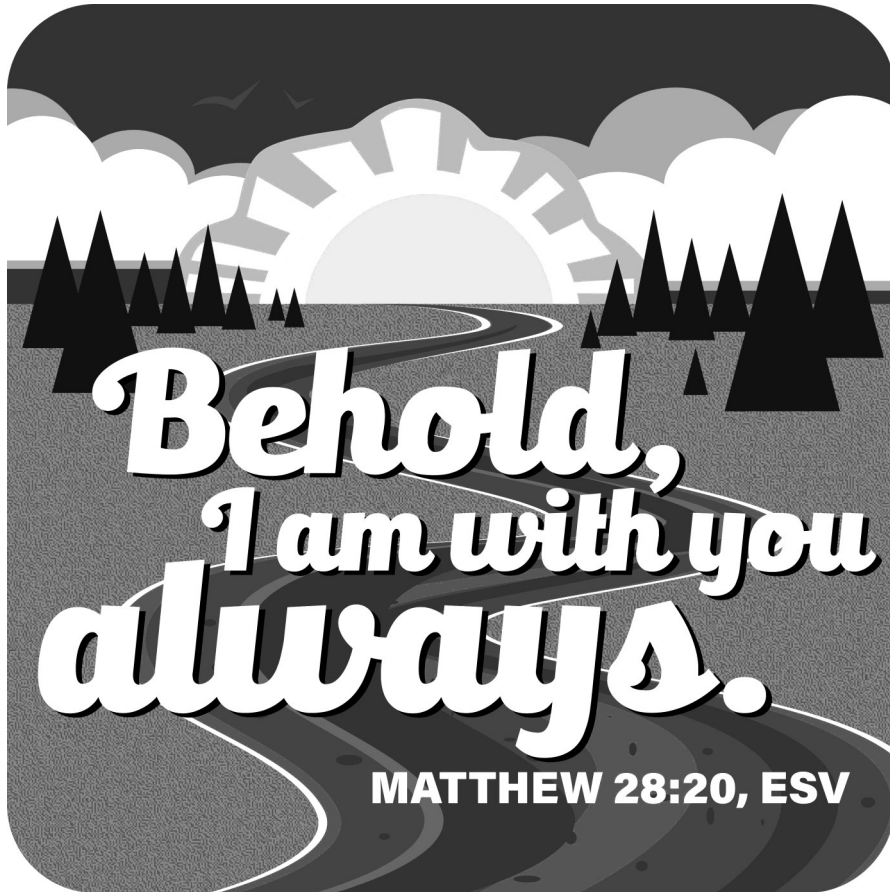


Holy Trinity Sunday
May 31, 2026



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

Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING REFLECTION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,✙ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, Almighty ELW #413
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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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Holy God, We Praise Your Name ELW #414
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray
God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

WORD

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

FIRST READING—Genesis 1:1—2:4a

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to

separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹ God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food." ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. ² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM—Psalm 8

¹ O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;**

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**

⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷ all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹ O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING—2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah ELW #172

The Holy Gospel according to the twenty-eighth chapter of Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL—Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE

Rev. Sam Mailleue

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity ELW #412

(Vs. 1, 2 & 3)

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QUILT DEDICATION

God, you call us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Send forth your Spirit today as we call upon you to bless our work and make it holy. Help these quilts, our offerings of hope, travel across the farthest distances to reach our most weary neighbors and surround them with your grace and peace.

Jesus, open our hearts to love our neighbors.

God, we give you thanks for the pieces of fabric, thread and sewing machines. May their presence be a sign of your faithful promise, may these quilts wrap our neighbors in unending love.

Jesus, open our hearts to love our neighbors.

God, we give thanks for all those who have taken part in creating these quilts. May you guide us to greater empathy for our neighbors in crisis, for the mothers that struggle to feed their hungry children, for the fearful, the anxious, the isolated. May these quilts provide comfort and relief to those who are downtrodden around the world.

Jesus, open our hearts to love our neighbors.

God, be with those who will receive these gifts—neighbors we have never met, neighbors who are far away, neighbors who, like us, long for your grace and mercy. May the work crafted from our humble hands serve as a beacon of light and hope to those who are desolate and hopeless and fill them with the peace that is only found in you.

Jesus, open our hearts to love our neighbors.

We thank you for this ministry of service, for the opportunity to comfort those in their darkest hours, to remind our neighbors in Christ of your loving presence. Bring us ever closer to your heart and our neighbors in need throughout the world. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, the one who is our hope.

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

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we are in awe of your creative work. Continue that work in your church, making us a new creation that proclaims your presence and love.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Creator God, nature reveals your power and glory. Protect water sources, vegetation, and wildlife as reminders of who you are.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Redeemer God, you call us to pray for those in authority. Guide our leaders to pursue the work of fostering peace and community.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sustaining God, you are mindful of your people in every circumstance. Heal those who are sick. Provide for all who hunger. Protect those in harm's way. Comfort any experiencing hardship.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we pray for the children of our church and community. Provide for their needs. Support their caregivers. Nurture their faith.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we give thanks for those who have died and claimed their baptismal promises. Strengthen us to live as they did in communion with you.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our 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

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending ELW #678

(Vs. 3)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

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.

SENDING

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

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,

✝ one God,

bless, heal, and hold you

today and always.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW #579

(Vs. 1, 2 & 5)

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DISMISSAL

Emboldened by God's eternal and unconditional love for all people, let us go and do likewise, and share our blessings with neighbors near and far, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

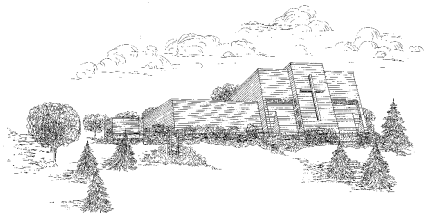
Tied in Faith. Sent in Hope. Wrapped in Love.

SAVE THE DATE
SUNDAY, JUNE 28TH
THE SECOND ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

Worship, donuts and coffee, games, visiting, indoor picnic lunch
Back by popular demand the First Lutheran Baking Contest

Four categories:
Cookies and bars
Cakes
Pies
Other desserts

Financial Update		
Week of	Amount Received	Amount Needed
5-24-26	\$2,805	\$4,542
YTD	\$97,391	\$99,504



Weekly Schedule

Sunday, May 31	9:00a	Worship Blessing of the Quilts
Wednesday, June 3	9:00a	Staff Meeting
Sunday, June 7	9:00a 10a-12p	Worship with Holy Communion Church Council Retreat

Worship Assistants

May 31, 2026

Organist/Pianist:	Gordon Gregersen
First Choir Director:	Jennifer Weick
Acolytes:	Emmalee Flores
Children's Message	Andrew Montag
Reader:	Rachel Wagner
Usher:	Chuck Frauendienst
Greeters:	John Miller
Council Member:	Miles Heille
Fellowship:	Quilting Ministry
Projection:	Tech Team
Audio:	Tech Team
Videographer:	Becky Pollack
Offering Counters:	Joan May Bob Patrias
Altar Guild:	LeRoy & Joan May

June 7, 2026

Organist/Pianist:	Margo Bjork
First Choir Director:	Jennifer Weick
Acolytes:	Malcolm Mailleue
Reader:	Bonnie Keech
Usher:	Chuck Frauendienst
Greeters:	Bonnie Keech
Communion Asst:	Bonnie Keech Joan May
Council Member:	Sara Carrigan
Fellowship:	
Projection:	Tech Team
Audio:	Tech Team
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Altar Guild:	Bonnie Keech