

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

Service of Word and Prayer

Prelude/Chimes	“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”	Franklin Ritter
Welcome and Announcements		
Gathering Hymn	“Now Thank We All Our God”	ELW# 840
Greeting		
Confession and Forgiveness		
Prayer of the Day		
Money Minute		
Psalm	Psalm 111	
First Reading	2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c	
Second Reading	2 Timothy 2: 8-15	
Gospel	Luke 17: 11-19	
Children’s Sermon		Pastor Lynn Melchior
Sermon		Pastor Lynn Melchior
Hymn of the Day	“How Great Thou Art”	ELW# 856
Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Sharing of the Peace with our Neighbors		
Offering	“Meditation on “St. Anne””	Gordon Young
Offering Hymn	“We Give Thee But Thine Own” vs. 1	ELW# 686
Words of Institution		
Lord’s Prayer		
Blessing		
Sending Song	“Stand up, Stand up for Jesus”	LBW# 389
Dismissal		
Chimes and Postlude	“Trumpet Voluntary”	Gordon Young

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED...OUR SERVICE BEGINS

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October 12, 2025

“Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?” LUKE 17:18

Most of us live relatively “easy” lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn’t this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

The story behind the hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" involves its lyricist, Edward Perronet, a Methodist preacher, who wrote the lyrics in 1779. A famous anecdote claims that a missionary named E.P. Scott, facing a hostile tribe, played this hymn on his violin, and the warriors, deeply moved, dropped their weapons and listened. The hymn, originally titled "On the Resurrection, the Lord is King," celebrates the kingship and authority of Christ, with a refrain that calls for all to "Crown Him Lord of All" .

How Great Thou Art

"How Great Thou Art" began in 1885 as a Swedish poem, "O Store Gud," by Carl Boberg, inspired by a powerful thunderstorm followed by a calm and clear day. The poem was set to a Swedish folk tune and translated into English by missionary Stuart K. Hine around 1949, who added a fourth verse about eternal life with Christ. The song's popularity soared in the 1950s when evangelist George Beverly Shea performed it nightly at Billy Graham's crusades.

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

The hymn "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" was written by George Duffield Jr. in 1858 after the dying words of his friend, Dudley Tyng, a prominent abolitionist preacher in Philadelphia. Tyng, active in the 1858 revival known as "The Work of God in Philadelphia," was a passionate speaker against slavery and died from injuries sustained from a corn thresher accident. His dying wish was to have his friends and fellow ministers told to "stand up for Jesus," a message Duffield incorporated into a sermon and later his iconic hymn.



Our homeless neighbors in Jamaica need simple housing. Along with Bethlehem Lutheran in Fergus Falls and Zion of Amor, we have raised \$5,000 toward a \$7,000 home.

On October 19th, we will provide a free-will spaghetti feed to raise \$\$\$ for a home.

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

⁹ This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9

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 October giving through October 9th, \$ 5,906.08

(Needed \$24,683 for the month of September)



Thank you for your continued support Sustaining Our Ministry.

Offering Options:

In person – drop in offering plate
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/simple-giving>

Events Upcoming

- October 12th — Healing Hearts Horse Ranch Forum
- October 12th — Love In Christ event in Perham starting at 4 pm
- October 14th — Synod Road Trip
- October 16th — Blood Drive
- October 16th and 17th — MEA
- October 18th — Battle Lake Fall Festival
- October 19 — Mission Jamaica Fundraiser—(Spaghetti Feed)
- October 23rd — 2ormoreFellowship @ Boathouse (Resistance & Acceptance)
- October 25th — Cricut Craft class for beginners— 9 am
- October 26th — Reformation Sunday — Wear Red
- October 26th — Baptism class after fellowship
- November 1 — Women’s Retreat
- November 14th — FLY — Glow in the Dark games
- November 20th — 2orMore Fellowship @ Woodshed (Grief & Hope)
- November 22nd — All Circles 10 am @ Good Sam
- November 27th — Thanksgiving

Welcome!

We gather together to worship; hearing God’s Word, experiencing God’s grace in baptism and communion and loving our neighbor. 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!

How do we apply these to our daily life

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Naaman’s pride got in the way of his healing. We all have pride – just some more than others. What has your pride gotten in the way of?

