

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday; Exodus 32:15-35, Luke 6:39-49

Monday; Exodus 33:1-23, Luke 7:1-17

Tuesday; Exodus 34:1-28, Luke 7:18-35

Wednesday; Exodus 34:29—35:21, (Ex. 35:22—38:20) Luke 7:36-50

Thursday; Exodus 38:21—39:31, Luke 8:1-21

Friday; Exodus 39:32—40:16, Luke 8:22-39

Saturday; Exodus 40:17-38, (Leviticus 1:1—7:38) Luke 8:40-56

Sunday; Leviticus 8:1-36, Luke 9:1-17

(Jesus) said in a parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." Luke 8:4-8 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.

ATTENDANCE 04/12

Worship Total	304
Communed	69
Visitors	3
Adult Bible Study	27
Sunday School	20 S.S. offering \$2

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.

FIRST EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH – Missouri Synod

925 13th St. E. Glencoe, MN | 320-864-5522 | www.firstglencoe.org

SENIOR PASTOR: Reverend Daniel Welch | 320-864-2753 or 612-214-8912 | dwelch@1stglencoe.org

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Reverend Michael Ewert | 414-795-8257 | pastor@1stglencoe.org

DCE: Deaconess Megan Polzin | 320-854-1204 or 952-232-9844 | mpolzin@1stglencoe.org

CHURCH SECRETARY: Amy Welch | 320-864-5522 | office@1stglencoe.org

BUSINESS MANAGER: Jaylene Miller | business@1stglencoe.org

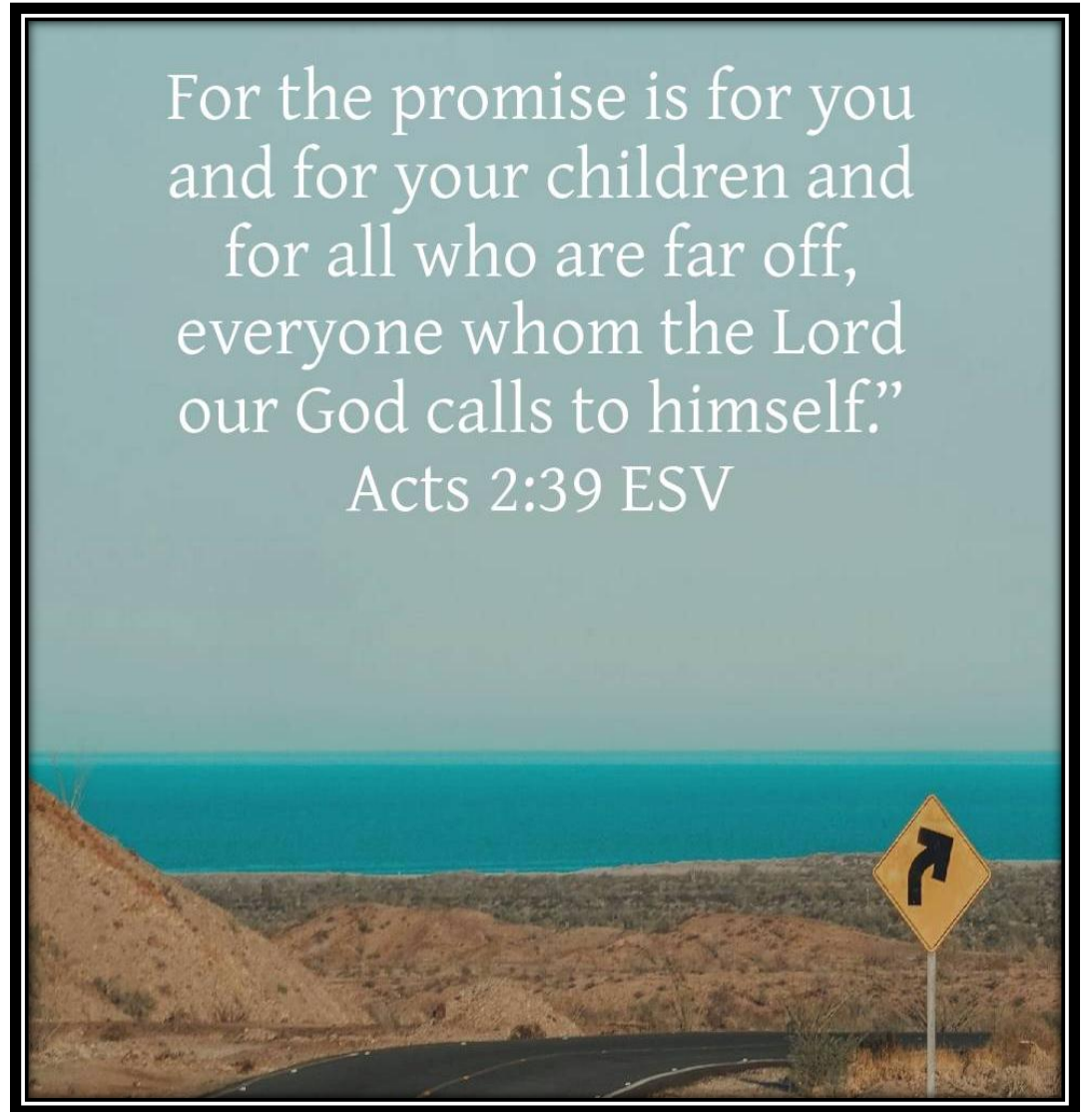
FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL

1015 E. 14th Street Glencoe, MN | 320-864-3317 | www.firstglencoe.org

PRINCIPAL: Perry Miller | 402-750-4377 | principal@1stglencoe.org

SCHOOL SECRETARY: Michelle Alsleben | malsleben@1stglencoe.org

For the promise is for you
and for your children and
for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord
our God calls to himself.”
Acts 2:39 ESV



Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 19, 2026
8:00 a.m. and 10: 30 a.m.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church ~ Missouri Synod

925 13th Street E.
Glencoe, MN 55336
320.864.5522

office@1stglencoe.org and www.firstglencoe.org



Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 19, 2026
Divine Service: Setting 4, Page 203

AS WE GATHER A crooked generation instinctively clings to wealth and riches, grasps human logic, and understands ordinary fact. The baptized fervently cling to forgiveness and grace in Christ, believe divine mysteries, and confess Christ crucified. Jesus' death was necessary that we would know imperishable life. Without His death, the breaking of the bread would be empty ritual. But, in the Eucharist, we receive the broken bread and the body of Christ that sustains extraordinary faith and enables us to confess divine truths.

HYMNS:

8:00 AM #466, 655, 596, [680, 458, 576], 879
10:30 AM #596, 655, 466, 879

BIBLE READINGS: First Reading ~ Acts 2: 14a, 36-41
Epistle Reading ~ 1 Peter 1: 17-25
Gospel Reading ~ Luke 24: 13 - 35
Introit ~ Psalm 116: 1-14; v. 5

SERMON: Pastor Michael Ewert
"This Promise Is for You" ~ Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

SPECIAL MUSIC: 8:00 AM
~ Senior Choir "In Christ Alone"

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

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Trustees

SPECIAL SERVICE NOTES: The Radio Broadcast this morning is sponsored by the First Lutheran, Lutheran Women in Mission. Thank you!

Thank you for sharing your Time, Talents, & Treasures for service today in God's House!

INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

-- Hadley Elizabeth Neubarth, daughter of Mackenzie and Jay Neubarth, who joins us a member of God's invisible kingdom here on earth at First Lutheran Church! May God keep Hadley in His loving arms as she grows in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Baptism is at the 10:30 a.m. service.
-- Family and Friends of Betty Latzke who went home to be with the Lord on Wed., April 15. Blessed are those who die in the Lord! Services are this Fri., April 24 at 11:00 a.m. here at First Lutheran. Visitation two hours prior.
-- Prayer of Thanksgiving for a successful knee surgery for Sue Englemann
-- 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, 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, Sally Schmulske, Braelynn Schrunk (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, Earl VonBerge, Charlotte Wolter

ORGANIST: Mr. Paul Otte

DEACONS: 8:00 AM ~ Tyler Mielke, Leonard Donnay
10:30 AM ~ Jason Oelfke, Brian Grochow

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM ~ Sam Betsinger, Levi Weidendorff
10:30 AM ~ Blake Mathews, Bryce Mathews

