

First Lutheran Church of Aitkin

107 Second Street SE, Aitkin, MN 56431 www.flc-aitkin.com 218-927-2028

Pastor Reggie Denton

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM-4:00 PM;
Fridays May 23—August 29 Closed



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Weekly Worship Schedule:

Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30 am,



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

<u>Welcome!</u> 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, LBGTQ, 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!

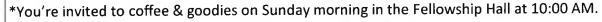
*You do not need to be a member of First to receive Communion. All who believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome. We believe it is our Lord's invitation to which we respond, our Lord's meal at which we gather, our Lord's gifts which we receive. Children not yet communing 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 available 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.

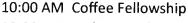


*Assisted hearing devices are available. An usher can assist you.



Sunday August 24, 2025

Eleventh Sunday in Pentecost
9:00 AM Worship Service
(Also available Livestream on YouTube)



10:00 AM Radio Broadcast of 9 am Worship

Service on KKIN 94.3 FM

10:30 AM Worship Service

Monday, August 25, 2025

8:15 AM King's Men

12:00 PM American Red Cross Blood Drive

5:00 PM Community Meal—Take out only

5:00 PM Garden Club Group



9:30 AM Renewal Group Meeting

11:00 AM Adult Bible Study

12:00 PM American Red Cross Blood Drive

12:00 PM Community Lunch — Take out only

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

3:30 PM Aitkin Youth Center

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast

Thursday, August 28, 2025

9:00 AM Community Food Shelf

12:00 PM Men's Bible Study

3:30 PM Aitkin Youth Center

5:00 PM Community Meal—Take out only

Friday, August 29, 2025

Office Closed

Saturday, August 30, 2025

8:00 AM Friends of Spirit Lake Meeting

Sunday, August 31, 2025

Twelfth Sunday in Pentecost

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

YouTube)

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:00 AM Radio Broadcast of 9 am Worship

Service on KKIN 94.3 FM

10:30 AM Worship Service w/Communion



Sympathy Prayers



Our sympathy and prayers go out to the friends & family of Gary Volkman, who passed away August 7, 2025.





August 25th & 26th 12 Noon -6:00 pm

HELP SAVE A LIFE 🕂

GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD

Please call Michele at 218-838-0184 to volunteer, sign up to donate blood, or if you are willing to provide snacks.

You may also sign up at redcrossblood.org



Do you have old school or craft supplies

you'd like to give away?
Our Sunday School could use:



Markers Crayons Colored Pencils Sharpie Markers Colored Paper Ribbon Crepe Paper Pipe Cleaners
Pom poms
Straws
Paint
Paint supplies
Beads
Balloons

And so much more!
Please bring to the church
office.
Contact Justine

Nordick at justinenordick@gmail.com with any questions.







If you'd like
to donate
please go to our
website
www.flc-aitkin.co

www.flc-aitkin.com
or send a check
to the church







Come help us share the Bible, play, laugh, and grow with the next generation. No experience needed—just a joyful heart and a willing spirit! Contact Justine Nordick to share your knowledge as a teacher at justinenordick@gmail.com



7TH & 8TH GRADE KICKOFF

Sunday Sept. 7th - 1pm

Mini Golfing - Meet at church - ride the bus!

Ice Cream provided after golfing.

RSVP to the church 218-927-2028 or office @flc-altkin.com

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, 8/17

9:00 am.... 73 10:30 am 6



TOTAL OFFERINGS

Week of August 10-General Fund

Offering: \$ 7,281.00
Offering YTD: \$ 217,005.00

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Extra Mile Mission (August) \$.00

(Lutheran Social Services)

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Solar Panel Update



Radtke Service has the required materials in stock and has submitted an application for the necessary permit to proceed with the installation of the solar panels.



7th - 9th GRADE AFFIRMATION ORIENTATION



September 10 6:30 pm



See more dates & locations at his website www.darrelljpedersen.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING **CANCER**

Dave Paulson Emily Forzani Tony Carlstrom Wayne Royer

Bonnie Mickelson Bev Bose

Maria Koslosky Jan Werner **Bill Hakes**

Diane Newstrom

Susan Simons Shelly Watson

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH OTHER HEALTH CONCERNS

Juanita Nolan Monte Olson Lynne Kellerman Mark Olson **Craig Fawley Herm Newton Diane Rachev Bev Gray Kathy Dox** Jonathan Mickelson

Diane Landstad Paul Martinsen **Dorothy Smeltzer Bob & Jan Kolodii Mary Peterson Mary Webster Erik Svenkerud** Llovd Henke **Beverly Rueger**



WANNA QUILT?

The fun starts Friday, September 5 9-Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Experience

Required For

Projects

Ways we help:

Lutheran World Relief

Community Food Shelf

HOPE

Quilt Auctions

Local

Call Linda Delanev with questions or suggestions at 218-820-6777

Enjoy coffee & treats with your quilting buddies

Quilters:

Shop for fabric Wash & iron used fabric

Cut squares

Sort & design squares for quilt kits Choose quilt kits in the narthex to

take home & sew

and sew much more!







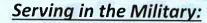




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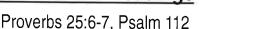
Silas Berg, Nicholas Bruesewitz, Austin Burton, Nathan Hagestuen, Josh Hagestuen, Luke Oaks, Logan Lueck, Kurt Hagestuen, Wyatt Carlson, Landon Todd, Gregory Wenzel

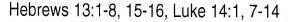
Assisted Living Residents

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



Next Week's Readings







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.