



FIRST  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
COLORADO SPRINGS

Grace, Judgment  
*and the*  
Human Story

worship

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## Welcome to First Lutheran Church!

Today, as since 1892, we welcome members and guests to glorify God and exalt his name.

### NEW HERE? HAVE A QUESTION?

Visit the Welcome Center in the Gathering Place, just north of the Sanctuary. First-time visitors receive a special gift.

### HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate Holy Communion at every worship service; all who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome at his table. To receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest. Our children celebrate First Communion in Grade 3. Earlier participation in communion is at the discretion of parents or guardians.

### NEED HEARING ASSISTANCE?

Assistive Listening Devices are available and may be used with headphones or with a neck loop for T-Coil-equipped hearing aids. Please leave the devices in the Sanctuary after the service.

### CHILD CARE

All ages are welcome in worship; our professionally-staffed child care center is, however, an option for young children during services. The center is near the elevator on the main level.

### A PLACE FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

Our **Sunday School** program meets at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Children may be dropped off as early as 9:15 a.m. Adults are invited to join our quarterly Adult Education classes.

### JOIN US FOR COFFEE

Following the worship service, please join us in the Gathering Place for coffee, treats, and fellowship.

### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Our newest service takes place at 10:15 a.m. in the Worship Center on the second level – a distinctively Lutheran approach to contemporary worship. During the sermon, **First Kids** is offered in the Fireside Room for children aged Preschool through Grade 2.

### ONLINE WORSHIP: YOUTUBE



Never miss a service on our YouTube channel! Search for *First Lutheran Colorado Springs* and click **SUBSCRIBE** to be notified when we upload or stream new videos.

### DOWNLOAD OUR APP

With the First Lutheran app, you can watch online services and live streams, manage your giving, update your contact information, sign up for events, and more. Navigate to your app store and download *Church by MinistryOne*. Search for **FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH** or use our ZIP code, 80907.

# The Holy Trinity

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026  
8, 9:30, AND 11 A.M.

 · Hymn found in the red hymnal  
 · Hymn found in the bulletin

PRELUDE: *Be Thou My Vision*

*Carillon Ringers:* Katie Ackerman, Tricia Blomquist, Kaelyn Daughetee, Julie Furstenau, Elizabeth Heiny, Joey Heiny, Kate McCall, Carol Olson, Maari Olson, Margie Sisson, Addison Weis, Daniel Wicks, and John Wicks. Joan Kuehn, director.

WORD OF WELCOME

*Please stand as you are able and turn to face the cross.*

Pastor    The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
                  and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Everyone    **And also with you.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

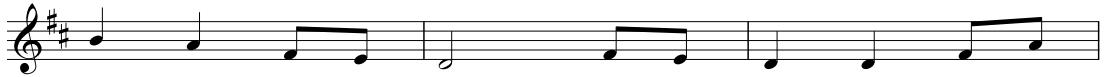
*A moment for silent confession.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 📖 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
Daniel Wicks, guest organist



1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my  
2. Hith - er - to thy love has blest me; thou hast  
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er  
brought me to this place; and I know thy hand will  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



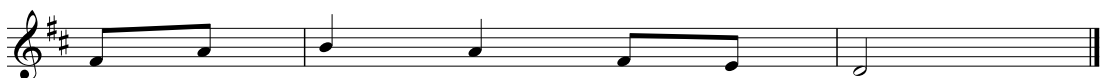
ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me  
bring me safe - ly home by thy good grace. Je - sus  
fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee: prone to



some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by\_\_ flam - ing tongues a -  
sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of  
wan - der, Lord, I feel\_\_ it, prone to\_\_ leave the God I



bove; praise his name - I'm fixed up - on it -  
God; he, to res - cue me from dan - ger,  
love; here's my heart, O take and seal it;



name of God's re - deem - ing love.  
bought me with his pre - cious blood.  
seal it for thy courts a - bove.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the Holy Trinity, eternal three-in-one, majestic one-in three. Keep us steadfast in this faith and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *Osse Shalom*

“May the One who creates peace on high bring peace to us all. And we say: Amen!”

Joey Heiny, clarinet

READING: GENESIS 1:1 – 2:4a

In the black pew Bible · Page 1

*After the reading:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 8

*Please join in reading our psalm responsively.*

LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory

in the heavens.

**Through the praise of children and infants**

**you have established a stronghold against your enemies,**

**to silence the foe and the avenger.**

When I consider your heavens,

the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars,

which you have set in place,

*Continued on the next page.*

**what is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
human beings that you care for them?  
You have made them a little lower than the angels  
and crowned them with glory and honor.  
You made them rulers over the works of your hands;  
you put everything under their feet:  
all flocks and herds,  
and the animals of the wild,  
the birds in the sky,  
and the fish in the sea,  
all that swim the paths of the seas.  
LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Please stand for the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Festival Alleluia*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 28:16 – 20  
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Before the reading:

The holy gospel according to Matthew,  
the twenty-eighth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

After the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

Following the reading, everyone repeats the Acclamation.

You may be seated.

SERMON: PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON


Following the sermon, please stand for the hymn.

