



February 8, 2026

First English Lutheran Church

9 NW 3rd Street; Ortonville, MN 56278
Rev. Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett, Pastor
Lisa Berdan, Senior Choir Director
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
ELW SETTING TEN



PREPARATION

Prelude, Bells

Welcome

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, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

C: Amen.

P: Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Mighty God, lover of justice,

C: you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

P: The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

'Gather Us In' verses 1-3

#532

Greeting

pg. 203

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.**

Kyrie 'Have Mercy on Us' pg. 203

Hymn of Praise 'Come, Let us Join' pg. 204

Prayer of the Day

P: Lord God... C: with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-12 OT pg. 533

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 112:1-10 ELW Psalm 112

L: ¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

C: ² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

L: ³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

C: ⁴ Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

L: ⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

C: ⁶ For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

L: ⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

C: ⁸ Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

L: ⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

C: ¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 NT pg. 127

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Children's Message

Alleluia Song 'Alleluia' pg. 205

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

NT pg. 3

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

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Sermon Song

'This Little Light of Mine'

#677

Apostle's Creed

p. 127

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

P: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.

P: Confident that the Holy Spirit ... in Christ Jesus our Savior. C: Amen

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn 'O, God of Mercy, God of Light' verses 1-3 #714

Offertory Prayer

P: Oh God, You call us to be your light in the darkness, your voice in the wilderness, your hope for the hopeless. Sometimes we find your call challenging for we are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present. C: May this act of giving be a gesture of our gratitude, rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us, and trusting you provide for all our needs, to live with generous hearts and open hands. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

pg. 208

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.

SENDING

Commission & Benediction: (inspired by Matthew 5: 13-16)

P: May our love be like salt that makes life tasty and worthwhile. May our Christian living be a light to those who live in darkness. May our Christian communities be cities of light to be seen from afar as signs that God lives and works in his people. And may God bless you all for this mission: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Pastor Leaves **Announcements**

Dismissal

L: Go in peace... and let the light of Christ shine through you.

C: We Will. Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn 'Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us' #789

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.

2. We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.

3. You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

4. Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

Text: qtr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847. Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868.

Bells, Postlude

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John 10:27 "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me."

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 Rondeau-Bassett in memory of Sally Rondeau, her daughter, whose birthday was February 5th. [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 cards or bulletins.



	<u>January 2026</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2026</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$14,997.36	\$14,997.36
Zion Receivable:	\$3,281.04	\$3,281.04
Total Revenue:	\$18,278.40	\$18,278.40
Expenses:	\$19,087.40	\$19,087.40
Balance:	\$(809.00)	\$(809.00)



February's pink envelope emphasis is for Service Trip Scholarships. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

REMINDER: Our Lenten Meals will be provided by the Evangelism & Properties boards on Feb 25th, Christian Ed & Stewardship Boards on March 11th, & the Lay Ministry and Youth & Family Boards on March 25th.

FELC & Zion members and community residents are invited to join us for a communal meal at First English Lutheran Church on February 11th. The **Just For the Love of It** meal (Roast Beef Commercial) will start at 5:00 pm and go to 6:30 pm. Cost: FREE!

The Elevator is done being upgraded. Feel free to use it again.

You're invited to a "Love & Friendship Dinner" to benefit "A Light in the Darkness Transitional Living" on Valentine's Day, Sat. Feb. 14th, at 6 pm at New Life Church, Ortonville. Open to singles and couples. All are welcome to come and show love to Peggy's House. Dinner = \$20/person & childcare = \$10/child (includes meal). The dinner includes Pasta, Salad, Breadsticks, Dessert, and drink.

Souper Bowl of Caring is today. Youth will be at both exits with a kettle for your donations. All proceeds will be given to the Big Stone Emergency Food Shelf, so bring your money to help those in need.



Vacation Bible School will 5/31-6/4 from 6:30-8:45pm. Registration will be later this spring. There will be a meeting 2/17 at 6:30pm at Zion to review the materials, pick craft and music selection, and start talking about decorations. Everyone is welcome to join.

You are invited to a FELC & Zion joint fellowship event at Unity Square in Milbank, SD on February 22nd from 1:00-3:00 pm (or stay longer). "Come & Go" as you are able and join in the fun-filled activities offered including swimming, racquetball, basketball, running, relaxation, exercise, volleyball, & pickleball. A family is sponsoring this event so the cost for attending will be covered for FELC & Zion members. The party room has been reserved, so if anyone wants to donate snacks and water or lemonade, that would be appreciated.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Kelly Athey, Gail Olson, Nancy Pierzina, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter, Jean Zielike; Monty Athey, Alvin Dexter, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Dustin Hanson, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, Jerry Stotesbery, and George Wegner. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Arlen LaCombe, Roger Nornes; Aletta Simonitch; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict especially Jacob Hamann, Colin Hartman, Tyler Ruby, and Thomas Halverson; and our Haitian student, Ycherson Soh and South African students Sanelisiwe Dlamini and Andiswa Mbatha. If you would like a name to be added/removed, please contact the church office.



This Week's Ministry Assistants—February 8th

Organist: Amy Adelman

Tech Desk: Kim Anderson & Terry Kalberg

Lector: Marilyn Hanson

Acolytes: Liam & Mikaela

Greeters: Sarah Haukos & Amelia

FWV: Barb & Warren Wiese

Ushers: Darin Ehrenberg, **TBD**, Ellie & Harley Helgeson

This Week's Ministry Assistants—1 pm FWV, February 11th

Organist: Amy Adelman **Lay Assistant(s):** Evangelism Member(s)

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—February 15th

Organist: Kathy Haukos

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marge Dragseth

Lay Assistants: Brent Zahrbock & Marilyn Chindvall

Lector: Jim Schmeichel

Greeters: Nancie Haukos & Mia

Acolytes: Liv & Meadow

Ushers: Russ Thielke, Warren Wiese, Gale May, & Connie Newman

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—Ash Wed, February 18th

Organist: Marilyn Hanson

Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Cameron Anderson

Lay Assistants: Kari & Archer Dorry

Acolytes: Liam & Nash

Greeters: Martino, Bailey, Bennett, & Lola

Invite Reader: Liv

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun – 2/8 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING



7:45 am Super Sub Prep
9:00 am Worship – Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
9:30-10:15 am Sunday School
10:00 am Pick up Subs & Souper Bowl of Caring
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)



Mon – 2/9 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Tues – 2/10 9:00 am Day of Love 4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Fairway View (Donnie's Diner)

Wed – 2/11 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast 1 pm Fairway View Worship Live w/Pr. Cheryl & Communion 3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th graders) 4:30 pm Confirmation (9th graders) 5-6:30 pm Just For the Love of It Community Dinner 5:30 – 7 pm Church Council Meeting 5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast 7:00 pm Senior Choir

Thurs – 2/12 Pastor Cheryl in Sioux Falls for Eye Dr. Appointment

Fri – 2/13 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sat – 2/14 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

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Sun – 2/15 9:00 am Worship – Communion

– Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL