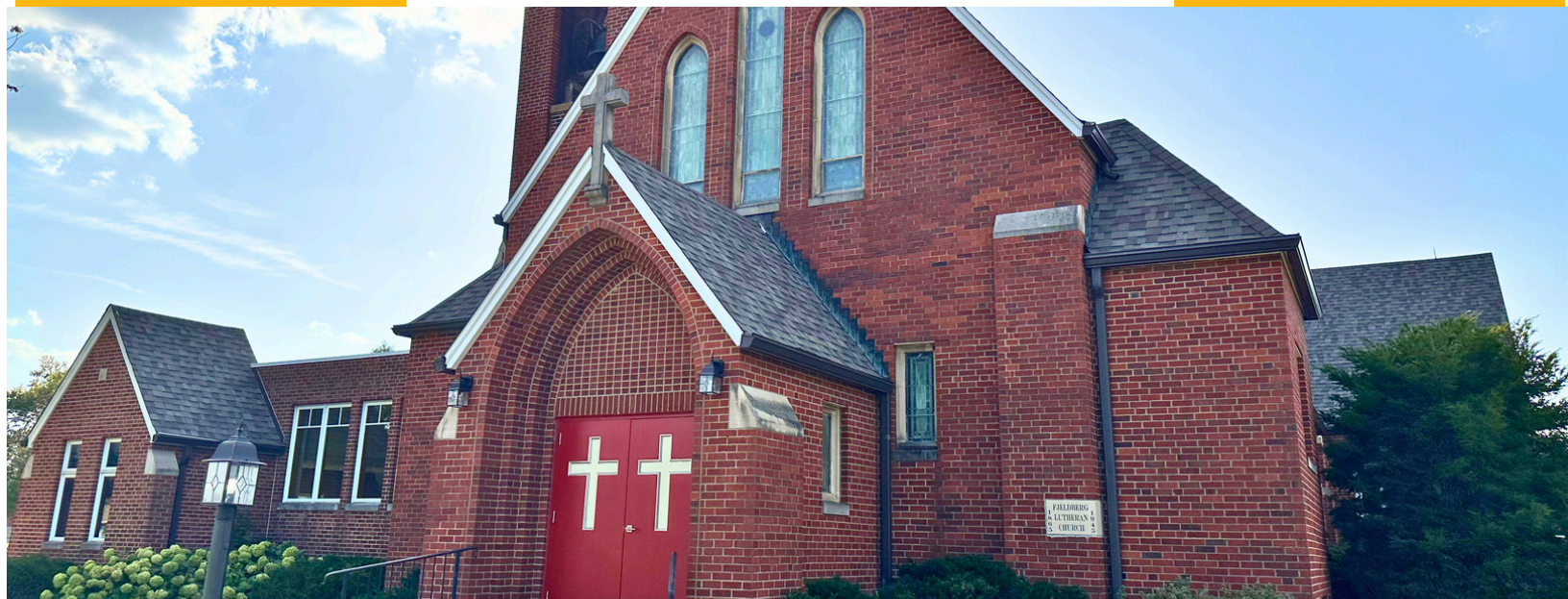




MAY 2026 OUTREACH



# FJELDBERG NEWSLETTER



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**MAY 10** - MOTHER'S DAY  
SENIOR RECOGNITION  
H.I.S. CHOIR SINGS

**MAY 17** - BIBLE  
PRESENTATIONS  
JOYFUL BELLS PLAY

**MAY 24** - PENTECOST

**MAY 31** - HOLY TRINITY  
SUNDAY

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

## FROM PASTOR TIM:

Each week at the end of worship, we say together the mission God has given us: *Grow in Faith. Grow in Community. Share God's Love.* These words are more than a statement; they are a calling we discerned together a few years ago.

Over that time, there have been many changes and updates around Fjeldberg. And yet, at our core, our mission has remained the same, even if the words have shifted along the way.

Right now, our church council is in the process of setting some goals. That might sound a bit "businessy," but this work is really about being good stewards of what God has entrusted to us. We do this prayerfully, seeking to follow where God is leading and to live out the mission we've been given.

I'd love for you to be part of this discernment. Please take a few moments to share your thoughts through [this survey](#).