HYMN OF THE DAY 📖 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

*Refrain*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,  
all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



1. Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each  
2. The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the  
3. The cold wind in the win - ter, the  
4. God gave us eyes to see them, and



lit - tle bird that sings, God made their glow - ing  
riv - er run - ning by, the sun - set, and the  
plea - sant sum - mer sun, the ripe fruits in the  
lips that we might tell how great is God Al -



col - ors, God made their ti - ny wings.  
morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky,  
gar - den, God made them ev - 'ry one.  
- migh - ty, who has made all things well.

*Back to Refrain*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*You may be seated as the ushers come forward to receive our tithes and offerings.*

OFFERING MUSIC: *God of Eternity*

God of eternity, Savior and King!

Help us to honor thee, help while we sing;

now may the clouds of night break into splendor bright,

Jesus, our life and light, our Lord and King!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus, our life and light, our Lord and King!

God of eternity, Ancient of Days,

glorious in majesty, Author of praise;

hear thou our earnest call, while at thy feet we fall,

Jesus, our All-in-All, our Lord and King!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus, our All-in-All, our Lord and King!

We extend a special welcome to all who are new to First Lutheran today! Please text **GUEST** to **719.988.3524** to let us know about yourself.

If you already support First Lutheran, thank you! Gifts of any size make a difference to the ministries and outreach of our congregation. Scan the QR code, text **GIVE** to **719.988.3524**, or place your offering in the plate as it is passed.



God of eternity, thee we proclaim!  
 God of the earth and sea, love is thy name;  
 Lord, through thine only Son,  
 thy work of grace hath done;  
 O blessed Three-in-One, thy name we sing!  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 O blessed Three-in-One, thy name we sing!  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 O blessed Three-in-One, thy name we sing!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Please remain standing as we sing the Offertory.*

OFFERTORY: *Let Praises Ring*

Let prai - ses ring; give thanks, and bring to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Christ our Lord a - do - ra - tion. His ho - nor speed by  
 word and deed to \_\_\_\_\_ ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So  
 shall his love give us a - bove, from mi - se - ry and  
 death set free, all joy and full con - so - la - tion.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### BREAD AND WINE ARE SHARED

Come to the table for all is now ready.

**Thanks be to God!**

### AT COMMUNION

- + *All who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome at his table.*
- + *Please follow the lead of the ushers in going forward via the center aisle.*
- + *Extend your hands, and allow the bread to be placed in your hand.  
Take either the wine or white grape juice from the center of the tray.*
- + *As you return to your seat via the side aisle, place your empty glass in the white rack.*
- + *Gluten-free wafers are available.*
- + *If you are unable to come forward, please alert an usher so we may serve you at your seat.*

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

CHOIR AND BELLS: *Come to the Table*

HYMN  No. 473 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Please stand for the blessing.*


### COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN  No. 543 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE





# Friends *by the* Firepit

Wednesdays • 6–8 P.M. • June 10–August 12

Join us by the firepit for Bible study and conversation centered on Sunday's sermon. All ages are welcome, and childcare is available for young children. In case of bad weather, we'll gather on the Peel House porch or indoors. We'll end the night with s'mores!

# First Lutheran Staff

## CLERGY

The Rev. Travis Norton, Senior Pastor  
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The Rev. Michaela Eskew, Associate Pastor

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and Cynder Ros, Sextons  
Robert Kelley, Maintenance

## DINING OUT WITH FIRST LUTHERAN

SELECT TUESDAYS | 5:30 P.M.  
VARIOUS RESTAURANTS

All are welcome to join this group, which meets at local restaurants on two Tuesdays of each month to enjoy various cuisines and fellowship. Reservations will be made two weeks in advance, so be sure to sign up early. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/41Rh4ff>

## JUNE "FOX TROT" LESSONS

SUNDAYS | JUNE 7 – 28  
2 – 3 P.M. | PEEL HOUSE PARLOR

Angela Harder is back to teach us the "Fox Trot"! This is a four-week class. Keeping a maximum of twenty people allows Angela to introduce new moves each week while helping dancers progress at their own pace. Wear shoes that can slide on the wood floor of the Peel House parlor! Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3PoBzVA>  
\$80 couple / \$40 single

## AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL CHORUS

JUNE 6 | 2 AND 7 P.M.  
SUNRISE METHODIST CHURCH

America The Beautiful Chorus will present A Walk Down Broadway. The award winning Barber-shop Quartet "Sunday Night Social" will be our special guests! \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Tickets available at [atbchorus.com](http://atbchorus.com)

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## **NEWCOMER BRUNCH**

JUNE 14 FROM 11:30 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Rolling brunch in the Peel House  
for anyone who is new to First Lutheran!



## **AFA GENERAL BRADLEY AND ZITA HOSMER VISITOR CENTER**



SIGN UP BY JUNE 22

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

**LEAVE FLC: 9:30 A.M. | TOUR TIME: 10 A.M.**

**COST: FREE**

**LUNCH:** Polaris Hotel Via Connected Walkway  
(pay on your own)

See Ekklesia for more information.

# Today at First Lutheran

- Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 8 a.m.
- Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 9:30 a.m.
- Contemporary Worship Service, Worship Center..... 10:15 a.m.  
Including First Kids (Preschool – Grade 2) in the Fireside Room
- Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary ..... 11 a.m.

Traditional Sunday School will not meet today.  
*Children are invited to worship with their families.*

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS  
LUTHER HALL | 10 – 11 A.M.

Led by the preaching pastor for the week – come explore the Scriptures in an engaging small group setting.

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