

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday; Exodus 8:1-32,(Psalm 118) Hebrews 1:1-14
Monday; Exodus 9:1-28,(Lamentations 1:1-22) Hebrews 2:1-18
Tuesday; Exodus 9:29—10:20,(Lamentations 2:1-22) Hebrews 3:1-19
Wednesday; Exodus 10:21—11:10,(Lamentations 3:1-66) Hebrews 4:1-16
Thursday; Exodus 12:1-28,(Lamentations 4:1-22) (Psalm31)Hebrews 5:1-14
Friday; Exodus 12:29—13:16, (Lam.5:1-22) (Psalm 22) Hebrews 6:1-20
Saturday; Exodus 13:17—14:9, Hebrews 7:1-22
Sunday; Exodus 14:10-31, Hebrews 7:23—8:13

And he (the angel) said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." Mark 16:6-7 ESV.

Business Manager Hours

Business Manager, Jaylene Miller, will be in the office this week Monday – Wednesday.

Please feel free to leave Jaylene a message by calling the church office or emailing her at business@1stglencoe.org or emailing her personal account at gsus1st@live.com.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE	03/22/2026	03/25 (Wed.)
Worship Total	265	132
Communed	92	
Visitors	2	
Adult Bible Study	NONE	
Sunday School	NONE	

Sunday School Offerings

We are donating our offerings to Heifer, International. So far, we have enough for one goat and one flock of chicks. We are about \$30 away for having enough for a pig. The animals go to families in need who use them to help support their needs. For example, the goat can be utilized for cheese production to help support a family or to sell as a source of income.

First Lutheran Sunday School thanks everyone who has assisted us in collecting offerings to help support a family in need!



E-Giving for Members and Visitors

We thank all givers for supporting our mission with your gifts. For those who choose to give electronically, in just seconds you can make a donation. It allows you to give anytime and anywhere, donate to your favorite funds, Ways to e-Give: and make your gifts recurring.

1. Give on-line via: www.firstglencoe.org
2. Vanco Mobile Faith – Download from the app store and search for First Ev. Lutheran.
3. Text \$ (your \$ amount) and "Give" to 855-976-9619.
4. Use the QR Code. It is provided to the left.

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Palm Sunday – The Passion of Our Lord

Sunday, March 29, 2026
 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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Palm Sunday – The Passion of Our Lord

Sunday, March 29, 2026
Divine Service: Setting 3, Page 184

AS WE GATHER Crowds pursue Jesus to see Him, hear Him, ridicule Him, and finally crucify Him. The sequence from popularity to persecution unfolds on this Sunday of the Passion. Hosanna accolades would be stifled by jeering mockery. The imagery of palm branches would be obscured with the bloodied palms and wounded head of Jesus. Within a week, Christ is adorned in beauty and fame, scolding and shame. For us, He decidedly unravels death's hideous sting!

HYMNS

8:00 AM~ 442, 444, 443, [971, 634, 560] 441
10:30 AM~ 442, 444, 443, [971, 634, 560], 441

BIBLE READINGS

Palm Processional Reading ~ John 12: 12 - 19

Old Testament Lesson~ Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a

Epistle Reading~ Philippians 2: 5 - 11

Gospel~ John 12: 20 – 43

Introit~ none today

SERMON "The Mind of Christ"

Philippians 2: 5 - 11 Rev. Dan Welch

DEACONS

8:00 AM~ Tyler Mielke, Doug Dahlke

10:30 AM~ Will Freberg, Justin Petterson

ACOLYTES **8 AM**~ Natallie Schafer, Cambel Lang

10:30 AM~ Mitchell Zajicek

CRUCIFIER ~Piper Polzin

ORGANIST Luke Dahl

GREETERS **8:00 AM**~ OPEN

10:30 AM~ OPEN

PA / SOUND

8:00 AM~ Andrew Mackenthun

10:30 AM~ Tyler Schauer

CAMERA

8:00 AM~ Lynn Exsted

SCREENS

8:00 AM~ Brittney Wolff

10:30 AM~ Rebekah Welch

FACEBOOK LIVE OPEN

FELLOWSHIP HOUR Evangelism

SPECIAL MUSIC

8:00 AM: Senior Choir

8 AM & 10:30 ~ Children's Processional and Singing

S.S. ASSISTANT **9:15 AM** ~Stacy Dummer, Melissa Cisewski

CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10 Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. and Fridays, 5:30 p.m.

INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

-- Enzo James Elias, son of Jill Schmidt and Edgar Elias, who will join God's family through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this Monday, March 30. May God bless Enzo as he grows in his faith!

-- Lee & Randall Carrigan, Marcia Dummer, Arlyce Grack, Joel Grack (Brother of Norma Mathews), Willis Herrmann, Bob Hallowell (Father of Megan Polzin) who has cancer, Howard Hoecke, Brenda Ide (Wife of Lars Ide), Doris Jungclaus, Shirley Krienke, Lorraine Krumm, Kali Marshall (11-year-old daughter of Angela Templin-Marshall and Tony Marshall) who is undergoing chemo for leukemia and lives in Panama City, FL; Pastor Ronald Mathison, Laurie Meyer (Twin Sister of Linda Donnay), Randee Petterson (Mother of Justin Petterson), Judy Rickheim, Joanne Samuelson, Braelynn Schrunck (Great-Granddaughter of Gayle Schwarze) who has leukemia, Ashley Smith (Cousin of Danielle Petterson) who has cancer, Matt Solmonson (Son-in-law of DeLue & Mary Grams) who has Stage 4 Melanoma, Gary Tabbert, Ruth Terlinden, Earl VonBerge, Charlotte Wolter

The Church Office will be closed Friday, April 3 through Monday, April 6.
The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 7, resuming normal hours 8 AM – 4 PM.

This Week at First Lutheran!

Please Note: At 1:50 p.m. each day, we have "Congregation in Prayer."

Sunday, March 29 PALM SUNDAY

5th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, COMMON CUP at both services

8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion,

♪ Senior Choir sings

9:00 AM – Fellowship Time

9:15 AM – Education Hour

10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion

11:45 AM – Bell Choir Meeting **(new)**

Monday, March 30

1:00 PM – Quilting

Tuesday, March 31

9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study

1:15 PM – Staff Meeting

6:00 PM – SALARY REVIEW (NEW)

7:00 PM – Women's Bible Study

7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 1

8:15 AM – Chapel

3:30 PM – Public School Catechism

6:00 PM – Deacons

6:00 PM – Senior Choir

6:00 PM – Flames Boosters

Thursday, April 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY

2:00 PM – Service with Communion

6:00 PM – Senior Choir

7:00 PM – Service with Communion

♪ Senior Choir sings

FLS NO SCHOOL

Friday, April 3 GOOD FRIDAY

2:00 PM – Service with Communion

7:00 PM – Service with Communion

FLS NO SCHOOL, * Church Office Closed *

Saturday, April 4

9 to 11 AM –Easter Egg Hunt here at church

Sunday, April 5 EASTER SUNDAY

6:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion

8:00 AM – Divine Service, Senior Choir sings

9:15 AM – Divine Service, Senior Choir sings

10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion

SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Thank you for being with us here today! For our Visitors, please stop by one of the Welcome Centers on your way out. Evangelism Board has gift bags for all ages!

General Church Announcements

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

March 29 – Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:3 – "If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." Did Jesus really need the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey, would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! Likewise, with us — the Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His church.

MESSAGE ABOUT STEWARDSHIP AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Psalms 142:5 – "I cry to you, O LORD; I say, 'You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.'" The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves us through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, He is in control, so we can follow His Word in confidence.

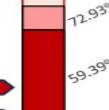

CHILDREN IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

Located at the sanctuary entrances, there are English and Spanish Children's Bibles, Noah's Ark busy bags (actually, backpacks), and a sensory bag (puzzle backpack). You are invited to use these during the Divine Service, as well as the Children's Bulletins, Children's Devotional Books, and Children's Pew Cards.

PASTORAL VISITS

Pastor Ewert makes monthly visits to our Senior Care facilities and brings Word and Sacrament to our members there. If you or your family members wishes for an additional visit, please contact the church office so that we may schedule a visit with one of our pastors. (If you don't contact the church office, we don't know that you or your loved one wishes for a visit, **that is in addition to those regularly scheduled.** Please call us.)

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT (March 16-22)

Last Week Giving **	\$22,020	
Weekly Budget Need	\$28,301	
YTD Giving	\$875,827	
YTD Budget Need	\$1,075,438	



** Includes Lent Service, School Tuition & Registration

Called to Grieve Seminar



Called to Grieve Pastor Tom Evans will be here to talk about grief. Everyone thinks we only grieve the loss of a loved one, but it is much more than that. Join us for his presentation on **Sunday, April 19th from 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** at First Ev. Lutheran Church. Light refreshments will be provided

Biography for Rev. Tom Evans

In 1976, Tom graduated from high school in Marion, South Dakota. In 1981, he received his BA from Concordia College in St. Paul. He was the first to graduate with a major in art. Upon graduation, Tom enrolled at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. In 1989, he graduated with a Master of Divinity and was ordained as a pastor in the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

During his 37+ years of ministry, Tom has served five parishes in Iowa and Minnesota. He is currently the administrative pastor for Emanuel Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights, MN.

