



# LAMPLIGHTER

First Evangelical Lutheran Church



We welcomed new members to First Lutheran in November.  
Zach, Kathy, Marcus, and Myles Thein, Julie Cooper and Luke Klehm.

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## Advent “Meal & A Message”

As we enter this sacred season, we invite you to join us for our Advent services, centered on the beautiful theme of the Magnificat. Together we'll reflect on Mary's song of hope, courage, and the Light of the World. We pray these weeks will prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. In addition, each week the Evangelism Team will be handing out small mementos to remind you of the reason for the season. We hope to see you there!

The meals will be served beginning at 5:00 PM, followed by the worship services at 6:00 PM. The menu will vary, but the meal hosts will be:

December 3...Men's Bible Study

December 10...Heaven Bound

December 17...Evangelism/GIG



# DECEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**SUNDAYS**  
**at 9:00 A.M.**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**at 6:00 P.M.**

We also offer a live radio broadcast of our Sunday service on KMCH 94.7 FM and a live video stream on our FaceBook page, First Evangelical Lutheran Church - NALC.

## HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be offered each Sunday and Wednesday worship service.

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday  
8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

## Thank You to our December Radio & Flower Sponsors!

### KMCH Radio Ministry Sponsors

Dec. 7...Ardelle Brooks  
Dec. 14...Ron & Tirzah Wedewer  
Dec. 21...Dave & Marilyn Pilgrim  
Dec. 24...Brenda Saunders  
Dec. 28...In memory of Leonard Glew by his family

### Altar Flower Sponsors

Dec. 7...TBD  
Dec. 14...TBD  
Dec. 21...TBD  
Dec 24...Bruce & Cindy Mitchell  
Dec. 28..In memory of Leonard Glew by his family

## Christmas Eve Services

Christmas Eve Services will be Wednesday, December 24 at 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM.

A Lessons & Carols worship service will be on Sunday December 28th 9:00 AM with Pastor Kurt.

There will be no worship service on Wednesday, December 31st.



## 2025 Contributions Deadlines

We know it is early to start thinking about end-of-year finances, but this is to let you know the final day for accepting offerings for 2025 will be Monday, December 29.

Those of you who mail in your offering or deliver your offering personally to the church office, please be sure to take into consideration this deadline if you want your offering listed on your church statement for 2025.

## A Word From Pastor Jason

Join me on Wednesday Evenings this Advent for our Meal & Message as we reflect on The Magnificat: Mary's Song of Humble Praise and God's Faithfulness.

The Magnificat, Mary's song of praise, is one of the most beloved and powerful hymns in the Christian tradition. Found in the Gospel of Luke (1:46-55), it is a beautiful expression of Mary's gratitude, joy, and prophetic insight into God's salvation. As we reflect on this ancient hymn, we are reminded of the significance of the *Magnificat* not only in the life of Mary but also in the story of our salvation.

Mary's words echo the deep faith and humility of a young woman who is chosen by God to bear the Savior of the world. In her song, she magnifies the Lord for the great things He has done for her and for His people. She begins with a declaration of her soul's magnification of the Lord: "*My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior*" (Luke 1:46-47). Mary acknowledges her own need for a Savior, recognizing that she, too, is a recipient of God's grace. This moment of humility and grace is not only personal for Mary but universal, pointing to the broader salvation that is coming through her child.

The *Magnificat* is more than just a personal hymn of thanksgiving; it is a prophetic declaration of God's justice and mercy. As Mary continues, she speaks of how God has "scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts," "brought down the mighty from their thrones," and "exalted those of humble estate" (Luke 1:51-52). This is a vision of the Kingdom of God, where the proud and the powerful are overturned, and the lowly and humble are lifted up. It reflects the heart of the Gospel: God's concern for the marginalized, His preference for the humble, and His commitment to bring about a just world.

