

Today in Worship

Preacher: Pastor Greg DeBoer

Worship Leader: (8:30) Nick Vrba (10:15) Derek Fey

Reading: Matthew 3:1-12

Hymns: #733, #661, #825

Musicians: (8:30) Organist: Amy Spies
(8:30) Special Music: FLC Choir (*Lily Rich, Soloist*)
(10:15) Band

Prayers of healing for Lorna Knudsen, Lyn Robart, Dennis, Bill Miller, Jan Larsen, Shirley Brandert (*Amy Spies' mother*), Cheryl Larsen, Karen McPherran, Gail Nielsen, Steve Schmidt, Ron Pronske, Lorna Berkland, Darlene Pebbley, John Clopper, & Suzanne Drews

Prayers of peace for Kristal Kuntzelman on the loss of her father, Rex Kuntzelman.

Altar Flowers are sponsored by Keith Lallman in loving memory of his wife Ann and with thankfulness for his family and church family.

Sunday Morning Gathering is sponsored by Michelle Jacobsen in memory of her mom and Joel & Ashley's anniversary.

Total Attendance for week of 9/21: 465

Wednesday "Pray-Lude": 51

Sunday Worship: 414

Giving for the Period of 9/16-9/21:

Weekly Giving: \$11,751

Tithes for September: \$57,951.33

Tithes Budget for September: \$72,000

Giving Year-to-date: \$57,951.33

Budget Year-to-date through September: \$72,000

About First Lutheran

Questions??

Welcome Center: located just outside the Worship center. A host is there to help find answers to any questions you might have.

Worship Assists

Open Seating: available for people with limited mobility. Please leave these areas for walkers and wheelchairs and a seat for their companion.

Hearing Assistance: devices are available at the sound booth at the back of the Worship Center.

Gather at the Table

Communion: All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. You will receive a wafer and cup of wine or grape juice from the servers. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are also available. If you would like communion brought to you, please inform an usher.

Fellowship Time: Hot & Cold coffee, tea, milk, and donut holes are available in Fellowship Hall. Help yourself and visit with a friend or make new ones!

FirstCare: If you are in need of pastoral ministry or a visit, please contact the church office.

For Our Youngest Worshippers:

Creation Stations: located on each side of the worship, an area for children to be creative while in worship.

Children's Bulletins: located by each door to the worship space.

Busy Bags: filled with quiet activities for children, located by bulletin tables, please return at the end of the service.

Children's Message: a time during worship for kids to hear the message at their level.

Sunday Small Groups: available September-April for children 3 yr—6th grade, at 9:30am in the Sunday school wing.

Sunday Morning Adult

Small Groups: various studies offered between services in the Heritage room and Conference room. Everyone welcome to join.

In the Chair Pockets:

Green Cards: Offer various ways to give to FLC, place card in the offering tray to indicate electronic giving.

Blue Cards: Share your contact info with us, let us know you have worshiped with us, and share your prayers requests for the staff to pray over. Please place in the offering tray.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

TEAM FLC
Sunday!



This week's Ministry Announcements...

September Ministry Partner—MU

Contact: Heidi Richmond (heidir@flcfremont.org)

Our Ministry Partner for September is Midland University! You can support Midland students by donating laundry detergent pods to be shared by the Warrior Cupboard. This program serves as a resource for all students, with no strings attached, to help fill unexpected needs. Laundry detergent is a constant and high-demand product so your support will help build an inventory.

 You can also support the Midland Warrior Pantry by making a monetary donation. Scan QR code here, or go on our website, www.flcfremont.org/events to make your donation. Envelopes are also available in the chair backs for cash/check donations.

FLY Snack Support

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Everyone knows, kids love snacks and our cupboards are empty! If you'd like to support our FLYs, please bring your donation of individually packaged non-perishable snacks or juice boxes to the church office. If you'd like to provide a perishable snack we ask that you arrange that with Gina or Amy. We thank you in advance for supporting our Youth & Children's ministries.

