

"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.

**22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 9th, 2025
GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

Ministers:

Members of First Lutheran Church

Pastor: Pastor Ann Zastrow

Organist: Paul Henriksen

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Reader: Wielenberg family

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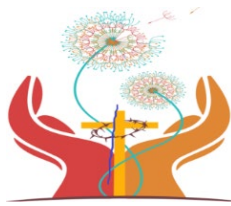
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***Scattering seeds of love,
worship & service***

Welcome/Announcements

~3-Year-Old Bibles

Call to Worship:

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

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW #438 – My Lord, What a Morning

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.

(NEW Liturgy) Kyrie: pg 184

Hymn of Praise: pg 187

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

First Lesson: Job 19:23-27a

"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my vindicator lives and that in the end he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

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

Psalm 17:1-9 (please read responsively)

R: Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

C: Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.

R: Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

C: I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.

R: My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.

C: I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.

R: Show me your marvelous lovingkindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

C: Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,

R: from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me.

Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose, he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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 **Luke 20:27-38**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally, the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who

belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”
The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #451 – We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus



Holy Baptism of: Roland James Watts

Parents: Josh & Megan Watts

Sponsors: Chris Schultz & Zach Watts

Responding to God's Word

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 #670 – Build Us Up, Lord (vs 2)

Offering Prayer:

P: Let us pray.

C: God of glory, we bring our gifts to you today with hearts full of thanksgiving, aware of all the spiritual blessings that we have in Christ. Fill us with wisdom and understanding of your love, and may these offerings be used to further your kingdom on earth. Strengthen us to walk in the power of your calling for your glory. All praise to you, Almighty God. Amen.



Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving/Words of Institution

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**

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 Songs: ELW #471 – Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW #487 – What Feast of Love

Prayer After Communion

P: Let us pray.

C: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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

Sending Hymn: ELW #638 – Blessed Assurance

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 in honor of Tom's heavenly birthday by Barb Benz & family.

✠ Continuing Prayer Concerns:

Prayers of healing for Mildred Carstensen who fell and is currently in the hospital. We continue to pray for Kristy Henriksen, 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 (November 9th – November 16th, 2025)

Today: 9:30am – Worship, w/Holy Communion & new liturgy, live-streamed; 3yr old Bibles; Baptism - Watts; Radio: 10:30am aired on KLOH (1050 AM)

Tuesday: Veteran's Day; 8:30am – Ministerial meeting; 4:30-7pm - MEATBALL SUPPER

Wednesday: 8:15am - Pastor's Prayer; 6:15-6:40pm Contemporary service; 6:45-7:15pm LIFT/Confirmation; 7:30pm – Church Council meeting

Thursday: 9:30am – Quilting (last time until January 2026)

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

November 2025 Offering	
Monthly Offering needed:	\$21,150.00
Weekly Offering – November 2 nd	
Weekly Offering – November 9 th	
Weekly Offering – November 16 th	
Weekly Offering – November 23 rd	
Weekly Offering – November 30 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!!

Noisy Offering for November 2025 is being collected for:

Youth Project (Christmas Toy drive)

The total amount collected was: **\$1.30**

THANK YOU for your support of these important Outreach needs.



We welcome today in Holy Baptism

Roland James Watts

Roland was born on November 8th, 2024 to Josh & Megan Watts. Roland joins his brother Lincoln.

May you forever be blessed from this day forward Roland!

LEFSE LOVERS – here is your chance to learn the skill of lefse making!!!! Join us on

Sunday, November 23rd from 1pm – 3pm

to hone your skills for lefse making here in the kitchen of First Lutheran!!



THANK YOU to all who helped to serve at The Banquet in Sioux Falls this past week!!! We served 242 meals (34 children and 208 adults). We had a great group from First Lutheran as well as Grace Lutheran in Lake Benton!!!



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 on memo line. Cost is estimated to cost \$23,000+. Repairs expected to begin mid-November.

It is time for our annual MEATBALL SUPPER!!!! This year's supper is set for Tuesday, November 11th (also Veteran's Day). Letters and schedules should have all reached your mailboxes. Not all congregational members will receive a work schedule. If you did NOT receive a work schedule and would like to help out in some way, please let us know and we can find a spot for you!! Meatball tickets are available for pre-sales! Stop by the office or give Lori a call (or send her an email) and let her know how many tickets you need.

Thank you in advance, *The Meatball Committee*



HELP WANTED: Meals On Wheels deliverers needed

Make a difference in someone's day just by simply delivering them a meal!!! Please contact Dennis Lundblad for more details if you would be willing to help deliver meals for home-bound people. Dennis's cell: 507-690-8123

Looking for a meaningful way to help others? United Community Action Partnership has another opportunity for you! Become a volunteer driver and get reimbursed for your miles. Volunteer drivers provide transportation services so people can live as independently as possible and stay active. If you might be interested, give Amanda a call 507-847-2632 ext. 1119 or email communityconnection@unitedcapmn.org.



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 <<<.



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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