What is particularly striking about the *Magnificat* is its contrast between the might of earthly rulers and the quiet, hidden work of God. In a time when Israel was under Roman occupation, Mary's song was a declaration of faith that God would fulfill His promises to His people. She trusts that God's mighty arm will deliver Israel, and she is confident that God's covenant with Abraham is still in force. In this way, the *Magnificat* is not just a personal prayer, but also a song of communal hope, resonating with the longings of Israel for redemption.

In the Lutheran tradition, we recognize Mary not only as the mother of Jesus but also as a model of faith and obedience. Martin Luther himself expressed great reverence for the Blessed Virgin Mary, acknowledging her role in the divine plan of salvation. In his sermon on the *Magnificat*, Luther writes:

*"The Virgin Mary is the mother of the Savior and the most excellent example of the Christian life. She shows us that we must humbly accept the Word of God, believe in it, and surrender ourselves to God's will, even when we cannot understand it."*

For Luther, Mary is a symbol of the Christian's call to humility, trust, and submission to God's will. Her response to God's invitation is not one of doubt or fear, but of open acceptance and praise. Her faith is an example for all Christians to follow.

As we ponder the *Magnificat*, we are invited to join Mary in magnifying the Lord. We, too, are called to acknowledge God's greatness in our lives, to trust in His promises, and to be instruments of justice and mercy in the world. As Mary's song reminds us, God's ways are often surprising—His grace overturns the expectations of the powerful and lifts up the lowly. May we, like Mary, be open to God's transformative work in our lives and in our world.

In this season of Advent, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, let us sing with Mary: "*My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.*" May her song inspire us to live with humility, faith, and hope in the promise of God's salvation.

## Meet the 2026 Church Council!

On Sunday, November 9th we held our Annual Meeting of the Congregation. Congratulations to our elected Church Council for the 2026 year:

- President – Millie Kehrli
- President-Elect. – Vance Knutson
- Treasurer – Dave Johnson
- Secretary – Brenda Palas
- Christian Education - Lucas Thomas
- Evangelism – Leah Beaman
- Lay Ministry - Billie Zumbach
- Properties - Duane Nieman
- Social Ministry - Cathy Glew
- Stewardship - Donna Millenkamp
- Nominating Committee – Max Andrews, Connie Wright, Jen Cassutt
- Delegate to the Iowa Mission District Convocation - Alana DeMoss, Leah Beaman

Thank you to those that served on the Church Council in 2025. We appreciate your time and dedication to First Lutheran!

## Music Notes

### Adult Choir Schedule-December 2025

Dec. 7	Warm-up @ 8:20 a.m. Sing @ 9:00 a.m. service Rehearsal @ 10:15 a.m.
Dec. 21	Warm-up @ 8:20 a.m. Sing @ 9:00 a.m. service Rehearsal @ 10:15 a.m.



Special music selections (both vocal and instrumental) are welcomed and encouraged during our Christmas Eve services (4 or 7 PM) and also on Lessons and Carols Sunday (Dec. 28).

School children of any age, college students, adults, visiting family members-we'd love it if you would add some extra "sparkle" and joy to our worship services.

If interested, please contact Kathy Moorhouse or the church office ASAP so we can coordinate your selection into the service.



## Welcome Thanksgiving

The choir shared the anthem "Come Ye Thankful for the Beauty" which wove together two familiar Thanksgiving hymns, "For the Beauty of the Earth" and "Come, Ye Thankful People Come." Thanks to the choir for the beautiful piece.

## Thank You-Thanksgiving Meal Prep

I would like to thank all who helped in any way to make our Thanksgiving meal mission a success. If you baked, helped assemble, prepared part of the meal, delivered meals or washed dishes your time and efforts are so much appreciated! We couldn't do this without you!

-Brenda Saunders



## Visit from Bishop Dan Selbo

Bishop Dan Selbo shared the broader NALC initiatives during his visit on Saturday, November 15th, such as "Life to Life Leadership" and "Vision 20/20".

