


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		
Welcome and Announcements		
Gathering Son	“This is My Father’s World”	ELW# 824
Greeting		
Confession and Forgiveness		
Psalm	Psalm 119: 1-8	
First Reading	Exodus 20: 1-17	
Second Reading	Acts 5: 29	
Gospel	Matthew 5: 1-11, 17-20	
Children’s Sermon		Pastor Lynn Melchior
Sermon		Pastor Lynn Melchior
Hymn of the Day	“This Is The Day”	
Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Sharing of the Peace with our Neighbors		
Offering		
Offering Hymn	“We Give Thee But Thine Own” vs 1 & 2	ELW# 686
Responsive Reading	“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”	
Words of Institution		
Lord’s Prayer		
Communion Song	“Lamb of God”	
Communion		
Blessing		
Sending Song	“Open The Eyes of My Heart Lord”	
Dismissal		

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Parker Muehlberg, Kindergarten  
Son of John & Jodi Muehlberg

Prayer is powerful



Brody Jensen, Kindergarten  
Son of Brian & Jannel Jensen

June 22, 2025 Pentecost

“They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.” (LUKE 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn’t seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God’s plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You just may be the answer to someone else’s prayer.

How Does It Apply to Our Daily Life?

Exodus 20:1-17 The 10 Commandments are foundational in our lives. Can you name all 10 of them?


Psalm 119:1-8 Psalm 119 is 176 verses long and is focused on the benefits of obeying God. What benefits do you see from obeying God?

Acts 5:29 If divine and human commands contradict each other, who do you obey? What if obeying God is against the law?


Matthew 5:1-11, 17-20 The Beatitudes are an extension/further understanding of the 10 Commandments. Knowing this, do you think about the Beatitudes differently?

WELCA RUMMAGE SALE

Thank you all so much for your any donations and all the help with our annual rummage sale.



We need snacks or breakfast supplies for FLCamp. This is the perfect opportunity to be involved with our ministry if you are unable to volunteer. Simply label them “Camp” and place in kitchen. Let Missi or Laurie know so they can be put away. Thank you all for your support of our children’s ministry!!



New Members - Get Connected.

Church orientation class is now offered! New and prospective members will have a chance to meet others, learn more about who we are, the activities we offer, and we’ll take a tour of our facility. We will be having quarterly of these sessions with any that wish to become members. Simply email [office@blfirstlutheran.org](mailto:office@blfirstlutheran.org) or call 218-864-5686 to sign up so we can have materials prepared.

Noisy offerings:

June — Honor Flight

Thank You For Sustaining Our Ministry!

\*In person – drop in offering plate

\*Scan the QR Code to donate now!



\*Mail a check – Send it to:

505 W Holdt St,  
Battle Lake, MN 56515

\*Use your banks “bill pay” option

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

Money is an important tool in our ministry.

Thank You!

Every penny helps do God’s work and live out our Mission of Sharing Hope In Christ!!

2025 June giving through June 18th: \$ 13,700.34

Need \$31,435 a month

Playground installation—Matching funds up to \$20,000.00!!!!

Events Upcoming

July 2, 16, August 6, 20—Car Wash check the flyers for more info.

June 29th — 3 pm to 6 pm Fly at Glendalough

July 11th — Fly to Long Prairie Drive Inn — Jurassic World

July 17th — 2orMore Fellowship @ Beach Bums—(Righteousness & Mercy)

July 20th — Children’s Mental Health Forum

July 27th to 30th — Faith Haven Camp

July 25-27 — Wenonga Days


August 14th — 2orMoreFellowship—@ ABC Brewery—(Shouting & Silence)

YMCA Summer Food Program is now in Battle Lake! There were over 40 kids served this week. We emptied the truck!

Free 7 days of breakfasts and lunches for children 18 and younger. No eligibility requirements.

Thursdays, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm until August 14th.

First Lutheran Church parking lot (505 W. Holdt St.)



### 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](http://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!

### This Is My Father's World

"This is My Father's World" was written by Maltbie Davenport Babcock and was published after his death in 1901. It was originally written as a poem containing sixteen verses of four lines each. Franklin L. Sheppard set the poem to music in 1915 and selected three verses for the final hymn. Babcock, who was a minister from Lockport, New York, would often take walks overlooking a cliff. As he prepared to leave for his walks he would often tell his wife that he was "going out to see my Father's world."

### "This Is The Day"

'This Is the Day' celebrates God's mighty acts of redemption (originally referring to the Passover before the Exodus), hailing 'the day' as a special day of the Lord." In other words, the reference is not just to any day but, for the Christian, Sunday—the Lord's Day.

### Open The Eyes of My Heart

Paul Balouche says the song was inspired in part by Ephesians 1:18. "The Apostle Paul was writing a letter to the Ephesians and he says, 'I pray that the eyes of your heart would be enlightened.' That verse stirred in my heart. One morning, while playing during a ministry time at my church, I began to sing that phrase over and over again: 'Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart.' The whole song pretty much rolled off my tongue while prayerfully playing my guitar and singing out to Him. It really is a simple song that reflected the sincere prayer of my heart."

Lar's friend Ole stopped by for a visit one day. "How's it going vit your marriage, Ole? Is da honeymoon over yet?"

"Vell, da marriage is doing fine." said Ole. "And Lena she treats me yust like a Greek god."

"Dat's great," said Lars. "How do you get treated like a Greek God, Ole?"

"Vel, you see, Lars, every night da wife serves me a BURNT OFFERING!" replied Ole.



Mary Jane, Sandy, Patricia, Michelle, Suzann, Deryl, Kathleen, Daryl, Sheri, Mike, Sean, Cheri, Gerry, Cathy, Karen, Darrell, Jeff, Harold, Jan, Dick, Jeremiah, Dawn, Anne, Jim, Adriel, Keith, Family of Darlene, Family of Alice, Rob, and LaMae.



### Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, June 22nd

10:00 am Worship/Communion

11:00 am Coffee/ Fellowship/Wasson Celebration

#### Monday, June 23rd

FLCamp

#### Tuesday, June 24th

FLCamp

#### Wednesday, June 25th

FLCamp

10:00 am Good Sam Communion

2-4 pm Confirmation

7:30 pm NA@ Sr. Ctr.

#### Thursday, June 26th

FLCamp

8:00 am TOPS

#### Friday, June 27th

8:00 pm AA & Al-Anon @ Sr. Ctr.

#### Sunday, June 29th

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Fellowship



Our next potluck is Sunday, June 29th.

Interested in joining? Let Pastor Lynn or the office know!

Attendance for Sunday, June 15th—10 am— 91

Facebook and Youtube—319



### Mission Jamaica 2026

January 31 to February 7

Are you interested in attending in 2026? Past attendees, Jim Gronbeck, Margret Dahl, Nancy & Dennis Quam, can give you the information that they acquired when they attended. Pastor Lynn has more information available,

A \$150 deposit holds your space for the 2026 trip.

2026 Costs: (Airfare, hotel, most food, & transportation included)

Single: \$2,878

Double: \$2,325

Triple: \$2,281



June 22nd, 2025

Worship, 10 AM

Pastor: Lynn Melchior

Accompanist: Cindy Peterson

CHRIST WELCOMES EVERYONE!

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**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.