Psalm 111 Respect/Awe/Admiration for God is the beginning of wisdom. What is your level of wisdom?

2 Timothy 2:8-15 It is God’s job to judge. Trying to be God by confining God’s actions to human terms indicates our unfaithfulness. How have you put God in a box this week?

Luke 17:11-19 10 Lepers were healed by God but only one healed man praised God. When has God acting in your life that might have escaped praise?

Noisy Offering

October — Humane Society November — Matthew House

December — God’s Global Barnyard

FALL FESTIVAL

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you all for all the help and donations in making this another successful Fall Festival, Trunk or Treat and the kid’s carnival.

Sunday School

Ages pre-K through 6th grade the second Sunday of the month from 9 am to 9:45 am. All are welcome!!

TODAY

First Lutheran Church is hosting Healing Hearts Horse Ranch founder, Anita Mycke today for our adult forum. She will join us to talk about her faith based non profit ministry. Hear about her organization and the programs they offer.

Healing Hearts Horse Ranch

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 12th

- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Fellowship
- 11:00 am Healing Hearts Horse Ranch Forum
- 4:00 pm Love Inc Fundraiser in Perham

Monday, October 13th

- 9:00 am Quilters
- 12:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
- 2:30 pm Finance

Tuesday, October 14th

- 9:00 am Lydia Circle
- 10:00 am Naomi Circle
- 5:15 pm Bell Choir Practice
- 5:30 pm Faith Formation
- 6:30 pm Council

Synod Road Trip

Wednesday, October 15th

- No School
- No Wafl, Confirmation or Youth Group
- 7:30 pm NA@ Sr. Ctr.

Thursday, October 16th

- 8:00 am TOPS
- Blood Drive

Friday, October 17th

- 8:00 pm AA & Al-Anon at Sr. Center

Saturday, October 18th

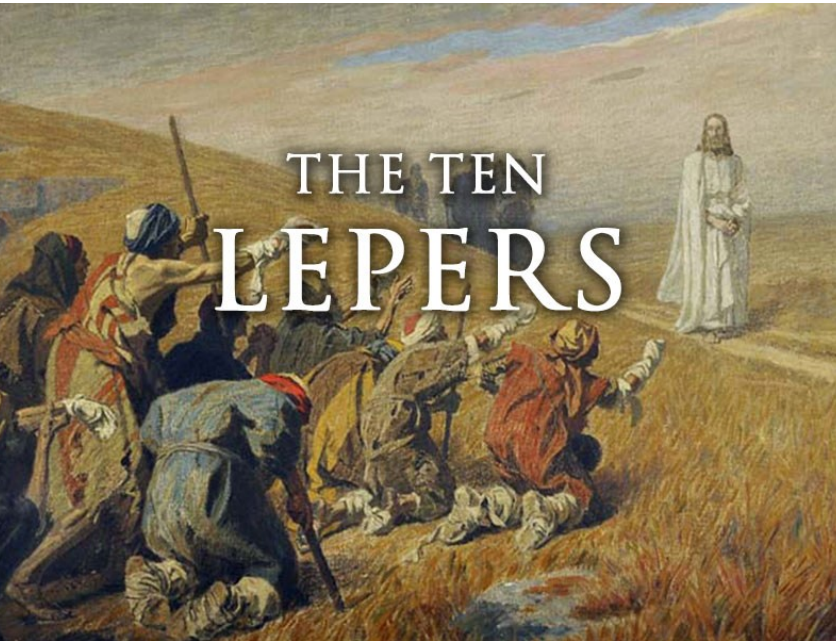
- 10:00 am Lake Ave. Apts. Communion

Sunday, October 19th

- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Fellowship/Mission Jamaica Spaghetti Feed
- 6:30 pm Evening Circle

Our next potluck is October 26th. Anyone interested in joining our congregation, please contact Pastor Lynn. All are welcome.

Attendance October 5th — 85 Facebook & Youtube — 340



Sunday, October 12th, 2025

Worship, 10 AM

Pastor: Lynn Melchior

Accompanist: Gail Malmgren Nelson

Song Leader: Kathryn Rickers

Christ Welcomes Everyone!!

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