Learn more by visiting the NALC website: [thenalc.org/](http://thenalc.org/)



## Fellowship Following Sunday Church Services

Thank you to all the members who have served and participated in fellowship hour!

Fellowship Hour continues each Sunday following 9 AM church service. We need more volunteers to sign-up to bring food and serve/clean-up. Please sign up on the Lay Ministry Board or online.

Breakfast will be served on December 14 following the church service which will be the Sunday School Christmas Program. Come and join the fellowship.

Any questions about Fellowship Hour, contact Cathy Glew, Social Ministry.



## Touch of Christmas Love

Our "Touch of Christmas Love" Giving Tree with gift tags for Parents As Teachers (PAT) families will be located in the narthex beginning on Sunday, November 23rd.

Pick out tags from the tree, then shop and return gifts to the narthex with the gift tag securely taped to the gifts no later than Wednesday, December 10th.

If you'd like to have a fun morning while volunteering for a great cause, we would love anyone to help wrap all the gifts on Saturday, December 13, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, so put it on your calendars!



## Mission of the Month (MOTM)

Our December Mission of the Month for our noisy can offering is Delaware County Pay it Forward. Delaware County Pay It Forward was originally founded in 2020 during the Covid-19 pandemic to help fill the gaps in the community by collecting and distributing vital items such as masks, food, cleaning supplies; growing to even assist with grocery & medicine delivery to elderly and/or high-risk community members. The community embraced our mission and their response to assist with anything we do has been extraordinary. We assist any and all community members that reside in Delaware County without any qualification or requirements to request our assistance.

Our mission is to model humility, unity, and compassion to the members of our Delaware County, Iowa by sharing HOPE and inspiring kindness. Our programs strengthen families by decreasing hardships, improve access to resources in regard to healthcare, mental health, employability, housing and sustenance, and inspire hope, which can impact and decrease strain on families, and promote better environments for children and families to thrive in.

Our programs include:

- **Hope Gap:** This program provides assistance to residents in Delaware County who fall into financial, substance, healthcare and emotional gaps where current community and state resources are not met or where they do not qualify due to program qualification restrictions.
- **Hope Initiative:** This program is used to share hope and inspire kindness to those going through difficult situations. We hope the beneficiaries of this program in turn help others as a way to pay it forward.
- **Back the Blue:** This program is Delaware County's version of National Night out. This is an annual community building campaign promoting police and community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.
- **Christmas Hope:** This program helps families in need provide a brighter Christmas for their children. Open to any child in Delaware County, 18 or younger - no income guidelines.
- **Pharmacy Program:** This program assists those in need of prescriptions that are not affordable due to lack of insurance or other unforeseen circumstances.

All of our programs are 100% run on the generosity of donations within our community and in turn we keep all funds to residents of Delaware County. If you would like to know more details about each program, how you can help, or how you can donate to any program please email [delawarecountypayitforward@gmail.com](mailto:delawarecountypayitforward@gmail.com) or contact Missy McIntyre or Michelle Ries, both members of our congregation.

We will be collecting for Delaware County Pay it Forward on December 14th and 17th . Please consider giving if you are able.

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## Consider SCRIP Cards for Christmas Gifts!

It's time for Christmas shopping once again! This is a reminder that SCRIP cards make the perfect gift and it couldn't be more convenient for you. You can use the scrip list from the Lamplighter to make out your order. If you need something that we don't normally stock, we can order it for you. Order early so you are sure to get it by Christmas!

## First Lutheran Church Council Minutes – November 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the First Lutheran Church was called to order at 6:00pm by President Max Andrews.

**Members present:** Max Andrews, Donna Millenkamp, Lucas Thomas, Cathy Glew, Connie Wright, Millie Kehrli, Duane Nieman, Jen Cassutt, David Johnson and Pastor Jason. Absent: Billie Zumbach.

**Opening devotions** were given by Pastor Jason

**Approval of October Council Minutes:** Motion by Lucas, seconded by Duane to approve minutes; motion carried.

**Approval of October Treasurer's Report:** Motion by Cathy, seconded by Millie to approve treasures report; motion carried.

