

Preparation for Worship: “How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures” (Psalm 104:24, NIV). I worship and praise you, O God!

Please stand as you are able **Bold Items read in unison*

GATHERING We come together to worship God

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: [The Lord says:] **“My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd...My dwelling place will be with them; I will be their God, and they will be my people.”** (Ezekiel 37:24,27)

Opening Prayer

* Opening Hymn – *Gracious Spirit, Dove Divine* Red **#129**

Communion Exhortation

Confession of Sin: **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and ask You for Christ’s sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Response:(sung,#205, v. 4) **He sent His Son with pow’r to save, From guilt and dark-ness, and the grave: Won-ders of grace to God be-long; Re-peat His mer-cies in your song.**

Declaration of Grace

Prayers of the Church (P: Lord in Your mercy C: **Hear our prayer.**)

WORD – We seek guidance from God’s Word

Psalms 143 Responsive Reading

Acts 2:1-8,13-24 Epistle

* John 14:23-31 * Gospel

* Apostles’ Creed: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from where He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* Gloria Patri: (sung, p. 4 for melody) **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Offertory (sung, p. 33 for melody) **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation: and uphold me with Your free Spirit.**

Children’s Sermon

Hymn of the Day – *Be Thou My Vision* Red **#607**

Genesis 11:1-9 Old Testament

Sermon – *The Water and Tree of Life* Pastor Barry Nelson

MEAL The Table of Our Lord

Holy Communion **p. 35-38**

Nunc Dimittis: **Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.**

SENDING We go out to live in & share God’s Word

* Closing Hymn – *Spread, Oh Spread, Thou Mighty Word* Red **#310**

* Benediction & Doxology: (sung, p. 24 for melody) **Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. Amen.**

* Dismissal L: Go in Peace, and Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**



Operation Christmas Child Fundraiser

Hope’s Sunday School will host their first freewill offering fundraiser for Operation Christmas Child (OCC) shoebox items and shipping next Sunday, June 15. They will be serving donuts & refreshments following worship service.

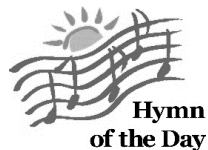
This Week in the Parish - June 8 - 15

TODAY!	3:30 pm	Lutherans for Life meeting at St. John's in Yankton
	4-6 pm	Lutherans for Life picnic at St. John's in Yankton
	7:30 pm	First American Council
WED-SAT	AFLC Annual Conference at ARC in Osceola, WI	
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Hope Worship
	10:00 am	Donut Fundraiser for OCC Shoeboxes at Hope
	10:45 am	First American Worship with Noisy Offering for the Banquet, Sioux Falls

Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – June 1, 2025

First American: General—\$2147. Benevolence—\$40. AFLC Bible School—\$40. Noisy Offering for the Lutheran Ambassador—\$55. Dennewitz Cemetery Fund—\$250. Budget per Sunday—\$2023.19. *Dennewitz Fund Total: \$8050.05*

Welcome to Pentecost worship! Today we celebrate God forming the church and pouring out the Holy Spirit upon us. May we sense the Spirit's fire and breath directing us always. Guests, please sign the book in the narthex.



Be Thou My Vision was selected by Bryan Bietz. "God's plan is always better than our own. This song is a good reminder to trust His vision even though we can't always see it."

Prayer in our corporate worship service is very important. To maintain a current prayer list, requests for non-members will be printed in the bulletin for three weeks. For additional time, please send an update to Pastor Barry. New additions will be underlined, and those scheduled to come off will be in italics.

Health Needs of our Members: Kristie Bueber. Peggy Friederich. Delaine Geuther. Allan Hale. Dawsyn Johnston. Sue Neumeister. Kaylene Prusia.

Health Needs: Jerry Conner (father of Tammy Bietz). Marc Reiner (son-in-law of Glen & Cindy Batterman).

Sympathy: Prayers of comfort for the family and friends of Martin Flottmeyer (grandfather of Shawn Bietz).

Birthdays: 9 Jackie Ziegler. 10 Jon Bueber. 11 Doug Bitterman. 12 Justin Mogck.

Anniversaries: 9 Adam & Katy Brock, Russ & Barb Dozark. 12 Marc & Carrie Reiner. 14 Todd & Charlene Bietz.

AFLC Churches: Zion Lutheran, Silverhill, AL; Solid Rock Free Lutheran, Anoka, MN; Lord of the Harvest Lutheran, Fairbank, IA.

Mission: AFLC Annual Conference, Osceola, WI

Our members in Care Centers: Avera Bormann Manor in Parkston: Elmer Bietz
Avera Weskota Manor in Wessington Springs: Lorene Jerke
Good Samaritan Society-Scotland: Delaine Geuther, Rose Prien
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Today's Readings

June 8, 2025

Pentecost Sunday

Psalm 143

¹ LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;
in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.

² **Do not bring your servant into judgment,
for no one living is righteous before you.**

³ The enemy pursues me, he crushes me to the ground;
he makes me dwell in the darkness like those long dead.

⁴ **So my spirit grows faint within me;
my heart within me is dismayed.**

⁵ I remember the days of long ago;
I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.

⁶ **I spread out my hands to you; I thirst for you like a parched land.**

⁷ Answer me quickly, LORD; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from
me or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

⁸ **Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love,
for I have put my trust in you.**

Epistle

Acts 2:1-8,13-24

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.
² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." ¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ "'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. ¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. ²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. ²¹ And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'" ²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did

among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.***

Gospel

John 14:23-31

²³ Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. ²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. ²⁸ "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

³⁰ I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, ³¹ but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me. "Come now; let us leave.

** Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. * C: **Praise to You, O Christ.***

Sermon Text: Old Testament

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ² As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. ³ They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth." ⁵ But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other." ⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Lessons – June 15, 2025 Old Testament – Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31 Psalm 8
Epistle – Acts 2:14a,22-24,29-36 Gospel – John 8:48-59



Vacation Bible School

June 16 - 20, 2025

Monday 8:15am-12:00pm

Tuesday – Friday

8:30am - 12:00pm

A Community VBS held at Friedens Reformed Church – Tripp
Sponsored by: Friedens Reformed Church, Hope Lutheran Church,
& First American Lutheran Church

Jesus said..., “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.”

John 14:6

Closing Program

Friedens Reformed Church in Tripp

Friday, June 20 at 7:30 pm

(root beer floats and fellowship following program)

Sign up online today!

Use QR code or go to:
www.FAHope.org/vbs



Printed registration forms can also be found in the
narthex at FA and Hope.

HELP WANTED:

HOPE: Hope is looking for someone to clean the church. If you are interested or if you have a suggestion, please contact Pastor Barry or a council member.

FIRST AMERICAN: Stained Glass Committee – We need help choosing potential designs for new stained glass windows for the side aisle sanctuary doors. If you have general ideas or are interested in joining a group to help, call/text Pastor Barry at 612-868-0789.

AFLC Annual Conference will be held June 11th-14th at the Association Retreat Center (A.R.C.) near Osceola, Wisconsin.

Genesis 11:1-9

“United We Fall?”

June 8, 2025

1. United in Arrogance

2. Divided in Judgment

3. Reunited in the Spirit