

First Things



March 2020

First Lutheran Church

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Regular Worship Schedule

5:30 pm Saturday

9:00 am Sunday

TV Worship Times

Sun. 5:30 pm, Mon. 11 am,

Tues. 9:30 am, Thurs. 4 pm & Fri. 8 pm



Living in God's amazing grace

Living the unconditional Grace & Love of Jesus Christ

Back by popular demand...

"Where the Rubber Meets the Road ...at the Intersection of Faith and Work"

A couple of years ago "where the rubber meets the road" was our Midweek Wednesday Lenten theme. Many people really enjoyed the focus during lent of thinking about faith and daily life. This year we will be revisiting the theme, but with a twist. This year will include some fabulous preachers in a "round robin" preaching format. Here are the themes each week to look forward to:

Week #1 Ash Wednesday

The Mission Field Outside Your Door - Pastor Tim

Week #2

Changing the World - Pastor Justin

Week #3

Giving Our Time - Pastor Duane

Week #4

Balance and Order - Pastor Dean

Week #5

Everything Is Spiritual - Pastor Arte

Week #6

Meeting Jesus - Pastor Duane

All worship services will be on Wednesdays at 5:30pm using Holden Evening Prayer, with 6:15pm supper. We hope the season of Lent will be life-giving and good for your soul.

WE JOURNEY TOGETHER

For six weeks during Lent we gather to recall Jesus' journey to the cross. It begins with Ash Wednesday when we receive the mark of ashes on our forehead. It is an outward sign of repentance, our turning from sin and looking to Jesus for salvation.

We also must face the inescapable truth that each one of us will one day leave this earth. We hear on Ash Wednesday, "Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return." It is helpful to consider our mortality.

Lent is a time to look at our own lives to see how well we are following in the footsteps of Jesus. Are we willing to give ourselves like Jesus gave himself for us? Are we ready to forsake sin and to live for Jesus?

We, the people who thirst for God, come to worship on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings or Saturday evenings during the season of Lent because we know that in traveling through this season, we fore-shadow our own journeys toward both mortality and hope. We start with the cross of ashes on our foreheads. We move toward Good Friday when we recall Jesus' suffering and dying a cruel death. Ultimately we see the empty tomb and we learn from the angels and witnesses that Jesus rose from the dead.

This story is big! It is beautiful and good. It is good defeating evil. It is life victorious over death. So in the darkness and uncertainty of life we trust Jesus, the Light. All will be well!

Lenten Worship on Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.

FINANCE BOARD

First Lutheran Bylaws sets the duties of the Finance Board.

The duties of this board include budgeting, planning, and managing the resources and uses of funds related to the operation and missions of the Church. The Finance Board is comprised of no fewer than 6 members and holds regular monthly meetings.

The current Finance Board members are

Randi Kirchner, Chair

Craig Harteneck

Ernest Thompson

Chuck Bremer

James Kranz

Jon Gravenish

Luther Berkeland

Jeff Chestnut, Treasurer

The audit for 2019 has been completed and after review by the Finance Board, sent to the Council. Audit Committee members are Brad Krehbiel, Mary Nelson, and Lonnie West. The Finance Board will work to implement the recommendations cited in the audit.

The Finance Board is working to implement our goals. One of which is better communication to our church members. We will have a short statement in the church bulletin about the status of the mortgage and the contribution and expenses summary.

We are also working to develop a handbook/job description for all financial positions as well as the audit committee. We hope to have those completed this year.

If you have an interest in the work of the Finance Board and would consider becoming a member, we meet the second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Church. You do not need to be an accountant!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Prayer Connection...Mary Nelson, firstlutheranprayerconnection@gmail.com or phone: 651-212-0144.

Friends and Family...Marlis Lee, Linette Meincke, Shirley Pierson, Sheila Johnson, Kris Chederquist, Paul & Barb Gifford, Maria & Lee Schultz, Diane Morris, Orville & Joyce Hegseth, Denny Richardson, Jerry Narveson, Dean Kirkland, Nancy Herron

All service men and women...Lt. Col. Spencer Rasmussen, Justin Fuchs, Nathan Fuchs, Peter Schliep, Matt Sikkink, Ethan Meyer, Chris Breuer, Monty Vikdal, Alyssa Zuehl

Peace Corp...Jeffrey Mund

Our Missionary in Chile...Karen Anderson

Nursing Home, Home Bound & Assisted Living...Dwight Pierson, Tom Gagnon, Roger Helgerson, Mary DeGroat, Edith Hammer, Wendell Olson, Violet Stinson, Mary Hallenberger, Corrine Johnson, Marv Nelson

Couples getting Married...Natalie Schlagenhaft & Anthony Armellino

MUSIC

EXPRESSIONS...Mondays at 5pm.

SENIOR CHOIR...Wednesdays, from 7-8:30pm.

BELL CHOIR...Wednesdays, from 6:30pm during Lent. NO Bell Choir March 4.

