

# THANK YOU!

Thank you to all assisting with our worship service today. We are glad you are serving to make a difference!

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



# WAYS TO GIVE



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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 LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

Perry Aalgaard	Senior Pastor
Brian Jack	Associate Pastor
Jennifer Johnson	Director of Music and Worship
Tammy Carr	Director of Children's Ministry
Lynn Egesdal	Office Manager
Bruce Leu	Facility Manager
Lenny McNea	Facility Manager
Ann Aalgaard	Supportive Ministry
Trisha Ferguson	Bookkeeper
John Adams, Sr.	Director of Development
Bob Chell	Sioux Falls Chaplin

## VOLUNTEER DIRECTORS

Carol DeSchepper  
Carol Platt  
Tammy Carr

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY - JANUARY 4th, 2026

8:30am	Worship w/ Communion
9:30am	Fellowship
9:45am	Sunday School
9:45am	Adult Education
11:00am	Worship w/ Communion

### MONDAY - JANUARY 5th

6:30pm	Children's Ministry Bd.
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### TUESDAY - JANUARY 6TH

9:00am	Quilting Group
5:30pm	Deacons Meeting

### WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 7TH

9:30am	Staff Meeting
6:30am	Kids at First
7:00pm	Youth Group

### THURSDAY - JANUARY 8TH

8:00am	MOFIA Men's Group
5:00pm	Health & Wellness Grp
7:00pm	Community Of Readers Book Club

### FRIDAY - JANUARY 9TH

Office Closed

### SATURDAY - JANUARY 10TH

9:30am	Winter Family Festival
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### SUNDAY - JANUARY 11TH

8:30am	Worship
9:30am	Fellowship
9:45am	Sunday School
9:45am	Adult Education
11:00am	Worship

# Welcome to Worship

## January 4th, 2026

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome and Greeting

### ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Confession and Forgiveness

### HE KNOWS MY NAME

Prayer

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

### THY WORD

Gospel: Luke 1:26—38

### OUR GOD IS SO GREAT

Children's Time

Sermon: Pastor Brian Jack

### WHO AM I

Apostles' Creed

Holy Communion

### NOEL

Prayer / Offering

Benediction/Dismissal

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*The love of God  
does not find,  
but creates,  
that which is pleasing to it.*  
-Martin Luther

### 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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Monday-Thursday,  
8:30am-4:00pm  
(please note holiday hours on back)



### FIRST CONNECTIONS

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

First Lutheran's annual meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, February 8th**, following the 11:00am worship service. We hope all members will make plans to come!

#### JANUARY NOISY OFFERING

All noisy offering collected during this month will go to the Okoboji Backpack Program. Thanks for making a difference.

#### CREATIVE ART MINISTRY WORKSHOP

Mark your calendar and make plans to join us on January 22nd from 6-8pm! We will be making either a vase or container that is covered with rope/cord and then decorated how you want. Examples will be on display soon in the narthex along with a sign up sheet.

#### READING THROUGH THE BIBLE WITH THE BIBLE RECAP

The Bible Recap video explanations are very helpful in understanding what you read. Scan the QR code and it will take you to the videos.

This week's daily readings:



1/4	Ps 56, 120, 140-142
1/5	1 Samuel 25-27
1/6	Psalm 17, 35, 54, 63
1/7	1 Sam 28-31, Ps 18
1/8	Ps 121, 123-125, 128-130
1/9	2 Samuel 1-4
1/10	Ps 6, 8-10, 14, 16, 19, 21

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- The family of Ward Carr (Josh Carr's uncle) as they mourn his passing. May Christ meet them in their grief with the light of hope that overcomes the darkness.
- A safe and blessed New Year!
- 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.



HAPPY  
NEW  
YEAR!

