

Preparation for Worship:

Enable us to keep our minds and hearts focused on you, O Lord. Make us alert and aware of your loving presence among us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 – *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Red **#559**

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.**

Declaration of Grace

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

WORD We seek guidance from God's Word

Psalm 65:1-8 Responsive Reading

Romans 8:12-17 Epistle Lesson

* Luke 24:44-53 * Gospel Lesson

* Confession of Faith (Luther's Meaning - Third Article of Apostle's Creed):

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and sanctified and preserved me in the true faith; in like manner as He calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and preserves it in union with Jesus Christ in the one true faith; in this Christian Church He daily forgives abundantly all my sins, and the sins of all believers, and at the last day will raise up me and all the dead, and will grant everlasting life to me and to all who believe in Christ. This is most certainly true.

* 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 – *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* Red **#1**

* Sermon Text: Gospel - Daniel 9:4-10, 17-19

Sermon – A Nation of Confession Pastor Barry

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

* Closing Hymn – *America the Beautiful* Red **#630**

* 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.**

* Benediction & Doxology: (sung, p. 24 for melody) **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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



Sunday School Volunteers

Fun in Sunday school

A Sunday school teacher was explaining how God created Eve out of Adam's rib. Suddenly, a student who enjoyed showing off started groaning and grabbing his side.

When the teacher asked what the boy's problem was, he said with a smile, "I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

If you're interested in volunteering at First American as a Sunday school teacher, assistant or sub, please contact Kristie Bueber.

Church Directory Volunteers: We need volunteers to help plan 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 in any way, please contact Pastor Barry.

This Week in the Parish - July 12 - 19

Today! 10:00 am Donuts & Coffee at Hope (youth group fundraiser for 2027 FLY trip in CO)

TUESDAY 7:30 pm Hope WMF – Lesson 5

WEDNESDAY 7:30 pm First American WMF – Lesson 7

7:30 pm First American Council

SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship at First American with Noisy Offering for Life 96.5 Radio

10:45 am Worship at Hope

4:00 pm Youth Group meet in Mitchell for bowling

Wed 22nd Newsletter Deadline!

Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – July 5, 2026

First American: General—\$940. Benevolence—\$60. Basement Rent—\$100. Budget per Sun—\$2068.

Welcome! We welcome all who have come to glorify God in worship. May our hearts reach out to God and to one another in love. We are glad you are here. 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: Rachel (mother of Trista Friman). Nicole Rude (niece of Tammy Ziegler). Donna Soulek (former Hope member). Jeanette Tiede (sister of Lila Fechner).

Sympathy: Prayers of comfort for the family & friends of Gilbert Weber (former member of First American).

Birthdays: 12 Terri Bitterman. 16 Kaylene Prusia.

Anniversaries: 13 Austin & Laura Bitterman. 17 Darin & Amanda Ziegler. 18 Michael & Melissa Schmidt.

AFLC Churches: Bethany Lutheran, Astoria, OR; Norland Free Lutheran, Salol, MN; Emmanuel Free Lutheran, Williston, ND.

Mission: Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU) in Sioux Falls

Our members in Care Centers: Avera Bormann Manor in Parkston: Elmer Bietz
Avera Bormann Assisted Living in Parkston: Carol Bietz
Avera Weskota Manor in Wessington Springs: Lorene Jerke
Good Samaritan Society-Scotland: Delaine Geuther.
Menno-Olivet Care Center: Norma Mogck

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Today's Readings

July 12, 2026

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 65:1-8

¹ Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

² **You who answer prayer, to you all people will come.**

³ When we were overwhelmed by sins,
you forgave our transgressions.

⁴ **Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your
courts! We are filled with the good things of your house,
of your holy temple.**

⁵ You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Savior,
the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas,

⁶ **who formed the mountains by your power,
having armed yourself with strength,**

⁷ who stilled the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves,
and the turmoil of the nations.

⁸ **The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;
where morning dawns, where evening fades,
you call forth songs of joy.**

Epistle

Romans 8:12-17

¹² Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. ¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

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

Lessons – July 19, 2026 OT – Isaiah 44:6-8 Psalm 100
Epistle – Colossians 3:15-17 Gospel – Luke 17:11-19

Gospel

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴ He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” ⁵⁰ When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

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

Sermon Text: Old Testament

Daniel 9:4-10,17-19

⁴ I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed:

“Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, ⁵ we have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws. ⁶ We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes and our ancestors, and to all the people of the land.

⁷ “Lord, you are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame—the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, both near and far, in all the countries where you have scattered us because of our unfaithfulness to you. ⁸ We and our kings, our princes and our ancestors are covered with shame, LORD, because we have sinned against you. ⁹ The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him; ¹⁰ we have not obeyed the LORD our God or kept the laws he gave us through his servants the prophets.

¹⁷ “Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servant. For your sake, Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary. ¹⁸ Give ear, our God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy. ¹⁹ Lord, listen! Lord, forgive! Lord, hear and act! For your sake, my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name.”



America 250:

America's ACTS of Prayer

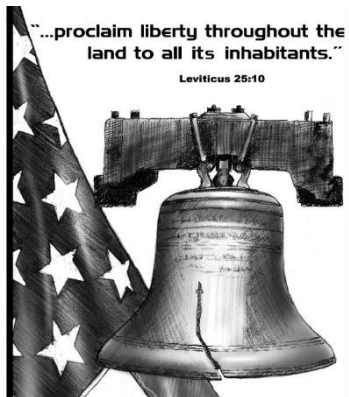
This July 4th marked the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, so for the month of July, our Sunday sermon series is America's ACTS of Prayer. When our Founding Fathers declared independence from Great Britain, they also declared their dependence on the Lord in their prayers and their public calls for prayer. Each week, we will examine a different aspect of those prayers. The best way we can celebrate and honor their heritage of faith and freedom we've been given is to continue to declare our dependence on the Lord in the same way.

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



Daniel 9:4-10,17-19

"A Nation of Confession"

July 12, 2026

1. Confession of Daniel – 539 BC

2. Confession of the Second Continental Congress - 1776

3. Confession of America - 2026