<b>Total Income YTD (October 2025)</b>	\$18,107.82	Total Income previous YTD	\$244,812.87
Total Income YTD budgeted	\$26,012.50	Total Income YTD vs budget	\$(7,904.68)
<b>Total Expenses YTD (October 2025)</b>	\$36,343.05	Total Expenses Previous YTD	\$24,222.67
Total Expenses YTD Budgeted	\$26,443.72	Total Expenses YTD vs budget	\$9,899.33
<b>Operating YTD Loss/Profit</b>	\$18,235.23	Operating Previous YTD Profit	\$(6,877.52)

### Treasurer's Report – David Johnson:

- Income for the month of October was \$7,904 less than budget. Compared to October 2024, income was \$763.00 more in October 2025.
- Expenses for the month of October were \$36,343.05. The major expense for the month was the annual property insurance premium at just under \$12,000. Compared to last years expenses were \$12,120 higher.
- Net Operating Income for the month of October was (\$18,235.23) compared to (\$6,877) in October 2024.

### President – Max Andrews:

- Parking for less mobile parishioners – Will talk to the city about getting a couple more handicap spots marked and Doran said that he would be willing to park cars for anyone that needs valet parking.
- EWALU funding request for Cedar Lodge renovation – We will do a mission of the month to go to them.
- Request for approval: Substitute Money Counters:
  - Karen Nieman – approved
  - Susi DuBois – researching if eligible since an employee and non-member.
  - Elias Tibbott will be speaking at church service about Mission Trip.
- Checking more into if insurance will cover for overnight usage of Church.

### President – Elect – Millie Kehrli: No report

### Christian Education – Lucas Thomas:

- Christmas program will be December 14 at 9:00am service.
- No Heaven Bound November and December.

**Evangelism – Jen Cassutt:**

- Our “Touch of Christmas Love” Giving Tree with gift tags for Parents as Teachers (PAT) families will be located in the narthex beginning on Sunday, November 23rd. Pick out tags from the tree, then shop and return gifts to the narthex with the gift tag securely taped to the gifts no later than Wednesday, December 10th. If you would like to have a fun morning while volunteering for a good cause, we would love anyone to help wrap all the gifts on Saturday, December 13, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, so put it on your calendars!

**Lay Ministry – Billie Zumbach:**

- Pastor Jason Cooper- Svc @ 9:00 AM all Sundays in November
- Pastor Jason Cooper-Svc @ 6:00 PM all Wednesdays in November
- Poinsettias will be delivered the week of December 1st
- Tuesday, November 25th @ 5:30 PM Advent decorating
- Wednesday, November 26th @ 6:00 PM regular service
- Wednesday Meal and a Message –
  - Wednesday, December 3rd @ 5:00pm Wednesday Men’s Bible Study
  - Wednesday, December 10th @ 5:00pm Heaven Bound
  - Wednesday, December 17th @ 5:00pm Evangelism and GIG
- Christmas Program Sunday, December 14th @ 9:00 AM
- Christmas Eve Services 4:00 and 7:00 PM
- Sunday, December 28th @ 9:00 AM lessons and Carols – Pastor Kurt
- Wednesday, December 31st – No Service @ 6:00 PM
- Pastor Jason’s Retreat is January 23 – 29, 2026. Pastor Jason will be gone from January 26th thru 29th.
  - Pastor Kurt will have the service Wednesday, December 28th @ 6:00 PM

**Properties – Duane Nieman:**

- Cameras are installed and working.
- Some work was done at parsonage -circuit breakers have been flipping.
- Noticed a crack in cement in basement family room under carpet at parsonage.