He served as Second Vice President of the Minnesota South District for 7 years. He also served as a pastoral advisor to the District Lutheran Women's Missionary League and as a circuit advisor. He has held other positions in the Minnesota South District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. He graduated from the Pastoral Leadership Institute in 2009. Through his work in the church, he has traveled to Guatemala and India to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Rev. Tom Evans was deeply honored to serve on the Board of Regents of Concordia University, St. Paul, for nine years, including eight as Vice-chair. His service was a testament to his gratitude and the joy he felt in giving back to his alma mater, Concordia St. Paul, for all they had done for him. Tom has also been civic-minded, volunteering as a police chaplain (Eagle Grove, IA, and Inver Grove Heights, MN) and serving on the Plato Fire Department while serving at St. John's, Plato, MN.

Tom's personal life is a source of great joy. He met and married Lee Ann Meyer while attending Concordia University in 1980. They reside in Eagan, MN, and their three sons and families also live in the Twin Cities area. He cherishes the opportunity to be around and watch his six grandchildren grow up, a true blessing in his life!

Time, Talents, & Treasure Opportunities



NEW: Available Serving dates in 2026 There are only 4 Fellowship Hour serving dates left! **Sun., July 26; Sun., Aug. 16; Sun., Sept. 6 (Labor Day); Sun., Sept. 27** We're almost full!

Angel Seeds

NEW: Angel Seed Designations Third Quarter (Jan. – March) Angel Seeds are for the 150th Anniversary celebration. Fourth Quarter (April – June) Angel Seeds are for First Evangelical Lutheran mission projects.



NEW: Silent Stories Tour We're looking for volunteers to help read scripts at our upcoming **Sunday, May 17th** Silent Stories (Cemetery) Tour. Stop by the table at the south entrance to browse the available roles. If you're interested in taking part, please reach out to Cindy E. at 612-840-6308. We're in need of both readers and tour guides. It's simple to do—and should be fun and very interesting!



NEW: Seeking Church Custodian First Lutheran Church and School are currently seeking a custodian to join our team. Full-time or part-time applicants will be considered. Prior custodial experience with the ability to work independently preferred. Having a current boiler's license would also be a plus. If interested, please contact the church office. (More information is in the April Newsletter, back page of the calendar.)



REMINDER: Handcrafted Crosses So far, 359 crosses have been submitted by members and students. The range of craftsmanship is remarkable, with so many unique styles represented. Please keep creating, as we expect to need additional crosses for our Special Anniversary Service on July 12!



REMINDER: Attention Thrivent Members Direct your remaining 2025 CHOICE \$ **before March 31st**, or they will be lost to you. You may direct to many worthy organizations, but we encourage you to consider First Lutheran CHURCH or SCHOOL. Complete online or call Thrivent at 800-847-4836.



REMINDER: March Abundant Blessings Drive We are asking for donations of new diapers (all sizes) for the Common Cup Ministries Distribution. Also, we are asking for food and monetary donations for the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf. Drop-off's are at church.

A Brief Financial Update

Our church has reached a point where our regular offerings are no longer keeping pace with our basic expenses. To avoid serious shortfalls—especially in meeting payroll—we're asking each household to prayerfully consider increasing their giving. Our staff serves faithfully every week, and sustaining their work is essential to our ministry. Even small increases, shared across our congregation, will make a meaningful difference. Thank you for your continued generosity and commitment to our church's mission.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

~ Miscellaneous Announcements ~



Tabletop Display Last Sunday marked the debut of the 150th Anniversary display in the south entrance! This opening exhibit highlights photos and items from our past. It will change each month, so be sure to stop back often and see what's new!



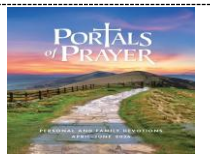
Silent Auction The Flames Boosters would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who participated in the annual silent auction. With your support we were able to raise over \$32,000 for our school!! Whether you came to the meal, donated or bid on auction items or prayed for a successful auction, we appreciate you and couldn't do it without your support!



