

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Preacher: Derek Fey

Worship Leaders: (8:30) Denise Lueke **(10:15)** Rachel DeBoer

Children's Time: (8:30) Heather Kroeger **(10:15)** Derek Fey

Reading(s): Matthew 16:13-20

Readers: (8:30) Julie Grimm **(10:15)** Janet Lowe

Hymns: # 520, #654, Give Thanks, #504

Musicians: (8:30) Organist: Amy Spies **(10:15)** Band

Prayers of healing for Lyn Robart, Dennis, Bill Miller, Jan Larsen, Shirley Brandert (*Amy Spies' mother*), John Clopper, Joy Horn, Gayle Paschall, Virginia Gard, Ron Pronske, Butch Scott, Jeff Glosser, Ray Meister, Marge Sperling, Jerry Schelling, Jeff Zimmerman, Marlin Hultgren (*Lori Wells' brother*), LaVonne Nelsen, Bob Beaver, & Karen McPherran

Prayers of peace for Gregg & Cheryl Kupfer & Pastor Del Wiemers on the passing of Cheryl's mother & Pastor Del's wife, Phyllis Wiemers.

Prayers of thanksgiving for our silver senior friends who have so faithfully shared their time, resources, & friendship with our FLC family. Today we honor Gloria Jensen who turned 95 on August 8 and Jerry McPherran turning 90 on August 24.

Altar Flowers & Sunday Morning Gathering are sponsored by Al & Joan Sawtelle in loving memory of their grandson, Emmitt Harmel.

Total Attendance for the Week 8/16: 321

Wednesday "PRAY-lude": 24

Sunday Worship: 297

Giving for the Period of 8/11-8/16:

Weekly Giving: \$15,759

Tithes for August: \$41,328.62

Tithes Budget for August: \$72,000

Giving Year-to-date: \$830,241.34

Budget Year-to-date through August: \$915,000

Want To Try Electronic Giving? Here's How:

•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.



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ABOUT FIRST LUTHERAN

Questions??

Welcome Center: located just outside the Worship center towards the front entrance.

For Our Young Worshippers

Creation Stations: are located on each side of the Worship Center. This is an area for children to be creative while in worship.

Children's Bulletins: are located by each entrance into the Worship Center.

Busy Bags: are filled with quiet activities for children, located by each entrance of the Worship Center. Please return them at the end of the service.

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

Sunday Small Groups: are available September-April for children 1 yr—6th grade from 9:40-10:10am in the Sunday School wing.

Sunday Morning Adult Small Groups:

Various studies are offered between services in the Heritage Room & Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to join!

Needing Care?

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

Worship Assistance

Open Seating: is available for people with limited mobility. Please leave these areas for walkers & wheelchairs & 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 & cup of wine or grape juice from the servers. Gluten-free wafers & 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 & donut holes are available in Fellowship Hall. Help yourself & enjoy time of friends & fellowship.

In the Chair Pockets:

Green Cards: This card offers various ways to give to FLC. You may place this card in the offering tray to indicate electronic giving.

Blue Cards: This card allows you to share your contact information, prayer requests for the staff to pray over, & to let us know you have worshipped with us. Please place this card in the offering tray. We look forward to getting to know you!



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 23

THIS WEEK'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS...

2026-27 Youth & Children's Ministry Registration

Registration is OPEN! Be sure to sign your child(ren) up for one or more of the various opportunities FLC offers for our younger members. There is something for all ages. Annual registration is necessary to assure we have the latest contact information for families. Visit our website or scan the QR code to register. **Don't hesitate! Fall programming begins on Sunday, September 13!** Please contact ginad@flcfremont.org with questions.



Fantasy Football, Faith & Fellowship

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Gear up to draft your dream team, build community, and tackle scripture together! We're pairing high-octane fantasy football with weekly, high-impact fellowship. FFFF is purely for fun and faith building (no gambling involved!).

The Game Plan: Draft Night is on Tuesday, September 1 at 7:00pm in the FLY Room. Bring your game face and your best draft strategy! *Team Huddles (Weekly Bible Study)* kickoff on Tuesday, September 15 at 7:00pm.



Don't get left on the sidelines, scan the QR code or head to our website right now to lock in your spot! Have questions? Reach out to Gina to get the inside scoop.

