



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

MAY 25-JUNE 1, 2025

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Welcome to worship at First Lutheran - we're so happy you're here! If you're joining us again, welcome back - it's great to see you! If this is your first time, a big, warm welcome to you! We hope you feel wrapped in God's love, grace and mercy as we come together today.

THE COMMISSIONING OF TWO NEW STEPHEN MINISTERS

First Lutheran Church's Stephen Ministry provides Christ-centered care and support for individuals facing grief, stress and life changes. Since 2008, over 40 Stephen Ministers have been trained to offer confidential, compassionate care through listening and presence. Today, the church celebrates the commissioning of two new Stephen Ministers, Eleanor Anderson and Barbara Johnson, continuing the ministry's mission to walk alongside others with empathy and love. If you need support, email stephen.ministry@flclincoln.org.

NEW WORSHIP TIMES START NEXT SUNDAY

Join us for a special worship service on Sunday, June 1, streaming live from the Nebraska Synod Assembly at 10:00 AM in the Activity Center. Note: there will be no 8:15 or 10:45 AM services that day. However, our regular Saturday service will still take place on May 31 at 5:30 PM.

Starting Saturday, June 7, our summer worship schedule begins and runs through August 31. Saturday services move to 5:00 PM, and Sundays will have one service at 9:30 AM, with a livestream available. Fellowship time and the Adult Forum will follow at 10:40 AM. Coffee will be ready at 9:00 AM for visiting before worship.

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2025 STAR CITY PRIDE FESTIVAL

Join the 2025 Star City Pride Festival on June 13-14! Enjoy two days of live music, vendors, entertainment and family-friendly activities - Friday at Woods Park and Saturday at 17th & O Street in Lincoln. First Lutheran Church will host a booth at both locations and needs volunteers for 2-hour shifts to greet visitors. Sign up online (click "Volunteer" on our homepage) or at the Gathering Area table. Celebrate with over 4,000 attendees and honor the LGBTQIA2S+ community!

REFRAME YOUR LIFE: NEW SUMMER STUDY STARTING TODAY

Life can feel overwhelming. With daily responsibilities piling up, it's easy to feel disconnected from faith. How do we bring Sunday beliefs into the everyday moments of the week - even the mundane ones? That's where *ReFrame* comes in.

This 10-week film-based series explores how to see God's work in every part of life. Whether you're raising kids, volunteering, tending a garden or handling a business deal, *ReFrame* helps you connect your faith to those moments.

Inspired by the disciples' journey on the road to Emmaus in Luke 24, *ReFrame* provides resources to help transform your everyday life. Discover how to encounter Jesus in ordinary moments, see his purpose through the lens of the biblical narrative and respond with practical, creative actions.

Join us today in the Chapel from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. We'll also gather on Sundays from June 8 to June 22 and July 6 to August 10, between 10:40 and 11:40 AM. Each session is independent, so feel free to join us whenever it fits your schedule!

Led by Pastors Erin and Andrew, this is your chance to grow in faith, connect with others and discover how God's story shapes every part of life.

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HONORING LOVED ONES: JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Life often reminds us of those we've loved and lost. This Memorial Day, join us to honor and celebrate their lives. Meet in the Chapel at 10:00 AM on Monday, May 26 for a Memorial Day Service of Remembrance. This service is open to anyone remembering a loved one, whether your loss was recent or years ago. Take this time to reflect, find comfort and celebrate their impact on your life. After the service, join us for a cookie reception in the Activity Center. The church will also be open from 9:00 AM to Noon for visits to the Columbarium.

ENDOWMENT FUND MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTES

Thank you to those who gave a gift to the First Lutheran Endowment Fund in honor or memory of a loved one - Barbara Johnson in memory of Phyllis Frickel; Cherie Johnson in memory of Howard & Roberta Johnson; Al & Kristy Williams in memory of Raymond & Fern Siekman, Al & Ruth Williams, Vicki Brewer and Kelly & Cole Dalby; and Donice Kaspar in memory of Tom Kaspar.

SING YOUR HEART OUT THIS SUMMER!

Join us for our summer family choir on June 15, July 13 and August 10 as we sing together in joyful praise! Rehearsals are from 8:50–9:20 AM on the same day, making it easy to join. Kids will learn a simple song and adults can add harmonies. It's a great chance for all ages to come together - no experience needed! Just bring your enthusiasm and make a joyful noise unto the Lord. (Our June 15 anthem, "Peace Like a River," is a beloved favorite!)

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

M. Joyce Hansen, Sylvia Kempf, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Cindy Schuster, Betty Miller, Mary Brass, Jeanette Metteer, Dennis Schuster, Vern Westberg, Richard Bouma, Ralph Hayden, Gloria Van Ackeren, Tracy Troutman, Rod Price, Margrett Wehland, Elaine Kruse, Michael Dalton, Doris Bushard, Pastor Marsha Anderson, Shari Peters, Jen Wemhoff, Daniel Robles, Harold Sutter, Bill Shaner and Kent Hardel.

LOOKING AHEAD

- Friday, May 30 - Las Abejitas Family Fiesta; 4-7 PM, Outside First Plymouth Church (2000 D Street). Bounce house, carnival games and food trucks!
- Friday, May 30-Sunday, June 1 - Nebraska Synod Assembly in Kearney, NE. Pastors Erin and Andrew and elected delegates from First Lutheran will be in attendance.
- Sunday, June 8 - Pentecost Sunday, Noisy Offering and Summer Send-Off Blessing for Kids & Youth Attending Summer Camp and Accompaniment Trips

THE WEEK AHEAD AT FIRST

SUNDAY, MAY 25

8:15 AM - Worship and Livestream
9:30 AM - Fellowship Hour
9:30 AM - FaithTrek Worship Asst Training with Pastors
9:30 AM - Faithful Conversations
9:30 AM - *ReFrame* Summer Study
10:45 AM - Worship
Noon - Nuer Worship

MONDAY, MAY 26 - Office Closed for Memorial Day Holiday

9:00 AM - Church Open for Visits to the Columbarium (Until Noon)
10:00 AM - Memorial Day Service of Remembrance

TUESDAY, MAY 27

12:30 PM - Staff Meeting
5:45 PM - Bible Study Group
7:00 PM - Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

6:30 AM - Faith to Go!
10:30 AM - Bible Study Group

THURSDAY, MAY 29

9:30 AM - Fitness Class
7:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, MAY 30

Nebraska Synod Assembly in Kearney, NE

SATURDAY, MAY 31

Nebraska Synod Assembly in Kearney, NE
5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

9:30 AM - Fellowship Time
10:00 AM - Worship Streamed from the Nebraska Synod Assembly in Activity Center
Noon - Nuer Worship
6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry Supervision