



First Lutheran Church

Gathering to know Jesus, serving to make a difference!

Senior Pastor: Perry Aalgaard
Associate Pastor: Brian Jack*

*Pastor Brian is on sabbatical May - July and
will return August 1st.

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Outdoor Worship

Outdoor drive-in worship services have been conducted in the Iowa Great Lakes area for 76 years. This unique worship ministry began on May 22, 1949 at the Lakeland Drive-In Theatre that was located one mile north of Milford. This was considered to be the first outdoor worship service at a Drive-In Theatre in the United States! Today, we continue to provide this alternate worship experience for residents of the Lakes Area and those vacationing between Memorial Day and Labor Day.



Offering - Thank You!

The offering received at these services is used to support First Lutheran Church Ministry and the following Missions:

Hope Haven	Lutheran Services of Iowa
Habitat for Humanity	St Dysmas
Bible Camps	Back Pack Program
Upper Des Moines	Church of Damascus Road
Discovery House	Okoboji Success Program
CAASA	Feed Just One



DRIVE-IN ATTENDANCE HISTORY:

FIRST OUTDOOR WORSHIP

05/22/1949 - 22 vehicles

RECORD

08/02/2020 - 265 vehicles

LAST WEEK

06/29/2025 - 123 vehicles

RESTROOMS are located inside the church.

Please enter the building on the NORTH side (facing the outdoor worship area).
Look for the sign on the door and follow the arrows!



LIVE BROADCAST FM 96.3

SUNDAY - July 6th

8:30am Drive-In Worship/
Holy Communion
9:30am Indoor Worship/
Holy Communion
10:30am Fellowship

MONDAY - July 7th

6:30am Men's group OLBC

TUESDAY - July 8th

9:30am Ladies Bible Study
5:30pm Board of Trustees

WEDNESDAY - July 9th

9:30am Staff Meeting
6:30pm Kids at First

THURSDAY - July 10th

8:00am Men's Bible Study
5:00pm Health & Wellness
Meeting
5:30pm Youth & Family
Board Meeting

FRIDAY - July 11th

Office closed

SATURDAY - July 12th

First Lutheran Church

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

July 6th, 2025

Pastor Perry Aalgaard & John Adams, Sr.

Order of Worship

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH*

Welcome and Announcements

Reading: Luke 10:25 - 37

Message: John Adams, Sr.

Confession and Forgiveness*

Affirmation of Faith

Offering

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS*

Holy Communion/Lord's Prayer

Prayer

Benediction

MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY*

*Lyrics are included inside the bulletin for these titles.

Please wait to leave until after the last song.

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

Verse 1
For the beauty of the earth
For the glory of the skies
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies

Chorus
Lord of all to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise

Verse 2
For the joy of ear and eye
For the heart and mind's delight
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight

Verse 3
For the joy of human love
Brother sister parent child
Friends on earth and friends above
For all gentle thoughts and mild

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the Creator of all goodness and love. He is our God and we are His people. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, true God yet true man. He was crucified, died, and was buried for our sin that we might be free and know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to heaven. He will come again in power and glory to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the power of God at work inside of us. We believe in the church of God, His people of faith throughout the world. We believe that our sin is forgiven and that we will live together with God for now and throughout eternity. Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Lift your head weary sinner
The river's just ahead
Down the path of forgiveness
Salvation's waiting there.

You built a mighty fortress
Ten thousand burdens high
Love is here to lift you up
Here to lift you high

If you're lost and wandering
come stumbling in like a prodigal child
See the walls start crumbling
Let the gates of glory open wide

If you're lost and wrecked again
Come stumbling in like a prodigal child
See the walls start crumbling
Let the gates of glory open wide

ALL (Spoken)
God of mercy, We confess that we are captive to our sin, by things we have done, and by things we have left undone. We have clung to our own ways and resisted Yours. We have tried to break free by our own strength and failed. We have doubted Your goodness, forgotten Your promises, and feared we have been abandoned. But You are the Way Maker, You are the Chain Breaker. Forgive us, heal us, and set us free. Amen.