**Social Ministry – Cathy Glew:**

- Served funeral meal in honor of Deb Richmond on 10/30.
- Freezer Meals - 12
- Freezer Meal Team and volunteers preparing Thanksgiving meals for congregation members age 75 and older Friday, November 21st. Volunteers needed, contact Brenda Saunders.
- Thanksgiving Day Dinner at noon. Site has been changed to Delaware County Fairgrounds Community Room.
- With the lapse of SNAP benefits this month, there is more need for food donations. \$250 Thrivent project will be used to provide food. Great response from the congregation in the ongoing donations.
- Fellowship hour continues each week. Planning on a breakfast in December. Date to be determined.
- Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes due November 16th. Questions contact Mary Maurer.
- Reception honoring new members on 11/2. Served together with the Evangelism team.
- Serving meal for Bishop Dan’s visit on 11/15.
- Serving for funeral Wednesday, November 12th .

**Stewardship – Donna Millenkamp:** MOTM update:

- We raised \$146.72 for First Lutheran Freezer meals in October.
- We will be collecting for Touch of Christmas Love gifts in November 9 th and 12 th .

**Secretary of the Council – Connie Wright:** No report**Pastor Jason Cooper:**

- Have done 3 funerals in 2 weeks.
- Planning the Advent worship service – will be using The Holden Evening
- Will be hosting Bishop Dan Selbo on Saturday, November 15, 11-2pm.
- Have been visiting church members in the hospital.
- Baptism on Sunday, November 16.
- Men's group going really well, 6-12 attending. We are doing a study on Mark.
- I would like us to use The Right Now Media Source, which anyone would be able to use. Cost would be around \$800-\$900.
- I would be willing to do a new council retreat.
- Will be out of town November 16th and 17th for Pastor Retreat.
- Request from Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Charles Minnesota to give money to build a new church.

**Old Business:**

- NALC Constitutional Amendment request – Congregation Meeting to be called in January 2026.

**New Business:**

- Council decided to keep using name tags at worship services and will have a committee make a more permanent location to have them.

**Next meeting** will be held on December 8, 2025 @ 6:00pm.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:37pm

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Connie Wright**

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## **First Lutheran Church Minutes of the Annual Meeting - November 9, 2025**

**President Max Andrews** called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM in the sanctuary. It was determined a quorum was present.

**Pastor Jason** gave the opening devotions.

**Secretary's Report:** A motion was made by Roger Hanson, seconded by Jim Zumbach to approve minutes from October 20, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** FY25 financial report covering 10/1/2024 – 09/30/2025 was presented. Motion made by Verla Tegeler, seconded by Ardelle Brooks. Motion carried.

**Congregational Reports:** Motion was made by Millie Kehrli, seconded by Rayma Huggins to approve all committee reports. No discussion. Motion carried.

**2026 Ballot was presented**

Opened up nominations for following:

- Nominating committee from congregation; (4 needed): Kathy Moorhouse motioned to approve all 3 outgoing council members for the nominating committee, Karen Hartman seconded; motion carried.
- Delegates to the Iowa Mission District Convocation; (2 needed): Alana DeMoss and Leah Beaman accepted nominations.
- Motion by Dan Glew, seconded by Jen Cassutt to approve the ballot as is.
- No discussion, motion carried.

**Election results:**

- President – Millie Kehrli – progression from President-elect
- President-Elect – Vance Knutson elected
- Council Secretary – Brenda Palas
- Evangelism – Leah Beaman
- Treasurer – Dave Johnson
- Properties – Duane Nieman - re-elected
- Nominating Committee – Outgoing Council Members – Max Andrews, Connie Wright and Jen Cassutt
- Nominating Committee – Members of the Congregation - open
- Delegates to IA Mission District Convocation (2) – Alana DeMoss and Leah Beaman
- Audit Committee – Dennis Wiedenman (3 year term), Corene Messer (2 year term) and Dan Glew (1 year term).

Motion by Jim Zumbach, seconded by Vance Knutson to destroy ballots of the annual meeting.

**Old Business:**

- (second reading) Motion to Increase Council non-budgetary spending limit to \$10,000.00 by Roger Hanson, seconded by Dennis Wiedenman; no discussion, motion carried.

