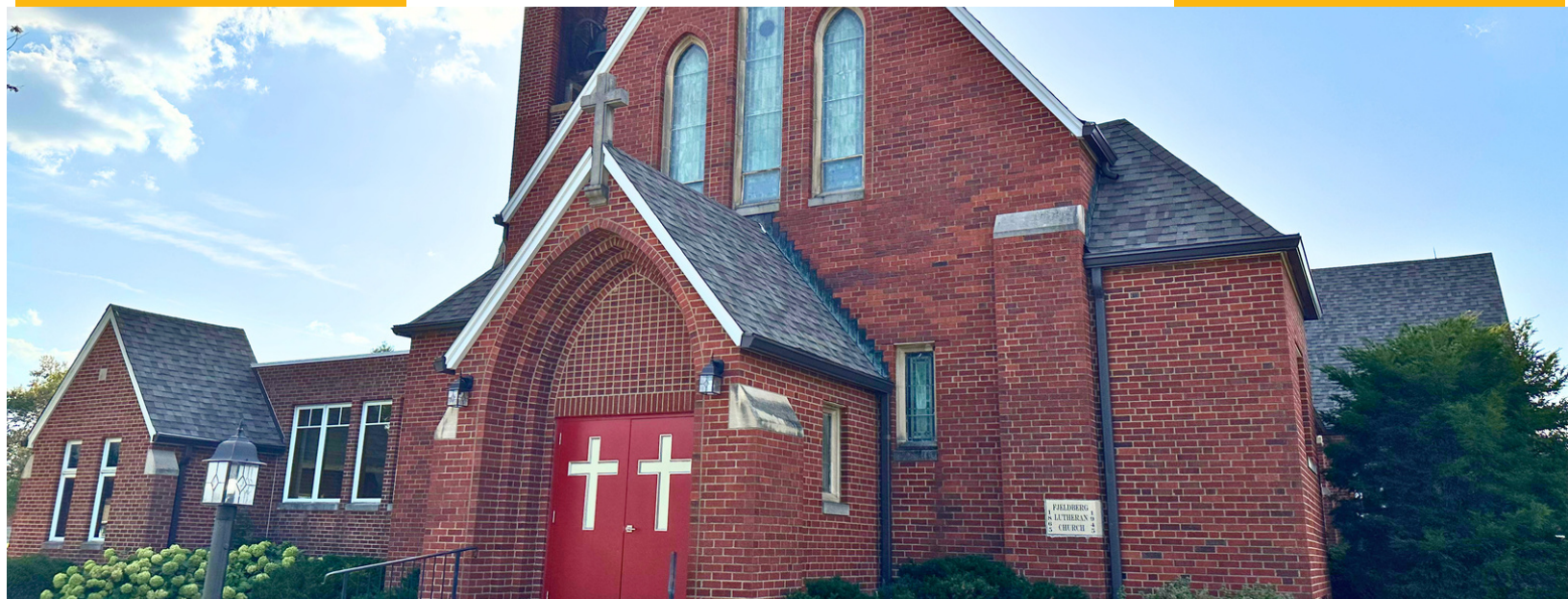




JULY 2026 OUTREACH



FJELDBERG NEWSLETTER



DATES TO REMEMBER:

CHURCH OFFICES ARE
CLOSED
FRIDAY, JULY 3

YOUTH MISSION TRIP
TO ALASKA
JULY 4-13

**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON
SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM**

FROM PASTOR TIM:

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

- Matthew 11:30

This July 4th, we celebrate the 250th birthday of the United States. As we celebrate, we also remember that our ultimate hope is not found in any nation, leader, or institution. These gifts of this world matter, but they are not perfect. They change over time. Our deepest hope rests in Jesus, who offers us a different kind of freedom.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest... For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." The burden Jesus offers is not one of fear, division, or striving to prove ourselves. It is the call to live as disciples; loving God, serving our neighbors, and sharing God's grace with the world.

So as we celebrate our nation's story, may we also remember the greater story we are part of, God's kingdom, where Christ is our hope and where love is our calling. May we continue to grow in faith, grow in community, and share God's love with the world around us.

Peace,
Tim

What's been happening!

VBS



2026



Thank you!

To all the parents and grandparents
who trusted us with your children and grandchildren
for a week of growing in faith
and to all our wonderful volunteers
who made this year's VBS a great success!

What's coming up!

>>> PASTORAL CARE

Pastor Tim is more than willing and quite enjoys meeting with you. If you have emergencies, are in the hospital, or want a visit, please let Pastor Tim know; he can't visit you if he doesn't know. You can call the church at any time, and extension 1 rings to his cellphone.

>>> THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



Our Thursday morning Bible study, is watching season 2 of The Chosen prior to our gathering and then discussing from 9:30am - 10:30am.

