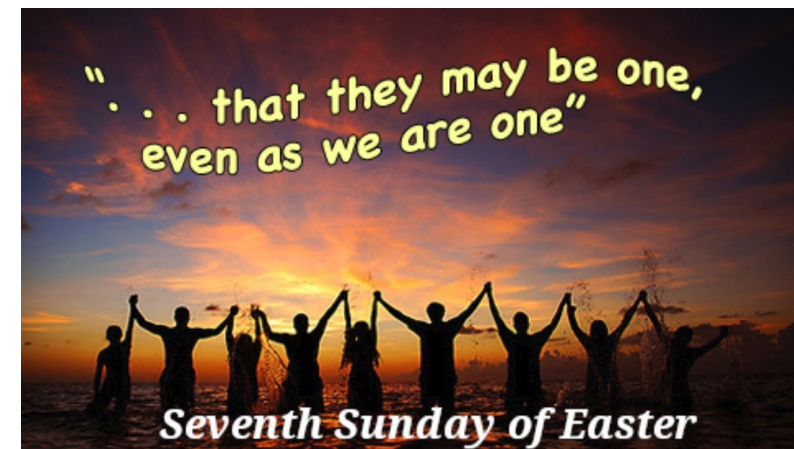
- 8:00 pm AA & Al-Anon @ Sr. Ctr.
- Synod Assembly Friday and Saturday

Saturday, May 18th

- 10:00 am Lake Ave. Apt. Communion

Sunday, May 19th

- 9:00 am Eggo
- 9:00 am Chosen
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship
- 11:15 am Matthew House Forum
- 6:30 pm Evening Circle
- 7:00 pm Baccalaureate



May 12, 2024

Worship 10 AM

Pastor: Lynn Melchior

Organist: Cindy Peterson

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The Next New Member is Sunday, May 26th. Let the office or Pastor Lynn know if interested in joining. All are welcome!
Attendance for Sunday, May 5th—122 Facebook and Youtube—105

"A Climate of Change: Searching for Solutions," which will be held on Saturday, May 18, at Legacy Hall/MState starting at 11:00 am. Former WCCO meteorologist, Paul Douglas is presenting on creation care. Free and no registration needed.

Pastoral Visits: If you would like a visit, especially if you are to be or are hospitalized or are having health issues, please contact the church office at 218-864-5686 or you may contact Pastor Lynn on her cell, 218-298-0396.

Comment boxes are located outside the sanctuary and in the office. Please feel free to place your comments in there!!

