

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026

All mine
are yours,
and yours
are mine,
and I am

Glorified
in them.



JOHN 17:10, ESV

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UNITED by Christ, God calls us to LOVE one another
As we RECEIVE, DISCOVER and PROCLAIM God's Word.

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING REFLECTION

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb!

Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! ELW #634

(Vs. 1, 2 & 6)

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE (spoken)

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE—*Lord God, We Praise You*

ELW #558

(Vs. 3)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHOIR ANTHEM

Go Now in Peace
Arr. D. Besig & N. Price
One License #206851

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST READING—Isaiah 45:1-7

From east to west, there is no other God

¹ Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and to strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:

² I will go before you
and level the mountains;
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron;

³ I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name;
I give you a title, though you do not know me.
⁵ I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶ so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
⁷ I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM—Psalm 21:1-7

¹ The king rejoices in your strength, O LORD;
how greatly he exults in your victory!
² **You have given him his heart's desire;**
you have not denied him the request of his lips.
³ For you meet him with blessings of prosperity,
and set a crown of fine gold upon his head.
⁴ **He asked you for life, and you gave it to him:**
length of days, forever and ever.
⁵ His honor is great, because of your victory;
splendor and majesty you bestow upon him.
⁶ **For you will give him everlasting blessings**
and will make him glad with the joy of your presence.
⁷ For the king puts his trust in the LORD;
because of the lovingkindness of the Most High, he will not fall.

SECOND READING—1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6} Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION—Alleluia! Lord and Savior

ELW page 205

The Holy Gospel according to the seventeenth chapter of John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL—John 17:1-11

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶ “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you,⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me.⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them.¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE

Rev. Sam Mailleue

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Come with Joy ELW #482
(Vs. 1, 3 & 4)

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

Before you were even formed, God knew you.
While in your Mother’s womb, God named you.
At your birth, God’s breath filled you with life.
Today we celebrate what you have become at this moment in time.

And so we pray,
God of our beginnings,
**We thank you for the gifts of these graduates;
their excitement, their awesome wonder and curiosity,
their open speech and encouraging words.
Their contributions have blessed and challenged us,
and we have become a richer
and more diverse community because of them.**

As they step forward into the uncertain and changing world that awaits,
comfort their fears with the knowledge of your divine presence.
Strengthen their resolve to walk in the footsteps of Jesus
as modern-day disciples in a world that needs their spirit.
Guide their feet as they move through life,
protecting them and guiding them with your Holy Spirit
while they help to lead future generations
into the warmth and promise of your light.
We ask this blessing upon each of them,
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

THE PRAYERS

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken
world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

O God, your people sing praises throughout the church. By your Holy Spirit, inspire musicians, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim the gospel of Jesus.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Your creative power fills the universe. Bring favorable weather, nurture plants and animals, protect us from natural disasters, and guide us to care for all you have made.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Your justice is exercised in society by those in authority. Instill in political leaders, business leaders, school administrators, and all who care for others a desire for peace and equity.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Your compassion and care come through the gifts of medicine and relationships. Soothe the anxious, protect widows and orphans, comfort those living with memory loss and their families, and heal the sick especially those on our prayer list and in our hearts.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Your love radiates from communities gathered in your name. Bless those experiencing significant transitions in life such as graduation, retirement, new employment, and accompany us in our prayers during these times.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, your promise of eternal life is certain and sure. Inspire us by the steadfast faith of those who have gone before us, so that we may be confident in the assurances you give.
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
Amen.

OFFERING

Gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY HYMN

Here Is Bread ELW #483

(Vs. 1)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day

when we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,

that goodness and mercy may follow us

and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW page 144

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy, holy, holy ELW page 144

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of new life.

Receive the risen Lord.

Lamb of God ELW page 146

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

SENDING

The God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,

✝ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW #543

(Vs. 1 & 3)

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

*Whether you are looking for a place of worship
or are just passing through, we hope our service has blessed you
on your journey as your presence has been a blessing to us.*



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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

May Ministry Focus: Quilting

One of the ways that First Lutheran shares God's Love with our neighbors is through the quilt ministry. It begins with donations of fabric and funds. Dedicated volunteers sew at home turning the donated fabric into multi-colored quilt tops and backs. The donated funds are used to purchase batting and other supplies. Once a month, starting at about 9:00 a.m. the church comes alive with the sound of scissors snipping, sewing machines humming and lively conversation. This is when quilt tops, batting and backs are sandwiched together, lovingly tied, then pinned for final sewing at church or at home. Once a year completed quilts are delivered to Lutheran World Relief. From there the quilts are sent somewhere in the world where there are people in need of a warm cover and a reminder of God's love.

Come to worship in May and you will see the sanctuary filled with colorful quilts. The quilts were made by: Edrie Barton, Mary Berg, Cecilia Callwood, Cathey Fullerton, Diane Genelin, Sandy Johnson, Grace Kamrath, Bonnie Keech, Brenda Liebhard-Johnson, April Matz, Sue Nelson, Liz Osborne, Rita Patrias, Rick Perkins, Ann Rasmusen, Jan Rhode, Brenda Tews and Donnis Wicks.

If you are interested in quilting or curious to see how the quilts are made, stop by the church when the quilters are there (fourth Tuesday morning of each month) and check it out. Contact person is Rita Patrias at 507-665-4198 or patrita723@gmail.com.

Tied in Faith. Sent in Hope. Wrapped in Love.

Congratulations to our 2026 Graduates!

Ava Becker

D'Lisa Gonzalez

Brock Hortenbach-Devine

Tommy Newsom

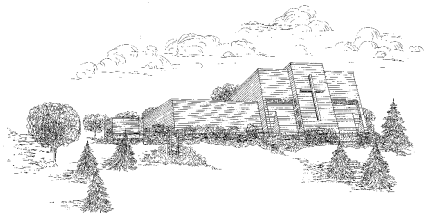
Tucker Fredrickson

Owen Greisen

Henry Hudson

Zayden Snow

Financial Update		
Week of	Amount Received	Amount Needed
5-10-26	\$1,710	\$4,523
YTD	\$90,749	\$90,458



Weekly Schedule

Sunday, May 17	9:00a	Worship w/Holy Communion Senior Sunday
Monday, May 18	6:00p	Church Council
Tuesday, May 19	10:00a 10:15a	Coffee/Mary Unit Bible Study/Mary Unit
Wednesday, May 20	9:00a	Staff Meeting
Sunday, May 24	9:00a	Worship

Worship Assistants

May 17, 2026		May 24, 2026	
Organist/Pianist:	Virginia Miller	Organist/Pianist:	Virginia Miller
First Choir Director:	Jennifer Weick	First Choir Director:	Jennifer Weick
Acolytes:	Liam Haaland	Acolytes:	Garret Handy
Reader:	Edrie Barton	Reader:	Marie Walker
Children's Message:	Marci Greisen	Usher:	Chuck Frauendienst
Usher:	LeRoy May	Greeters:	
Greeters:	Stefanie Eischens	Council Member:	Vic Pengilly
Communion Asst:	Craig & Megan Schwarz	Fellowship:	
Council Member:	Joan May	Projection:	Tech Team
Fellowship:	Social Ministry Team	Audio:	Tech Team
Projection:	Tech Team	Videographer:	Becky Pollack
Audio:	Tech Team	Offering Counters:	John Miller Bob Bartle
Videographer:	Becky Pollack	Altar Guild:	LeRoy & Joan May
Offering Counters:	Joan May Dave Johnson		
Altar Guild:	LeRoy & Joan May		