

100th Anniversary of the Groundbreaking for our Sanctuary

Proceeding the morning service on June 27, 1926, appropriate ground-breaking exercises were held. The first sod was turned by the pastor, with each member of the building committee following in turn. The day was fair and there was a very large crowd in attendance (50th Anniversary book).

Ground Breaking Exercises

Preceding regular English Morning service June 27, 1926.



Pastor Schulze Turning First Sod

Top, left to right: The 2 men in rear: John Schmeling, Richard Buelow. In circle 6 members of building committee: Ferd. A. Reckow, L. Rebehn, H. F. Schmidt, H. R. Kurth, A. C. Borkenhagen, Gust Ziemer. Seen between H. R. Kurth and A. C. Borkenhagen, Ernest Kuester and Henry Rettman; next to Mr. Ziemer: Herman Yerks, Gust Duesterhoeft, Carl Boller, back of them, Paul Burmeister and Andreas Korngiebel.

Right to left: 5 members of building committee: A. H. Grams, Rud. Schmandt, H. W. Albrecht, Wm. J. Loek, G. F. Loek; next to him: Herman Schmeling; to the rear: Louis Nisse, Ferd. Schmeling. Because of their hats we have not the courage to try identifying any of the ladies within view.
The school and the old church are in the background.

June 28, 2026, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Peace Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, MN

WELCOME

6:30pm, 8:30am HYMN 644 (Maroon): The Church's One Foundation
10:30am SONG: Waymaker

INVOCATION and CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 100)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

² Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations. (ESV)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SONG: G640 (Green): Lord, Be Glorified

1. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
2. In my song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my song, Lord, be glorified today.
3. In Your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In Your church, Lord, be glorified today.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ecclesiastes 4:1-16

Again I looked and saw all the oppression that was taking place under the sun:

I saw the tears of the oppressed—

and they have no comforter;

power was on the side of their oppressors—

and they have no comforter.

² And I declared that the dead,

who had already died,

are happier than the living,

who are still alive.

³ But better than both

is the one who has never been born,

who has not seen the evil

that is done under the sun.

⁴ And I saw that all toil and all achievement spring from one person's envy of another. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

⁵ Fools fold their hands

and ruin themselves.

⁶ Better one handful with tranquillity

than two handfuls with toil

and chasing after the wind.

⁷ Again I saw something meaningless under the sun:

⁸ There was a man all alone;

he had neither son nor brother.

There was no end to his toil,

yet his eyes were not content with his wealth.

"For whom am I toiling," he asked,

"and why am I depriving myself of enjoyment?"

This too is meaningless—

a miserable business!

⁹ Two are better than one,

because they have a good return for their labor:

¹⁰ If either of them falls down,

one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls

and has no one to help them up.

¹¹ Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.

But how can one keep warm alone?

¹² Though one may be overpowered,

two can defend themselves.

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

¹³ Better a poor but wise youth than an old but foolish king who no longer knows how to heed a warning. ¹⁴ The youth may have come from prison to the kingship, or he may have been born in poverty within his kingdom. ¹⁵ I saw that all who lived and walked under the sun followed the youth, the king's successor. ¹⁶ There was no end to all the people who were before them. But those who came later were not pleased with the successor. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind. (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-10

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. ² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says:

“See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone,
and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.

⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

“The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”

⁸ and, “A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

The stone which the builders rejected, has become the cornerstone.