FLC GROUPS

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...8:30am in the Fireside Room.

ESTHER BIBLE CIRCLE...Wednesday, March 18 at 1:30pm at Mavis Hawkins' home. Everyone is Welcome to attend this Bible study!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY...2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8am.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY...Mondays, February 17-March 23 from 5:30-7pm.

FLC QUILTERS...2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 8:30am.

CARE CENTER BINGO...Monday, March 23 at 6:40 to 8:10pm. Volunteers assist the residents to and from their rooms and help them with their cards as needed. This is not limited to adults, kids are welcome too. Questions can be directed to Becky Schultze at schultze.becky@gmail.com or text Becky at 651-380-2700.

Back by Popular Demand...THE NURSERY! Located by the 3 and 4 year olds Sunday School Area - look for the sign above the door. Right of the Welcome Center. Children under ages 5 and under are welcome to use the nursery. Please make sure there is an adult supervising. Children older than 5 are only permitted with their parents. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know. Thank you! Heidi

Youth Ministry Happenings



5th Grade Confirmation Dates:

Thursday, March 19th 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, March 26th 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, April 2nd 5:30-6:30

Parents, please plan to attend the first lesson with your students.

Lenten Confirmation Schedule in March:

5:30 Worship

6:15 Supper

6:45-7:30 Lesson



Senior High

Youth!

You're Invited:

Contact Melissa for More Info



10-12 Grade

Wed, Mar. 25

8-9pm

Snacks provided

Bring your own drink

Children's Ministry News



Ages 3 years old—6th grade are WELCOME.

Please contact Heidi Berge if you are interested in having your child enroll.

Classes for Sunday School

March 1st - 10:15-11:15 AM

March 8th- 10:15-11:15 AM

March 15th - 10:15-11:15 AM

March 22nd - 10:15-11:15 AM

March 29th- 10:15-11:15 AM

Wednesdays during
the school year
3:00-5:00 PM

March 4th

March 11th

March 18th

March 25th

**Kindergartners—6th
Grades are WELCOME!**



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Mar 1: Travis Bremer, Heidi Flugstad, Justin Foss, Sam Klipfel, David Moe, Paul Myers

Mar 2: Rivers Detert, Candace Dudley, Laura Fitterer, Dana Gartner, Paige Krueger, Amy Matanich

Mar 3: Justin Campbell, Peter Suby

Mar 4: Meg Fitterer, Kathy Rodester, Dick Severson, Teddy Thompson

Mar 5:

Mar 6:

Mar 7: Emery Ebert, Rob Nutt, Laurie Stoeger, Gary Yotter

Lyle & Marilyn Mathison

Mar 8: Morgan Dammann, Willow Dudley, Courtney Haviland, Robert Herron, Josie Kuchinka

Mar 9: Christine Anderson, Elizabeth Howard, Elsie Weinrich

Mar 10: Melissa Ferguson, Mary Moe, Brooke Powers, Sam Rol, Wendy Schultze, Branden Sell, Kerstin Suby

Mar 11: Ross Bendickson, Andy Carlson, Aubree Chavez

Randy & Stephanie Foss

Mar 12: Paula Davis-Lynch, Milly Gagnon, Jarid Groth, Jennifer Meyers, Jeff Swiggum

Mar 13: Braxton Berlin, Kylie Diethelm, Pat Ebert, Craig Kohrs, Richard Shequen

David & Marian Dittfach, Joseph & Lori Morgan, Ralph & Wanda Wiebusch

Mar 14: Liz Enger, Cole Kohrs, Josh Moechnig

Mar 15: Ron Stoerzinger

Mar 16: Avery Kasick, Trace Meyer, Brody Meyer, Helene Pflaum

Mar 17: Edith Hoffman, Tom Kehren, Christian Oeltjen, Ryler Sell

Mar 18: Barbara Muckenhirn, Lisa Oelkers, Troy Ziebell

Mar 19: Dave Ender, William Olson

Lee & Sharon Eggenberger

Mar 20: Roger Hollman, Marcia Holst, Jane Windhorst

Mar 21: Janet Carlson, Jill Dinsmore, Joseph Kells

Mar 22: Craig Harteneck, Cullen Kittelson, Kenny McEwen

Mar 23: Marlys Johnson

Mar 24: Mary DeGroat, Justin Fuchs, Jeff Mund, Barbara Olson

Mar 25: Duane Boos, Bonnie Conway, Ashley Eichelberger, Mary King, Nate Larson

Jon & Mary Gravenish

Mar 26: Kristen Flugstad, Olivia Matzke, Gwen Schafer, Alyssa Wooding

Mar 27: Julie Deschneau, Joel Dose, Jon Gravenish, Sam Lodermeier, Wanda Pederson, Lindsay Peters, Tim Schlagenhaft

Mar 28: Jill Braaten, Mike Gravenish, Paul Haviland, Owen Kopp, Erin Lichtblau, Carter Meincke, Adelyn Meyer, Chase Rodewald, Scott Woolley

Mar 29: Millie Dudley, Amanda Schmidt

Mar 30: Grayce Adler, Ava Eggenberger, Bryan Grimley, Naomi Mangold, Christina Zanto

Jim & Kathy Zwiener

Mar 31: Mya Kohrs, Sam Mangold, Janet Reed, Dean Saby



Would you like to be a Bible Buddy?

