

First English Lutheran Church

9 NW 3rd Street; Ortonville, MN 56278 Rev. Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett, Interim Pastor Lisa Berdan, Senior Choir Director Dr. Stephen and Jodi Swanson, Missionaries/Tanzania



Fifth Sunday in Lent ELW SETTING TWO

9:00 am

April 6, 2025

PREPARATION

Prelude, Bells Welcome & KDIO Announcement

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Compassionate One, C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ ...have a place in God's house forever. C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn 'As We Gather at Your Table'

#522

Greeting

pg. 120

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

'This is the Feast'

pg. 122

Prayer of the Day

P: Creator God, C: you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21 OT pg. 521

Psalm 126 ELW Psalm 126

L: 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

C: ² Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

L: ³ The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

C: ⁴ Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.

L: 5 Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

C: 6 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14

NT pg. 153

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Gospel Acclamation

'Return to the Lord...'

pg. 142

Holy Gospel: John 12:1-8

NT pg. 81

P: The Holy Gospel according to... C: Glory to you, O Lord. P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Special Music Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

'God Of Grace'

Senior Choir

Nicene Creed

p. 104

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

P: God, in your mercy, C: receive our prayer.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'Lamb of God' #336

Offertory Prayer

P: Gracious Provider, you set your ...through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken) pg. 129

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface P: It is indeed right... join their unending hymn:

'Holy, Holy, Holy' pg. 130

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer pg. 134

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.

Invitation to Communion

P: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

Distribution Hymn: 'Lamb of God' pg. 135

Distribution Hymn: "I Come With Joy" ELW #482

Distribution Hymn: 'Take My Life That I May Be' #583

Eucharistic Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

P: Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

Commission & Benediction: (based on Philippians 3: 4-14)

P: Go now in the righteousness of faithyou to press ever onward.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: We will! Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn

'My Hope is Built on Nothing Less'

#597

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

(Refrain): On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)
- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne! (Refrain)

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt. Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868.

Bells

Postlude

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1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.

Pastor Cheryl's Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 4 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 10 am to 4 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am to 3:30 (and then teaching confirmation classes), & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 10 am – 4 pm (unless up at FWV/or visiting members) or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Pastor Cheryl in memory of her son Joe Rondeau who passed away 10 years ago on this date. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

OFFERING UPDATE: You're encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net or scan the QR Code from the offering March 2025 Year-to-Date 2025

cards or bulletins.



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Offerings/Gifts:	19,189.82	52,160.53
Zion Receivable:	3,192.06	9,440.50
Total Revenue:	22,381.88	61,601.03
Expenses:	19,588.55	59,833.84
Balance:	2,793.33	1,767.19

April's pink envelope emphasis is for the SW MN Funding Initiative. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

May the God of all consolation be with the family of Diane Schultz, especially Lori & Dave Larson, on her death on April 1st.

You are invited to a pancake breakfast for Cub Scout Pack 485 at Tracks in Benson on April 6th from 9-12 p.m.

Donate blood Tues, April 29th from 1-6 p.m.at the Bellingham Community Center, & you'll receive a classic Red Cross t-shirt while supplies last. See posted flyers for more info.

We are always looking for people to help with our Sunday School teaching in ANY capacity (twice a month, only a certain age groups, etc.) so PLEASE consider and let Sara Wollschlager know if you are (Materials & lessons are prepped and supplied for you interested. weekly.)

FELC and Zion are teaming up for a trip to Target Field on Thursday, June 26th, to see the Twins take on the Mariners at 12:10. The cost is \$50, which includes the ticket and food in the Legends Landing section. After the May 4th deadline, we will determine the best transportation option, but the cost is expected to be an additional \$20-30. Youth must be accompanied by an adult. Each person must fill out a separate registration form, which is available near the office. Payment is due when you turn in your form. Contact Deb at 320-815-8522 with any questions.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Montevideo will have their Spring Gathering Tuesday, April 22^{nd.} Registration is at 9:30 am. The program is at 10:00 am. Men & women are invited to join them to hear from Rev. Gary Mills on the topic "Gathered in to be Sent Forth" Hebrews 10:19-25 Preregistration is not needed but is appreciated for planning. Call or mail \$10 registration fee by Tuesday, April 15th to: Bernice Oellien (320-752-4757) 2570 280th Street Madison MN 56256 Sponsored by the LQP Women of the ELCA.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Marcus Hanson, JoAnn Hasslen, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter, Jean Zielike; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, Sawyer Henningson, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, Jeremy Sellin, Jerry Stotesbery, and Sally Tyler. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Roger Nornes; Aletta Simonitch; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict, and South African students Sanelisiwe Dlamini and Andiswa Mbatha. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.

REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, www.firstenglish.net & our bulletin boards. The church office number is (320) 839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—April 6th

Organist: Marilyn Hanson

Acolytes: Martino & Lola

Greeters: Chelsie Haukos & Nash Kindelberger

Ector: Ellie Helgeson

Lay Assistants: Amanda Stattelman & Marilyn Chindvall

Coffee Servers: Julie Schneider & Darin Ehrenberg

Ushers: Gale May, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson & Volunteer

This Week's Ministry Assistants—Wed. April 9th

Organist (FELC): Kathy Haukos Organist (FWV): Marilyn Hanson

Tech Desk: Marina Thomson

Ushers: Gale May, Dean Strand, Vern Nickolauson & Volunteer

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—April 13th Palm Sunday

Organist: Amy Adelman

Coffee Servers: Becky Parker
Tech Desk: Marge Dragseth & Marina Thomson

Lector: Lois Bergeson
Greeters: Marilee Haukos & Jim Schmeichel
FWV: Barb & Warren Wiese

Ushers: Darin Ehrenberg, Eldon Knutson, Ellie & Harley Helgeson

Acolytes: Liv & Lola

Lay Assistants: Jim Schmeichel & Volunteers Needed

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Wed. April 16th (FWV): Kathy Haukos

Weekly Calendar

Sun - 4/6 9:00 am Worship - Communion
- Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)

Mon - 4/7 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Tues – 4/8 8:30 am Day of Love 3:30 pm Evangelism Meeting 4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

Wed - 4/9 9:00 am Circle 4 (in church lounge)

9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast CRCLE FOU

1:00 pm Lenten Service at Fairway View

3:30 pm Confirmation (7-9th Grade) at FELC 5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast

6:00 pm Lenten Service at FELC

7:00 pm Senior Choir

Fri - 4/11 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sun - 4/13 PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am Worship – 1st Communion – Children Singing
– Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
10:00 am Council Mtgs, Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School
Time TBD Council Voting Meeting
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (Pre-recorded)

