

**TOTALS FOR THE WEEK**

Sat., April 26-5:30pm 24    Sun., April 27- 8:00am 46    Sun., April 27-10:30am 50

Sunday School:   Students – \$    Teachers – \$    Fellowship - \$

Contributions This Week: Sat./Sun.   – \$2,798  
(needed to meet budget \$6,157)

**This week at First:**

**Sat, May 10**      9:00 am – Comforting Ladies  
                         5:30 pm –Traditional Worship Service/Graduate Recognition

**Sun, May 11**      8:00 am – Traditional Worship Service/Graduate Recognition  
                         9:15 am – Sunday School - **ALL** ages  
                         10:30 am –Contemporary Service/Graduate Recognition

**Mon, May 12**    6:30 pm- Memorial Committee mtg.

**Tues, May 13**    1:00 pm – Comforting Ladies  
                         7:00 pm – Church Council Meeting

**Wed, May 14**

**Thurs, May 15** 6:00 pm – last Choir Practice till Fall

**Fri, May 16**

**Sat, May 17**      9:00 am – Comforting Ladies (Quilters)  
                         5:30 pm – Traditional Worship Service

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Sun, May 18**    Traditional Service @8 am  
                         Contemporary Service @10:30 am  
                         Sunday School @ 9:15 am

**Sun, May 18**    No Joyful Women Bible Study/will return Sun, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

**Sun., May 18**    Men in Mission Meeting @ 9:30 am

**Sun, May 18**    Fellowship Hall reserved/Volunteer Recognition

**Mon, May 19**    Euchre

**Tues, May 20**    Worship Committee mtg. @ 7pm

**Sun., June 8<sup>th</sup>**    Call Committee @ 6pm in the Munson Room

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** - The church directories are here! For those who had pictures in the directory, you may pick up your copy Mon – Fri from 8 am - 1 pm in the church office. Thank you!

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**Stewardship for:**

**Saturday, May 10, 2025 – 5:30 pm**

Keyboard/Organist.....Paula Rosenbaum  
Ushers.....Volunteer/Thank You  
Greeter.....Volunteer/Thank You  
Lector.....Volunteer/Thank You  
Acolyte.....Maya Ray  
Communion Asst.....Nancy LoPiccolo  
Altar Guild.....Volunteer/Thank you!

**Sunday, May 11, 2025 – 8:00 am**

Organist/Pianist.....Julie Mehlberg  
Ushers.....Larry & Betty Olson  
Greeter(s).....Rapp Family  
Lector.....Mary Ann Johnson  
Acolyte.....Charli Wilcox  
Communion Assistant.....Chris Johnson  
Altar Guild.....Donna Henkel

**Sunday, May 11, 2025 – 10:30 am**

Usher.....Jim & Christine Brown  
Greeters.....Andy & Heidi Larson  
Lector.....Christine Brown  
Acolyte.....Trinity Smith  
Communion Asst.....Christine Brown  
Altar Guild.....Christine Brown

**WELCOME VISITORS!** **We are blessed to have you join us in worship today! Please sign our Visitor Guest Book located in the Narthex, and also include *your complete mailing address*, so we may recognize your visit with us! Thank you!**

**VANCO Mobile App...it’s your choice!** We invite you to learn more about this new church communication app. Check with any of our **Tech Committee Members** for more details: Mike Carlson, Christine Brown, Bob Follmer, Diane Sancken or Andrew Kelly.

**Please continue to pray for:** Kerry Foster, Darrel Johnson, Marcia Legner, Cindy Rodriguez, Cindi Arnold, Kate Cashmer, Betty Edwards, Melissa Hoerner, Joni Koch, Chris Ross, Larry Reelitz, Bob Thompson, Gail Shaffer, John Winchester & Jalene Woolford, **Children:** Elliot Buchheit, Josh Sphrepfer & Lucy McKinley

**Please pray for the family of Dave Tharp** who passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Wed., May 7, 2025.

**We pray for all families within our congregation who are struggling in any way at this time.**



**Prayer List**...Thank you for informing us who you want to remain on our Prayer List. If you wish to have a card sent to them, please provide the church office a good address in order to send them a “Thinking of You” card. If they should need extra special prayer and/or visits, we can inform our “Caring Ministry Team”. If you have someone you want to add to this list, please contact the church office anytime.

