

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday; 2 Kings 4:8-37, Ephesians 5:15-33
Monday; 2 Kings 4:38—5:8, Ephesians 6:1-24
Tuesday; 2 Kings 5:9-27, Philippians 1:1-20
Wed.: 2 Kings 6:1-23, (2 Kings 6:24—8:29) Philippians 1:21—2:11
Thursday; 2 Kings 9:1—10:29, (2 Kings 13:1—18:8) Philippians 2:12-30
Friday; 2 Chronicles 29:1-24, Philippians 3:1-21
Saturday; 2 Chronicles 31:1-21, Philippians 4:1-23
Sunday; 2 Chronicles 32:1-22, (Hosea 1:1—14:9) Colossians 1:1-23

*(Jesus) said "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."
~ Matthew 18:20 ESV.*

ATTENDANCE	08/09	08/16	08/23	08/30
Worship Total	249	233	199	242
Communed	91	107	67	194
Visitors	4	3	4	11
Bible Study	36	33	20	30



Business Manager Recruitment

We are looking to hire our next Business Manager. Ideally, our candidate will be a member of First Lutheran. Your help is requested:

- Talk to members whom you think might be a good candidate
- Share those names with the church office
- Contact the church office if **you** are interested and to obtain a copy of the job description
- Prayerfully consider this position and include the filling of this position with God's optimal candidate, in your prayers

We are looking for a committed follower of Jesus who demonstrates strong financial acumen, has background and experience in business/or finance, and administrative skills to assist our Boards and other team members.



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 and 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.

Temporarily Assisting in the Business Manager Position

Sheila Scheele will be in the Business Office Monday through Friday from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Sara Wegner is also assisting. Please call the church office with any financial related questions.

from Lutheran Service Book #781
"We Give Thee but Thine Own"(stz. 1)

**We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

FIRST EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH – Missouri Synod

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

BUSINESS MANAGER OFFICE: business@1stglencoe.org

(We have both volunteers and paid financial advisers filling the vacancy.)

HEAD CUSTODIAN: Bill Ewert | 320-864-5522 | office@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

The Left Hand of God's Rule

There is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

ROMANS 13:1

ROMANS 13: 1 - 10

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 6, 2026
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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AS WE GATHER: God's laws are just. His prophets and pastors exercise authority in condemning sin, wickedness, and evil. Iniquities cannot be ignored; all are subject to God's authority. We are also subject to earthly governments and authorities who strive to restrain unruly behavior. As citizens in both kingdoms, our conduct should reflect humility, love, duty, and honesty. As members of the church, it is just that we are called to care for and regain unrepentant sinners.

HYMNS:
8:00 AM #686, 820, 966, [622, 709, 707], 869
10:30 AM #686, 820, 966, 869

BIBLE READINGS:
Old Testament ~ Ezekiel 33: 7 - 9
Epistle Reading ~ Romans 13: 1 - 10
Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 18: 1 - 20
Introit ~ Psalm 92: 1 – 4; antiphon: v.

SERMON: Pastor Dan Welch ~Romans 13: 1 - 10
"The Left Hand of God's Rule"

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Dave & Betty Witthus
(in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary)

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

FLOWERS TODAY: Thank you from the Altar Guild to our anonymous donor for providing today's floral arrangement from Belle Lake Blooms, Hutchinson. We appreciate your generosity, sharing with our congregation members and guests.

ORGANIST: Mr. Rick Grieger
DEACONS: 8:00 AM ~ Tyler Mielke, Dean Dahlke
10:30 AM ~ Brian Grochow, Cullen Hoffmann
ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM ~ Emerson Edwards, Matthew Iddings
10:30 AM ~ Nora Cohrs, Axel Gruber
SOUND SYSTEM: 8:00 AM ~ Glenn Cohrs
10:30 AM ~ Steven Schauer
CAMERA: (either) ~ Andrew Mackenthun
FACEBOOK LIVE: ~ OPEN
SCREENS: 8:00 AM ~ Chloe Donnay
10:30 AM ~ Tyler Schauer
GREETERS: 8:00 AM ~ Dave & Betty Witthus
10:30 AM ~ OPEN

Thank you to Everyone Serving Today by sharing your Time, Talents, and Treasures with First Lutheran!

