



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

MARCH 29-APRIL 5, 2026

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you've worshiped with us before, welcome back! If this is your first time, we're so glad you're here! We hope you feel surrounded by God's love, grace and mercy as you worship today—our ushers, greeters, staff or anyone nearby in the pews are happy to help with any questions, during or after worship.

WELCOME TO PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP!

Welcome to our Palm Sunday worship service. Today, we will have a moving reading of the passion narrative leading to Good Friday.

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, a time of reflection and preparation for Easter. We remember Jesus' humble entry into Jerusalem, where crowds celebrated with palm branches, fulfilling the prophecy of his triumphant arrival as the Messiah.

We invite you to join us on this journey through Holy Week as we encounter the humility and sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday | April 2 | Noon & 6:30 PM

Good Friday | April 3 | Noon & 6:30 PM

Community Easter Vigil | April 4 | 6:30 PM at Shepherd of the Hills in Hickman (6901 Panama Rd)

Easter Sunday | April 5 | 8:00, 9:30 (livestream) & 11:00 AM |

Easter Breakfast 8:30-10:00 AM

Note: No Saturday worship on April 4.

SAME GROCERIES. GREATER IMPACT.

Thanks to your support, our RaiseRight program recently donated \$750 to Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach. Their need continues to grow as food costs rise and more of our neighbors are served. As we prepare for Easter, remember those who may not have enough to eat. One way to help is to plan ahead with your shopping. Stop by the RaiseRight table in the Gathering Area this morning from 9:30–10:30 AM and purchase a gift card for your grocery store. Use it instead of your usual payment method, and a portion of your purchase will support First Lutheran's Gifts of Hope partners, including Matt Talbot. Same groceries, same cost, big impact.

GET READY TO KAHOOT YOUR WAY THROUGH HOLY WEEK TRIVIA!

Calling all trivia enthusiasts! Join us in the Activity Center today at 9:30 AM for a morning of fun, laughter and a friendly game of Kahoot! Test your knowledge of Holy Week using your smartphone or by teaming up with a friend. Prizes will be awarded, so bring your A-game and get ready for a challenge!

HELP MAKE EASTER MORNING DELICIOUS

Our Easter breakfast is a beloved tradition at First Lutheran, and you can help make it extra special! We're looking for volunteers to bring egg casseroles, muffins, coffee cake or cinnamon rolls (store-bought is welcome!). Food can be dropped off at the church on Saturday from 9:30 AM–4:00 PM or by 8:00 AM on Easter morning. Let's keep this meaningful tradition going strong. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/flc-easter-breakfast>.

DISCOVER YOUR PLACE AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Curious about First Lutheran's mission? Join us for First Lutheran 101 on Sunday, April 12, and Sunday, April 19, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. You'll discover our ministries, explore ways to grow in your faith, and learn how you can become part of our welcoming community. Register online today at https://bit.ly/new_member_101.

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REGISTER NOW FOR WILD WONDER VBS!

Get ready for a week of outdoor fun, creativity and discovering God's creation! First Lutheran and Our Saviour's are teaming up for VBS, June 22–26, from 8:15 AM–Noon at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Open to kids ages 3 through 5th grade, this action-packed week includes music, Bible stories, hands-on science, crafts, games and daily time to explore nature—all with breakfast and snacks provided. Register now: <https://bit.ly/flc-vbs-2026>!

WE'RE HIRING!

First Lutheran Church is seeking a full-time Parish Coordinator (32–35 hours/week) to support the daily life of our congregation. If you're organized, communicative and hospitable with office experience and strong people skills, this could be the role for you or someone you might know! Interested? Contact Pastor Erin for more details.

MEMBER DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS SCHEDULED

Photo sessions for our new Member Photo Directory are scheduled and we would love for everyone to be included! The sessions are first come, first served (no appointment needed) and will take place on:

- Easter Sunday, April 5 | 9:00 AM–12:30 PM
- Saturday, April 25 | 4:00–6:00 PM
- Saturday, May 2 | 4:00–6:00 PM
- Sunday, May 3 | 9:30 AM–1:00 PM

Directory photos will be simple, non-professional images and will not be distributed as prints or digital copies. Please also follow the recommended clothing guidelines (<https://bit.ly/clothing-guide>) to ensure a consistent look throughout the directory. Additional dates and times will be added as needed.

If you haven't already completed the Member Photo Directory form (https://bit.ly/photo_directory), please do so as soon as possible—we're aiming for 100% participation of all members!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

M. Joyce Hansen, Sylvia Kempf, Pastor Bill Peterson, Cindy Schuster, Betty Miller, Mary Brass, Jeanette Metteer, Dennis Schuster, Vern Westberg, Rod Price, Margrett Wehland, Michael Dalton, Pastor Marsha Anderson, Marge and Bob Wessels, Beth Strasheim, Ruby Augustine, Linda Hinkle, Carol Reckmeyer, , Nyakhan Duoth and Nyabuony Ubeck and family.

Congratulations to Brian and Brianna (Brass) Anderson on the birth of their son, Asher, and to the grandparents, Gene and Mary Brass.

THE WEEK AHEAD AT FIRST

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - PALM SUNDAY

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream
9:30 AM - Intergenerational Kahoot Holy Week Trivia Competition
10:45 AM - Worship
Noon - Nuer Worship
3:00 PM - Palm Sunday Action Rally First United Methodist Church - Omaha - 7020 Cass St

MONDAY, MARCH 30

9:00 AM - First Fitness
1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

12:30 PM - Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

9:00 AM - First Fitness
Noon - Worship
6:30 PM - Worship with Livestream
7:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - GOOD FRIDAY

Noon - Worship
6:30 PM - Worship with Livestream

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

9:30 AM - Music Rehearsal
6:30 PM - Easter Vigil at Shepherd of the Hills in Hickman (6901 Paname Rd)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM - Worship
8:30 AM - Easter Breakfast (until 10:00 AM)
9:00 AM - Member Directory Photos (until 12:30 PM)
9:30 AM - Worship with Livestream
11:00 AM - Worship
Noon - Nuer Worship

MONDAY, APRIL 6 - EASTER MONDAY

Office will be closed for the Easter holiday