



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS **MARCH 29, 2026**

WALKING TOGETHER THROUGH HOLY WEEK

As we enter the holiest week of the church year, you are invited to gather with us to experience the depth of Christ's love and the joy of the resurrection.

- Maundy Thursday (7pm): We remember Jesus' new commandment to love one another and the institution of the Lord's Supper.
- Good Friday (7pm): A service reflecting on the crucifixion as we gather at the foot of the cross.
- Easter Sunday (7am, 8:30am, & 10:30am): Christ is Risen! Join us for a joyous celebration of the resurrection.

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH TODAY

Join us for our Palm Sunday Brunch this morning from 9:30 - 12:30. There will be Egg Bake – Pastries - Donuts – Juice – Coffee - Fellowship and more! A freewill offering will be taken with all funds raised going to summer CYF Events.

FUN PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

Lauren Doyle, with Jae & Juniper Photography, will be setting up a lovely backdrop photo area next to the Office Outpost in the Mission Coffee House. She will be available for free photos, or feel free to take your own!! Palm Sunday: 9:30 -12:30 and Easter Sunday: 8:30 - 12:30.

USHERS ARE NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK

We are in need of ushers for Holy Week services. If you are interested, sign up sheets are available in the Gathering Space at the back of the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, please see any of the ushers.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE!

We believe that everyone belongs here, and we want you to feel at home. To make worship more comfortable for you or your family, we have several resources available:

- *Aides for the senses: Noise-reducing headphones and focus fidgets.
- *Accessibility: Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices.
- *For comfort: Individual pew cushions.
- *For children: Engaging worship bags.
- *Communion: Gluten-free wafers and communion delivered to your seat.

If you would like to use any of these, or have a question, please feel free to ask a greeter or usher. We are happy to help!

CONVERSATIONS WITH COUNCIL APRIL 12th & 15th

You're invited to join in conversation with your church council members in the Mission Coffeehouse. Bring your thoughts, ideas, questions, and more. Suggested topics are only a possible starting place for discussion. Upcoming opportunities:
Sunday, 4/12, 9:40-10:20am, Topic: Welcome & Belonging
Wednesday, 4/15 Topic: VBS & Summer Ministry

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN

First Lutheran Preschool Registration is now open for the 2026/2027 school year. We offer preschool classes to children that are 3, 4 and 5 years old. We also offer a Jr K class. Children must be three years old by September 1 and potty trained to attend. If you would like more information on fall registration, please call the Preschool Office at 697-2756 or email sueann@firstlutheranbrookings.org. You may also check us out on our Facebook page or on the FLC website, www.firstlutheranbrookings.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Do you have a few hours a month to provide friendly hospitality on behalf of our congregation? We're seeking volunteers to serve at the Office Outpost at the Mission Coffeehouse entrance on Wednesday evenings, Friday mornings or afternoons, and other times as needed. Training before your first time serving will be provided. Greet folks, answer questions, take messages, and you'll likely have time to read or do a project you bring along. You can sign up to help by using the QR code or calling the office at 605-692-6251.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/g...>



PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR/LEAD TEACHER POSITION

We're now seeking a full-time Preschool Director/Lead Teacher! Use the QR code to see the full job listing. Spread the word, and direct any applications or inquiries to pastorjess@firstlutheranbrookings.org.

Congratulations to SueAnn Mouw on her retirement!

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LOOKING FOR RAISED GARDEN BED SOIL

Planting season is just around the corner! The First Lutheran Community Garden is in need of bags of raised bed soil. If you would like to contribute, you may leave these by the shed in the west parking lot, or in the Mission Coffeehouse entrance. Happy Growing Season! Please see Doriane at the Welcome Desk with questions.

LAUNDRY WITH LOVE OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to participate in an upcoming mission partnership with Laundry with Love, a vital ministry of Church on the Street, scheduled for May 25, 2026! This is an opportunity to live out our mission of fostering faith, creating community through service, and loving all of God's people within and beyond our walls. We need 12 volunteers to help prepare a hearty meal, welcome guests, serve the meal, build healthy relationships, and distribute donations. We will also collect perishable and non-perishable food items. Scan the QR code to see what donations are needed and what volunteer shifts are available.



WELCA FAMILY SPRING PLANTING EVENT RESCHEDULED

The Women of First Lutheran invite families to join them for a Spring Planting Event on April 12th between 1pm & 3pm. Families are invited to come decorate pots and plant a house plant to take home. We will investigate how planting and gardening can relate to our faith life. All plants and pots will be provided.

REMINDER: The church offices and Mission Coffeehouse will be closed on Monday, April 6th in observance of the Easter holiday.

Mission of the month for April is Camp Adventure

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH 29 – APRIL 6
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Sunday, March 29 – Palm Sunday – processional at both services

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
9:40 am Journey; Palm Sunday Brunch until 12:30
10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, March 30

9:30 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Sew What

Tuesday, March 31

8:30 am Quilters
2:00 pm Bible Study in MCH

Wednesday, April 1 – NO YOUTH PROGRAMMING

5:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal

Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Friday, April 3

7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service

Saturday, April 4**Sunday, April 5****NO JOURNEY**

7:00 am Sunrise Service
8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, April 6 – Offices and Mission Coffeehouse Closed

Only First Lutheran activities are listed on the schedule on the back page. For a complete list of activities held at First Lutheran, please visit the First Lutheran website – www.firstlutheranbrookings.org

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDER FOR ALL STUDENTS

There is no programming on Wednesday Night, April 1st, or on Sunday, April 5th, as we observe Holy Week. We encourage you to join us for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter morning worship services. Programming will return to its regular schedule on Wednesday April 8th and Sunday April 12th.

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UPCOMING CYF EVENTS

- April 1 (Wednesday) NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING
- April 5 (Sunday) Easter - NO SUNDAY PROGRAMMING
- April 8 (Wednesday)
 - 6:00pm - Journey; 2nd grade Steppingstone Class #1
 - 7:00pm - Confirmation & Youth Group; 11th grade Steppingstone
- April 12 (Sunday)
 - 9:30am - Journey
- April 15 (Wednesday)
 - 6:00pm - Journey; 2nd grade Steppingstone Class #2
 - 7:00pm - Confirmation & Youth Group
- April 19 (Sunday) 2nd Grade Steppingstone at both services
 - 9:30am - Journey
- April 22 (Wednesday)
 - 6:00pm - Journey
 - 7:00pm - Confirmation & Youth Group
- April 26 (Sunday)
 - 9:30am - Journey