

Service of Healing + Holy Trinity

May 31, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Worship

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

*Call to Worship

P In you our ancestors put their trust,

C **They trusted and you delivered them. †**

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

*Prayer of the Day (*Unison*)

Merciful Lord, we seek your forgiveness and healing today. Tend to our bodies and souls. Inspire us to be peacemakers and healers to others. Grant us the peace that passes all understanding and make us instruments of your love. In Jesus' name. Amen

*Confession Litany

P Our God is merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C **We confess we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

P Let us give him our heavy burden of sin and find rest.

C **We confess to squabbling and gossip.**

P We have not been patient and understanding of one another.

C **We have often failed to bring your light.**

P We confess to you our anger that has brought division.

C **Lord you said a divided house will not stand.**

P So we lay all our frustration and pain at your Cross.

C **Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil.**

P As you forgive us so we forgive each other.

C **By your spirit help us to live as your children.**

P By your spirit we forsake sin and carry the cross.

C **Amen.**

*Proclamation of Forgiveness (*Unison*)

Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they will be like wool. We are forgiven in Christ!

*Promise of Grace

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5, 26-28

In the beginning, when God created the universe, **2** the earth was formless and desolate. The raging ocean that covered everything was engulfed in total darkness, and the Spirit of God was moving over the water. **3** Then God commanded, "Let there be light" - and light appeared. **4** God was pleased with what he saw. Then he separated the light from the darkness, **5** and he named the light "Day" and the darkness "Night." Evening passed and morning came - that was the first day. **26** Then God said, "And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small." **27** So God created human beings, making them to be like himself. He created them male and female, **28** blessed them, and said, "Have many children, so that your descendants will live all over the earth and bring it under their control. I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all the wild animals.

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-24, 36

Then Peter stood up with the other eleven apostles and in a loud voice began to speak to the crowd: **22** "Listen to these words, fellow Israelites! Jesus of Nazareth was a man whose divine authority was clearly proven to you by all the miracles and wonders which God performed through him. You yourselves know this, for it happened here among you. **23** In accordance with his own plan God had already decided that Jesus would be handed over to you; and you killed him by letting sinful men crucify him. **24** But God raised him from death, setting him free from its power, because it was impossible that death should hold him prisoner. **32** God has raised this very Jesus from death, and we are all witnesses to this fact. **33** He has been raised to the right side of God, his Father, and has received from him the Holy Spirit, as he had promised. What you now see and hear is his gift that he has poured out on us. **34** For it was not David who went up into heaven; rather he said, "The Lord said to my Lord: Sit here at my right side **35** until I put your enemies as a footstool under your feet." **36** "All the people of Israel, then, are to know for sure that this Jesus, whom you crucified, is the one that God has made Lord and Messiah!"

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

***Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to the hill in Galilee where Jesus had told them to go. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped him, even though some of them doubted. **18** Jesus drew near and said to them, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. **19** Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, **20** and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon

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

***Apostles' Creed**

***Prayers of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #699 (WOV) – Blessed Assurance

Invitation to Healing Prayer

P From St. Luke we read, "When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness and laying his hands on each one he healed them." And from James, "Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven."

(Those wishing to receive the laying on of hands prayer and anointing may come forward.)



You are invited to use our QR code for online giving.
Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Organist: Brian Wick
Reader: Theresa Anderson
Ushers: Dale & Chris Wood
Counter: Neil Larson
Greeters: Paul Colbeth and Don & Sheila Dipprey
Fellowship Servers: Don & Sheila Dipprey
May 24th Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 45; 10:00 AM – 65

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all who join in worship today, especially any visitors. Guests are invited to fill out the visitor slip so we can become better acquainted. Fellowship will follow worship in the hall.

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Carole Larson, Levi Ramsey, and Cyndy Witthoft (sister of Deann Wagner). *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Our Daily Bread home devotionals are available to pick up in the entry. We invite you to share with a friend.



COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held at United Covenant Church June 15th-18th 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 and click on VBS Registration. *There are also sign-up sheets for help with VBS on the table at the back of the Sanctuary.*

Baby Bottle Campaign: Options on 8, a pregnancy resource center located in St. Croix Falls, began their Baby Bottle Campaign on Mother's Day. Fill A Bottle – Save a Life! The Baby Bottle Campaign helps women facing an unplanned pregnancy. Just pick up a bottle after church services today, fill it with coins, cash or check over the coming weeks and bring it back to the church on Father's Day, June 21st.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY. A sign-up sheet is available for the next book, Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World by Joanna Weaver. The book study will begin in September. Join us for a summer get together with some faith, fellowship, and devotion time on Saturday, June 13 at 7:30 AM in the church fellowship hall. Any questions please see Laura Boche-Case.

Spread the "Good News" Sponsor a Child through COMPASSION. Child packets are in the entry way OR scan the QR code to find another child. There is no shortage of children in need. Learn about the child, learn about their culture, learn what helping others is all about. 98% of your monthly donation goes to helping the child with food, clothing, school, and learning about Jesus. Today is the last day to consider supporting a child.

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.

THIS WEEK

Today 11:00 AM-Fellowship
Tuesday 9:00 AM-Quilting
Wednesday **5:00-8:30 PM-Hope Alive Outreach at Michael Park, Amery**
Saturday 7:00 AM-Men's Bible Study
Next Sunday 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship with Communion
9:30 AM-Fellowship
10:00 AM-Traditional Worship with Communion
11:00 AM-Fellowship

FAMILY FUN FEST

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