- *Donate \$20 to pay for a student's Lutheran Study Bible*
- *Present the bible to your Buddy in the fall*
- *Commit to pray for your Buddy throughout their faith journey*
- *If interested, take an envelope from the Bible Buddies Banner in the café area on March 22nd. Please contact Melissa Ackermann for more info.*

A Big Thank you to those who have knitted or crocheted the beautiful prayer shawls for our church. They will be cherished and bring comfort to those that receive them.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15-11:15am Level 3 Retreat GEV Hispanic Inclusion Group 6pm	2 Expressions 5pm Women's Bible Study 5:30pm Cub Scouts 6pm	3 Staff 10am	4 Bible Study 8:30am KFC 3-5pm NO Bells Lenten Worship 5:30pm Lenten Supper 6:15pm Confirmation 5:30-7:30pm Bell Choir 6:30pm Senior Choir 7pm	5 Boy Scouts 7-8:30pm	6	7 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS AHEAD Worship 5:30pm
8 Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15-11:15am	9 Expressions 5pm Women's Bible Study 5:30pm Cub Scouts 6pm	10 FLC Quilters 8:30am Staff 10am	11 Bible Study 8:30am R. W. Grief Group 10:30am KFC 3-5pm Lenten Worship 5:30pm Lenten Supper 6:15pm Confirmation 5:30-7:30pm Bell Choir 6:30pm Senior Choir 7pm	12 Boy Scouts 7-8:30pm	13	14 Men's Bible Study 8am Worship 5:30pm
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22 Worship 9am Bible Buddies Sunday School 10:15-11:15am	23 Expressions 5pm Women's Bible Study 5:30pm Cub Scouts 6pm Care Center Bingo 6:40pm	24 FLC Quilters 8:30am Staff 10am	25 Bible Study 8:30am R. W. Grief Group 10:30am KFC 3-5pm Lenten Worship 5:30pm Lenten Supper 6:15pm Confirmation 5:30-7:30pm Bell Choir 6:30pm Senior Choir 7pm Senior High Youth Group 8-9pm	26 Care Center 4pm 5th gr Confirmation 5:30-6:30pm Boy Scouts 7-8:30pm	27	28 Men's Bible Study 8am Worship 5:30pm
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March Ministry Assignments

Saturday, March 7 at 5:30pm

Reader: Jen Schlagenhaft
Communion: Jen & Tim Schlagenhaft, Kathy Hollman
Usher: Paul & Wanda Myers
Altar: Audrey Breuer, Janet Carlson
Coffee:

Saturday, March 14 at 5:30pm

Reader: Stacie Ratz
Communion: Wanda Myers, Justin, Leah, Alex Ratz
Usher: Craig Harteneck, Carole Helgerson
Altar: Audrey Breuer, Janet Carlson
Coffee: Amy and Ben Roberson, Jill and Ben Densmore

Saturday, March 21 at 5:30pm

Reader: Cheryl Luettinger
Communion: Cheryl Luettinger, Wanda & Brad Peterson
Usher: Marian & David Dittfach
Altar: Kathy Hollman, Carol Dollar
Coffee:

Saturday, March 28 at 5:30pm

Reader: Steve Johnson
Communion: Steve Johnson, Liz Carlstrom, Ken McEwen
Usher: Craig Harteneck, Peter Suby
Altar: Kathy Hollman, Carol Dollar
Coffee: Judy and Kenny McEwen

Sunday, March 8 at 9:00am

Reader: Rob Nutt
Communion: Pat & Cindy Ebert, Greg & Diane Keyport
Usher: Max & Jeff Rogness
Coffee: Heidi Berge & Sunday School Students
Video: Ric Wallace

Sunday, March 15 at 9:00am

Reader: Shirley Pierson
Communion: Shirley Pierson, Rick Sward, Marcia Holst
Usher: Dave Moe, Tana Cox
Coffee: Tami & AnnElise Ender
Video: Randy Zanto

Sunday, March 22 at 9:00am

Reader: Janet Reed
Communion: Janet Reed, Karen Moses-Richardson
Usher: Trevor Narum, Tim Thompson
Coffee: Jill Braaten, Lori Fritz
Video: Mark Bailey

Sunday, March 29 at 9:00am

Reader: Mary Jane Rasmussen
Communion: Mary Jane & Tom Rasmussen, Sue & Jerry Benson
Usher: Tom & Karen Heise
Coffee: Marcia Holst
Video: Ric Wallace