Applebee's ELC Fundraiser – THIS TUESDAY!

Head over to Applebee's (3420 Elk Ln, Fremont) this **Tuesday, August 25** from 11am-11pm to support our Early Learning Center! **The Impact:** 25% of all orders go toward soft seating in the Preschool room. **How to Help:** Just mention this fundraiser when you place your order!

Sponsor A Bible

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Three-year olds, 3rd graders, and 7th graders will receive a Bible from FLC on Kick-Off Sunday, September 13. When children are baptized, FLC promises to support parents and help place the Word in the hands of the children. Here is our chance! If you'd like to sponsor a Bible for one of the 25+ students receiving a Bible this year, please contact Gina to choose your student. Bibles are \$25 each and you are able to include a small 1-2 sentence message.

Adults — Be A Confirmation Partner

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

At baptism, we made a promise: to walk with our children, teach them God's Word, and grow in faith together. Now, up to 20 of our youth are stepping up to affirm their faith, and they need us to stand with them! We're looking for **one adult confirmation partner for every student** to walk alongside them every other Wednesday night with Pastor Greg. *Is God calling you to fulfill your promise to these youth?* Contact the office today to make a difference in a student's life.

Wine'd Down at Wine Experience

Contact: Amy Spies (amys@flcfremont.org)

Ready to un-wine'd after a long day? Hurry—we only have a few spots left for Wine'd Down at Wine Experience! Join us on Monday, August 31, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM at 415 N Main Street in Fremont for a fabulous evening of fellowship, complete with seasonal wine tastings and snack pairings for just \$20 per person (payable at the door).

With our 50-person cap almost full, save your seat before it's too late! You can sign up by scanning the QR code, visiting our website, or stopping by the Ministry Center. Please make sure to sign up individually so we can track our remaining spots. We can't wait to pour you a glass!



Omaha Community Playhouse - Come from Away

Experience the inspiring true story of a small town that welcomed 7,000 strangers with open arms. In honor of the 25th anniversary of 9/11, **Come From Away** is a breathtaking celebration of kindness, music, and community at the Omaha Community Playhouse!

Date: Sunday, September 27 at 2:00pm

Tickets: \$35 (Adults) / \$25 (Students K-College)

Availability: Only 30 seats reserved!

RSVP: Scan the QR code or visit our website to sign up. Payment must be turned into the Church Office or paid online by Thursday, September 10 to secure your spot(s)!



Sunday Small Groups Leaders Needed

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Kids need church leaders to teach them about Jesus! Has God gifted you with a love for children? Talk to Gina about how you can plant seeds of faith into FLC kids!

Help Us Bless Our Young Adults

With A Special Brithday Gift!

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

The First Lutheran Women want to keep our recent **high school graduates, college students, and new military personnel** connected to their FLC family with a special birthday gift! If you have a child in one of these groups, please share their info so we can celebrate them:



Basic Info: Name & Birthday

Addresses: Current mailing address & home/family address

For Students: School name & current year in school

For Military: Branch of service

How to Submit: Scan the QR code below to fill out the form, or email all details to ginad@flcfremont.org.

Help Bring Pickleball Back To FLC

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

We would love to get pickleball up and running again in the Mission Center, but we need a volunteer leader to make it happen! The best part? You get complete flexibility to choose whichever night of the week works best for your schedule. If you're interested in leading or simply have questions about what's involved, please reach out to Gina.

Red Cross Blood Drive

We will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive here at FLC in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 6, from 7:30am-12:00pm. Sign up at redcrossblood.org or call Niki at 402-720-1825.

Grandparents, Games, & Goodies!

Contact: Gina DeBoer (ginad@flcfremont.org)

Roll the dice and connect across generations! All youth and their grandparents, or a favorite "church grandparent" friend, are invited for an afternoon packed with high-energy Bunco, delicious snacks, and plenty of laughs. Whether you're a seasoned Bunco pro or learning for the first time, this is the perfect chance to share a sweet afternoon together.

Date: Sunday, September 13 — Time: 2:00– 4:00pm

Location: RM 105

How to Join: Sign up at the Ministry Center or contact Gina to reserve your spot!