SOUND SYSTEM: 8:00 AM ~ Andrew Mackenthun
10:30 AM ~ Lynn Exsted

CAMERA: (either) ~ Pam Ahlbrecht

FACEBOOK LIVE: Cisewski and Nikolaisen Families

SCREENS: 8:00 AM ~ Brittney Wolff
10:30 AM ~ Jeri Bennett

CHRISTIAN ED. ASSISTANCE: Stacy Dummer

GREETERS: 8:00 AM ~ Autumn Gruber, Brady Goff
10:30 AM ~ Savannah Mathews

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

Sunday, April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion,
♪ Senior Choir sings
9:00 AM – Fellowship Time: Trustees
9:15 AM – Education Hour
10:30 AM – Divine Service, Baptism
4:00 PM to 6:30 PM – Grief Seminar

Monday, April 20

1:00 PM – Quilt Tying
FLS Kindergarten Garage Sale
(through Wed., April 22, on site, for the students)

Tuesday, April 21 May Newsletter Deadline

1:15 PM – Staff Meeting
7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 22

3:30 PM – Catechism
5:00 PM – Handbell Practice
7:00 PM – Public Review / Questioning

Thursday, March 23

8:15 AM – Chapel
Friday, April 24 Little Crosses for 150th Drop-off
11:00 AM – Funeral Services for Betty Latzke
2:00 PM – FLS 3rd Grade States Parade

Sunday, April 26 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM – Divine Service
9:00 AM – Fellowship Hour: Christian Ed
9:15 AM – Education Hour
10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion
Confirmation at 10:30 AM Service
11:30 AM – Fellowship Center Private Rental
- Downstairs Music Room Private Rental
* Mission Trip Balance Due *

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!

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.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

A very grateful Thank You is extended to Danielle Petterson for taking care of some of the custodial duties during this interim before a full-time custodian is hired. Thank you, Danielle!

General Church Announcements

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

April 19 – Third Sunday of Easter

1 Peter 1:18-19 – "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot."

Christ ransomed us and bought us back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, to the devil or to the world. We belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom, but in line with God's Word.

MESSAGE ABOUT STEWARDSHIP AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Psalm 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.

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 wish 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 to have a visit, **that is in addition to those regularly scheduled. Please call us.**)

CALLED TO GRIEVE SEMINAR IS TODAY!

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. Please join us for his presentation **TODAY, Sunday, April 19th from 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** Here at First Ev. Lutheran Church.

Light refreshments will be provided.
~ Sponsored by the Evangelism Board



FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT
(April 6-12)

Last Week Giving **	\$16,995	78.69%
Weekly Budget Need	\$28,301	
YTD Giving	\$959,563	65.07%
YTD Budget Need	\$1,160,341	



** Includes Offerings, School Tuition, & Registration

Special Announcements for Today



Flowers Today Special flowers today are provided in honor of Hadley Neubarth, whose baptism is at the 10:30 a.m. service. Flowers are given by Hadley's grandparents Elaine and Gary Tabbert.



Additional Floral Arrangement Thank you from the Altar Guild to our anonymous donor for providing today's additional floral arrangement from Koreen's Floral in Glencoe. We appreciate your generosity, sharing with our congregation members and guests.

Many Ways to Give

*Your Personal Donation Envelopes

*White Envelopes available in entryways

*Drop off in collection plates for church services

*Online – so easy!

Go to www.firstglencoe.org, click "Giving" on top line, then "Electronic Giving". *Credit card payments.*

*Text just the dollar amount you want to give to 855-976-9619 and follow the prompts. *Credit card payments.*

*Or...drop off in the church office during business hours.

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 (NIV)

We are hiring at First Lutheran!



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.)



We're hiring!! Seeking a full-time 4th grade teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Please inquire with Mr. Miller at principal@1stglencoe.org

Time, Talents, & Treasure Opportunities



150th Anniversary Event Looking ahead – we are in need of around 40 volunteers to assist with the German-style meal on July 12th. There are a variety of positions available, and even if you only contribute for just 1 or 2 hours, it is greatly appreciated and it will help ensure that everything runs smoothly. "Many hands make light work." Thank you for considering! Please contact the church office with your willingness to help at 864 – 5522 or office@1stglencoe.org.



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!



Only 3 Available Serving Dates in 2026! There are now only 3 Fellowship Hour serving dates left! **Sun., July 26; Sun., Sept. 6 (Labor Day weekend); Sun., Sept. 27.** If you or your organization are interested, please contact the church office.



Handcrafted Crosses So far, **almost 700** crosses have been donated! We would like to have one cross for each member for the 150th Anniversary. We have approximately 1,800 members. We are getting closer to our goal! Thank you, Everyone, who is helping with this project! Reminder, please drop-off your crosses so we can keep track of how many we have for our Celebration.



