



# First Lutheran Church of Aitkin

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

Week of June 21, 2026



## Weekly Worship Schedule:

Sunday 9:00 am & 10:40 am



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

### JESUS said,

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because He has anointed me to preach:

Good News to the afflicted, the oppressed, the poor,  
Release to the captives,  
Recovery of sight to the blind,  
Freedom to those who are in prison  
Proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord ....  
And today this has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

*Luke 4:18-21*

### All are welcome at First Lutheran Church! ALL!

You know the burdens you carry, what needs you have for love, acceptance, forgiveness, understanding, comfort, hope and renewal. Come and be welcomed, whether you are a long time member or a visitor who is searching or someone between all of these situations.

**The Lord's Supper** is offered believing that Jesus Christ is truly present in, with and under the form of bread and wine. Jesus offers Himself to us for the forgiveness of sins, renewal of life and strengthening of our faith along with a taste of the feast to come in the fullness of God's Kingdom. Jesus offers Himself so that we may re-experience Him again and again in this Holy Sacrament. **ALLELUIA!**

**Please know that YOU are welcome and invited.** to Coffee Fellowship following the 9 am Service and before the 10:40 am service, in the Fellowship Hall directly north of the Sanctuary. **Come!**

## Gathering

Welcome & Invocation  
Moments for Mission  
Dedication of Solar Panels  
Confession & Forgiveness  
Gathering Hymn “We Know that Christ was Raised” ELW #449  
Greeting  
Kyrie ELW p. 203  
Hymn of Praise “Glory Be to God in Heaven” ELW p.204  
Prayer of the Day

## Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13  
Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18  
Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11  
Gospel Acclamation ELW p.205  
Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:24-39  
Time for Children Pastor Glen Bickford  
Sermon Pastor Glen Bickford  
Hymn of the Day “How Firm a Foundation” ELW #796  
Apostles' Creed  
Prayers of the Church

## Meal

Sharing of God's Peace  
Offering  
Offering Prayer  
Holy Communion  
The Great Thanksgiving  
Words of Institution  
The Lord's Prayer  
Communion Invitation  
Distribution of Communion  
Hymn “Children of the Heavenly Father” ELW #781  
Hymn “Will You Come and Follow Me?” ELW #798  
Post-Communion Prayer  
Sending Communion

## Sending

Benediction  
Mission Statement of First Lutheran Church  
Sending Hymn “Go My Children. With My Blessing” ELW #543  
Dismissal

**Sunday, June 21, 2026**

*Father's Day*

**Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**

**9:00am Worship Service w/Communion**  
- (Also available via Live stream on YouTube)

10:00am Coffee Fellowship

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

**10:40am Worship Service w/Communion**

**Monday, June 22, 2026**

8:15am King's Men

5:00pm Community Meal

5:00pm Garden Club Group

**Tuesday, June 23, 2026**

9:30am Renewal Group Meeting

11:00am Adult Bible Study

3:30pm Aitkin Youth Center

**Wednesday, June 24, 2026**

8:00am Aitkin WIC Clinic

8:00am Men's Bible Study & Breakfast

**Thursday, June 25, 2026**

9:00am Community Food Shelf

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

3:30pm Aitkin Youth Center

**Friday, June 26, 2026**

*Office Closed*

10:00am Dave Paulson Visitation

**11:00am Dave Paulson Funeral Service**

12:00pm Dave Paulson Luncheon

**Saturday, June 27, 2026**

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

**Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**

**9:00am Worship Service w/Communion**  
- (Also available via Live stream on YouTube)

10:00am Coffee Fellowship

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

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**KUWAA Mission** —The KUWAA Mission in Liberia is a mission focus for 2026. 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 Marge Muscatello for sponsoring 4 weeks.**



**Sympathy Prayers**



**We extend our sympathy and prayers to:**

The family and friends of Tony Carlstrom who died on June 9th, Tony was the nephew of **Lael & Ruth Carlstrom.**

The family and friends of **Dave Paulson** who died on June 14th. **Dave** was the husband of **Suka Paulson.**

**CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAYS IN SUMMER**

**FROM MAY 22 - SEPTEMBER 4**

**SPECIAL OFFERING TO SHIP QUILTS OVERSEAS**

**Our quilters have been working hard all year making beautiful quilts.**

**Please help our quilters send these quilts to those who need them most.**

**Thank you for your kindness.**

**Next Week's Readings**

- Jeremiah 28:5-9;
- Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18;
- Romans 6:12-23;
- Matthew 10:40-42

**QR Code For Easy Giving**

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



**Adult Bible Study  
Tuesdays at 11 a.m.  
in the library**

**NEW STUDY BEGINNING JUNE 2ND: "LIFE  
LESSONS FROM ACTS" BY MAX LUCADO**

**ALL ARE  
WELCOME!**

**Pastor Glen is available to speak  
with you!**

He would like to meet with folks over the phone or in-person, and is happy to come over or meet at the office.

If you are interested in setting up a meeting, please call him at 507-269-9079.

**JUNE WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**All Sunday's in June worship at  
9:00am & 10:40am**

**Coffee fellowship immediately  
following 9:00am service**

**ATTENDANCE**

Sunday: 6/14                      9:00 am ... 89  
   10:40 am ... 10

**TOTAL OFFERINGS**

***Week of June 14 — General Fund***

Offering :	\$ 6,835
Offering YTD :	\$ 149,203
Building Fund: (June)	\$ 1,140
Extra Mile Mission (June)	\$ 0
(Salem West)	



**JUNE EXTRA MILE  
MISSION: SALEM WEST**



If you would like to donate, please go to our website at [www.flc-aitkin.com](http://www.flc-aitkin.com) or send a check to the church

Looking for **SOUND BOOTH** Volunteers

**Join the team!**

3 people run the technology portion of worship each week.

- PowerPoint Operator
- Soundboard Technician
- Video Technician
- \*Training provided

Students in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> gr.  
Adults welcome too



Reach out to FLC office for more info.  
[office@flc-aitkin.com](mailto:office@flc-aitkin.com)

**Community Game Nights in Aitkin!**

**Are you looking for an opportunity to spend some time playing games? Open game nights will be offered on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, beginning June 4, from 6:30 pm – 9 pm at Sampaguita. Attend them all or just stop by occasionally. Everybody is welcome, but we must ask that minors under 16 are accompanied by a responsible adult.**

Some games will always be available, but if you have a particular game you like, bring that with you. Parents bringing kids will want to bring an appropriate game for younger people as well. You are free to bring your own snacks and drinks.

Direct any questions to [tomjonesmnafs@gmail.com](mailto:tomjonesmnafs@gmail.com).

**Need a Notary?**

Reminder—Our office manager, Jill Jameson, is a notary public. This is a free service available to all members of our church.



# prayer LIST

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING CANCER

Steve Moreland  
Emily Forzani  
Bonnie Mickelson  
Maria Koslosky  
Jan Werner  
Bill Hakes  
Diane Newstrom  
Peggy & Stan Miller  
Kristi Wetzel

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH OTHER HEALTH CONCERNS

Dennis Brummer  
Hannah Kircher  
Ryan Schugel  
Ken Lebens  
Dorothy Smeltzer  
Michael May  
Jacob Mehr  
Monte Olson  
Craig Fawley  
Herm Newton  
Diane Landstad  
Paul Martinsen  
Jan Kolodji  
Mary Peterson  
Beverly Rueger  
Otto Sotnak  
Don Schend

\*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.

## **DEDICATION OF SOLAR PANELS**

**As we celebrate God's gift of the sun and the summer solstice, it is an appropriate time to dedicate the solar panels. It was a project involving many parts of First Lutheran Church. Dave Dickey was the leader of this project and with Church Property and Church Council, these three groups spent numerous hours making it a reality. There were many members of the congregation who stepped forward and contributed generously with funds. The Mission Endowment Fund Committee also donated \$4,000 to the project. Thank you to all involved.**

**The use of the sun to power the solar panels and thereby reduce the overall electricity costs, means there is money that can be used in other ministry areas. We give thanks to God and we give thanks to all who helped with this project. We celebrate this event with a brief dedication service and then join in summer food treats at fellowship time. All are invited to join.**

### 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; Elaine Selseth; Marty Swanson, Glen & Dorothy Smeltzer

