Serving This Week:

Lighting of Advent Candle: 8:30am - Jill, Travis, Thomas, Maren & Eli Kremmin

11:00am - Trisha, BJ, Brooklyn, Breyton & **Braelyn Ferguson**

Readers: 8:30 - Bonnie Boetel

11:30 - Evy Robinson

Ushers: 8:30 - Greg & Kathy Kraus 11:00 - Lenny & Sue McNea

THANK YOU... to all assisting with worship today, you're serving to make a difference!



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TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH







Senior Pastor





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FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

Perry Aalgaard Brian Jack Jennifer Johnson Tammy Carr Lynn Egesdal

Associate Pastor Director of Music and Worship Director of Children's Ministry Office Manager Bruce Leu Facility Manager Lenny McNea Facility Manager Ann Aalgaard Supportive Ministry Trisha Ferguson Bookkeeper

John Adams, Sr. Bob Chell

Director of Development Sioux Falls Chaplin

BeFriender Ministry Directors

Carol DeSchepper Carol Platt

Tammy Carr

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY - December 21st

8:30am Worship/Communion

9:30am Fellowship

Adult Education Hour 9:45am

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship/Communion

MONDAY - December 22nd

6:30am Men's Group @ IOLBC

TUESDAY - December 23rd

9:30am Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY - December 24th

Christmas Eve Services

11:00am, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 10:00pm 12:00pm Luncheon Potluck

THURSDAY - December 25th

Merry Christmas! - Office Closed

FRIDAY - December 26th

Office Closed

SATURDAY - December 27th

SUNDAY - December 28th Service of Hope and Light

8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship

9:45am Adult Education Hour

11:00am Worship

Please Note:

Contributions you wish credited to 2025 must be submitted to the church by Wednesday, December 31st at 12:00 noon. If mailing, please allow 3 or 4 days for delivery to the church.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to Worship December 21st, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome and Greeting Lighting of the Love Advent Candle

EMMANUEL

Confession and Forgiveness

MARY DID YOU KNOW

Prayer

First Reading: Joshua 24:14-25

THY WORD

Gospel: Mark 10:17-22

MY GOD IS SO GREAT

Children's Time

Sermon: Pastor Brian Jack **RECKLESS LOVE**

Apostles' Creed

Holy Communion

GOOD GOOD FATHER

Prayer

Offering

Benediction/Dismissal

PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY



NOTES



WELCOME to First Lutheran Church!



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"Gathering to know Jesus, serving to make a difference."

VISITOR INFORMATION

Information Kiosk: You may help yourself to the many resources on our Information Kiosk, near the entry.

Connect Cards: Please complete information on the blue Connect Cards located in the pews or Information Kiosk.

Holy Communion: All believers are welcome to the table.

Nursery: The nursery is always open; parents, guardians, or older siblings (5th grade and up) must stay in the nursery with younger children. The cry room is for nursing moms & infants.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

*For Ed Hendrickson and the family of Patsy Huenecke as they mourn her passing. God grant them comfort and hope! Patsy's funeral was yesterday.

*Safety for all who are traveling for the upcoming holidays.

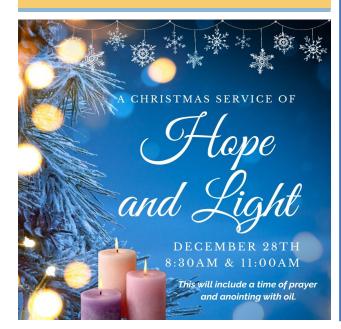
*Our companion congregations of San Pablo Lutheran Church in Chile, the Southern Diocese in Tanzania, Pueblo de Dios in Argentina, St. Dysmas in Sioux Falls, and Grace Lutheran in Primghar, IA.

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Please note that the 8:30am service is livestreamed.
Attendees may be seen & recorded during our livestream at various times throughout the service.



FIRST CONNECTIONS

Thank vou all for another wonderful **vear!** Your giving and sharing in 2025 exemplifies the words of First Lutheran's mission statement, gathering to know Jesus, serving to make a difference. First Lutheran started out December needing offerings of roughly \$103,000 to meet all of our monthly commitments and end the current financial year in the black. Any extra funds would be used to offset the cost of the LED wall, sanctuary carpeting, and a sanctuary air conditioner. As of December 17th we have received over \$52,000 in offerings and year end gifts. Our goal is in sight! These figures, and the entire ministry of First Lutheran are a testimony to your faith, charity and blessings of the Lord! Merry Christmas to you and yours! Pastor Perry John Adams Sr.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE WITH THE BIBLE RECAP

As you read through the Bible have you been listening to The Bible Recap video explanations? They are very helpful in understanding what you read. Scan the QR code and it will take you to the website. Here are this week's daily readings:

12/21	Judges 8-9
12/22	Judges 10-12
12/23	Judges 13-15
12/24	Judges 16-18
12/25	Judges 19-21
12/26	Ruth 1-4
12/27	1 Samuel 1-3
12/28	1 Samuel 4-8

