

Fairway View Service
First English and Zion Lutheran Church
Welcome you to Worship
VBS Kick-Off – 1st Sunday of Pentecost – Emerald Crossing Church
Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett 605-237-1501
May 31, 2026 ~ 10:30 am

PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship:

P: Caring Shepherd, you supply all our needs.

C: We celebrate God's generous care of us all.

P: Good Shepherd, you take us by the hand
and lead us through the dark and fearful times in life.

C: We celebrate God's compassion and understanding.

P: Gracious Shepherd, your goodness and mercy
nurtures and blesses us, and it enriches our soul.

**C: As we worship you, we share together in the feast you
prepare for us, and it restores and refreshes us. Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

Give Me Oil in My Lamp

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

Prayer of Confession

Creator, Savior, Shepherd, Messiah— we know you by many
names, Lord.

Your presence fills our lives— all that we are and all that we have comes from you; all that you do declares your love for us. But, O Lord, we are consumed with wanting more.

When trouble comes, when adversity plagues us, we wonder where you are; we even wonder who you are. How quickly we forget that you are always with us. Forgive us and help us see your overflowing mercy.

But we have allowed our anger, our rage, our greed, and at times even hate, to direct our paths. We have overreacted, we have taken more than our share, we have despised others that seem to have it all. Forgive us, God, for not following Your ways. Forgive us for not remembering that we are Your sheep, and You are our Shepherd. Forgive us when we have not listened for Your voice and instead have acted in the ways of the world.

Guide us back to Your path, to loving You and loving our neighbors. Help us to unclench our fists and lend out our hands in hope and healing, forgiveness and love. In the name of Christ our Shepherd we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Even in the darkest valley, though death's shadow may threaten us, we need not fear, for the Lord is with us. God will comfort and shelter us. No harm will come to us. No one can snatch us out of the Shepherd's hand. God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Praise Song

Peace Like a River

Grey 498

1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

2. I've got love like a fountain. I've got love like a fountain. I've got love like a fountain in my soul. I've got love like a fountain, I've got love like a fountain, I've got love like a fountain in my soul.

3. I've got joy like an ocean. I've got joy like an ocean, I've got joy like an ocean in my soul. I've got joy like an ocean, I've got joy like an ocean, I've got joy like an ocean in my soul.

Traditional African-American Spiritual.

Prayer of the Day - P: Let us pray,

C: God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Word

First Reading Genesis 1:1—2:4a

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

³he restores my soul. He leads me in a path of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Children's Call Jesus Loves the little Children Grey 580

1. Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

2. Jesus died for all the children. All the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight. Jesus died for all the children of the world.

3. Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

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CHILDREN'S TIME

Gospel Lead In

'Help Us, O Lord'

DRM pg. 117

Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Sermon Song: Have No Fear, Little Flock" LBW 476

AFFIRMATION: Jesus, the Shepherd

I believe I need a shepherd.

**Because I am sometimes timid and other times overconfident,
because I often don't know the best path yet pretend I do,
because I rush into dead ends or lead others into hazardous
places,**

**because my brightest ideas are seamed with darkness,
because the things I crave may not be what is good for me,
I need a shepherd.**

**I believe in Jesus, the best possible shepherd; his wisdom
leads me to the best opportunities, his word comforts me when
I'm anxious or afraid, his arm steadies me when I feel weary
and heavy-laden, his wounded body displays the cost of my
rescue,.**

I believe in Jesus, the best possible shepherd.

**I believe that I do not find him but he finds me, that I under his
care by virtue of sheer grace, the love he gives me is to be
shared with others, that he treasures my name and prepares a
place for me, that his fold transfixes earth and heaven. I trust
Jesus, the good shepherd. Amen.**

Prayer of the lads and lassie's... (inspired by Psalm 23)

P: Lord, we lift up to You the lads and... whole wide creation.

Silence for reflection

P: For all your blessings, **C: We pray Lord.**

P: Goodness and mercy is following... in your Presence forever.

C: Amen.

SHARING ON THE PEACE:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offering

Offertory Hymn

What Shall I Give?