ELC Fundraiser — Raising Canes

"Chicken, chicken, what combo are you picking?" Head over to Raising Cane's on Tuesday, September 30, from 3:00-8:00pm to support our Early Learning Center! **Mention this fundraiser at the register and Cane's will donate 15% of the net sales to our ELC!**

No Sunday Small Groups Today

Sunday Small Groups (all ages) will not meet today, due to the Annual Meeting.

Electronic Giving Options: Would you like to give an electronic offering?

- Text the dollar amount to **402-999-4983**
- Scan this QR code

If you would like to set up a recurring gift, please contact Wendy Grosse at wendyg@flcfremont.org or 402-721-2959.



FLC Annual Meeting

The 2025 Annual Meeting for First Lutheran Church is today at 9:30am in the Worship Center. All confirmed members are invited and encouraged to attend.

**There have been updates made to the 2025 Annual Report. These updated reports have a highlighted pink corner on the cover. For those of you who picked up an Annual Report without the highlighted pink corner, there are updated sheets available to switch out in your previous report.*

FLC EXPLORE Class

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

 If you are considering joining FLC and becoming a member, join us for our next Explore class on October 5 at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Either scan the QR code, contact Gina or the Church Office to get signed up.

October FLC Mobile Banquet

The FLC Mobile Banquet will be delivering 250+ meals to Meadowbrook, LifeHouse, and ASPIRE on Thursday, October 9, from 5:30-6:30pm. Please consider helping to make this possible with your donations of food items, money or time. It's easy, sign up online or call the office to offer your help! Please have your donations to the church

 kitchen by NOON on Wednesday, October 8. **We are collecting Halloween candy, winter coats, mittens/gloves, and hats as our extra items for this month's Mobile Banquet.** Sign up on our website or scan the QR code!

Flu Shot Clinic

Three Rivers Public Health is hosting a Flu Shot Clinic here at First Lutheran on Sunday, October 12 from 8:00-11:00am. A copy of your insurance card must be presented if you would like to bill to insurance. If you do not have insurance, you will be required to pay \$45 cash or check before the vaccine is administered.

Sunday Morning Gathering Sponsors

There are a few Sundays through the end of the year that still need a Sunday Morning Gathering Sponsor. If you are able to fill this need, please sign up online or contact the Church Office. Many thanks for supporting this ministry!

Elaine Ross — Birthday Open House

Please join us for a 95th birthday open house honoring Elaine Ross on Saturday, October 11 from 2:00-4:00pm here at First Lutheran Church. This event is hosted by her children; Cathy Ross, Sue & Dave Strong, and Dick & Marce Ross. All are invited!

2026 FLY Trip Announcement!

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Parents of our MS and HS FLYs are invited to Teen Talk on Sunday, October 5, to hear about the trip opportunities in 2026! There are options for Middle School and High School FLYS. Teen Talk is held in the FLY room from 9:40-10:10 each Sunday. Hope to see you there!

First Communion Training

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Are you in Middle School or High School, or even an adult, who missed First Communion Training? FLC is offering a First Communion refresher for those who want to know more about this sacrament and wish to begin taking communion with a better understanding of the why. This 1 hour class will be held on Sunday, October 5, from 7:00-8:00pm. People who complete this training will take their first communion during worship on Reformation Sunday, October 26. Contact Gina with any questions and to sign up for the class.

SAVE THE DATE!

Boots, Bites, & Bids FLY Fundraiser

Save the date for our High School FLY summer trip fundraiser, "Boots, Bites, & Bids!" Join us for a night of western food, fun, & fellowship on Sunday, October 26! More details to come!

We are looking for items for our Silent Auction. If you would like to donate a gift basket or items to this event, please reach out to Gina (ginad@flcfremont.org).

Worship Volunteers Needed!

Greeters — Ushers—Communion Servers

Sunday mornings take many volunteers to run smoothly. If you see something today that you would like to be a part of, you can visit www.flcfremont.org/events, scan the QR code or call the church office at 402-721-2959.