Included In Our Prayers This Week:

--Praise and Thanksgiving for the birth of Bentley Richard Vinkemeier, son of Jason and Kaitlyn (Schauer) Vinkemeier. Bentley was born on August 17. May God keep Bentley in the palm of his hand!
--Joy and Happiness for the birth of Ezra Gilbert Hoffmann, son of Cullen and Mackenzie (Thiesfeld) Hoffmann. Ezra was born on August 26. May God keep Ezra safe as His little lamb! Baptism for Ezra is next Sun., Sept. 13 @ 10:30 a.m.

-- Atticus Aldrich (two-year-old grandson of Teresa Brelje's cousin) who was diagnosed with high risk Neuroblastoma), Melissa Bolek (Aunt of Pastor Ewert) who now has brain cancer, Marjorie Duenow, Amy Edmison, Bob Hallowell (Father of Megan Polzin), Howard Hoecke, Shirley Krienke, Marjorie Litzau, Kali Marshall, Laurie Meyer (Twin Sister of Linda Donnay), Bonnie Mueller (Friend of Linda Edmison) who has Stage 4 Cancer, Judy Rickheim, Sally Schmulke, Braelynn Schrunck (Great-Granddaughter of Gayle Schwarze) who has leukemia, Matt Solmonson (Son-in-law of DeLue & Mary Grams) who has Stage 4 Melanoma, Nathan Ward (Brother-in-law of Beth Ward) who has cancer

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE 15th Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 18:4 – "Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." What does it mean to have childlike faith? Certainly Jesus does not want us to have a faith that is childish — we are not called to ignorance or silliness. Rather, we are called to trust the way a child trusts: with complete confidence in the Father. We show that confidence in our lives when we follow His directives for our life. Father knows best, so we'll take His advice.

Sunday, September 6 15th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion
9:00 AM – Fellowship Time: Dave & Betty Witthus
9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class
10:30 AM – Divine Service
Monday, September 7 Church Office Closed & No School
Tuesday, September 8
9:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
10:30 AM – GlenFields
1:30 PM – Mat Makers
5:30 PM – Day School
7:00 PM – Men's and Women's Bible Studies
7:00 PM – Trustees
Wednesday, September 9
9:00 AM – Lectionary Study
10:00 AM – Staff Meeting
6:00 PM – Flames Boosters
6:00 PM – Evangelism (This is a change.)
7:00 PM – Mandatory Catechism Meeting
Thursday, September 10
8:10 AM – Chapel (Principal Miller)
2:00 PM – Grand Meadows
Circuit Pastors' Meeting at St. Paul's, Lester Prairie
Sunday, September 13 16th Sunday after Pentecost
HERITAGE SUNDAY and EDUCATION SUNDAY
8:00 AM – Divine Service
9:00 AM – Fellowship Hour: Day School
9:15 AM – Adult Bible Class
10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion
♦ Baptism for Ezra Gilbert Hoffmann
🎵 First Lutheran School Choir sings
Each day, 1:50 p.m., "Congregation in Prayer."

SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!
Thank you for being with us here today! Please stop by one of the Welcome Centers on your way out.
REMINDER: ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARIES
For the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026
– All church boards, committees, and auxiliaries, please submit your summaries to the church office. Please provide a brief explanation of what your organization does and what your organization accomplished in the past fiscal year. You do not necessarily need to be concerned about the wording. If you have questions, please contact the church office. Please submit by Sept. 30. Thank you!

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MEMBERS.
The **Nominating Committee is asking for your help**, to fill the following Boards. Christian Education, Day School, Deacons, Evangelism, Stewardship, and Trustees. **We need any member interested in volunteering**, to first prayfully consider, then if you feel it is your calling to volunteer, Call President Roger Schmidt @320-864-6523. This is a great way to serve your Lord with your time and talents and becoming involved with the day to day operations of this Church.
Thank-you Roger

Sunday Morning Bible Studies

9:15 a.m., Church Fellowship Center

CURRENT BIBLE STUDY...
Two Kingdoms, One King

*"Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven."
~Matthew 6:10*

Explore what it means to live faithfully as citizens of both our earthly nation and God's heavenly kingdom.