Peace,  
Tim

# What's been happening!

The Huxley Food Pantry purchased a new freezer from FLC's Immanuel Grant.



New stoves were purchased for our Community Meals from FLC's Immanuel Grant.



Scout Troop # 163 collected 940 items for the Huxley Food Pantry



# 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, May 14 (ep. 2) & 28 (ep. 3) 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

We will be making a new batch of meals for the community freezer on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to make meals at a separate time, let Pastor Tim know, and he will get you supplies to prepare a meal and return it to the freezer.

## 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

**Braden Hayes**  
Faith Formation Coordinator

**Jan Nyhus**  
Church Administrator

**Lisa Pedersen**  
Musician

**Paul Van Ryswyk**  
Musician

**John Wilson**  
Facilities and Communications  
Coordinator

# Kids, Student, & Youth Ministry

## SENIOR SUNDAY

Please Join us on May 10, 2026, for Worship as we will gather and recognize our Graduating Seniors! This is a huge moment for students and their families and it's an amazing opportunity to celebrate them as a community!

## BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

May 17, 2026, will be the last day of Sunday School for the year! We will be honoring 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students by presenting them with a Bible during worship before heading down to Sunday School. If your student never received a bible their 3<sup>rd</sup> grade year they are welcome to receive a bible during worship as well.

Families will be invited to meet together in the youth room after worship for a quick introductory class for their students to introduce them to their bible and how to engage with it! This meeting will begin at 10:30 AM.

## YOUTH GROUP LUNCH

On May 17, 2026, our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade through 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students are invited to come join us at Berhow Park for a Cookout Lunch! This is an opportunity for our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders to spend sometime with current youth group members before joining. Students and families welcome! Please contact braden at [braden@fjeldberglutheran.org](mailto:braden@fjeldberglutheran.org) to confirm your attendance!



THIS YEAR'S EASTER EGG HUNT!



FOOD AT FIRST YOUTH GROUP NIGHT



FOOD AT FIRST STUDENTS

## VBS

VBS is June 21-25 this year at Fjeldberg Lutheran Church! Registration is now open on Church Center and you can sign your student up using there! If you are interested in volunteering for VBS you can register to participate yourself as a Volunteer on the Church Center registration as well. Students 6<sup>th</sup> grade up can also be volunteers. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. We can find a place to utilize your abilities and help you contribute!

# Get Connected

## JOY SEEKERS



Thursday, May 14th 6:00 P.M.  
at **Bubbies BBQ**  
1802 N. Ankeny Blvd, Ste.101  
Ankeny, Iowa

R.S.V.P. to Jerald or Thelma N.  
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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://www.flchuxley.org/worship-online)

Live on Sundays at 9:00am  
Recordings available anytime

# Get Connected

## Heavenly Inspired Singing (H.I.S.) Choir and JOYFUL Bells

Next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise...song was given to man that he should proclaim the Word of God through Music." ~Martin Luther

This is one of my favorite quotes, and how appropriate it is for us at Fjeldberg. We have a wonderfully musical faith family, it is such a joy to hear the music you make when we gather to worship and praise God. Not only with the whole faith family on Sundays, but also on Wednesday evenings with the Joyful Bells and Heaven Inspired Singing (H.I.S.) Choir during rehearsals.

During this past year, the ringers and singers worked hard and had fun while preparing the musical offerings for church services. Many of you probably noticed that we did not offer a Christmas cantata, instead opting to prepare an Easter cantata as the Easter Vigil service. It was a lovely service to bring us into the joyful resurrection of our Lord and Savior.

As we move into summer and the FLC musicians take a couple month's break, I wanted to share the Be-attitudes we strive for (pun intended).

- Be inviting, everyone is welcome to make a joyful noise for our God.
- Be accepting, we all have different musicality, but we all love God. He's the reason we're here!
- Be supportive of your fellow musicians, it takes courage & strength to do what we do.
- Be encouraging, tell your fellow musicians you're proud of them for having the courage to use the gifts God gave them to share His word in song.
- Be forgiving, we all make mistakes (yes, even the directors).
- Be humble, we can do what we do because God gave us the gift, courage & strength to do it.
- Be flexible, sometimes things need to change (even for Lutherans).
- Be committed, it takes a lot of work to do what we do...but let's have fun while we do it!