This month, we are meeting on Thursday, July 9 (ep.5) and 23 (ep.6) in the Youth Room.
All are welcome to join!

>>> HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Pastor Tim is excited to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Pastor Gloria Dovre, January 8–18, 2027.

Scripture comes alive in powerful ways when we see the places where it unfolded. Walking where Jesus walked and visiting the landscapes of his ministry offers a deeply formative faith experience, one that stays with you long after you return home.

We are planning with care and flexibility. If conditions in Israel and the surrounding region are not safe at that time, an alternative pilgrimage experience will be offered in its place. Our hope and prayer is that the region will be stable and open for travel by 2027, so we can share this journey together in the Holy Land itself.

[Click here to learn more about this faith building pilgrimage](#)



>>> COMMUNITY FREEZER MEALS

Our community freezer is full of meals to share with our community again!

You are welcome to come and take any meals that would be helpful to you

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Allison Rigler-President
- Vice President

Sue Osier-Treasurer
Kathy Wilson-Secretary

Ron Bollmeyer
Heather Bristow

Patty Foley

Sue Lande

Mick Pedersen

Zach Swanson

Linda Eklund

STAFF

Tim Jacobsen
Pastor

Heather Bristow
Choir Director

Jan Nyhus
Church Administrator

Lisa Pedersen
Musician

Paul Van Ryswyk
Musician

John Wilson
Facilities and Communications
Coordinator

Kids, Student, & Youth Ministry

>>> SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

We love kids in worship, and summer is a great time for kids to engage in worship! We realize that parents may need some space to take in worship. There will be some activities for younger kids during the sermon in the youth room. Kids are welcome to move around during worship and do some quiet activities provided in the back of the sanctuary.



>>> YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Faith growth happens everywhere, and meaningful experiences can be especially formative. We are excited for our 6 students and two adult leaders to get to go to Fairbanks, Alaska, this July 4-13 to grow in faith, grow in community, and share God's love. Please keep them in your prayers and follow along on our Facebook page for updates. Thank you for your generosity this spring and for supporting our youth's faith formation!



>>> VBS THANK YOU

We had a great week of hosting VBS, June 21-25th! Kids learned what it meant to see Jesus as our true north in this wild world. There is a lot of work that goes into making VBS happen, thank you to everyone who volunteered in so many ways and for your continued support in making faith formation a priority!



>>> YOUTH DIRECTOR HIRING UPDATE

We intend to hire a youth director, hopefully soon. We continue to pray and discern what this role will look like, and we will post the position description once we have it finalized. If you or someone you know feels a nudge to serve in this fun and rewarding role, let Pastor Tim know.



Get Connected

>>>> JOY SEEKERS



Thursday, July 16
6:00 P.M.

Mullets Restaurant
617 SW 3rd St, Ste 103
Ankeny, IA

R.S.V.P. to Char Riveland
or contact the Church Office
515-597-2831

We would love to have you join us.

>>>> CARD GROUPS



We have two groups that meet each week to play cards, have fun, conversation, and treats.

The Ladies Group meets every Monday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The Men's Group meets each week on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

>>>> OUT TO BRUNCH BUNCH

The Out to Brunch Bunch meets after Fellowship on the 3rd Sunday of each month to have brunch at the Tournament Club of Iowa in Polk City.

We would love to have you join us!

>>>> CONNECT ONLINE



Like & follow us on
Facebook & Instagram

>>>> WORSHIP ONLINE



www.flchuxley.org/worship-online

Live on Sundays at 9:00am
Recordings available anytime

Worship & Music



**We have reached our
Organ Repair Fund
\$21,000 goal.**

There is still
time to make a donation
before repairs begin
this summer to cover any unexpected repairs
found during the work.
Thank you to everyone
who has already given.

Repairs will begin early in July!



If you are interested in joining either H.I.S. Choir
or JOYFUL Bells, please contact Heather B.
Rehearsals will restart toward the end of August.

If you are interested in providing Special Music one
or more Sundays during the summer, please contact
Jan in the Church Office.



Upcomming Events

>>> ICUBS GAME



Join us on Sunday, August 2nd
at 1:00pm for a fun afternoon of
baseball at Principal Park in Des
Moines. Come for the game, the
conversations, and/or the food. All
are welcome!

Cost: \$20

SIGN UP!

JULY 2026 CALENDAR

Thursday, July 2nd

10:00A Huxley Food Pantry is open
6:00 P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Friday, July 3rd

Church Offices are CLOSED today!

