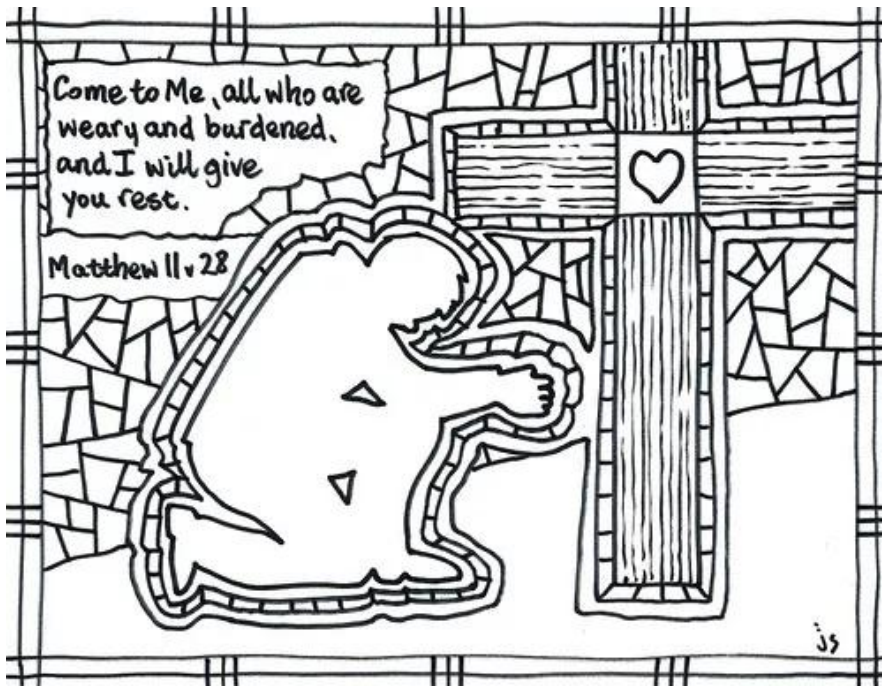




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ON SUNDAY MORNINGS LISTEN TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE AT
10AM ON KATL 770 AM OR ON A CONNECTED DEVICE AT KATLRADIO.COM.

This congregation practices 'open communion.' We invite all baptized Christians who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ's words, 'This is my body' and 'This is my blood,' mean exactly that: that in this sacrament we truly receive the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins. According to the teaching of Scripture and the Lutheran tradition, Christians receive this gift worthily when the words, 'given and shed for you,' are received by grace through faith. You may receive the wine by dipping the bread into the dipping chalice or by drinking from the principal chalice. Repent, and be served!

The Order of Word and Sacrament
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 5, 2026

Prelude

*(please stand when indicated by *)*

We Gather

Invocation

- *Opening Hymn *“This Is My Father’s World”* LBW #554
- *Brief Order for Confession and ForgivenessLBW p. 77
- *Kyrie & Hymn of Praise.....p. 78-80
- *Salutation & Prayer of the Day p. 82

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Church Gathers and Exits

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

Psalms 145:1-15p. 286

Second Reading: Romans 7:14-25a

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*Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Proclamation of the Word Pastor Blayne

We Respond to God’s Word

Children’s Church kids return

- *Hymn of the Day *“He Leadeth Me, Oh Blessed Thought ”* LBW #501
- *Confession of Faith: The Apostle’s Creed.....p. 85
- Sharing of the Peace
- Offering, Children’s Offering
- *Offertory Hymn *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* & Offertory Prayer.....p. 96
- *Prayers of the Church & the Lord’s Prayer.....p. 97
- “The Doxology”* LBW #565
- *Benediction & Amen.....p. 97
- *Closing Hymn *“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”* LBW #566

We Are Sent to Our Mission Fields

*Who are we? We are an inviting community of faith, aiming to bring everyone closer to Christ through His Word in fellowship, education and service.
Come and See!

**Go in peace, serve the Lord. Thanks be to God*

Postlude

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Psalm 145:1-15

- ¹I will exalt you, O God my King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
- ²Every day will I bless you
and praise your Name forever and ever.
- ³Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to his greatness.
- ⁴One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.
- ⁵I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.
- ⁶They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will tell of your greatness.
- ⁷They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- ⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- ⁹The LORD is loving to everyone
and his compassion is over all his works.
- ¹⁰All your works praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful servants bless you.
- ¹¹They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power;
- ¹²That the peoples may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- ¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- ¹⁴The LORD is faithful in all his words
and merciful in all his deeds.

¹⁵The LORD upholds all those who fall;
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

Second Reading: Romans 7:14-25a

¹⁴We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! ...

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

²⁵Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Announcements

- Welcome to those listening to our radio broadcast, sponsored by Jim & Carol Watts.
- "Come and See" Midweek Summer Worship meets Wednesday from 6:00-6:30 pm.
- Men's Fellowship meets Wednesday at 6:30 pm at Otium Brewing.
- Interviews for Let Me Shine Preschool teachers and aides will be held until July 10. Call Shandi Hazen, Director (406-945-1310) if you are interested.
- All are invited to celebrate Pete Minow's 99th birthday and Pete & June's 75th anniversary at the Range Riders Museum Saturday, July 11 from 2-4.
- *Attendance last Sunday: 34, Wednesday: 10. Giving: \$1,280 + Simply Giving \$2,590*

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-14; Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

First Lutheran Church Year-to-Date Financial Report
1st Half of Fiscal Year: December 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026

	Actual	Budget*	Difference
Income	\$85,330.06	\$85,542.00	(\$211.94)
Expenses	\$60,224.69	\$87,029.76	(\$26,805.07)
Net Income	\$25,105.37	(\$1,487.76)	\$26,593.13

ABOVE: The budget numbers include full-time pastor salary that we are not currently paying. Budget numbers are evenly divided by twelve months.

BELOW:
Actual vs. Budget is we were paying a full-time pastor.

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Income	\$85,330.06	\$85,542.00	(\$211.94)
Expenses	\$106,824.65	\$87,029.76	\$19,794.89
Net Income	(\$21,494.59)	(\$1,487.76)	(\$20,006.83)

Stewardship in the NALC is not just about finances. It is about formation. It is about cultivating hearts so captivated by the goodness of God that generosity becomes a way of life. As we follow Jesus, we learn to live as faithful stewards of all we have been entrusted with—our time, talents, treasury and testimony.

Prayer Concerns

Al & Gladys Turnquist- Al’s health

JB & Amy Lockie- Amy’s health

Ron Watts, Pastor Steve Rice, Andrea Carlson, Mavis Heinle, Vanessa Joblinske- health

Kevin, Lucy, Erin, Tristin, Jessica, Tim- health and healing