

## Upcoming Events at FELC

### Week of May 10<sup>th</sup> Happy & Blessed Mother's Day

- Sun.** 8:00 Divine Worship  
**May 10** 9:00-11:00 Childcare in Nursery  
9:00 Senior Breakfast & Recognition  
**No Bible Class & Sunday School**  
10:45 Divine Worship  
**Mon.** 9:00-10:30 IGLLS – Fellowship Hall  
7:00 Board of Elders  
**Tuesday - Friday Julie on Vacation**  
**Tues.** 7:00 Board of Trustees  
7:00 Board of Education  
8:00 Worship Service on SMU  
**Wed. Last Day of PS M/W 3 yr olds**  
6:30 Men's Bible Study  
8:20 IGLLS Chapel  
8:30 Finance Board  
9:45 Preschool Chapel  
11:30 Preschool Devotions - Library  
2:00 Worship Service SMU  
2:15 IGLLS Pen Pauls – Fellowship Hall  
6:30 IGLLS TK-2 Concert - Sanctuary  
7:00-8:30 LYF  
**Thurs. Last Day of PS T/Th 3 yr olds**  
7:00 Spirit Lifters – Library  
9:45 Preschool Chapel  
5:15 Board of Christian Life/Outreach  
6:30 IGLLS Spring Musical (3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)  
**Fri. Pastor's Day Off**  
**Sat.** Mary Peterson Graduation reception-Fellowship hall

### Week of May 17<sup>th</sup>

- Sun** 8:00 Divine Worship w/Communion  
**May 17** 9:00-11:00 Childcare in the Nursery  
9:00 Fellowship w/ coffee & donuts  
9:30 Sunday School/Bible Class  
10:45 Divine Worship w/Communion  
Afternoon – Faith Staedtler Graduation Reception – F. Hall  
**Tue.** 10:30 Miss Tammi's PS Graduation Sanctuary & F. Hall  
8:00 Worship Service on SMU  
**Wed.** 6:30 Men's Bible Study  
8:20 IGLLS Chapel  
8:30 Finance Board  
10:00 Ladies Bible Study – Confirm Room  
10:30 Miss Leah's PS Graduation Sanctuary & F. Hall  
2:00 Worship Service SMU  
7:00 LYF

**No Sunday School or Bible Class today** due to the breakfast & reception for our graduating Seniors.

**The Ladies Bible Class will not meet Wednesday, May 13th.** We will resume at 10:00 on May 20th.



## First English Lutheran Church

Spencer, IA  
712-262-5598

Rev. Paul Kaldahl, Pastor  
Easter VI - Mother's Day  
May 10, 2026

**Welcome to First English** – Today is a special opportunity for our church community to honor the women in our lives. Let us celebrate the love, sacrifice, and spiritual influence of mothers and mother figures in our congregation today. If you have no church home and would like to know more about Jesus, or if you wish to become a member of First English, see Pastor Kaldahl as you leave. Please join us at 9:00 for coffee & donuts, and Sunday School or Bible Class at 9:30.

**Families with Young Children** – First English encourages families to worship together. Should children become restless during worship you may use the nursery located outside the west doors of the sanctuary. We offer staffed childcare from 9:15-Noon each Sunday morning.

**Please Remember in your Prayers** – those who are fighting health issues including: Tara Nighswonger, Allan & Janice Breidinger, Angelina Kabrick, Ben Norgaard, Troy Huisenga, Jessie Widvey, Karlie Bern, Corey Langner, those in medical & care facilities, Missionaries Craig & Christi Gabhart, Cody & Aurelie Mock. Our military personnel & their families, especially those in war torn areas of the world. We pray for the call process to find an assistant pastor. We ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to direct us to the right candidate for the position.



**Today We Celebrate Our High School Seniors.** As they stand at the threshold of new beginnings, we are thankful for the unique gifts God has given them. Please keep them in your prayers.



**Isabelle Young**, daughter of Jason & Dr. Amanda Young  
**Faith Staedtler**, daughter of Heath Staedtler & Nicole Staedtler  
**Mary Peterson**, daughter of Charles & Tabatha Peterson  
**Ray Kaiser**, Son of Aaron & Chrisy Kaiser  
**Scott Dorman-Heath**, son of Shari Dorman  
**Jackson Bergstadt**, son of Mark & Shelly Bergstadt

**Today's KICD Broadcast** is sponsored by Ranae Kehoe in loving memory of Tim Kehoe, Matthew 28:16 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit".

