

"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.

Second Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, June 7th, 2026
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.

C: Amen.

Opening Song: ELW #858 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Confession and Forgiveness

P: We worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son †
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your
holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the
truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is
faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **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 184

Hymn of Praise: pg 185-186

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Hosea 5:15-6:6

I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor:

“Come, let us return to the Lord, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.”

What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore, I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

Psalm 50:7-15 (please read responsively)

R: “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

C: I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.

R: I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

C: for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

R: I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

C: If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

R: Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

C: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

R: Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

Second Lesson: Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression. For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore “it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

Children’s Time

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

The **Holy Gospel** is taken from **Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners

came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.” While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #631 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Responding to God’s Word

Apostle’s Creed – pg 127

Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Offering Hymn: ELW #857 – Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Offering Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: Compassionate God, you call unlikely people and meet us in our most desperate need. Like Matthew, we are invited despite our imperfections; like the woman and the grieving father, we are seen and restored by your mercy. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude. Use them to bring healing, hope, and new life to your people. In the name of the One who makes us whole, we pray. Amen.



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Lord’s Prayer

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, the Son † and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: ELW #798 – Will You Come and Follow Me (vs 1, 3 & 4)

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.

The Worship Radio Broadcast is sponsored in honor of Dwight and Sheila Horton's wedding anniversary & grandson, Gabe's birthday by Dwight & Sheila Horton.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns:

Our thoughts and prayers to Rita Hazelton and her family on the passing of her father-in-law, Francis Hazelton this past week. May God give you comfort during this difficult time.

We give our healing prayers to: Carol Veen, Vera Newgard, Maverick Burkard, Kristy Henriksen, 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 7th – June 14th, 2026)

Today: 9:30am – Worship w/Rev. Dr. Mary Sacco, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

Wednesday: 6:00pm - Church council meetings; 12:00pm & 5:00pm- Sunday Service broadcast on Public Access TV (channel 3)

Thursday: 9:30am - Quilting

Sunday: 9:30am – Worship w/Holy communion & Pstr John Dalen, Baptism – Claira Rohlk (Carpenter), live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

May 2026 Offering	
Monthly Offering needed:	\$17,506.00
Weekly Offering – May 3 rd	
Weekly Offering – May 10 th (Mother's Day)	
Weekly Offering – May 17 th (Grad. Sunday)	
Weekly Offering – May 24 th	
Weekly Offering – May 31 st	
MONTH TOTAL:	
Needed per week:	
4-week month = \$4,377/week	5-week month = \$3,502/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!!

Noisy Offering for May 2026 was collected for:

Lutheran Disaster Relief/Response

The total amount collected was: **\$251.88**

THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.

Noisy Offering for June will be going to the PAS Senior/Kinder-Buddy Program.

A little more about the Kinder-Buddy Program: The Senior-Kinder Buddy program pairs each Pipestone senior with a kindergarten buddy for the school year so both students have someone special to connect with. Throughout the year they spend time together at activities, events and fun school moments, building friendships that mean so much to both age groups. It gives little kids



someone to look up to, gives seniors a chance to lead and encourage others, and brings a lot of joy, connection and hope into our school and community.

BELL TOWER REPAIR ASSISTANCE

The Property and Management Committee is looking for donations to help with fixing the bell tower water leakage problem. Donations can be made to First Lutheran Church by designating BELL TOWER in the memo line. Cost is estimated to cost \$23,000+.

Repairs expected to begin in the Spring.

Bell Tower Fund balance as of
6/1/2026: \$

THANK YOU to all who have
donated!!! We are getting closer!!
Goal: \$23,000.00

HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

For Summer 2026:

†Sunday, June 14th (2nd Sunday)
w/Pastor John Dalen

†Sunday, July 19th (2nd Sunday)
w/Pastor John Dalen

†Sunday, August 16th (3rd Sunday)
w/Pastor Mark Jamison



We are looking for a couple people to help with altar duties once per week. Duties are as follows:

~change the altar and lectern paraments
(cloths – as needed),

~check and/or fill the altar candle(s), Eternal candle &
Christ candle

~set out baptism items (as needed)

~water plants as needed during Easter & Christmas.

Please contact the church office if you are interested.



If you usually receive a copy of The VOICE in the mail, please make sure to grab yours from 'Thy Table of Knowledge' in the Narthex before you leave today!!!!

Pipestone Women's Connection cordially invites you to a luncheon at the Christian Reformed Church on
MONDAY, June 15th, 2026

First time guest tickets are complimentary.

FEATURE: Rhonda and Angela Vagt of Mothers and Daughters Harvests will share Flower Bouquets and Herbs,
Herbal Teas, Bouquet Bars and Event Flowers.

SPEAKER: Kristen Hovey, Fort Dodge, IA

“From Bummer to Believer”, A story of overcoming Rejection and Perfection.

Reservations for lunch and complimentary childcare by **Thursday, June 11th**.

Please call *Deb: 507-820-1456 * Marian: 507-820-1272 * Susan: 507-920-6675

CANCELLATIONS ARE NECESSARY BY SUNDAY, June 14th.

Affiliated with Stonecroft



Sioux Falls Canaries
Faith & Family Night
Wednesday, June 17th @6:35pm at the Bird Cage in
Sioux Falls

Contact the church office to claim your **FREE** tickets
OR scan the QR code!!!



Join us on
Sunday, June 21st
Father's Day for a Holy Buzz Ice Cream Social
following worship



On Sunday, June 28th, at 10:00am, the Ministerial Association will be hosting
a Community Worship service at the Hiawatha Pageant grounds. This is a
part of our WaterTower Festival activities.

Check the poster on our FB page, website or on the Got News bulletin board
in the Narthex.



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 left <<<.

You can also look to see the schedule for ushers as well – just by scanning the QR code with your
phone!

*We are looking for a few volunteer drivers to take fellow members to appointments in and out of town.
If interested or if you have questions, contact Cristy Appel.
THANK YOU in advance!*



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**Blood Drive
First Lutheran Church**

Social Hall
401 7th Ave SW
Pipestone, MN 56164

**Tuesday, June 16, 2026
12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: PipestoneMN to schedule an appointment.



Scan to be directed to RapidPass.

Come to give blood 6/1-28 for a \$15 e-gift card + chance to win a \$7.5K prize! See rcblood.org/June.



Scan to schedule an appointment.

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Words of Encouragement

“Hope never fades” - In times of trial, we may feel like hope is slipping away, but in Christ, hope never fades. His promises are steadfast, and His love is unwavering.