We believe it
We receive it
We can feel it
Amen *(repeat)*

If you got pain He's a pain taker
If you feel lost He's a way maker
If you need freedom or saving
He's a prison shaking Savior
If you got chains He's a chain breaker

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne,
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes,
Our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil and pain,
And sin, we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY

Verse 1
Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the coming of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage
Where the grapes of wrath are stored
He hath loosed the fateful lightning
Of His terrible swift sword
His truth is marching on

Chorus
Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
Glory glory hallelujah
His truth is marching on

Verse 2
I have seen Him in the watchfires
Of a hundred circling camps
They have builded Him an altar
In the evening dew and damp
I can read His righteous sentence
By the dim and flaring lamps
His day is marching on **(Chorus)**

Verse 3
He has sounded forth the trumpet
That shall never call retreat
He is sifting out the hearts of men
Before His judgment seat
O be swift my soul to answer Him
Be jubilant my feet
Our God is marching on **(Chorus)**

Verse 4
In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in His bosom
That transfigures you and me
As He died to make men holy
Let us live to make men free
While God is marching on **(Chorus)**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hal-
lowed be thy name. Thy kingdom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is
in heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass against
us; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, forever and ever. Amen.

FIRST CONNECTIONS

July 6th, 2025

ST. LUKE BINGO PRIZES NEEDED

First Lutheran is the host for bingo at St. Luke Lutheran Home on July 11th. Bingo prizes are needed; please consider donating and having items to the church **by July 9th**. A list of suggested items are below:

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| Cheese & Crackers | Toothpaste |
| Figurine Knickknacks | Body/Hand Lotion |
| Snack size bags of chips | Fun Sized Candy Bars |
| Gum | Boxed Theater Candy |
| Snack sized Chex Mix | Cracker Jacks |
| Beanie Babies/small stuffed animals | Diabetic Candy |
| | Small bags of nuts |
| | Seasonal Items |

THANK YOU

Thank you to all men and women who helped take pews out and put back in on Monday night and this past week. We couldn't have done it without your help.
Lenny McNea and Bruce Leu

THE SHEPHERD'S SHELF

Food Pantry

Current Needs:

Juice

Laundry Soap

Bread

Fresh apples/oranges

Compleats

Baby Diapers

YOU ARE INVITED...
SUMMER SONGFEST

SUNDAY EVENING, JULY 13TH
6:00PM - 8:15PM

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH'S DRIVE-IN WORSHIP AREA
"Two hours of LIVE MUSIC that will ENTERTAIN AND INSPIRE YOU!"

FEATURING:
LEANNA CRAWFORD
Contemporary Christian singer/songwriter

"STILL WATERS" (PSALM 23)
OTHER GREAT SONGS INCLUDE:
"For Heaven's Sake" "How Can You Not?" "Mean Girls"
"The Truth I'm Standing On" "Uncool" and more!!

LEANNA TAKES THE STAGE AT 7:00PM

GATES OPEN AT 5:00PM

OPENING BAND "FIRST TO DANCE" @ 6:00PM
Youth Selling: ★ Bring Your Lawnchair!
Pop, Water, Candy, Popcorn Food Truck Available!

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OPENING BAND
FIRST TO DANCE

BAND MEMBERS:

Tyler Pedersen - Drums and Vocals
Jessica Schable - Vocals
Iesha Toft - Vocals

Whitney Thiessen - Bass Guitar
Adam Layman - Guitar and Vocals
Jennifer Johnson - Piano and Vocals

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

*For Bruce & Holly Nystrom and family as they mourn the passing of Bruce's father Bert Nystrom. Bert's funeral was held last Wednesday here at First Lutheran.

*Our companion congregations of San Pablo Lutheran Church in Chile, the Southern Diocese in Tanzania, Pueblo de Dios in Argentina, St. Dysmas in Sioux Falls, and Grace Lutheran in Primghar, IA.

---Detach CONNECT CARD and give to the ushers---

We're so glad you joined in worship today! If you're a visitor, we'd love to get to know you a little. Feel free to fill out this card and place it in the offering.

Name:

Phone:

Email:

☐ I'd like to chat with a Pastor to learn more about this church

---Detach PRAYER CARD and give to the ushers---

☐ Please have a Pastor contact me

☐ This prayer request can be shared with the First Lutheran Prayer Team

Prayer Request:

Please let us know how we can be supporting you, your loved ones, or something close to your heart in prayer.

PRAYER