If these sound like statements you could get behind, we invite you to consider joining us when we have our kick-off event this fall (tentatively scheduled for Aug. 19 or 26). If you are interested, but would like some supportive guidance before we start rehearsals, please contact me. I am willing to meet with you to talk things out, or show you some ringing techniques that will help you feel more confident with the bells.

In closing, I also want to express my sincere gratitude for the support and encouragement you show to the FLC musicians. It does take a bit courage to get up in front of so many people. But know you all accept, appreciate, love, and care for us makes it so much easier. I know I can speak on behalf of all the FLC musicians when I say it is an honor to be the musical part of our faith family.

Submitted by,  
Heather Bristow, Director

# MAY 2026 CALENDAR

## **Sunday, May 3rd - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00A Worship with Communion  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship  
10:15A Coffee, treats and conversation  
10:30A FLC Youth (Youth Room)

## **Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)  
1:00P Fjeldberg Quilters (Quilter's Room)

## **Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

5:30P Community Meal - All are welcome  
6:00P Last Meeting FLC Students (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
6:30P H.I.S. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:30P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter and Mothers' Day**

9:00A Worship with Communion, Senior Recognition and  
Special Music by H.I.S. Choir  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship!  
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation  
10:30A FLC Youth (Youth Room)

## **Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)  
1:00P Fjeldberg Quilters (Quilter's Room)

## **Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:30P JOYFUL Bells Rehearsal (Fireside Room)

## **Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00A Worship with Communion, Presentation of Bibles,  
and Special Music by JOYFUL Bells  
Also live-streamed on YouTube.  
Fjeldberg Kids (3yrs-6th Grade) during worship  
10:00A Coffee, treats & conversation (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30A FLC Youth  
12:00P 8<sup>th</sup> Grade + Youth Group Lunch  
2:00 P Ballard Graduation @ Ballard High School

## **Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

1:00P Women's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30P Church Council

## **Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Fjeldberg Quilters End of Season Lunch  
1:00P Men's Card Group (Fellowship Hall)

## **Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

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

## **Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - Pentecost**

9:00 A Worship with Communion  
Also live-streamed on YouTube  
10:15A Coffee, treats & conversation  
10:30A Making Community Freezer Meals

## **Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day**

**Church Offices are CLOSED**

1:00P Ladies Card Group

## **Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

1:00P Men's Card Group

## **Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> - Holy Trinity Sunday**

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



# MAY Worship Servers

## ➤➤➤ MAY 3 - 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Church Musician: Lisa P.  
Altar Guild: Rachel B. & Allison R.  
Bread Baker: Patty H.  
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Tim E.  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: Suzy & Sophia B.  
Reader: Bruce M.  
Proclaim Slides: Jan N.  
Communion Assistants: Tracey R., Sue L. & Nancy S-C.  
Altar Flowers: Darcy & Ron B.  
Fellowship Hosts: Sue & Joe O., Gloria W., Bruce & Barb M.  
Sound: Mel V.

## ➤➤➤ MAY 10 - 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER AND SENIOR RECOGNITION

Church Musician: Lisa P.  
Special Music: H.I.S. Choir  
Altar Guild: Rachel B. & Allison R.  
Bread Baker: NA  
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Molly S.  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: Lorraine & Pete H. and Suzy B.  
Reader: Alex S.  
Proclaim Slides: Dan E.  
Communion Assistants: Patty F. and Nancy S-C.  
Altar Flowers: Gene & Marita R.  
Fellowship Hosts: Bob & Sue J. and ???  
Sound: ???

## ➤➤➤ MAY 17 - 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER AND PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Church Musician: Paul V.R.  
Special Music: JOYFUL Bells  
Altar Guild: Tracey R.  
Bread Baker: Patty H.  
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Sharyn E.  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: Peggy W. & Kya H.  
Reader: Kya H.  
Proclaim Slides: ???  
Communion Assistants: Helen E., ??? & ???  
Altar Flowers: Peggy W. & Family in memory of Bill W.  
Fellowship Hosts: ??? and ???  
Sound: ???

