

Today in Worship

Preacher: Pastor Greg DeBoer

Worship Leader: (8:30) Rachel DeBoer (10:15) Jeremy Hansen

Children's Time: (8:30) Heather Kroeger
(10:15) Kid's Christmas Program

Reading: John 1:9-14

Hymns: #290, #292, #286, #277, #300, #288

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

Prayers of healing for Lyn Robart, Dennis, Bill Miller, Jan Larsen, Shirley Brandert (*Amy Spies' mother*), Cheryl Larsen, Lorna Berkland, John Clopper, Joy Horn, Gayle Paschall & Gene Anderson.

Altar Flowers are sponsored by Cheryl Lindgren wishing family & friends a joyful Christmas with peace & hope for the New Year.

Sunday Morning Gathering is sponsored by T&T Electric wishing everyone a Merry Christmas!

Total Attendance for week of 12/14: 335

Wednesday "Pray-Lude": 40

Sunday Worship: 295

Giving for the Period of 12/9-12/14:

Weekly Giving: \$55,677

Tithes for December: \$91,426.33

Tithes Budget for December: \$115,000

Giving Year-to-date: \$296,779.31

Budget Year-to-date through December: \$328,000

Join us for Christmas Eve Worship!

Wednesday, December 24

2:00pm | 4:00pm | 11:00pm

**Invite friends & family to worship with us as we
celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!**



**Be A 2026 Sunday Morning Gathering
and/or Altar Flower Sponsor!**

Scan the QR Code or go to www.flcfremont.org/events
to sign up to be a sponsor for 2026!

Sunday Morning Gathering Sponsor: \$150
Altar Flower Sponsor: \$50

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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.



This week's Ministry Announcements...

FLY Sweets & Treats QUAKE Fundraiser — Thank You!

Thank you to all who purchased sweets & treats from our QUAKE fundraiser! We sold out of treats in just **one week!** Your support of our First Lutheran Youth is such a blessing!

December Ministry Partner—CASA



So many thanks to all who helped fulfill the wishes of children from CASA by providing Christmas gifts through the Giving Tree! This is such a blessing to show them the love of Jesus. We are collecting monetary donations for CASA through the end of December. Scan the QR code, go on our website, or grab an envelope and include cash/check donations in with the offering (designated to CASA).

FLC Mobile Banquet Winter Coat Drive

We collected 48 coats for women and girls and 40 for men and boys, and most of the donations were brand new! Additionally, we received a great supply of hats, gloves, and mittens to share. Thank you to everyone involved for such a beautiful display of generosity and love. We will continue to collect winter gear through January! **Children's sizes are the most desired**, but all sizes are needed.

Be A Christmas Decorations Sponsor



Today is your last day to help sponsor the Christmas decorations. If you would like to help sponsor Poinsettias and other Christmas decorations this year, we are asking for a donation of \$20. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center and Church Office, or you can go to www.flcfremont.org/events to make a donation online.

Christ in Our Home

New copies of the *Christ in our Home* devotional are available for pick up at the Welcome Center and Church Office.

2025 Financial Gifts

Please make your end-of-year gifts to First Lutheran by noon on December 31. Thank you!

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.



Upcoming Worship Service Schedule

Wednesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Worships, 2:00pm | 4:00pm | 11:00pm
There will not be worship services on Christmas Day.

Sunday, December 28

One Service, Lessons & Carols at 9:30am

Wednesday, December 31

No "Pray-lude" Worship

No Sunday Small Groups for Kids

We will not have Sunday Smalls Groups for Kids next Sunday, December 28 and Sunday, January 4.

Office Schedule

The Church Office is closed at Noon on Wednesday, December 24, all day on Thursday, December 25, at Noon on Friday, December 26, & all day on Thursday, January 1, 2026.

Pledge Form Update

If you haven't turned in your pledge form yet, please do so. We have received 26 fewer forms than last year. The good news is that the average pledge has increased by \$465 dollars for the year. With our building reaching the age where maintenance and repairs are becoming more frequent, remember you can pledge directly to the building fund. As always thank you for your continued support of FLC and its many ministries with your time, talents, and treasures.

FLC Children's Ministry is GROWING!

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

God is blessing our church with an ever-growing group of children each week—what a joy! As our classrooms fill with new faces and energy, we are looking for additional Sunday Small Group leaders and helpers to join our team. If you have a heart for kids and a desire to help them grow in their faith, we would love to have you serve with us. No prior experience is required—just a willingness to show up and share God's love.

If you're interested or want to learn more, please reach out to Gina at ginad@flcfremont.org! Your time and gifts can make a meaningful impact on our youngest members.

Snow Removal Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help with keeping the entrances cleared of snow during services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights. This is a great service opportunity for service groups, families, or individuals. It would involve keeping the entrances cleared and salted after the snow removal company does their initial sweep. You can pick your own dates and sign up for a part or the whole morning! Scan the QR code, visit our website, or call the Church Office if you're interested.



New Youth Calendars Are Ready

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Be sure to pick up your second semester Youth Ministry schedule. The new schedules have been printed on coral paper. All planned events for FLY56, WAM, MS FLYS, HS FLYS, and Confirmation can be found on this schedule. Any changes to this schedule will be publicized in the messenger, announcements, and through REMIND. Contact Gina with any questions.

January Mobile Banquet

Contact: Heidi Richmond (heidir@flcfremont.org)

The FLC Mobile Banquet will be delivering 270+ meals to Regency, LifeHouse, and ASPIRE on Thursday, January 8, 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, January 7. **We are collecting blankets, winter coats, hats, gloves/mittens, and scarves as extra items this month.** Sign up by scanning the QR code, going to our website under the "events" tab, or by calling the Church Office.



Volunteer for Worship!

Greeters — Ushers—Communion Servers

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

