"Welcome to Worship"

God is here for you,
In the word and sacraments, in the love of this community.

Welcome- it's great to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us at First Lutheran today.

Seventh Sunday of Easter Sunday, June 1st, 2025 GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

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Scattering seeds of love, worship & service

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Opening Hymn: ELW #855 – Crown Him With Many Crowns

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (a moment of silence for personal reflection)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left

undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Gathering

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie: pg 138

Hymn of Praise: pg 140

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Acts 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night, he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Here ends the First Lesson. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97 (please read responsively)

- R: The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- C: Clouds and darkness surround the Lord, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.
- R: Fire goes before the Lord, burning up enemies on every side.
- C: Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.
- R: The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.
- C: The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, and all the peoples see your glory.
- R: Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.
- C: Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O Lord.
- R: For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- C: You who love the Lord, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.
- R: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart.
- C: Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.

Second Lesson: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes, take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Here ends the Second Lesson. C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

P: Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel.

The Holy Gospel is taken from John 17:20-26

C: Glory to you O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #655 – Son of God, Eternal Savior

Responding to God's Word

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

P: We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

C: Amen

Offering Hymn: ELW #801 – Change My Heart O God

Offering Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving/Words of Institution

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Hymns: ELW #496 – One Bread, One Body ELW #487 – What Feast of Love

Prayer After Communion

P: Let us pray.

C: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Hymn: ELW #758 – You Are the Way

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you. C: Thanks be to God.

Welcome! It is GREAT to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today.

We practice open Communion at First Lutheran. If you believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, his body and blood shed for you, you are welcome to our table. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

The Worship Radio Broadcast is sponsored today in loving memory of Arlene & Harold Stubbe by Judy Stubbe.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns:

We continue our prayers of healing for JoAn VanderPol, Curt Ilse, Joyce Kunz, JoAnn Straw and Kay Dubbelde.

*** If you or someone you know has a Prayer Concern, please call the church office 825-5837 to have it listed in the bulletin and church webpage. You can also email the church office@firstlutheranpipestone.org.

This Week's Schedule (June 1st - June 8th, 2025)

Pastor Ann will be back in her office on June 3rd.

Today: 9:30am – w/Holy Communion, led by Pastor John Dalen, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

<u>Wednesday</u>: 8:15am – Pastor's Prayer; 6:35pm – Canaries game (for those who signed up); 7:00pm – Church

committee meetings

Thursday: 5:30pm – Executive meeting

Friday - Saturday: Pastor Ann Out of Office @Synod Assembly, Gustavus

Sunday: 9:30am – Worship w/Holy Communion, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

OFFICE NOTE: I will post my hours each week on the main door at the church and on the FB page.

My days and hours may vary depending on my husband's treatments & appointments. I will try to keep you updated here as well each week. Feel free to send me an email or contact pastor on her cell if there is anything you need.

~Thank you for your understanding! Lori

May 2025 Offering		
Monthly Offering needed:	\$21,150.00	
Weekly Offering – May 4th		
Weekly Offering – May 11th		
Weekly Offering – May 18th		
Weekly Offering – May 25th		
	MONTH TOTAL:	

Needed per week:

4-week month = \$5,288/week

5-week month = \$4,230/week

Extra offering books are available on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take another book if you are running low!! Simply Giving is also available online by scanning the QR code in the bulletin.

VISITORS – please feel free to scan the QR code (by Offering above) if you wish to give to First Lutheran today.

THANK YOU for giving!!





DID YOU KNOW – if you are a Thrivent member: You may be earning Thrivent Choice Dollars that can be designated to your church or a designation of your choosing? Every little bit counts and so far this year, we have gained about \$300 from members who have designated their Thrivent Choice Dollars to First Lutheran!!

Log in to **thrivent.com** and scroll to the bottom of the Account Overview page to see your available Choice Dollars. You can choose where you would like your Choice Dollars to go. Works very much like a rewards program so check out your options today!!!

Noisy Offering for APRIL/MAY 2025 was collected for: LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

The total amount collected was: \$381.97.

Noisy Offering for June & July will go to the Veteran's Memorial. THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.



Communion Assistants, Lesson Readers and Acolytes are needed!!! If you are able to help us out, please sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex OR you can sign up online by using the QR code to the right >>>.



MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Pipestone County Meals on Wheels is in need of volunteer drivers for the Pipestone area. The routes are in town only and take about an hour or less to complete.

This is a great opportunity to get engaged with our community and meet new people.

Please consider volunteering.

Pipestone County Meals on Wheels is based out of the Pipestone County Senior Center.

Please contact Tanya Witte @605-359-6722 to sign up.



First Lutheran is now on Instagram! We will do our best to keep things posted and updated as much as possible. We now have 3 areas of social media for you to get info from:

Website: www.firstlutheranpipestone.org
 Facebook: First Lutheran Church ELCA

3. Instagram: flcoff.pipe



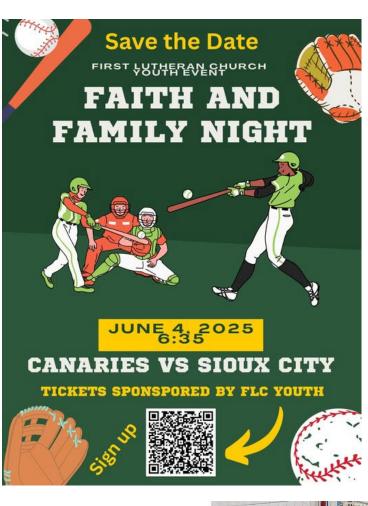
Blood Drive

Pipestone Community First Lutheran Church

Social Hall 401 7th Ave SW Pipestone, MN

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.











Located 8 miles north of Slayton on Hwy. 59 then 2 miles east on Vahalla Road Please allow for extra time with the road construction.

SATURDAY, **JUNE 28, 2025** 10:30 A.M. in the Activity Center

- Pulled Pork Dinner
- 11a.m.-1p.m. \$10/person Hand Quilted and Machine-

Quilt Preview

Friday, June 27 - 5:30-8:30 p.m. cnic Supper 5:30-7:00 p.m. \$8/pers



Theme Baskets



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UNABLE TO NO WORRIES! Call or email a bid in ahead of time. (507) 763-3567 or ATTEND? email camp@shetek.org. Members of our quilt committee will bi for you the day of the auction. Bids must be in by June 26, 2025.