**New Business:**

- Motion by Sheila Tibbott to transfer \$150,000 into “Church Building Repair” of the approximate \$360,000 that is in the “New Church Building” fund CD, Tom Moorhouse seconded; motion carried.
- Church Building Repairs and Maintenance update. Seedorf Masonry has done caulking, rust jacking and fixed flashing on north end of Church and around windows. Still need to take care of chimney repairs and then move to bathroom repairs in the Sunday School wing.
- 2026 budget was presented. Under contributed income (upcoming FY budget) – envelope unified should show \$306,000.00 with total contributed income showing \$309,000.00 and Total Income \$318,150.00. Dan Glew motioned to approve the amended budget, Duane Nieman seconded; motion carried.

**Closed** with the Lord’s Prayer.

**Meeting adjourned** at 11:05 AM.

**Respectfully Submitted,**  
**Connie Wright**  
**Council Secretary**

## Operation Christmas Child 2025

*“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” John 10:27*

Thank you ALL for your participation in Operation Christmas Child this year. The response was truly overwhelming. So many saints working to do God’s Work of spreading His message around the world. 83 QUALITY shoeboxes were packed and sent on their way to God’s children.

Our shoeboxes were delivered to the drop off location at Manchester Methodist. From there Honey Creek Furniture is donating the use of their truck to transport all our filled shipping cartons to the Central Drop Off in Waterloo. If you see Sam Milroy, please thank him for his generosity!

## Church Ladies Lunch

Julie Cooper will be hosting the Church Ladies Lunch on Tuesday, December 2nd at 11:30. Lunch will be held at the parsonage at 1005 Rosewood Dr. Please RSVP to Julie at 515-306-4336.



### Food Box Outside (near driveway)

Thank you for contributing to the outside food box for community members in need of food. We will continue this mission all year long.

Feel free to put food in the outside box or labeled plastic tub in the narthex of the church.

Questions contact Cathy Glew, Social Ministry.

## Monthly Offering Comparison

Year	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	\$13,690.10	\$18,937.13	\$21,906.87	\$13,353.69
February	\$30,109.94	\$28,414.39	\$17,120.64	\$16,450.02
March	\$19,866.51	\$33,049.82	\$18,216.41	\$18,306.05
April	\$17,566.50	\$20,542.21	\$20,210.51	\$17,359.59
May	\$14,277.58	\$25,993.18	\$18,624.85	\$13,893.45
June	\$17,597.90	\$22,744.81	\$13,614.20	\$15,796.30
July	\$20,417.36	\$28,784.78	\$15,272.71	\$13,557.29
August	\$14,562.30	\$22,196.56	\$15,206.24	\$13,397.73
September	\$19,239.02	\$23,810.07	\$12,636.67	\$13,114.42
October	\$15,733.97	\$29,430.84	\$16,694.94	\$16,919.28
November	\$13,196.34	\$20,937.08	\$11,898.12	
December	\$54,975.22	\$32,662.87	\$8,854.54	
Yearly Totals	\$251,232.74	\$307,503.74	\$190,256.70	\$138,750.09

