

### Preparation for Worship:

Ignite our hearts with the fire of your Holy Spirit so that we may know we have had fellowship with you, Lord of all.

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

### GATHERING We come together to worship God

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation/Call to Worship: **Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord. (Psalm 117)**

Opening Prayer

\* Opening Hymn – *Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens, Adore Him* . . . . . Red **#207**

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:(#291, v.4) **Forgive, dear Lord, each fault and stain, And cleanse our hearts from sin; Help us to walk in humble faith, And keep us pure within.**

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

### WORD We seek guidance from God's Word

Zechariah 9:9-12 Old Testament

Romans 15:8-13 Epistle

\* Matthew 11:25-30 \* Gospel

\* Confession of Faith (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) **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 – *Beautiful Savior* . . . . . Red **#177**

Psalm 145:1-14 Responsive Reading

Sermon – *A Nation of Adoration* . . . . Pastor Barry Nelson

Hymn – *O God, beneath Thy Guiding Hand* . . . . . Red **#633**

### MEAL The Table of Our Lord

\* 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.**

Holy Communion

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

\* Hymn – *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* (v.2) . . . . . Red **#284**

\* 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. A-men.**

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

### Freedom

Each one of us is born most free And we alone can choose  
To do what God would have us do, To use what God would use.

Or, we are also free to seek The proud and selfish way —  
A life where other gods come first To reign and hold full sway.

But when we follow where Christ leads, We find that freedom's place  
Is really in God's Will for us, And we have chosen GRACE!

—Peggy Ferrell, Prayers and Poems

**This Week in the Parish - July 5 - 12**

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| TUESDAY  | 7:30 pm  | Hope Council               |
| SATURDAY | 8:30 am  | Men's Fellowship Breakfast |
| SUNDAY   | 9:00 am  | Worship at First American  |
|          | 10:45 am | Worship at Hope            |

**Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – June 28, 2026**

**First American:** General—\$2775.25. Benevolence—\$55. Noisy Offering for Tammy Ziegler—\$50. Budget per Sun—\$2068.

**Welcome!** On this Sunday following our nation's celebration of independence, we are grateful you have come to worship Almighty God, who continues to bless our land in countless ways. Please be sure to introduce yourself and sign our guest register as you leave.

Prayer in our corporate worship service is very important. To maintain a current prayer list, requests for non-members will be 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:** Russ Dozark. Allan Hale. Dawsyn Johnston. Robert Kurtz. Sue Neumeister. Tammy Ziegler. Glendora Zeitner.

**Health Needs:** Donna Soulek (former Hope member). Jeanette Tiede (sister of Lila Fechner). Rachel (mother of Trista Friman).

**Sympathy:** Prayers of comfort for the family & friends of *Loren Buchholz* (Tripp community).

**Birthdays:** 5 Kacynn Bietz, Khloe Hoff. 7 Callan Bietz. 10 Eleanor Schempp. 11 Christian Jensen.

**AFLC Churches:** First Lutheran, Oklahoma City, OK; Hosanna Free Lutheran, St. James, MN; Grace Free Lutheran, Valley City, ND.

**Mission:** The Banquet in Sioux Falls.

**Church Directory Committee:** The council of First American is interested in putting together a committee to oversee the creation of an updated church directory. Our last directory was printed in 2013, and we have had a lot of changes since then! If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Barry.

The **Tripp-Delmont Parent Teacher Children Organization** is having a free will donation fundraiser breakfast today July 5<sup>th</sup> at the Tripp Fire Hall, 9am – 1 pm.

Freedom fails when people decide that it is their right to take and not to give.  
—Stanley Maxwell

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## Today's Readings

July 5, 2026

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

### Old Testament

### Zechariah 9:9-12

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

### Epistle

### Romans 15:8-13

For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed <sup>9</sup> and, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles; I will sing the praises of your name." <sup>10</sup> Again, it says, "Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people." <sup>11</sup> And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; let all the peoples extol him." <sup>12</sup> And again, Isaiah says, "The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope." <sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

### Gospel

### Matthew 11:25-30

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. <sup>26</sup> Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do. <sup>27</sup> "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup> "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

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

### Sermon Text: Responsive Reading

### Psalm 145:1-14

- <sup>1</sup> I will exalt you, my God the King;  
I will praise your name for ever and ever.
- <sup>2</sup> **Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.**
- <sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;  
his greatness no one can fathom.
- <sup>4</sup> **One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.**
- <sup>5</sup> They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—  
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.
- <sup>6</sup> **They tell of the power of your awesome works—  
and I will proclaim your great deeds.**
- <sup>7</sup> They celebrate your abundant goodness  
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.
- <sup>8</sup> **The LORD is gracious and compassionate,  
slow to anger and rich in love.**
- <sup>9</sup> The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.
- <sup>10</sup> **All your works praise you, LORD;  
your faithful people extol you.**
- <sup>11</sup> They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might,  
<sup>12</sup> **so that all people may know of your mighty acts  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**
- <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion  
endures through all generations. The LORD is trustworthy in all he  
promises and faithful in all he does.
- <sup>14</sup> **The LORD upholds all who fall  
and lifts up all who are bowed down.**

Lessons – July 12, 2026 OT – Daniel 9:4-10,17-19 Psalm 65:1-8  
Epistle – Romans 8:12-17 Gospel – Luke 24:44-53



# America 250:

## America's ACTS of Prayer

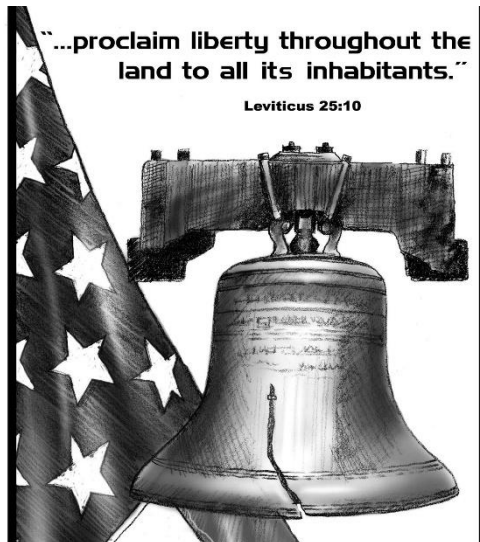
July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, marks the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Throughout the month of July, our Sunday sermons will highlight spiritual principles which guided the founding of our nation, and how we need to act on those spiritual principles today.

**Adoration:** Psalm 145:1-14 – July 5

**Confession:** Daniel 9:4-19 – July 12

**Thanksgiving:** Colossians 3:15-17 – July 19

**Supplication:** 1 Timothy 2:1-4 – July 26



## Psalm 145:1-14

"A Nation of Adoration"

July 5, 2026

### 1. The Foundation of Prayer

### 2. At the Foundation of our Nation

### 3. As the Foundation of Our Life