

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Easter initiates a new day. it anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is make all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Confession & Forgiveness pg. 211
Gathering Hymn: *"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"* #424
Greeting pg. 213
Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18
Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6
Special Music: Combined Choir
Gospel Acclamation *"Be Not Afraid"* #388
Gospel Reading: John 13:31-35
Message
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #631
Recognition of Graduates
*Skott Anderson, Sarah Dougherty, Charli Erdahl, Jaxon Hilbrands,
Isaac Just, Breaw Nesvig, Ellen Reed, and Micah Ulrich*
Special Music: Bell Choir
Prayers of Intercession: *Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.*
Sharing the Peace

THANKSGIVING

Canticle of Thanksgiving pg. 219
Thanksgiving for the Word pg. 220
The Lord's Prayer

SENDING

Blessing
"Now the Green Blade Rises" #379
Dismissal

Hymns and liturgy are located in the red hymnal unless noted otherwise.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to Pastor Matt Orendorff for leading us in worship today. Also, a thank you to the combined choir and bell choir for their gifts of music this morning.

Offerings can be placed in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary either prior to worship or after the service as you leave. The "passing of the plate" will not be a part of the worship service at this time.

Seniors on the Move save the date of Tuesday, May 27 for the next adventure of a driving tour to see local barn quilts. Watch for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Nursery Available Our nursery room is staffed during worship and is located next to the church offices. Nursery room volunteers look forward to entertaining your little ones, but you are welcome to stay with your child if you prefer. The nursery room is equipped with an audio speaker that will allow you to hear what is happening during the worship service.

Pastoral Visits If you or someone you know is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or home-bound and would like a pastoral visit or Holy Communion, please contact church office at 320.589.3242. Hospital and nursing home staff can not contact the church without permission.

KMRS Radio Broadcast Help support the ELCA Worship Hour by sponsoring a broadcast (\$65) in memory or in honor of a loved one. These worship services are broadcasted Sunday mornings at 11:04am on the KKOK/KMRS radio station (AM 1230 or FM 107.7). Available dates are: May 25 & August 24. Contact the church office for more information or to sponsor a date.

Share & Care This group puts quilts together for Lutheran World Relief and meets at 9:00am on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. All are welcome to join us. Sewing skills not needed as there are many other tasks to work on.

Zipporah Bible Study meets at 2:00pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the fellowship hall. All are welcome to join us!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Family and friends of Dick Ross, Al and LaVonne Watson, Laurie Feuchtenberger, Judy Bluth, Jim Thraen, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound.

WORSHIP SERVANTS

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Ushers: Dick Smith, Dennis Feuchtenberger, Michael Bjorklund

Lector: LeAnn Dean

Acolytes: Lucy & Giana Feuchtenberger

TV slides: Sawyer Fynboh

Nursery: Jone Anderson

Video: Tony Feuchtenberger

Accompanist: Deb Mahoney

SUNDAY, MAY 25

Ushers: Bob Heck, Al & Julie Monroe

Lector: Vicki Dalager

Comm Prep: Judy Buro (wafers)

Communion Servers: Ward Voorhees, Judy Buro, Emilie Brustuen

Acolytes: Aubrey & Ashlyn Williamson

TV slides: Chance Buro

Nursery: Lindy Ekola

Video: Dave Jungst

Accompanist: Suzanne Smith

welcome

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CONNECT WITH US

5/18/2025

(place in the offering plate or drop off at the church office)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I am....

☐ Member

☐ Visitor

☐ Returning Visitor

☐ Non-Member/Regular Attender

I would like....

☐ to learn more about First

☐ to become a member of First

☐ to have a pastor contact me

☐ receive the monthly newsletter

Prayer requests or comments _____

TODAY: Sunday, May 18

10:00am: Family Bingo & Graduate Celebration

11:00am: Worship

Monday, May 19

no events scheduled

Tuesday, May 20

11:00am: Pastors' Text Study

Wednesday, May 21

no events scheduled

Thursday, May 22

9:00am: Share & Care (quilting group)

Friday, May 23

no events scheduled

Saturday, May 24

8:00am: Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran

Sunday, May 25

10:00am: Coffee/Fellowship

11:00am: Worship with Holy Communion