Saturday, July 4th

Happy Independence Day

Youth Mission Trip participants leave for Alaska

Sunday, July 5th

9:00A Worship with Communion
Also live-streamed on YouTube.
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation

Monday, July 6th

1:00P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 7th

1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 9th

9:30A Thursday Bible Study (Youth Room)
10:00A Huxley Food Pantry open
6:00P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Sunday, July 12th

9:00A Worship with Communion
Also live-streamed on YouTube.
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, July 13th

Youth Mission Trip participants arrive home.
1:00P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)



Tuesday, July 14th

1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 16th

10:00A Huxley Food Pantry open
6:00P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Sunday, July 19th

9:00A Worship with Communion
Also live-streamed on YouTube
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation
11:00A Out-to-Brunch Bunch at TCI, Polk City

Monday, July 20th

1:00P Ladies Card Group
6:30P Church Council Meets

Tuesday, July 21st

1:00P Men's Card Group

Thursday, July 23rd

9:30A Thursday Bible Study (Youth Room)
10:00A Huxley Food Pantry open
6:00P Huxley Food Pantry is open

Sunday, July 26th

9:00A Worship with Communion
Also live-streamed on YouTube.
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, July 27th

1:00P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 28th

1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 30th

10:00A Huxley Food Pantry open
6:00P Huxley Food Pantry is open



JULY Worship Servers

>>> JULY 5TH

Church Musician: Lisa P.
Altar Guild: Linda E.
Bread Baker: Daphne A.
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Molly S.
Acolytes: ???
Greeters: Suzy B. and Nancy S-C.
Reader: Patty F.
Proclaim Slides: Kathy W.
Communion Assistants: Sue L., Marita R., and Jan N.
Altar Flowers: Margaret O.
Also, flowers in memory of Del M.
Fellowship Hosts: Sharon H., Joan T.
Sound: Mel V.
Streaming: John W.

>>> JULY 12TH

Church Musician: Paul V.R.
Altar Guild: Linda E.
Bread Baker: NA (Communion by intinction)
Liturgist (Setting 10): NA
Acolytes: ???
Greeters: Peggy W. and ???
Reader: Tim E.
Proclaim Slides: Sue E.
Communion Assistants: Suzy B. and Tim E.
Altar Flowers: ???
Fellowship Hosts: Thelma N. and Bob & Sue J.
Sound: Heather B.
Streaming: John W.

>>> JULY 19TH

Church Musician: Paul V.R.
Altar Guild: Linda E.
Bread Baker: Daphne A.
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Heather B.
Acolytes: ???
Greeters: ??? and ???
Reader: Jan N.
Proclaim Slides: Kathy W.
Communion Assistants: Tracey R., Heather B. and ???
Altar Flowers: Sharon H. in memory of Art H.
and Kristin S. & family in honor of Jerald & Thelma N.
Fellowship Hosts: Marc and Char R.
Sound: Mel V.
Streaming: John W.

>>> JULY 26TH

Church Musician: Lisa P.
Altar Guild: Linda E.
Bread Baker: NA (communion by intinction)
Liturgist (Setting 3): Sharyn E.
Acolytes: ???
Greeters: ???
Reader: Anne Q.
Proclaim Slides: Jan N.
Communion Assistants: Nancy S-C. and ???
Altar Flowers: ???
Fellowship Hosts: ??? and ???
Sound: Bill H.
Streaming: John W.



Ways to Serve

>>> HUXLEY FOOD PANTRY

June 2026 Statistics

Households Served: 49 Total People Served: 142

Age Groups: 0-18: 550 19-59: 65 60+: 27

Huxley Food Pantry Needs:

- Grocery Store Gift Cards (Fareway and HyVee)
- Cash donations
- Personal care products & small bottles cleaning supplies
- Small containers of ketchup, mustard, and mayo
- Juice boxes (Apple, Grape, Berry)
- Paper products (especially paper towels & kleenex)
- Fruit cups (all varieties)
- Graham crackers & saltine crackers



Regular Food Pantry Hours
Thursdays 10-11 a.m. AND 6-7 p.m.

Huxley Area Food Pantry

We are thankful for the opportunity to share God's love through our food pantry, and meet the needs of those in our community! The need continues for food and monetary donations, but we also need people to serve. If you are able to volunteer sign up at the link above. We will train you before your first shift.

VOLUNTEERS to work [Fjeldberg Lutheran Church: Huxley/Kelley Food Pantry Volunteers \(signupgenius.com\)](#).

>>> FUNERAL DESSERT MAKERS

We are fortunate to have a community that supports one another so well. In times of mourning, there is a need for desserts to accompany the catered lunches at funerals.

If you are able to contribute a dozen or two desserts when the occasion arises, please inform Jan in the church office. We will email out to our list of volunteers when a funeral arises and if you are able to make a dessert you can let us know.

>>> FJELDBERG QUILTERS

Our quilters do not meet over the summer months. However, they do use summer to prepare quilt tops at home to be ready in the fall to assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief. If you would like to prepare quilt tops over the summer for this mission, please contact Daphne A., Thelma N, Sharon H. or any of our other quilters to get instructions.