Heritage Sunday Floral Basket On Heritage Sundays (the 2nd Sunday of each month in 2026), we will utilize this floral basket to display arrangements/ plants on the side of the altar. If you are interested in sponsoring one (or two) baskets in memory of, or in honor of, someone or an occasion, please contact Dennis Wolter. (Months of Sept., Oct., Nov., and Dec. are available.)



April Abundant Blessings Drive For April, we are asking for donations for the Lutheran Social Services Mankato Crisis Nursery PJ Drive. New pajamas may be dropped off at church. Thank you for your generosity!

Angel Seeds

Angel Seed Designations Fourth Quarter (April – June) Angel Seeds are for First Evangelical Lutheran mission projects.



Handbell Donations With the revival of the Handbell Choir, we are in need of funds for the refurbishing of the bells and for new music. You may designate your offerings for this cause, or you may bring a donation to the church office. Thank you in advance! We look forward to our debut at the Anniversary Service on July 12!

~ Miscellaneous Announcements ~



New Display in the Main Church Entrance by the Church Office: The Board of Christian Education has set up a new display! The theme is "Miraculous Mission: Jesus Saves the World!" Information about the event can be found on the table. It is on Sun., June 14 – Wed., June 17.

If you would like to help donate items, or lend items to be borrowed and returned, supply lists are available on the display board. There also is a QR code to register.

Please check it out! For questions, please see Deaconess Megan Polzin or inquire in the church office.



Reminder: 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.

Church Directory Update



Church Directory Update The Church Directory Committee has been diligently working on the First Lutheran Church directory. We have been striving for accuracy and completeness and are finishing up the end of April.

The next step is to submit the directory and then the company will be sending back a proof for us to edit. Once the process of editing and correcting is finished, the directory will be ready to go to print. The goal is to have the finished product available by the July 12th Anniversary Celebration.

Those who did not have a picture taken will have an opportunity to purchase a book for \$15.

We will keep you updated!

YOUTUBE PAGE

Here is the link to the YouTube page:

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



Funeral Services for Lorraine Krumm Services for Lorraine will be on Thursday, May 7, here at First Lutheran, at 11:00 AM. Visitation will be 9:30 – 11:00 AM, prior to the funeral service. (Lorraine went home to be with her Savior a couple of weeks ago.) Blessed are those who die in the Lord!

~ First Lutheran Events ~

NEW Youth Updates



- Catechism Public Review is on Wed., April 22 at 7:00 p.m.
- Confirmation Pictures follow Public Review.
- Confirmation is Sun., April 26 at the 10:30 a.m. service.
- The last IMPACT is on Sunday, May 3 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
- Gertens Flower Pick-up is Mon., May 11 from 3 – 6:00 p.m.
- The last IGNITE is Tuesday, May 19 from 3:00 – 4:45 p.m.
- Youth Scholarships are due May 28.



McBride Funeral Chapels invites you to a **complimentary funeral preplanning seminar on Thursday, April 30th at 7:00 PM at First Evangelical Lutheran Church.** Join Pastor Daniel Welch, Preplanning Specialist Ali Willard, along with our experienced funeral directors, Kelly Roberts, Derek Zebell, and Mackenzie Horstmann for an informative discussion on the importance and benefits of planning ahead. This seminar offers a thoughtful opportunity to gain clarity, ask questions, and make informed decisions for the future. *No RSVP is required—simply attend at your convenience. Coffee and desserts will be provided.*



Reminder: Handbell Choir Handbell Choir has just begun! We are meeting on **Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.** No experience necessary! If interested, please join us! For questions, please contact Pastor Ewert.



Retirement Party You are invited to the Retirement Party for Mrs. Sheila Scheele. Mrs. Scheele has been the 3rd Grade Teacher at First Lutheran School and she is now retiring. A retirement party for Mrs. Scheele will be on Sun., May 31st between church services.



150th Anniversary German-style Meal Join us as we celebrate our church's 150th anniversary with a German-style meal served following our service on **Sunday, July 12, in the fellowship room.** This special gathering is a wonderful opportunity to share in fellowship and give thanks for God's blessings through the years. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this meaningful celebration. We look forward to celebrating together with you.



**Celebrating
150 Years**

**1876
-
2026**

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