**Thank you** for sponsoring our **Altar Flowers – Gary/Deb Crull** in memory of their mothers Novalene Crull & Doris Wald. **Also, Steve & Marcie Trainor** in honor of their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**Thank you** for sponsoring for our **Box Cast Livestream Broadcast** this week – **Steve & Marcie Trainor** in honor of their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**Altar Flowers Did You Know?** When you sponsor **Altar Flowers**, you are welcome to take them home with you after the second service or sometime during the week!?! They will be sitting in the kitchen. Thank you!  
**Flowers are \$20 and Box cast is \$30. Thank You!**

**VASES – I know we can be forgetful at times, (I know I can be), but if anyone borrowed vases to take their flowers home in, if you could return them or if anyone has any vases they would like to donate to the church, would be appreciative. Thank You!**

**COME JOIN US!**  
**JOYFUL WOMEN BIBLE STUDY**...Joyful Women Bible Study will begin a new series on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> in the Munson Room at 6:30pm. The new series studies 1 John and is entitled God’s Love Through You. There are 9 lessons in the book but the plan is to start with 4 weeks. We will study one lesson each week and spend time after the lesson for snack and fellowship. Books are available the first evening. Joyful Women is a group of women who study the Bible, and enjoy each others fellowship and support. All Women of the First Lutheran Church family and their guests are welcome.

**CEO “Come Eat Out” Group** The next fellowship meal will be on **Wed., May 28<sup>th</sup> @Chenoa Family Kitchen @ 5:30.** Please join us.

**VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE RESERVE SUNDAY, MAY 18<sup>th</sup> FOR A “SPECIAL EVENT” from 2-4 HONORING VOLUNTEERS!** There’s **No setting up, No tearing down, No clip boards, just come, relax, enjoy, eat & HAVE FUN!** Clip board will be passed during services or please call office to RSVP. Thank You. Hope to see you there!

**Men in Mission** will hold their next gathering on **Sunday, May 18 @9:30am.** All men from First Lutheran Church are welcome to attend!

**Comforting Quilting Ladies**...continue to meet on **Tuesday afternoons from 1 pm to 5 pm** and on **Saturdays from 9 am to 5 pm**. Anyone can join us at any time during those hours!

**We are still in need of Church Service Volunteers!** Please prayerfully consider signing up to volunteer for Communion Assistant, Altar Guild, Usher, and/or Greeter. Thank You!

**VBS Planning Meeting... will be announced. VBS is one of FLC’s biggest Outreach Programs and it requires lots of willing volunteer workers! Thank you for considering to help out.**

**Food Pantry**...During the month of **May**, we will continue to collect: toilet paper, paper towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, “pop-top” canned foods, canned “complete” meals (w/meat), complete pancake mix, syrup, feminine products, laundry detergent, **KIDS CEREAL.** **Peanut Butter.** *There is an **urgent need for the following items: Soups – Cream of Mushroom, Cream of Chicken and Tomato and Pasta Sauces (cans only).** The pantry has not received as much from the food banks and has had to purchase food for the shelves. **Monetary donations** are always welcomed. The pantry also accepts donations of *unopened, non-perishable food* & supplies. Thank you for your support and to all who have transported donated items to the Food Pantry!*

**Those serving next week: Sat., Sun., MAY 17/18, 2025**

Thank you for your continued Ministry at First Lutheran			
Mike/Andrea Muzzarelli-	(5:30) Usher	Gary/Deb Crull	- (10:30) Usher
	- (5:30) Greeter		- (10:30) Greeter
Andrea Muzzarelli-	(5:30) Lector	Kathy Weber	- (10:30) Lector
Beckett Ahern	- (5:30) Acolyte	Kinsley Hamilton	- (10:30) Acolyte
Nancy LoPicallo	- (5:30) Communion Assist.	Kathy Weber	- (10:30)Communion Asst.
	- (5:30) Altar Guild		
	- (8:00) Ushers	Kathy Weber	- (10:30) Altar Guild
Al/Charlene Fahsbender-	(8:00) Greeter		
Chris Johnson	- (8:00) Lector		
Brenna Jordan	- (8:00) Acolyte		
Chris Johnson	- (8:00) Communion Asst.		
Marlon Eilts	- (8:00) Altar Guild		

**Please feel free to volunteer for spots open yet. Please notify the office. Thank you!**