

***Sixth Sunday of Easter***  
**May 5, 2024**  
**10:00 a.m. – Holy Communion**  
*First Lutheran Church*  
Pastor Bryan Anderson

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**Welcome**

**\*Opening Hymn #522 (LBW) – Come, Thou Almighty King**

**\*Brief Order for Confession – LBW Page 77**

**\*Lord Have Mercy – LBW Page 78**

**\*This is the Feast – LBW Page 81**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**\*Promise of Grace**

**First Reading: Acts 10:44-48**

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit came down on all those who were listening to his message. **45** The Jewish believers who had come from Joppa with Peter were amazed that God had poured out his gift of the Holy Spirit on the Gentiles also. **46** For they heard them speaking in strange tongues and praising God's greatness. Peter spoke up: **47** "These people have received the Holy Spirit, just as we also did. Can anyone, then, stop them from being baptized with water?" **48** So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay with them for a few days.

**Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6**

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Messiah is a child of God; and whoever loves a father loves his child also. **2** This is how we know that we love God's children: it is by loving God and obeying his commands. **3** For our love for God means that we obey his commands. And his commands are not too hard for us, **4** because every child of God is able to defeat the world. And we win the victory over the world by means of our faith. **5** Who can defeat the world? Only the person who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. **6** Jesus Christ is the one who came with the water of his baptism and the blood of his death. He came not only with the water, but with both the water and the blood. And the Spirit himself testifies that this is true, because the Spirit is truth.

**Hymn of Praise #527 (LBW) vs. 1-4 - All Creatures of Our God and King**

**\*Gospel Reading: John 15:9-17**

I love you just as the Father loves me; remain in my love. **10** If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. **11** "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. **12** My commandment is this: love one another, just as I love you. **13** The greatest love you can have for your friends is to give your life for them. **14** And you are my friends if you do what I command you. **15** I do not call you servants any longer, because servants do not know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because I have told you everything I heard from my Father. **16** You did not choose me; I chose you and appointed you to go and bear much fruit, the kind of fruit that endures. And so the Father will give you whatever you ask of him in my name. **17** This, then, is what I command you: love one another.

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day #315 (LBW) – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

**Recognition of Graduates with Prayers**

**\*Great Thanksgiving – LBW Page 88**

**\*Words of Institution**

**Communion**

**Announcements**

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

**P** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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Pianist:	Sherry Wirth
Reader:	Linda McIntire
Communion Asst:	Laura Lieffring
Greeters:	Paul Colbeth and Don & Sheila Dipprey
Counters:	Laura Lieffring & Nancy McQuinn
Altar Guild:	Mike & Rosemary Johnson
Ushers:	LeRoy Johnson & Dylan Peterson
Fellowship Servers:	Aaron & Danette Buhr Family

April 28<sup>th</sup> Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 25; 10:00 AM – 160; Total: 185

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome** to all who join in worship today, especially any visitors. Visitors are invited to fill out the visitor slip so we can become better acquainted. Fellowship honoring our graduates with cake will follow worship in the hall.

**Today we will be recognizing** the following high school seniors on their upcoming graduation:

Travis Anderson	Hunter Gilbertson	Sean Hoefflerle	Eddie Johnson
Blake Harris	Jordan Haley	Lyla Jarchow	

**Prayer List:** We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Dennis Luehman, Levi Ramsey, Cyndy Witthoft (sister of Deann Wagner), Maddi Wilson (daughter of Paul & Heidi Colbeth), Mae Robers (mother of Patti Wyss), Bob Moe at the loss of his mother, Helen Moe, and Laura Heller (friend of Linda McIntire) at the loss of her mother. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*



**COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will be held at United Covenant Church June 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 PM. Register online TODAY for this fun, FREE & faith-filled event! Scan this code, OR go to [www.firstluthclearlake.com](http://www.firstluthclearlake.com) and click on VBS Registration.

**Rummage Sale:** We are seeking leaders for the Clear Lake Days Rummage Sale. Please notify the office (715-263-2846) ASAP if interested.

**Lawn mowing volunteers** are needed by the week throughout the spring and summer. A sign-up sheet is on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**Fishermen Wanted!** We seek to know Jesus and make him known. Your Council is excited to get the word out by dropping off welcome material to new movers to our area. Volunteers are needed to make this outreach possible. We hope to do this once a month, probably on a weekend. More information is available in the brochure attached to the sign-up sheet. Please sign up if you can help us “fish for People”.

## **Spring Concert**

**This Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 PM**

**First Evangelical Lutheran Church**

*Featured groups are the  
United Methodist Bell Choir and First Lutheran Choir*

*There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments after the concert.*

### **THIS WEEK**

<b>Today</b>	11:00 AM-Fellowship 7:00 PM-Choir Practice
<b>Monday</b>	9:30 AM-Morning Grace Bible Study
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM-Quilting
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 AM-First Brew & You <b>7:00 PM-Spring Concert featuring First Lutheran Choir &amp; United Methodist Bell Choir</b> <b>NO CONFIRMATION OR YOUTH GROUP</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	2:00 PM-Ridgeview Bible Study <b>6:30 PM-Church Council</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	7:00 AM-Women’s Book Study
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship 9:30 AM-Fellowship 10:00 AM-Traditional Worship 11:00 AM-Fellowship