

Today in Worship

Preacher: Pastor Greg DeBoer

Worship Leader: (8:45) Lon Olson

Children's Time: (8:45) Heather Kroeger (10:45) Janet Lowe

Readings: Luke 2:15-19
(8:45) Lon Bohling

8:45 Hymns: #290, #292, #286, #277, #289

Musicians: (8:45) Organist: Amy Spies Special Music: FLC Choir
(10:45) Band Special Music: Dash Hansen, Lily Rich

Prayers of healing for Dean & Janie Baugh, Dennis Knudsen, Duane McKenzie, Jerry McPherran, Steve Hall, and Shawn Brown.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Dave & Kathy Kirby. God is good!

Altar Flowers are sponsored today by Pastor Greg & Gina in memory of Gina's dad.

Total Attendance for week of 12/15: 429

Wednesday Worship - 69

Sunday Worship - 360

Giving for the Period of 12/10-12/16:

Weekly Giving: \$24,156

Contributions for December: \$42,673.59

Budget for December: \$135,000

Giving Year-to-date: \$256,311.93

Budget Year-to-date through December: \$335,000

Electronic Giving Options:

Would like to give an electronic offering?

- Text the dollar amount to **402-999-4983**
- Scan this QR code

If you would like to set up a recurring gift, please contact Wendy Grosse at wendyg@flcfremont.org or 402-721-2959.



About First Lutheran

Questions??

Welcome Center: located just outside the Worship center. A host is there to help find answers to any questions you might have.

Worship Assists

Open seating: available for people with limited mobility. Please leave these areas for walkers and wheelchairs.

Hearing Assistance devices are available at the sound booth at the back of the Worship Center.

Gather at the Table

Communion: All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. You will receive a wafer and cup of wine or grape juice from the servers. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are also available. If you would like communion brought to you, please inform an usher.

Fellowship Time: Hot & Cold coffee, tea, milk, and donuts are available in Fellowship Hall. Help yourself and visit with a friend or make new ones!

FirstCare: If you are in need of pastoral ministry or a visit, please contact the church office.

For Our Youngest Worshippers:

Creation Stations: located on each side of the worship, an area for children to be creative while in worship.

Children's bulletins: located by each door to the worship space .

Busy Bags: filled with quiet activities for children, located by bulletin tables, please return at the end of the service.

Children's message: a time during worship for kids to hear the message at their level.

Sunday School: available September-April for children 3 yr–6th grade, 9:45 in the Sunday school wing.

Sunday Morning Adult Ed Opportunities: various studies offered from 9:45-10:40 in the Heritage room and conference room. Every one welcome to join.

In the Chair Pockets:

Green Cards: offer various ways to give to FLC, place card in the offering tray to indicate electronic giving.

Blue Cards: share your contact info with us, let us know you have worshiped with us, and share your prayers requests for the staff to pray over. Please place in the offering tray.

Ordinary Blessings!
LOVE
FLC HOMEMADE CHRISTMAS

Ministry Announcements

December 22, 2024

Advent Week 4

Worship 8:45am & 10:45am

NO Sunday School

Fellowship 9:45-10:40am

Adult Studies 9:45-10:40am

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This week's Ministry Announcements...

Christmas Worship Services

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve services at 2:00, 4:00 & 11:00pm

Wednesday, December 25

NO Worship Service

NO Pray-lude Worship

Sunday, December 29

Only one service

Lessons & Carols at 9:45am

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

NO Pray-lude Worship

G4 Pickleball Event

College students home on break? Join us Friday, December 27, at 6:30pm in the Mission Center. Help break in the new pickleball courts while re-connecting with each other and meeting other young adults! No pickleball experience necessary. G4 (God & Games for Guys & Gals) is open to all young adults (approx 18-30ish).

Pledge Card Update

If you haven't turned your pledge card yet, please do so. We have received 22 fewer cards than last year. The good news is that the average pledge has increased by nearly \$580 dollars for the year. With our building reaching the age where maintenance and repairs are becoming more frequent, remember you can pledge directly to the building fund.

Christmas Eve Hospitality

Contact: Tami Hall (tamih@flcfremont.org)

If you are able to help with hospitality on Christmas Eve, please sign up under the "events" tab on our website. We need greeters and Welcome Center hosts for all 3 services.

Food Drive - Section Seating Competition

Congratulations to the Section Seating challenge winners! Stay tuned during worship to hear which section won. Through the generosity of many, the real winner is the recipients of these donations: LifeHouse clients. Thank you for donating and blessing others with the gift of food this Christmas.

CASA Giving Tree

Many thanks to everyone for fulfilling the wishes of over 25 kids this Christmas through the CASA Giving Tree. Together, we collected 140+ gifts to bless these kids and show them the love of Jesus. An additional thanks to Wishing Wheels for donating 4 bikes with helmets and locks to our giving tree project.

Radio Broadcast Changes

In 2025, FLC will no longer be broadcasting our service on the radio. We will be offering an audio copy of the 8:45 service on CD to those who enjoy listening to our worship at home. These CD's will be delivered during the week, following each Sunday service. If you would like to receive a recorded copy of the worship service, please contact Amy Spies. The 8:45 worship service will still be able to be viewed on Facebook and our website.

Sponsor a Poinsettia

Today is the final day to help sponsor the Poinsettias and other Christmas decorations this year with a donation of \$15. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center or you can give your donation from the Ministry Opportunities on our website.

Christ in Our Home

New copies of the *Christ in our Home* devotional are available for pick up at the Welcome Center.

Upcoming Children & Youth Calendar

Sunday December 29 & January 5

NO Sunday School

Wednesday, December 25 & January 1

NO youth activities

Wednesday, January 8

Youth activities resume

Sunday, January 12

Sunday School resumes

Sponsor 2025 Altar Flowers or Sunday Morning Gathering

Contact: Tami Hall (tamih@flcfremont.org)

If you'd like to sponsor the Sunday morning gathering or Altar Flowers in 2025, sign up on-line under the Ministry Opportunities section on our website.

2024 Financial Gifts

Please make your end-of-year gifts to First Lutheran by noon on December 31. Thank you!

Office Schedule

The church office will be closed on Wednesday, December 25 and Wednesday, January 1.

Get Involved: It is easy to volunteer or sign up for an event! If you see something today that you would like be a part of, you can:

- * Visit www.flcfremont.org/events
- * Point your phone's camera at this QR code and it will take you directly to our website.
- * Call the church office at 402-721-2959.