## ➤➤➤ MAY 24 - PENTECOST

Church Musician: Paul V. R.  
Altar Guild: Tami M.  
Liturgist (Now the Feast): Tim E.  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: ???  
Reader: Anne Q.  
Proclaim Slides: ???  
Communion Assistants: ??? and ???  
Altar Flowers: ???  
Fellowship Hosts: Tim & Sue E. and ???  
Sound: Heather B.

## ➤➤➤ MAY 31 - HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

Church Musician: Paul V. R.  
Altar Guild: Rachel B. & Allison R.  
Liturgist (Setting 10): NA  
Acolytes: ???  
Greeters: ???  
Reader: Kya H.  
Proclaim Slides: Dan E.  
Communion Assistants: ??? and ???  
Altar Flowers: ???  
Fellowship Hosts: ??? and ???  
Sound: ???

### *Memorial Day, May 25th*



# Ways to Serve

## ➤➤ HUXLEY FOOD PANTRY

### April 2026 Statistics

Households Served: 64 Total People Served: 174

Age Groups: 0-18: 59 19-59: 89 60+: 26

Items Needed:

- Cash donations, Fareway Gift Cards
- Grocery Store Gifts Cards (Fareway, Hy-Vee, WalMart)
- Cash donations
- Personal care products & small bottles cleaning supplies
- Small containers of condiments (katsup, mayo mustard, relish)
- Juice Boxes (apple, grape, berry)
- Smaller packages of granulated sugar.
- Small packages of all purpose flour
- Chili with or without beans
- Canned chunk chicken breast



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**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 [Ejeldberg Lutheran Church: Huxley/Kelley Food Pantry Volunteers](#) ([signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com)).

### **HELP NEEDED**

During May, Ejeldberg is in charge of staffing the **Ballard Clothing Pantry** at 602 N. Main, Suite 105. Two volunteers are needed for each time slot.

Volunteers are needed Wednesdays 5-7 PM, Saturdays 10-Noon, and Sundays 1-3 PM.

No Sunday Staff needed on May 10, 17 and 24.

## ➤➤ 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.

## Growing Hope: LSI's Spring Plant Sale

Spring is an exciting season at LSI, and this year brings an especially meaningful milestone for our Global Greens program. After many years of renting space, we are grateful to share that LSI has purchased our local greenhouse in Des Moines, IA. This step allows us to expand our work and continue creating opportunities for the refugees and immigrants we serve.

Our Global Greens program brings together individuals and families from many different countries who are building new lives in our communities. In the greenhouse, participants grow flowers, vegetables, and hanging baskets while learning valuable job skills, practicing English, and forming friendships. It is a place where people from around the world work side by side, gaining confidence and experience as they move forward in their new home.

The **Spring Plant Sale** is an important part of making this program possible. The plants sold during the sale are grown and cared for by the refugees and immigrants in our program. Every purchase helps support training, supplies, and the ongoing work of LSI as we walk alongside newcomers adjusting to life in Iowa.

For our participants, the greenhouse represents more than a place to grow plants, it is a place to grow opportunity, community, and hope.

We invite you and your congregation to support this ministry by visiting the greenhouse during the plant sale, sharing the event with friends and neighbors, and keeping the families we serve in your prayers. When you purchase plants from LSI, you are not only preparing your garden for spring you are helping cultivate new beginnings for our newest neighbors.

Thank you for your continued partnership in this important work.



## LSI GLOBAL GREENS PLANT SALE

Eligible for SNAP  
and Double Up  
Food Bucks



Support former refugee farmers by purchasing locally grown plants!



### MANY VEGETABLES INCLUDING :

- ✓ Tomatoes- Heirloom and Hybrid
- ✓ Hot & Sweet Peppers
- ✓ Herbs
- ✓ Lettuces & Greens

### FLOWERS

- ✓ Common Annuals (Marigold, Potunia, etc)
- ✓ Native Perennials
- ✓ Hanging Baskets
- ✓ AND MORE

### FRIDAYS : 12 - 6 PM

April 24  
May 1, 8, 15

### SATURDAYS : 8 AM - 2 PM

April 25  
May 2, 9, 16

### SUNDAYS : 8 AM - 2 PM

April 26  
May 3, 10, 17

4600 NW 51<sup>st</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA 50310