

June 14th, 2026

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Led by the Spirit, growing in faith, to welcome and serve all.

Worship Leaders: This Sunday, June 14th

Ushers: Jill Olson & Beth Shephard

Musicians: Praise Band

AV: Brenda Taylor

Acolytes:

Lector: Gracie Larson

Prayers/Liturgists: Alex Flaten, Gracie Larson,
Marilyn Schoolmeesters

Communion Assistants: Cindy Koepp & Kathy
McDonald

Altar Guild: Deb Dahlberg & Yvonne Lind

Flowers on the Altar: are placed by Marlys Olson
in memory of her parents Donald & Frances Olson

Events This Week

June 14

9:00 AM: Worship with Praise Band

10:00 AM: Coffee Fellowship

June 15

9:00 AM: Random Access Quilt Class

6:00 PM: Church Council Meeting

7:00 PM: Piecemakers Quilt Guild

June 17

9:00 AM: Quilters

1:00 PM: Bible Study

6:30 PM: Personnel Committee
Meeting

7:00 PM: Call Committee Meeting

June 21

9:00 AM: Worship

10:00 AM: Coffee Fellowship

Our Mission Statement

At first glance, the mission statement does not appear to have anything to do with our contributions, but consider this:

At almost midyear, the financial reports indicate that the 2026 budget will be met. The ministries and missions of FELC will be funded and fulfilled. Our physical structure will be maintained, beautiful music and flowers will enhance our worship, the youth will have opportunities to strengthen their faith, our staff will be paid, the church will be heated and cooled, the van will bring our members to worship, children in our community will be nourished.

Perhaps you haven't thought about *why* you give to our church. How do you decide how much to contribute? Do you tithe? Do you budget for your giving? Do missions or programs speak to your heart? Do you feel an obligation to give or guilt if you don't? Is giving of your own will, or have you been nudged by the Holy Spirit?

It has been said that there are no coincidences, but most of us have had an occasion in life to wonder why something happened the way it did. When you reflect, could it have been the Holy Spirit guiding you? Just a whisper, a 'feeling', causing you to make a different decision, take an unfamiliar route, stay home, make a phone call or visit, change your plans.

The Holy Spirit is always at work, even though we may be unaware. Isn't it possible that we are guided in our contributions?

Every offering is gratefully received. With your gifts, we are able to serve, our doors are open, and we have opportunities to continue our faith journey. We are truly blessed.

Summer Bible Study

This summer, Bible Study resumes its weekly schedule. Join us every Wednesday at 1:00 PM for one hour of reading and discussing the scripture stories that we'll hear on Sunday morning. You do not need to have a Bible, you will not be asked to read aloud unless you want to, and no one is expected to be an expert in anything. People of all ages and abilities are invited to come share God's word and grow in faith together.

Chisago County Fair Parking

It's that time of year when the fair comes to town and First Lutheran partners with the Rush City Education Foundation to run the parking lots. This year we're only opening the two parking lots on Fairfield Ave. (the Kwik Trip and Car Wash parking lots). We have new signs, shade tents, and the trusty Menards money belts. Sign up by clicking on the QR code or visiting the church website.



Luther Point Camperships Available

Do you want to take your kids on vacation but money is tight? Would you like to spend time with your grandkids but don't have the energy to plan a bunch of kid activities? Might it be a good growing opportunity for your kids (and you) if they spent some nights having fun away from home? Luther Point Bible Camp has options for each of these scenarios and special camps for hobbies like fishing and boating this summer. If you'd like to go to camp or send someone you love to camp, we have the means to help you get there! Thanks to a bequest from Elmer R. Johnson upon his death, we have money to send you to camp! Follow the link in the QR code to request a scholarship.



Our Special Offering for June is Luther Point Bible Camp.

Backpack Program Thank You

On behalf of the Rush City Food Backpack Program, I would like to thank all who have supported the program with your donations. I also want to thank all of you who have volunteered your time to fill the food bags, deliver the bags to school and helped to unload the semi when Second Harvest delivers our order. Your donations and volunteer time is the only way this program can exist. Families in our community are grateful for your support. Thank you! Shari Schlagel

**WE ARE
HIRING!**
PART TIME
CHURCH MUSICIAN

**all details and
full job description
at**
www.rushcityfirstlutheran.org

Church Office Hours This Week

Monday, June 15th: 1:00 - 5:00 PM
Wednesday, June 17th: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Thursday, June 18th: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Scripture for the Coming Week

Jeremiah 20:7-13
Psalms 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

Worship Leaders: Next Sunday, June 21st

Ushers: Yvonne Lind & Elaine Waxberg

Musician: Barbara Brooks

Acolytes:

Lector: Sandy Holmberg

Prayers/Liturgists: Marilyn Schoolmeesters

Communion Assistants: Sue Griffin & Maureen Sybrant

Altar Guild: Deb Dahlberg & Yvonne Lind

Flowers on the Altar: Yvonne Lind