UPDATE: Church Directory Roster The new church directory has been typed up. We did our best to portray the church membership accurately, and in respect to which types of personal information our members want published. We sincerely apologize for any inaccuracies.



Honoring Our Veterans To help honor the sacrifice our veterans have given, we're giving our brave men and women "Quilts of Valor." Our veterans deserve recognition! If you or a loved one at First Lutheran has served, please contact Beverly at (612) 578-1713, RaNay at (320) 510-0804, or the church office.



Help Strengthen Yours and Your Family's Faith! The April-June 2026 editions of the Portals of Prayer are now available on the entrances to the sanctuary. All sizes can be found. There are also children's devotion books, Strength for the Day and other resources which are free for you to use. Please pick up your copies today!

YOUTUBE PAGE

Here is the link to the YouTube page:



<https://www.youtube.com/@1stGlencoe/videos>



Sales Opening NOW!

- To access the site and place an order:**
1. Go to www.gertensfundraising.com
 2. Enter the **Store ID code 1019** to continue.
 3. Upon checkout, select the name of your seller (if applicable).

The site will close at 10 PM on April 6.

We cannot accept any late orders past the deadline.

*PLEASE NOTE: Quantities are limited on fundraiser items. If an item sells out, it will be marked sold out on the website and customers will not be able to continue to order that item. Please get your orders in early to avoid limited item availability.

Flower Pickup is set for Monday, May 11th from 3 - 6 pm in the church parking lot.

~ First Lutheran Events ~



All interested ringers, we will have a short meeting **TODAY** after the **10:30 AM service**. Pr. Ewert looks forward to seeing you and planning on starting to ring again. He wants to talk about bell cleaning, music, and planning rehearsal. He sent an email to everyone who said they were interested with details, but if he missed you or you weren't able to let him know, you may still join us for the meeting! ~Pr. Ewert



Men's Bible Study Update Men's Bible Study on Tue., March 31

Salary Review Committee Meeting Tue., March 31 at 6:00 p.m.

Deacon's Meeting Update Changed to WED., April 1, not on Thu., April 2



Cemetery Board Meeting The Cemetery Board will be meeting **on Thursday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m.** If you have any questions, please contact Bruce Donnay.



Church Kitchen Cleaning **On Saturday, April 11 at 9:00 AM**, volunteers will be cleaning the church kitchen. Additional volunteers are asked to come and please help, even it's just for an hour. For questions or to volunteer, you may contact the church office. Thank you.



Celebrating 150 Years

1876 - 2026

JOIN US!
SUNDAY, JULY 12 - 10 AM
ANNIVERSARY
WORSHIP SERVICE & MEAL

Extra Big Thank-you of Appreciation to Neubarth Lawn Care & Landscaping!

At the recent big snowstorm, a couple of our own strong men came to church extra early with shovels to clear the entrances. And what did they see?? Neubarth trucks already there clearing the entire lot! AND 8 - 10 Neubarth employees with shovels clearing ALL sidewalks and entrances! What a blessing so that we could still have church services on Sunday during the blizzard! Each winter, Neubarths clear our church parking lots and sidewalks of snow and ice, for free. Please extend our appreciation from First Lutheran Church when you see them! Thank you, to Neubarths and their Employees!



A heartfelt thank-you to all who volunteered their time, contributed donations, or joined us for pancakes at the 75th Annual Pancake & Sausage Meal. We're grateful for the strong turnout—about 750 guests came through and enjoyed the event!

Let's do an

Easter Egg Hunt!

Who: Recommended for age 2 - 3rd grade

What: An indoor Easter Egg Hunt Experience for the Glencoe Community

When: Saturday, April 4th from 9 - 11 AM

Where: Inside First Ev. Lutheran Church @ 925 13th Street East, Glencoe



Inside hunt ensures fun in any weather!

Candy & Non-food Prizes

Dress in your Easter best & get a family Easter Photo in our photobooth or with the Easter Bunny!

Note: Caution with latex allergies as we will have a ton of balloons used in the egg hunt.

HE IS RISEN

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

APRIL 2ND
MAUNDY THURSDAY

2 PM & 7 PM
WITH HOLY
COMMUNION

APRIL 3RD
GOOD FRIDAY

2 PM & 7 PM
WITH HOLY
COMMUNION

APRIL 4TH
EASTER EGG HUNT

9 AM - 11 AM
INDOOR FUN
GRACE 2 - 3RD

APRIL 5TH
EASTER SUNDAY

6:30 AM
8:00 AM
9:15 AM
10:30 AM
