

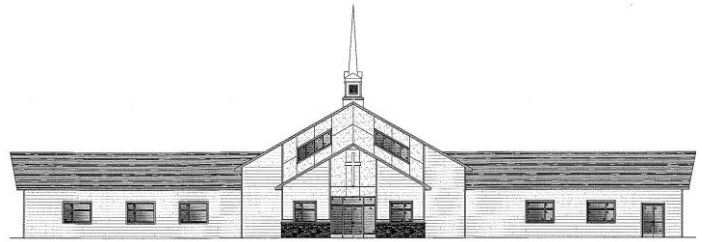
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 5, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

*Opening Hymn #165 (LBW) – Holy, Holy, Holy

*Brief Order for Confession – LBW Page 77

*Kyrie – LBW Page 78

*This is the Feast – LBW Page 81

*Prayer of the Day

*Promise of Grace

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice, rejoice, people of Zion! Shout for joy, you people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you! He comes triumphant and victorious, but humble and riding on a donkey - on a colt, the foal of a donkey. **10** The Lord says, "I will remove the war chariots from Israel and take the horses from Jerusalem; the bows used in battle will be destroyed. Your king will make peace among the nations; he will rule from sea to sea, from the Euphrates River to the ends of the earth." **11** The Lord says, "Because of my covenant with you that was sealed by the blood of sacrifices, I will set your people free - free from the waterless pit of exile. **12** Return, you exiles who now have hope; return to your place of safety. Now I tell you that I will repay you twice over with blessing for all you have suffered.

Second Reading: Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand what I do; for I don't do what I would like to do, but instead I do what I hate. **16** Since what I do is what I don't want to do, this shows that I agree that the Law is right. **17** So I am not really the one who does this thing; rather it is the sin that lives in me. **18** I know that good does not live in me - that is, in my human nature. For even though the desire to do good is in me, I am not able to do it. **19** I don't do the good I want to do; instead, I do the evil that I do not want to do. **20** If I do what I don't want to do, this means that I am no longer the one who does it; instead, it is the sin that lives in me. **21** So I find that this law is at work: when I want to do what is good, what is evil is the only choice I have. **22** My inner being delights in the law of God. **23** But I see a different law at work in my body - a law that fights against the law which my mind approves of. It makes me a prisoner to the law of sin which is at work in my body. **24** What an unhappy man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is taking me to death? **25** Thanks be to God, who does this through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Hymn of Praise #518 (LBW) – Beautiful Savior

*Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus said, "Father, Lord of heaven and earth! I thank you because you have shown to the unlearned what you have hidden from the wise and learned. **26** Yes, Father, this was how you were pleased to have it happen. **27** "My Father has given me all things. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. **28** "Come to me, all of you

who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke and put it on you, and learn from me, because I am gentle and humble in spirit; and you will find rest. **30** For the yoke I will give you is easy, and the load I will put on you is light."

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #290 (LBW) – There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

***Prayers of the Church**

***Lord's Prayer**

***Great Thanksgiving – LBW Page 88**

***Words of Institution**

Communion Distribution (#439, #448, #456, #476 - use green hymnals)

Announcements

Blessing

Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



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: Don Dipprey
Communion Asst: Becky Schramski
Usher: Ken Iverson
Altar Guild: Jackie Goodmanson & Nancy Luehman
Greeters: Jennifer (Coco) Morse & Lacey Kamm
Counters: Becky Schramski & Tim Wyss
Fellowship Servers: Brian & Kathy Wick
June 28th Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 23; 10:00 AM – 28

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 will follow worship in the hall.

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Gloria Hedquist, Cyndy Witthoft (sister of Deann Wagner), and Jessica Messer & Kyle Christensen at the loss of their daughter, McKenna Christensen. *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.

Thanks to all who served in the Shake Shack at Clear Lake Days, especially Dale Wirth for his oversight. A total of \$3,100.25 was raised to support the work of First Lutheran.

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, July 11th at 7:30 AM in the church fellowship hall. Any questions please see Laura Boche-Case.

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
Monday 4-8:00 PM-McKenna Christensen Visitation
Tuesday 9:00 AM-Quilting
10-11:00 AM-McKenna Christensen Visitation
11:00 AM-McKenna Christensen Funeral
Wednesday 10:00 AM-Staff Meeting
Faith, Fellowship & Fun Night
5:30 PM-Supper
6:00 PM-Faith, Fellowship & Fun
Saturday 7:30 AM-Women's Book Study Get-together
Next Sunday 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship
9:30 AM-Fellowship
10:00 AM-Traditional Worship
11:00 AM-Fellowship
Youth Mission Trip to Wheaton, IL July 12th-17th