

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 25, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Worship

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

***Call to Worship**

P O Lord, open my lips.

C And my mouth shall declare your praise. †

***Opening Hymn #718 (WOV) – Here in This Place**

***Prayer of the Day**

***Confession of Sin**

P Let us examine ourselves before the Lord.

(Self-examination)

C Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against you. Some of my sin I know – the thought and words and deeds of which I am ashamed but some is known only to you. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may have peace.

***Promise of Grace**

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1b-4

The land of the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali was once disgraced, but the future will bring honor to this region, from the Mediterranean eastward to the land on the other side of the Jordan, and even to Galilee itself, where the foreigners live. **2** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. They lived in a land of shadows, but now light is shining on them. **3** You have given them great joy, Lord; you have made them happy. They rejoice in what you have done, as people rejoice when they harvest grain or when they divide captured wealth. **4** For you have broken the yoke that burdened them and the rod that beat their shoulders. You have defeated the nation that oppressed and exploited your people, just as you defeated the army of Midian long ago.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-14, 17b-18

By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ I appeal to all of you, my friends, to agree in what you say, so that there will be no divisions among you. Be completely united, with only one thought and one purpose. **11** For some people from Chloe's family have told me quite plainly, my friends, that there are quarrels among you. **12** Let me put it this way: each one of you says something different. One says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Peter"; and another, "I follow Christ." **13** Christ has been divided into groups! Was it Paul who died on the cross for you? Were you baptized as Paul's disciples? **14** I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius. **17** He sent me to tell the Good News, and to tell it without using the language of human wisdom, in order to make sure that Christ's death on the cross is not robbed of its power. **18** For the message about Christ's death on the cross is nonsense to those who are being lost; but for us who are being saved it is God's power.

Children's Message

Hymn of Praise #767 (WOV) – All Things Bright and Beautiful

***Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23**

When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he went away to Galilee. **13** He did not stay in Nazareth, but went to live in Capernaum, a town by Lake Galilee, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali. **14** This was done to make come true what the prophet Isaiah had said, **15** "Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, on the road to the sea, on the other side of the Jordan, Galilee, land of the Gentiles! **16** The people who live in darkness will see a great light. On those who live in the dark land of death the light will shine." **17** From that time Jesus began to preach his message: "Turn away from your sins, because the Kingdom of heaven is near!" **18** As Jesus walked along the shore of Lake Galilee, he saw two brothers who were fishermen, Simon (called Peter) and his brother Andrew, catching fish in the lake with a net. **19** Jesus said to them, "Come with me, and I will teach you to catch people." **20** At once they left their nets and went with him. **21** He went on and saw two other brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. They were in their boat with their father Zebedee, getting their nets ready. Jesus called them, **22** and at once they left the boat and their father, and went with him. **23** Jesus went all over Galilee, teaching in the synagogues, preaching the Good News about the Kingdom, and healing people who had all kinds of disease and sickness.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #752 (WOV) – Here I Am, Lord

***Apostles' Creed**

***Prayers of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #731 (WOV) – Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Blessing

Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Pianist: Sherry Wirth
Reader: Nora Kamm
Greeters: Jackie Goodmanson & Tracy Olson
Ushers: TJ Buhr & Andy Buhr
Counters: Anna Buhr & Richard Selvig
Fellowship Servers: TJ & Anna Buhr Family
January 18th Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 30; 10:00 AM – 111; Total: 141

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. All are invited to a time of fellowship in the hall after worship.

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Tiffany Wagner, Carrie Buhr, Levi Ramsey, Marlys Lambert at the loss of her husband Dick Lambert, and Karleen Swanson, friend of the congregation. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Bible Camp registration at WAPO in Amery is now open. First Lutheran has received a customized link for parents, which will direct you to our specific, reserved dates at the camp. That link can be found on the church website, Facebook page, or typed in directly: <http://lwlbc.com/first-cl>.

Possible Christian Parenting Class to be held on Wednesdays if there is enough interest. Twelve session video course on what kids need to thrive as followers of Christ. Good for parents, grandparents, and all family members. Sign up today.

Shopping cards for Nilssen's, True Value, and Kwik Trip are available every Sunday between services from the Lutheran Men in Mission for Christ. The men receive back a percentage of the sales for mission projects.

Snow Shoveling Volunteers are needed. Volunteers are asked to sign-up on the sheet at the back of worship for a week time slot. If it snows that week please remove all from the walkways as shown on the shoveling map with the sign-up. When the building is open, there are shovels and ice melt available otherwise plan to bring your own equipment.

THIS WEEK

Today 11:00 AM-Fellowship
Monday 7:00 PM-Evening Grace Men & Women Bible Study
Tuesday 9:00 AM-Quilting
Wednesday 9:00 AM-Prayer Shawl Group
Fellowship & Fun Night
5:30 PM-Supper
6:00 PM-Fellowship & Fun
6:15 PM-7th & 8th Grade Confirmation
6:15 PM-High School Bible Study
7:30 PM-9th Grade Confirmation
Next Sunday 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship with Communion
9:30 AM-Fellowship
10:00 AM-Sunday School
10:00 AM-Traditional Worship with Communion
11:00 AM-Fellowship

Abundant Grace

Women's Event

*Three hours.
Two Speakers.
One Purpose.*

February 7th, 2026 8:30am-11:30am

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