

## OUR MISSION

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

## OUR PURPOSE CONNECT. GROW. SERVE.

We **CONNECT** with God through worship.

We **GROW** with friends spiritually in grow groups.

We **SERVE** God by making a difference in our community and world.

## CONTACT

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605.886.4427

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs: 8am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm

An accessible restroom with a changing table is located at the back of the sanctuary.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the **WELCOME CENTER**.

Activities are available for children 3 years old and younger in our nursery during worship.

Activity bags are available for children at the **FIRSTKIDS** check-in table.

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# LIVING IN A POST-RESURRECTION WORLD

Saturday • April 27, 2024 • 5:00 pm

**PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

**\*OPENING SONGS**

*1000 Tongues  
Make Room*

**PRAYER TIME**

**CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION**

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**MESSAGE**

*Truth and Action • 1 John 3:16-24 • Rev. Bryce Blank*

**OFFERING**

**REFLECTION SONG**

*More Like Jesus*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING SONG**

*Jesus Take All of Me*

**\*BLESSING**

**Thank You For Worshiping With Us Today!**

*\*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able.*

Sunday • April 28, 2024 • 8:30 am & 10:00 am

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: We have been given more than we could ever need.

**All: We have no greater praise to offer than caring for all of creation.**

Leader: God is our truth – nurturing and sustaining us.

**All: Build us in the way of your love.**

Leader: Let us worship God, the foundation of all truth.

**All: Let us put our faith to action! Amen.**

**\*Opening Song**

**8:30 & 10:00**

*Be Thou My Vision*

No. 451

**Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

**Chancel Choir**

*Make a Joyful Noise  
Text from Psalm 98*

Music by Andrew Lloyd Weber

**Time for Young Disciples**

**Message**

*Truth and Action  
1 John 3:16-24*

Rev. Bryce Blank

**Reflection Song**

**8:30  
10:00**

*Living for Jesus  
More Like Jesus*

TFWS #2149  
On Screens

**Offering & Doxology**

*Easter People Raise Your Voices (vs 1)*

No. 304

**Offering Prayer**

**\*Sending Song**

**8:30  
10:00**

*Together We Serve (vs 1,2,4)  
Jesus Take All of Me*

TFWS #2175  
On Screens

**\*Blessing**

**Thank You For Worshiping With Us Today!**

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Worship Attendance April 20-21, 2024 = 276  
Wed. 35, 5pm 72, 8:30am 96, 10am 73

*This includes in person & online worshippers*

## **This Week at First Church**

### **Wednesday, May 1**

9:15 am Embracing God— Church Lounge  
5:15 pm Community Meal—All are Welcome  
5:15—6:15 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:15—7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
6:00-7:15 pm First Kids (K-4th Grade)  
6:00-7:15 pm First Squad (5th-6th Grade)  
6:00-7:15 pm First Youth (7th-12th Grade)  
7:15—7:30 pm Family Worship—Sanctuary  
Parents pick up children in Sanctuary

### **Thursday, May 2—Home Communion**

10:00 am Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Blended Band Rehearsal

### **Friday, May 3 — Office Closed**

### **Saturday, May 4—Family Worship Weekend**

7:00 am Back Room Boys—Church Library  
9:00 am Late Risers—Stones Cafe  
3:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal  
**5:00 pm Contemporary Worship**

### **Sunday, May 5—Family Worship Weekend**

**8:30 am Traditional Worship**  
9:30 am Adult Sunday School Today  
**10:00 am Blended Worship**

### **April Mission of the Month - Camp Scholarships -**

Your donations will help ensure that anyone of any age who wishes to go to Church Camp can do so. Designate "Camp Scholarship" on your donation. Sign up for Church Camp Today! There are camps for all ages! Find your summer church camp at: [www.dakotasumc.org/camping](http://www.dakotasumc.org/camping)  
Early Bird Deadline is April 30th. Use church code **wtnfirst** to receive the Early Bird Discount.

### **CHURCH FINANCES:**

Thank you for your financial gifts to First Church. Your support is appreciated and helps in so many ways. As always you can give online:

[www.watertownfirst.church/giving](http://www.watertownfirst.church/giving) Or use the QR code



### ***We Welcome the Following as New Members of the First United Methodist Church through Confirmation:***

Kaleb Lee Boughton  
Caleb Joseph Clark  
Ava Marie Fiebelkorn  
Lydia Claire Gall—*To be confirmed on May 5th*  
Cael Dennis Heuer  
Dylan Anthony Kasperek  
Jonathan LaFramboise Boettcher  
Havana Danielle Mikkelson  
Mollie Mae Raasch  
Gracie Marie Ries  
Ethan Donald Riley  
Brynn Mae Rycraft  
Dominic Christian Vansickle

### **Graduate Recognition - May 11-12**

During worship services on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> we would like to recognize any students graduating from either high school or an institute of higher education. During the service, we will offer anyone who would like to be recognized, to receive a blessing upon achieving this milestone! Feel free to reach out to Pastor Bryce with any questions.

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### **Saturday, May 11, 8:30 am—11:30 am Benefit for Sandy Middleton – First Church Fellowship Hall**

#### ***Sponsored by Lincoln & Jefferson Elementary Schools***

- Breakfast (Pancakes, Sausage, Muffins)
- Bake Sale & Silent Auction

All proceeds will go to Sandy to help defray costs incurred from her battle with cancer. *If you'd like to donate items for the Bake Sale or the Silent Auction, please bring those items to First Church on Thurs. May 9th or Friday, May 10th between 8 am and 4 pm.*

Sandy is an employee of Lincoln Elementary and her husband, Randy is an employee of Jefferson Elementary. Sandra is also one of our Children's Ministry Coordinators here at First Church. Please keep Sandy and her family in your prayers and help spread the word about this benefit. Thank You

**New Here?** We'd love to connect with you and pray for you. Please fill out a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

## **Worship Notes**

For more information visit our web page at [www.watertownfirst.church](http://www.watertownfirst.church) or call the church office at 605-886-4427