

WELCOME!



"Wherever you are, we want to connect Jesus to you and you to Jesus. Because of Him we are a family, always growing, learning how to love one another and the community around us."

MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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The Lord's Supper . . . Is being celebrated this morning. As Lutheran Christians, according to Jesus' own words, we profess the "Real Presence" of Christ's body and blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion through which we receive God's blessing of forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith. Jesus says, "Take and eat; this is my body . . . Drink from it all of you; This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." (Matt. 26:26-28) St. Paul writes. ". . . Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgement on himself." (1 Cor. 11:29)

Many today believe only in a symbolic presence of Jesus in the bread and wine. We believe Jesus gives us His true body and blood along with the bread and wine in Holy Communion. His body and blood are truly present in this Sacrament. You are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper with us if you:

- Believe Jesus Christ alone is your Savior who lived, died, and rose again for you.
- Are genuinely sorry for your sins, are willing to forgive those who have sinned against you, and desire to turn from your sin and live each new day in Christ with a readiness to forgive those who sin against you
- Believe in His real presence in the Sacrament which gives you forgiveness of sins and strengthens your faith

Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt, or who holds a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked to first speak with a pastor or an elder. Children who have not yet been instructed in the reception of the Lord's Supper are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

Grape juice is available during communion for those who are unable to have alcohol. There are several individual cups in the center of the communion trays that have nearly clear grape juice in them. Simply choose one of those cups when the communion tray is offered. We also have gluten free wafers available. Please let the communion server know that you require the gluten free wafer.

We Offer . . .

- **Three Different Worship Styles**
 - 8:00 AM offers uplifting traditional worship settings with familiar hymnody
 - 9:30 AM combines traditional forms and hymns with contemporary song
 - 11:00 AM offers inspiring contemporary music and instrumentation
- **Child, Youth, and Adult Bible Studies**
 - Sunday School Connect is available for children up to 5th grade in the Backyard
 - Youth Sunday Bible Study is for 6th through 12th graders in the Garage
 - Various Adult Bible Studies are available, see the inside of the bulletin for information
- **A Nursery Is Available During worship & staffed during the 9:30 hour**
 - For children 0-3 years of age. The Nursery is located across from the Worship Center
- **For Our Littlest Worshippers**
 - Activity Bags for busy little hands are located just outside of the Worship Center doors
- **Membership Classes**
 - If you are interested in making Memorial your church home, we offer a series of classes several times a year. Please pick up a Membership brochure from the "Connecting" wall

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- **Hiring Eagle Care Workers:** We're seeking kind, gentle, fun-loving individuals to serve as part-time workers in our after school Eagle Care program Mon-Fri from 3:15-6:00pm. Qualifications: love for serving infant-8th grade students with joy; patient, caring, dependable; ability to support and work alongside other caregivers. Learn more and apply: www.sioxfordslutheran.com/careers.
- **First Look Friday:** At 9:00am on Fri, Oct 2, receive the opportunity to meet our staff and students, tour the school building to observe learning in action, get answers to your questions, and discover the value of investing in your child's future at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. RSVP: www.sioxfordslutheran.com/first-look-friday.
- **High School Youth Night:** Join Concordia University St. Paul for a circuit-wide youth event at Sioux Falls Lutheran School from 6:00-8:00pm on Wednesday, November 4. The evening will include pizza, games, God's word, and a Bible study for parents. Sign up: bit.ly/2026-hs-youth.
- **Indoor Marching Band Show:** Join our Marching Eagles at 7:30pm on Mon, Oct 12 in the SFLS gym to celebrate their hard work this season and see their show in person. Pie and ice cream social to follow in exchange for a free will donation. If you'd like to bake and donate a pie, you may sign up in the church office by Mon, Sept 28.

Important Events Coming up!

- **Kindergarten Bible Giveaway** - October 18th
- **LWML's Craft & Vendor Fair** - October 24th
- **Fall Confirmation Sunday** - November 1st
- **Wafer Making** - November 9th, 10:30am
- **Thanksgiving Eve Service @ SFLS** - November 25th, 6:30pm
- **Thanksgiving Day Meal** - November 26th (more information will come out in November)
- **Christmas by Candlelight | Women's Event** - December 6th

Fall New Member Class!

Register Online: memoriallutheran.net/membership

Sunday Classes

Sunday, October 25th—9am
 Sunday, November 1st—9am
 Sunday, November 8th—9am

Pastor's Class

Saturday, November 14th—8am

New Member Game Night

Friday, November 13th—6:30pm

Welcome Sunday

Sunday, November 15th



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September 27 - October 4 Calendar

SUNDAY: Traditional Worship w/ Holy Communion 8:00 am
 Blended Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:30 am
 Sunday School CONNECT (Preschool - 5th Grade)
 Youth Bible Study (6th - 12th Grade)
 Adult Sunday Morning Bible Study [Cafe Logos]
 Contemporary Worship w/ Holy Communion "LIVE STREAMED" 11:00 am
 Confirmation: Apostles' Creed [Samuel Room] 1:30 pm

MONDAY:

TUESDAY: Young Women's Bible Study [Timothy Room] 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY: Hand Bells [Hannah Room] 6:00 pm
 HS Connect [David Room] 6:30 pm
 Confirmation: Bible History [Isaiah Room]
 Discipleship [Cafe Logos]
 Choir [Hannah Room] 7:00 pm

THURSDAY: Thursday Morning Adult Bible Study [Cafe Logos] 9:00 am
 Board of Elders Meeting [Cafe Logos] 6:30 pm

FRIDAY:

SATURDAY: Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study [Cafe Logos] 8:30 am
 Worship Team Practice 9:30 am

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Heart- To-Heart: Women's Group

Join us on **Tuesday, October 13th from 6-8 PM** (a little earlier than usual!) in Cafe Logos for a ladies' night built around the theme Life is Funny. Create your own gourmet grilled cheese, sip a refreshing mocktail and settle in as comedian Chonda Pierce tickles your funny bone in her video Life is Funny Until It Isn't. Bring a friend! **Please RSVP by October 10** with Connie Gilbride via the Heart to Heart Facebook group, or text/call [605-321-5870](tel:605-321-5870).

Giving Information

Offering Summary	YTD Giving	\$737,072	September Giving:	\$ 62,399
2026:	YTD Expenses	\$658,840	Monthly Budgeted Need:	\$ 101,750
	*Difference	+ \$78,232		

Wish List Items: 1. High School Quilts 2. Faith Chests

How To Give: Giving Boxes are located by each door.

Visit: memoriallutheran.net/giving-online to give online

Give By Text: Send a text to **833-894-0109** with the amount you would like to give. (Note just the number is required, i.e. 20) You'll receive a text with a link to register. Once registered, you'll get a text verification & receipt via email. For future giving, send a text with the amount you wish to give (just the number, i.e. 50), & it will process automatically.