



First Lutheran Church of Aitkin Announcements

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Pastor Reggie Denton

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM-4:00 PM;
Fridays 7:30 AM—12:00 PM



Weekly Worship Schedule:

Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30 am, Wednesday 6:00 pm



Mission Statement: With God's love we embrace one another, our neighbors and all creation.

Welcome! If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about First Lutheran, please stop by the church office, call, or visit our website.

***We are glad you are here!** We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, LGBTQ, filthy rich, black and proud, y no habla ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are newborns, poor as dirt, skinny as a rail, got a hitch in their git-along, or just plain can't sing. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up, or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Lutheran than Luther, or more Catholic than the pope, or haven't been to church since little Maria's confirmation. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 40 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters, and people who stay up too late at night. If you're having problems, or you're down in the dumps, or you don't like "organized religion," we've been there, too. We offer a special welcome to those who could lose a few pounds, think the earth is flat, work too hard, can't spell, or came because grandma's in town and wanted to go to church. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, are three-times divorced, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid, or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers, doubters, bleeding hearts... and you!

***You do not need to be a member of First to receive Communion.** All who believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome. We believe it is our Lord's invitation to which we respond, our Lord's meal at which we gather, our Lord's gifts which we receive. Children not yet communing are welcome – they may come forward for a goldfish and a blessing, but we do ask parents to have them keep their hands down, so that the communion assistant knows. All those who are communing are asked to extend both hands to receive. If you would like to receive communion but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know so that communion can be brought to you.

***Parents with Young Children:** When you are here, the church is filled with a joyful noise. When you are here, the Body of Christ is more fully present. When you are here, we are reminded that this worship thing we do isn't just about Bible Study or personal, quiet contemplation, but about coming together to worship as a community where all are welcome, where all share in Word and Sacrament together. When you are here, we know that your little ones are learning how and why we worship.

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!"

*Nursery is open during the 9:00 AM service on Sunday mornings (8:45-10:15). The nursery is located off of the Fellowship Hall. An usher will be happy to assist you in finding the nursery. Parents who need to leave the service with children can still see the Sunday service on a TV in the nursery.

*Children are always welcome in worship. "Busy bags" with activities, a book, crayons and scratch paper are available on the wall across from the sanctuary. There is also a *pray ground* at the back of the sanctuary.

*You're invited to coffee & goodies on Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM.

*Assisted hearing devices are available. An usher can assist you.



Sunday October 26, 2025**Reformation Sunday**

Affirmation of Baptism

9:00 AM Worship Service w/Communion
(Also available Livestream on YouTube)

10:00 AM Cake & Coffee Fellowship to honor Affirmants

10:00AM Radio Broadcast of 9 am Worship Service on KKIN 94.3 FM

10:00 AM Sunday School (PK-4th Grade)

10:30 AM NO Worship Service W/Communion

**Monday, October 27, 2025**

8:15 AM King's Men

5:00 PM Community Meal—Take out only

5:00 PM Garden Club Group

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

8:00 AM Pickleball—Tennis Ladies

9:30 AM Renewal Group Meeting

11:00 AM Adult Bible Study

12:00 PM Community Lunch —Take out only

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

8:00 AM Aitkin WIC Clinic

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast

3:30 PM Youth CoffeeHouse

4:30 PM Wed. Night Faith (5th & 6th grade)

5:30 PM Family Dinner

6:00 PM Worship service w/Communion

6:30 PM Affirmation Class (7th & 8th Grade)

6:30 PM Peer Ministry Class (9th Grade)

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, October 30, 2025

8:00 AM Pickleball—Ladies Tennis

12:00 PM Men's Bible Study

3:30 PM Aitkin Youth Center

5:00 PM Community Meal—Take out only

Friday, October 31, 2025

9:00 AM Quilting Ministry

3:30 PM Aitkin Youth Center

4:00 PM Trunk or Treat

**Saturday, November 1, 2025****Sunday, November 2, 2025****All Saints Sunday**

9:00 AM Worship Service w/Communion
(Also available Livestream on YouTube)

10:00 AM Cake & Coffee Fellowship Farewell to Colleen

10:00AM Radio Broadcast of 9 am Worship Service on KKIN 94.3 FM

10:00 AM Sunday School (PK-4th Grade)

10:30 AM Worship Service W/Communion

3:00 PM Aitkin Volleyball Banquet



Flowers on the Altar — Please consider signing up for the opportunity to enhance our worship of God and our enjoyment of God's creation. The cost is determined by the type of flowers you order. You'll find the flower clip board in the narthex.



A very special Thank You to Norma Lehmann for sponsoring today's flowers in honor of the 10th graders Affirming their Baptism today.

