



## Our Pastor

Rev. Traci A. Maass began serving as Pastor at First Lutheran Church of Chadwick on April 1, 2020.

She was born and raised in Wisconsin, yet has lived in and traveled to many states, as well as a few countries.

Pastor Traci graduated with a BA in Religious Studies (emphasis Buddhism) at the University of Wisconsin Madison in 2010. She then studied at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque Iowa, graduating with a Masters of Divinity Degree in May 2014. She was ordained in the ELCA in June 2014.

Pastor Traci served a congregation in New Holstein, Wisconsin, and Wiota, Wisconsin, before coming to Chadwick.

She enjoys reading, learning about other religions, playing cards, meeting people, cooking, campfires, and playing with her cat, Buddy.

**“ ...Serving our Lord through worship and our community through sharing.”**

## Our Vision Statement

“Learning and serving our Lord and community.”

## Our Mission Statement

“Learning about our Lord through God’s Word and sharing the Good News.

Serving our Lord through worship and our community through sharing.”



First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chadwick IL, is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

### ELCA Mission

Together in Jesus Christ we are freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly and serve joyfully.

### ELCA Vision

A world experiencing the difference God’s grace and love in Christ makes for all people and creation.

### ELCA Values

Our values are grounded in faith, in our biblical and Lutheran confessional sources and our love of God and neighbor. They speak to the way this church lives and practices our faith, and they will guide how we journey forward in Christ as church together.

See [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org) for more information.

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**First Evangelical  
Lutheran Church, ELCA**

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# We welcome you!

If you are looking for a church family, we welcome you with open arms. First Lutheran Church offers worship services each Sunday, Sunday School classes, Vacation Bible School and opportunities to learn, serve and fellowship together.



## Worship

**Services begin at 9:30 a.m.  
Sundays from September-May;  
and at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays in  
the summer months.**

Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of each month.

Special services are offered during Lent, Holy Week and Christmas Eve.

## Fellowship

After-worship gatherings and special events occur throughout the year, providing opportunities to get to better know our brothers and sisters in Christ and have fun together.



## Children's & Youth Christian Education

Sunday School is offered during the school year for Pre-K through 6th graders. Junior and Senior High groups also meet. A children's sermon is offered each week, and children are invited to participate in a Christmas program and spring program. Confirmation instruction also takes place each year, fall through spring. Vacation Bible School takes place each summer.

## Joyful Voices

First Lutheran's adult choir generally sings on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. A junior choir joins in for select occasions. New choir members are always welcome!



## Living in the Word

Bible Study and book study groups are offered throughout the year to strengthen Christian understanding and faith.



## Led to Serve

FLC has a strong focus on serving our neighbors—those in our communities and those around the world. Some ways we serve include supporting the Helping Hands Food Pantry, regularly giving to churchwide missions to end hunger, supporting troops and praying for those in need.

*We love because He first loved us. —1 John 4:19*

