

"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 of Easter
Sunday, April 27th, 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.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

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 139

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Acts 5:27-32

When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

Psalm 150 (please read responsively)

R: Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple; praise God in the mighty firmament.

C: Praise God for mighty acts; praise God for exceeding greatness.

R: Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lyre and harp.

C: Praise God with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe.

R: Praise God with resounding cymbals; praise God with loud clanging cymbals.

C: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So, it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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 20:19-31**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Worthy is the Lamb

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: Offering Song

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.



Lord's Prayer

Blessing

P: The God of all grace ꝛ bless you now and forever. C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises

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 today in support of Nobles County Deputy Arnold Waldner by Eric Ossefoort and family.

† Continuing Prayer Concerns:

We give prayers of healing to Curt Ilse, Carol Veen, Pastor Ann, Joyce Kunz, Diane Leslie, 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 (April 27th – May 4th, 2025)

Today: 9:30am – Worship, live-streamed; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

Monday: Lori out of the office

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Wednesday: 8:15am – Pastor's prayer

Thursday: 6pm – Executive Committee mtg

Saturday: SW MN Women's Convention in Willmar, MN

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

April 2025 Offering	
Monthly Offering needed:	\$21,150.00
Lent Offering – April 2 nd (no service, weather)	
Weekly Offering – April 6 th	
Lent Offering – April 9 th	
Weekly Offering – Palm Sunday, April 13 th	
Lent Offering – Maundy Thurs, April 17 th	
Lent Offering – Good Friday, April 18 th	
Weekly Offering – EASTER Sunday, April 20 th	
Weekly Offering – April 27 th	
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!!

Direct your
**Thrivent Choice
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Today!



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!!

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Noisy Offering for APRIL/MAY 2025 is being collected for:

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

The total amount collected thus far is: **\$27.75.**

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 get signed up online by using the QR code below.



Instagram



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:

1. Website: www.firstlutheranpipestone.org
2. Facebook: First Lutheran Church ELCA
3. Instagram: flcoff.pipe

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 FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
 YOUTH EVENT
FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

JUNE 4, 2025
 6:35

CANARIES VS SIOUX CITY
 TICKETS SPONSORED BY FLC YOUTH

Sign up 

Do you want to have a rummage sale but have no space?

First Lutheran Church can help!

For the second year- we will be renting out booths in our Fellowship Hall during the Pipestone Citywide Rummage! Rent a booth to hold your OWN sale!

Cost: \$25 for 16' x 8' space
 Includes: 2 tables and chairs

Set up: May 2 from Noon-4pm
 Sales open: Friday May 2 from 4pm - 7pm
 Saturday May 3 from 8am- Noon

Need more space- rent more than 1!

Contact Nicole Weber to reserve @
Nicole.Weber@WindyRidgeVet.com

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 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 Quilted Quilts

Quilt Preview

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

Saturday, June 28 - 8:30-10:00 a.m.
 QUILTS AND QUILTED ITEMS CAN BE VIEWED ONLINE AT WWW.SHETEK.ORG

Theme Baskets

Available on our Silent Auction!



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (507) 763-3567

Auctioneers: Donna Gravelly, Windom, MN
 Justin Van Gravelly, Edgerton, MN - John Croatt, Storden, MN

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Shetek Lutheran Ministries
27TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Supporting the ministries at camp making it possible for many campers to attend our programs

JUNE 23 2025 || 8:30 AT SLAYTON GOLF COURSE
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