COMING SOON...
Your New Money Mindset

This series of sermons and Bible classes lays out a countercultural and biblical approach to managing our relationship with money. It makes a compelling case that being wise and generous with money leads to greater joy, less worry, and a world more the way God intends it. Our New Money Mindset will help us break the persistent desire for more in our consumer-driven society and ask us to reach for something better - a peace that we have enough, enough for ourselves and enough to share.

If you find yourself wrestling with credit-card debt you can't pay off, or a car you can't afford, or a house worth less than you owe on it - you'll find help over the next few weeks. If you long to feel more satisfied at the end of each day, if you want more out of life than the fleeting gratification of another purchase - this series is for you. If you want to help family and friends break free from debt and consumerism, this program will help.

The Sermon Lineup is as follows:
Week 1 (Sept. 20): A Satisfied Mindset
Week 2 (Sept. 27): A Steward's Mindset
Week 3 (Oct. 4): A Servant's Mindset

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study plans are as follows:
Week 1 (Sept. 20): Overcoming Consumerism
Week 2 (Sept. 27): Why Does God Give Money?
Week 3 (Oct. 4): Biblical Truths
about Managing Money

New Membership Classes

Mondays, Sept. 21 to Oct. 26, from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.
If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining First Lutheran Church, **we are beginning new membership classes on Mon, Sept. 21**. "Basic Bible Teachings: An Introduction to the Lutheran Faith" is the name of the new, easy-to-understand, and highly visual resource we will be using.

If interested, please call or email the church office at 864-5522 or office@1stglencoe.org.

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Ways to Give

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Let's reach the full \$8,000 match so our combined giving becomes \$16,000 to strengthen our general fund and support our ministry. Thank you for your generosity and partnership in meeting this goal. This matching challenge will end after Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, 2026.

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FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL *Sunday School*



Sunday School REGISTRATION will occur on Education Sunday (September 13th) before or after services. IF you can't make it, or wish to streamline the process, please use this QR code to register!

First Lutheran Church & School Events



MAT MAKERS

Mat-Makers will meet **Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 1:30 p.m.** Devotions "Wonderfully Made" Psalm 139:14. *Conversation topic:* Tell a baby story about yourself! **Drop-in guests are always welcomed** at our sessions to see how plastic grocery bags are recycled into warm sleeping mats.



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES BEGIN TUE., SEPT. 8

Women's Bible Studies on Tuesdays, 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Men's Bible Studies on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM



CATECHISM CLASSES

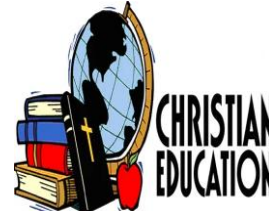
Mandatory Orientation Meeting, All Grades 5 to 8

Wed., Sept. 9 at 7:00 PM

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First Lutheran – during the school day, 1:00 PM to 2:15 PM

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY

Next Sunday, September 13

Before and After Services Sunday School Registration

10:30 Service Christian Education Teachers and Volunteers Installation

10:30 Service First Lutheran School Choir Sings



GERTEN'S MUM FUNDRAISER PICK UP

Tuesday, September 15 from 3 to 6 PM

Church Parking Lot



FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S 6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The event is on **Sat., Sept. 19th at 1 p.m.** at the Glencoe Country Club with Bump's catering a meal afterwards. Includes 4 Person Scramble Teams. Registration is at the Welcome Centers or email FLSboosters@gmail.com. Payment collected at the tournament. Register today!



FIRST EDITION BOOK CLUB

We will be meeting on **September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** in the FLC lounge area to discuss the book *Chasing Shadows* by Lynn Austin.



ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

Sponsored by Lutheran Women in Mission

Friday, Sept. 25, 2026 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Your \$15 donation includes a variety of salads, dinner roll, coffee and desserts. To donate a salad, please contact the church office.



FUTURE FLAMES FISHING CONTEST MEETING

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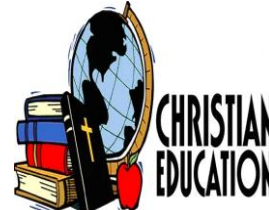
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