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Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

10:30am Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:24-27

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.” (ESV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

6:30pm & 8:30am HYMN 750 (Maroon): If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee, v. 1-4, 7

10:30am SONG: Cornerstone

SERMON

"Something Better for Us"

Pastor Bode

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

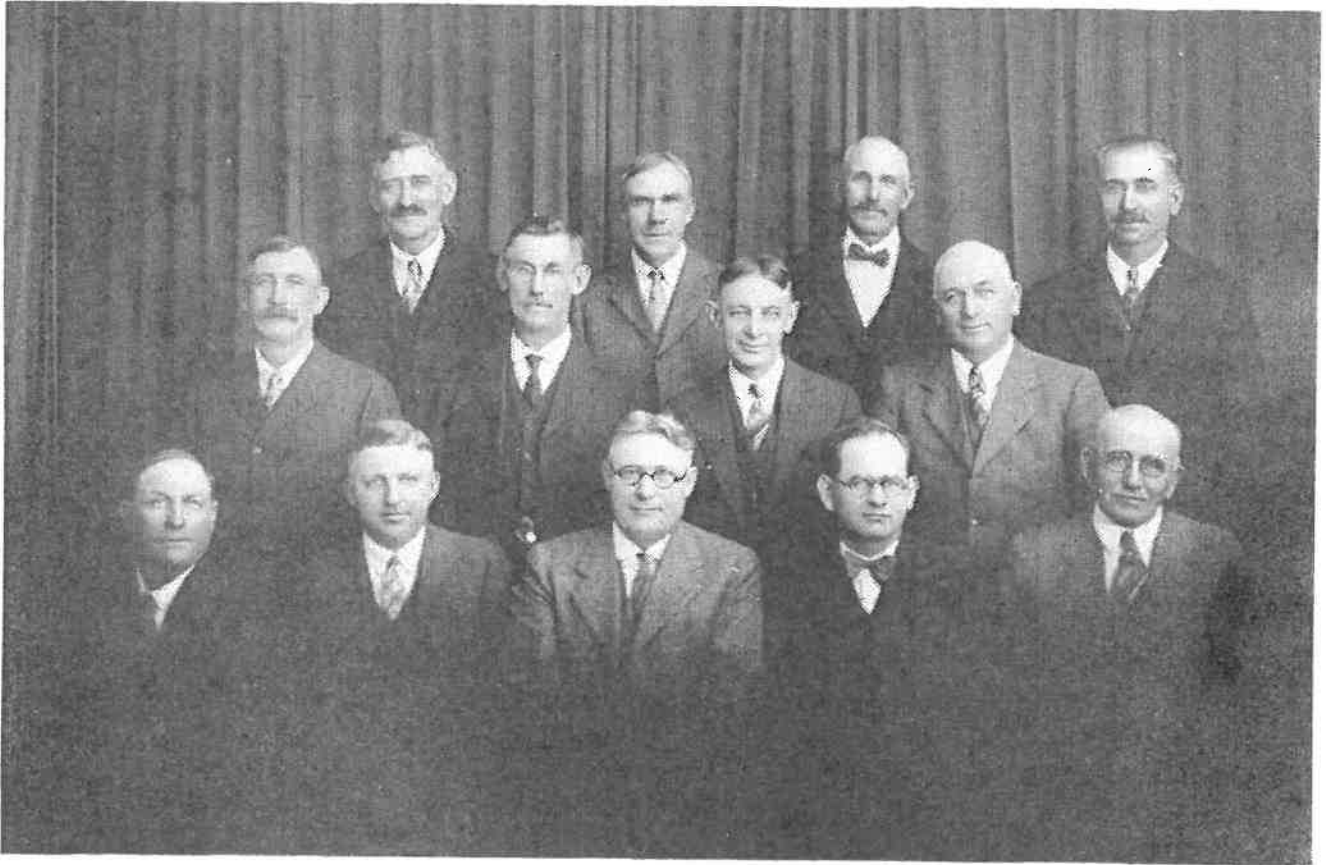
SONGS: Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

6:30pm, 8:30am HYMN 645 (Maroon): Built on the Rock

10:30am SONG: You Are My All in All



Building Committee New Church

Front row, left to right: Ferd. A. Reckow, H. R. Kurth, H. W. Albrecht, Frank W. Luedtke, A. C. Borkenhagen.

Second row: Louis J. Rebehn, Gust Ziemer, Rev. Schulze, A. H. Grams.

Back row: G. A. Loek, Herman F. Schmidt, R. Schmandt, Wm. J. Loek.