## SCRIP ORDER FORM

Contact Brenda with questions: 563-920-3191

BUSINESS	%	DENOMINATIONS
Amazon.com	2%	10 ____ 25 ____ 100 ____
American Eagle	10%	25 _____
Applebee's	8%	25 _____
Arby's	8%	10 _____
Aunt Emmy's (L)	4%	10 _____
Barnes & Noble	9%	5 ____ 10 ____ 25 _____
Bath & Body	13%	10 _____ 25 _____
Bed,Bath & Beyond	7%	25 _____
Best Buy	4%	25 _____
Boubin Tires (L)	5%	See Brenda
BP Gas	2%	50 _____ 100 _____
Buckle	8%	25 _____
Bushel & A Peck	3%	10 _____
Burger King	4%	10 _____
Cabela's	8%	25 _____
Casey's	3%	25 ____ 50 ____ 100 _____
Castle Theatre (L)	10%	5 _____
Cenex	3%	25 _____
Chili's	11%	25 _____
Chuong Garden (L)	10%	10 _____ 25 _____
Culvers Restaurant	5%	10 _____
Dairy Queen (5-L)	10 & 3%	5 _____ 10 _____
Darden/Olive Garden/Cheddars	8%	10 _____ 25 _____
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	25 _____ 100 _____
Dollar Fresh	3%	25 _____ 100 _____
Express	10%	25 _____
Exxon/Mobile <*>	2%	50 _____
Fareway	3%	25 _____ 100 _____
Gap/Old Navy	14%	25 _____
Gift Holder	10%	2 _____
Hardee's	5%	10 _____
Home Depot	4%	25 _____ 100 ____ <*> ____
Honey Creek Furn. (L)	3%	See Brenda
iTunes	5%	15 _____

BUSINESS	%	DENOMINATIONS
JCPenney(CC)<*>	5%	25 _____
Joanne's Fabrics	6%	25 _____
Kohl's (CC)	4%	25 ____ 100 _____
Kwik Trip	4%	25 _____ 50 _____ 100 _____
Kwik Trip Grocery	15%	25 _____
Lowe's <*>	4%	25 _____ 100 _____
Maurices	7%	20 _____
Menard's	3%	25 _____ 100 _____
Michaels	4%	25 _____
Old Navy/Gap	14%	25 _____
Outback Steakhouse	8%	50 _____
Palmer Hdwe. (L)	5%	See Brenda
Panera Bread	8%	10 _____ 25 _____
Pizza Hut	8%	10 _____
Pizza Ranch (L)	8%	5 _____ 25 _____
Posy Place (L)	5%	10 _____
Red Lobster	8%	10 _____ 25 _____
Red Robin	9%	25 _____
Staples	5%	25 _____
Starbucks	7%	10 _____ 25 _____
Subway	6%	10 _____
Sunset (L)	10%	10 _____ 20 _____
Target	3%	10 _____ 25 ____ 100 _____
Texas Roadhouse	8%	25 _____ 100 ____ <*> ____
TJ Maxx	7%	25 _____
Ulta Salons	4%	25 _____
Visa/Discover pp (CC) 1%	<*>	50 _____ 100 _____
Walmart	3%	10 _____ 25 _____ 100 _____
Wendy's Carwash(L)	20%	25 _____

## KEY TO SYMBOLS

- <\*> Not stocked, can be ordered
- \*\*\* See Brenda for special details
- (L) Local participating businesses
- (CC) Can be used to pay on credit card

For a full list of participating businesses, go to: <https://www.raiseright.com/brands>



# DECEMBER 2025

## First Evangelical Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 9:00 a.m. Quilting 11:30 a.m. Church Ladies Lunch 6:00 p.m. Lay Ministry Meeting	3 5:00 p.m. Advent Meal 6:00 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. GIG Mens Bible Study Confirmation	4	5	6
7 8:20 a.m. Choir Warm-up 9:00 a.m. Worship Choir Sings 10:15 a.m. Sunday School Choir Rehearsal Fellowship	8 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting	9 9:00 a.m. Quilting	10 5:00 p.m. Advent Meal 6:00 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. GIG Mens Bible Study Confirmation <i>TOCL Deadline</i>	11	12	13 9:00 a.m. Gift Wrapping Day
14 9:00 a.m. Worship <i>MOTM-Noisy Can</i> SS Christmas Program 10:15 a.m. Sunday School Fellowship Breakfast	15	16 9:00 a.m. Quilting	17 5:00 p.m. Advent Meal 6:00 p.m. Worship <i>MOTM-Noisy Can</i> 7:00 p.m. GIG Mens Bible Study	18	19 <i>January Lamplighter Deadline</i>	20
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