DRM 41

Prayer for the Offering

P: This is how we praise the Shepherd....and all of your creation

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

pg. 154

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 and Benediction

P: As people of faith, we have gathered for worship.

C: As people of faith, we now return to the world.

P: Go out to share the story of faith, the story of life, with the world around you.

C: We share the faith in word and in deed, in speech and in action.

P: As you go out to give a living witness of the Shepherds love active in the world, go knowing that God goes with you, sharing the laughter and the hope, the fears and the tears. And may road rise to meet you... and you be poor in misfortune...

May God give you for every storm... a rainbow...

And... Almighty God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen**

Sending Hymn Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us LBW 481

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.

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.

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.

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.

Text: Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847. Music: Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812-1887.

Dismissal

L: Go in peace... follow the shepherd...

C: We Will. Thanks be to God. We Will.

Bells, Postlude

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

Pastor Cheryl's Summer Hours: Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am to 3 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 11 am to 5 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 11 am to 5 pm, & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am – 3 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.

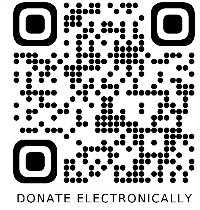
Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Richard & Marla Strei in celebration of Joe & Hannah (Strei) Kachelmyer who were married in Duluth yesterday. [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>April 2026</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2026</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$21,056.52	\$73,204.95
Zion Receivable:	\$3,439.91	\$13,827.29
Total Revenue:	\$24,496.43	\$87,032.24
Expenses:	\$20,688.91	\$83,169.71
Balance:	\$3,807.52	\$3,862.53



May's pink envelope emphasis is for Global Missions, Companion Synod South Africa. You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

There will be a summer festival June 7th at St. John's Catholic Church with BBQ food (hamburgers, hotdogs), chips, salads, and pies starting at 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. There will also be crafts, cake walk, and kids' games.

The Board of Stewardship is proposing to host an on-line auction to raise funds for the elevator update project. We're seeking donations from church members of items to be included in the auction. We'll be working with the Zielsdorf Auction company. We need to know if we will have enough donations before we formally proceed with this auction project.

If you have items of any value that you would be willing to donate, please contact the Church Secretary, Barbara, by 5/29/26 to let her know what item(s) you would be willing to contribute. Note that your donation may be considered a charitable tax donation. Based on this pre-response, we can determine if we will have enough items to formally proceed with the auction. If you have questions, contact Board members Darin Ehrenberg or Mark Block.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Jyla Dahle, Gail Olson, Burt Pansch; Monty Athey, Alvin Dexter, Dustin Hanson, Larry Helgeson, Courtney Jorgensen, and



George Wegner. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Arlen LaCombe, Aletta Simonitch, Janice Redfield in Clinton and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict; 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 — May 31st (at Zion)

FWV: Brent Zahrbock

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun – 5/31 VBS Kick Off

9:00 am FELC & Zion Combined Worship **at Zion Church**

– Broadcast on KDIO & Zion's Facebook Live

10:30 am Fairway View Worship (Pre-Recorded)

6:30 – 8:45 pm Vacation Bible School at Zion Church

Mon – 6/1 10:00 am Bible Study on Funerals with Pastor Cheryl

6:30 – 8:45 pm Vacation Bible School at Zion Church

Tues – 6/2 8:30 am Day of Love

3:30 pm Evangelism Meeting (Pr. Cheryl Attending)

4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Fairway View (Donnie's Diner)

6:30 – 8:45 pm Vacation Bible School at Zion Church

Wed – 6/3 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast

5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast

6:30 – 8:45 pm Vacation Bible School at Zion Church

Thurs – 6/4 6:30 – 8 pm Vacation Bible School at Zion Church

8:00 pm VBS Program at Zion (all invited)

Fri – 6/5 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Pastor Cheryl Attending Synod Gathering (6/5 – 6/6)

Sun – 6/7 Before Service: Coffee & Fellowship

in the Narthex - Visit with Pr. Cheryl

9:00 am Worship – Communion

– Broadcast on KDIO & Facebook Live

10:30 am Fairway View Service (pre-recorded)

12:00 pm Neuman Baptisms