



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

MAY 3-10, 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 NEW MEMBERS!

This weekend, we're excited to welcome new members into the life of First Lutheran during worship. We give thanks for the ways God continues to grow our community. Take a moment to introduce yourself and offer a warm welcome. Together, we're invited to connect, serve and grow in ministry. There's a place for everyone here.

TODAY IS NOISY OFFERING SUNDAY

Let's make some noise for ConnectioN Point! Located at 1333 N. 33rd Street in the Clinton Neighborhood, ConnectioN Point is a vital community hub. Through its food pantry, community gatherings and support groups, it builds relationships and offers hope to local families. A few weeks ago, Pastor Katherine Ebling-Frazier's in an Adult Forum session invited us to partner with ConnectioN Point in meaningful ways. Our Noisy Offering is the perfect place to start. Simply drop your coins, cash or checks into the silver pot during the offering or give them to one of the children. Every gift, big or small, makes a difference.

GIVE BACK WHILE YOU SHOP FOR MOTHER'S DAY AND GRADUATES

Need gift ideas for graduation or Mother's Day? Gearing up for spring projects? There's a RaiseRight gift card for every occasion!

Groceries: Hy-Vee, SuperSaver, Walmart, Fareway, Russ's, Walgreens

Home Projects: Lowe's, Home Depot, Menards

Gifts & Fun: Scheels, Barnes & Noble, PetSmart, Bath & Body Works, Casey's, Marcus Theatres

VISA and Amazon

It costs you nothing extra to shop with a RaiseRight card. Simply use it instead of your debit or credit card and 100% of the proceeds from your purchase directly supports the work of our Gifts of Hope partners. Stop by the RaiseRight table in the Gathering Area this morning or visit the church office during the week to get your cards!

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TODAY

Join us for today's Adult Forum from 9:30-10:30 AM in the Chapel. Jim and Connie Kisling will share pictures and stories from their recent trip to our sister synod in Tanzania, Africa.

Join Faithful Conversations at 9:30 AM in the Gathering Area for a relaxed, faith-filled conversation. Explore the week's news, reflect on worship and share in prayer and quiet practices—all through a lens of faith. There's a place for you in the conversation.

TOWN HALL & POTLUCK TODAY

Join us today at noon for a Town Hall Meeting and Potluck Lunch. This is a chance to gather as church family, hear what's ahead and be part of the conversation. We will share updates on upcoming ministries, answer questions and invite your input as we look to the future—together. Singles, bring one dish; couples and families, bring two. Come for the meal and stay for the connection!

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NEW PARISH COORDINATOR: KATHY SCHINDLER

Please welcome Kathy Schindler as First Lutheran's new parish coordinator! She began April 27 and brings over 25 years of experience from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, along with previous work at Bryan Health West and as a church secretary in Spencer, Iowa. She enjoys time with family (including her two sons in Lincoln), reading, writing, music and Husker sports. A member of Sheridan Lutheran Church, she's excited to connect with the First community. You can reach Kathy at office@flclincoln.org or 402-488-0919 during the hours of 8:30 AM-4:30 PM M-F.

SEND BEST WISHES TO OUR 2026 GRADUATES

Help us celebrate our 2026 high school graduates! Take a moment to write a card offering your encouragement, congratulations and prayers as they prepare for this exciting next chapter. Your words can make a lasting impact as they step into what's ahead. Cards and collection boxes are available on the counter in the Gathering Area through May 10. Stop by, write a note and help send our graduates off with love and support from their church family.

TREAT MOM TO MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AT FIRST

Start Mother's Day at First! Join us Sunday, May 10, from 9:30-10:30 AM for a special Mother's Day Breakfast. Treat your mom (or someone who's like a mom to you) to egg casserole, fruit and breakfast beverages. It's free and open to everyone. Bring your family or a friend!

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 Wessels, Beth Strasheim, Ruby Augustine, Velda Schmidt, Nyabuony Ubeck and family, Janice Schnier, Jane Zatechka and Julius Swen's job search.

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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THE WEEK AHEAD AT FIRST

SUNDAY, MAY 3 - NOISY OFFERING AND NEW MEMBER WELCOME

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream
9:30 AM - Adult Forum
9:30 AM - Faithful Conversations
9:30 AM - Learning Hour for 3 Years-High School
9:30 AM - Welcome to Middle School Milestone
10:45 AM - Worship
Noon - Town Hall & Potluck Lunch
Noon - Nuer Worship
6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry Supervision

MONDAY, MAY 4

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

TUESDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM - Pastor Planning
5:45 PM - Bible Study
7:00 PM - Executive Committee

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

10:30 AM - Bible Study
6:00 PM - Confirmation goes Putt Putt Golfing
6:30 PM - High School Youth Group
7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 7

9:00 AM - First Fitness
6:30 PM - Spirit Ringers
7:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, MAY 8

SATURDAY, MAY 9

8:00 AM - Saturday Morning With the Guys
5:00 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, MAY 10

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream
9:30 AM - Adult Forum
9:30 AM - Faithful Conversations
9:30 AM - Mother's Day Breakfast
10:45 AM - Worship
Noon - Nuer Worship