**The Flowers that Grace Our Altar** on this Mother's Day are placed by Ranae Kehoe in memory of my mother, Eileen Licht. I thank God for her tender loving care and nurturing my faith, molding me into who I am today. "Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6

## Those Who Serve the Lord Today

<b>ELDERS</b>	<b>8:00</b>	<b>10:45</b>
ACOLYTE	Mark Rees	Paul Salton
ORGANIST	Hudson Frankenstein	Mia Fuhman
USHERS	Kristin Kaldahl	Kristin Kaldahl
ALTAR GUILD	# 1 LYF	# 4 Jerry Enderton
SERVICE BUILDER	Pat Millard & Diane Higgins	
PRESENTER	Kelly Hartmann	Charlie Petron
SOUND BOARD	Bob Cody	
LIVE STREAM	Dan Knaak	
	Matt Ruden	

<b>Acolyte Schedule</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>
May 17	Hannah Stickrod	Eli Norgaard
May 24	Cade Chalstrom	Karson Koenecke

**Last Week's Attendance:** E- 108 L – 149 T- 257 **Communion:** E-109 L-150  
**Sunday School:** 2 **SS Offering:** **General Fund Offering:** \$ 12,217.73  
**Chiller Fund:** Rec'd to date: \$38,061.00



**LYF:** Join us on Wednesdays, May 13, 20 and 27 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the youth room. Led by Wendy Rees and games with Laura Hallgren

**Senior Recognition**, today from 9:30-10:30 in the fellowship hall. The Board of Youth would like to invite the congregation and families of our seniors to help celebrate the accomplishments of the Senior Class of 2026. Coffee and fellowship immediately following the first service. Breakfast (egg bake, fruit ) served at 9:30 with a message given by Pastor Kaldahl.



### **Join First English for a fun week at Vacation Bible School!**

June 22-25<sup>th</sup> 9am-12, Ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Click the link or scan the QR code for more information or to register!

<https://firstenglishvbs.myanswers.com/emerald-crossing/register/>



**FELC Sponsored Missionaries** Cody and Aurelie Mock will be speaking at Mission Central on Saturday, May 16 at 1:00 P.M. A sign-up sheet will be in the Opportunity Corner for those who would like to carpool to Mapleton.

**Volunteers Wanted for PS Graduation:** First English Christian Preschool is looking for a few volunteers to help prepare and serve our lunch on the preschool graduation days. We will need 2-3 helpers on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and 2-3 helpers on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Helpers on both days should plan to help between 10:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. or so. Please call Ruth in the preschool office 712-262-3699 if you would be willing to help on either of those days. Thank you

## Look at these amazing numbers from 2025 Operation Christmas Child

13,823 shoe boxes were packed in NW Iowa – a 23% INCREASE! In the UNITED STATES: 10,906,661 and GLOBALLY: 12,205,900 were packed. **Thank you** to all who participated, donated items or filled shoe boxes.



**Retirees 55+ who gathered for Fun & Fellowship** in April had so much fun that we've decided to do it again! Please join us for devotions, games, snacks, and visiting on the third Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on **May 19<sup>th</sup>** in the Fellowship Hall from 1:00 - 2:30. All "seniors" are welcome! Sponsored by BCLO.

**Join Us for a Baby Shower** honoring Kaitlyn & Mac Todd and Baby Boy. Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at First English Lutheran Church. They are registered at Amazon. [www.amazon.com/baby-reg/kaitlyn-todd](http://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/kaitlyn-todd)



**A Life Quote for Sunday, May 10:** "If you're a single parent, don't count yourself out ... If you're widowed or divorced, don't count yourself out. If you've never married, don't count yourself out. We sinners are all in this together. We want to see the relevance of faith for our daily lives. We hear the religious talk and we humbly ask, 'How does this apply to me?' The answer is that the glory of Christ's resurrection is for us all. It continues in the message of forgiveness and hope we experience each time we gather together." *Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, Speaker Emeritus of "The Lutheran Hour"*



**Greeting Card Mission by LWML** - The card rack next to the mailboxes has an assortment of greeting cards, including confirmation and graduation cards. All cards are only \$1, and all proceeds go to mission projects.

**Building Healthy Families: A Mother's Love** - Scripture is full of references to mothers and their unique qualities. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 isn't typically thought of as one of them but think of mothers you know who are living examples of the high calling of love described here: *Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.* Happy Mother's Day to all women who so lovingly care for their children and others. (P.S. Call your mother!) **Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

**IGLLS Golf Outing 2026** - Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School will be hosting a 4 Person Best Ball Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Registration begins at 2:00 pm with the shotgun start at 3:00 pm. We will have appetizers, social hour and awards to follow. Winners will be announced during the social hour. Register here to become a team or a sponsor! <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSeF17uMGJrPV7.../viewform>