KUWAA Mission —The KUWAA Mission in Liberia is a mission focus for 2025. Weekly sponsorship is \$25. Please consider supporting this important mission for a week or more. Information is in the narthex.

A very special Thank You to Paul & Karilyn Martinsen for sponsoring today's broadcast in memory of Pastor Bob Munneke.

ALL SAINTS DAY

NOVEMBER 2, 2025
REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES
9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
10:30 AM BRIEF WORSHIP SERVICE

FAREWELL COLLEEN!

Please join us for a time of fun & fellowship as we say Farewell and Good Luck to Colleen Kent Chute during coffee fellowship immediately following the 9:00 am service on Sunday November 2nd. Cake will be served!





October Extra Mile Mission Focus



Global Missions

Helping to make our
world a better place

If you would like to donate, please go
to our website
www.flc-aitkin.com
or send a check to the church

ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 10/19 9:00 am.... 87
 10:30 am 16
Wednesday: 10/15 6:00 pm N/A



TOTAL OFFERINGS

Week of October 19—General Fund

Offering :	\$ 6,791.00
Offering YTD :	\$276,559.00
Offering Budget YTD:	\$334,653.00
Building Fund: (October)	\$ 1,865.00
Extra Mile Mission (October)	\$ 295.00
(Global Missions)	



First Lutheran Church

Job Opening

Ministry & Media Coordinator

Creative lead on all visual aspects of online and printed advertising of
events happening at our busy church/community on many platforms.

11-15 hours weekly, PTO, flexible/remote hours

Apply today @ Indeed.com or in the church office!

email: office@flc-aitkin.com or call: 218-927-2028



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YOUTH COORDINATOR

11-15 hours weekly working with youth grades 5-12

Great pay, PTO, flexible hours

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10th Grade Affirmation of Baptism



Sunday, October 26, 2025

Worship Service & Affirmation

9:00 a.m

Cake & Coffee fellowship in honor of the
Affirmation Students will be served
immediately after the service. All are welcome
One worship service only today

TRUNK OR TREAT

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 31ST

4-6PM

107 2ND STREET SE

All Are Welcome!



CONGRATULATIONS 10TH GRADE

AFFIRMATION STUDENTS



Kate Boyd

Madilyn Martin

Noelan Jones

Noah Nyberg

Annika Kalis

Max Raushel

Gavin Klee

WE REALLY NEED CANDY!

This year we are hoping to fill the parking lot with
trunks full of candy for kids trick or treating.

We are desperate! Halloween is just a little
more than 2 weeks away and we will have a lot
of little goblins with a Friday night Halloween!

We need to save those with trunks from having too
many tricks played on them! Please help
save them and make the little goblins happy!
Donate whatever candy you are able to!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THOSE EXPERIENCING
CANCER**

Dave Paulson
Emily Forzani
Tony Carlstrom
Bonnie Mickelson
Bev Bose
Maria Koslosky
Jan Werner
Bill Hakes
Diane Newstrom
Susan Simons
Shelly Watson

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THOSE WITH OTHER
HEALTH CONCERNS**

Cal Raushel
Dorothy Smeltzer
Michael May
Jacob Mehr
Mark Olson
Juanita Nolan
Monte Olson
Craig Fawley
Herm Newton
Diane Rachey
Bev Gray
Kathy Dox
Jonathan Mickelson
Diane Landstad
Paul Martinsen
Bob & Jan Kolodji
Mary Peterson
Mary Webster
Beverly Rueger

The Sunday of Ahh!

Week 7

They only said hello, but you knew it was real, it was warm, like a gentle form of care. Or they stopped you in the hallway, the aisle, the narthex, the sidewalk and added, how are you? They had no sense of hurry because they were paying attention and really honoring you for a little bit of time with real care.

What happens when you have done that same thing for others? Do you realize what you have done? Maybe not or maybe yes. Either way, you have helped; you have given of yourself and another person was touched and felt better. Do you realize how much you change the world as you take those little moments to simply "be" with another—"Ahh".

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Eleanor Petterson (former member) who just turned 100.



QR Code For Easy Giving

Using your smart phone or device, scan this code and it will take you directly to our online giving.



Serving in the Military:



**Silas Berg, Nicholas Bruesewitz,
Austin Burton, Nathan Hagestuen,
Josh Hagestuen, Luke Oaks, Logan Lueck,
Kurt Hagestuen, Wyatt Carlson,
Landon Todd, Gregory Wenzel**



Assisted Living Residents

Diane Landstad, Marlene Tholen; Shirley Hakes; Deloris Kosbau; Jerry Erlandson, Carol Harmon

Next Week's Readings

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149

Ephesians 1:11-23, Luke 6:20-31



Prayer Request Cards

Available in the pews. If you have a special request, please fill out a card and place it in the offering plate, or give it to one of the ushers. Thank you for your concern.