



THE PARISH NEWS



November, 2020

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ARTICLES DEADLINE is 20th of each
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**Our Mission. . . "Working hand in hand to
know Christ and make Christ known through
Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism,
Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."**

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*"¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you,
declares the LORD, plans for welfare and
not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."
~ Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV)*

Grace and peace be with you all as we walk ahead together. I wanted to say thank you again for all the cards and well wishes as well as for the congregation gift for my ordination. The conversations I have had with many of the congregation members over the last month have been very fruitful and I look forward to continuing to get to know everyone better. Thank you for all who helped with the ordination and installation service and made the weekend such a special and joyous event. You all have become our family and you are so valuable to us and in the Lord's eyes.

The passage (above) from Jeremiah is one that receives a lot of traction, especially during big moments like graduation, or when plans are being made or discovered. It comes to mind for many occasions. Digging a little deeper into this passage we discover a prophecy that was spoken to the exiled people of Judah as a whole. In this section then, Jeremiah wrote that the exiled people were to "build, live, plant and eat" (29:5). They were to "seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare" (v. 7). This direction was to show them that they were to prepare, live and thrive even in these circumstances that they found themselves and to fight the notion that exile was going to be over soon. It also showed the missional reality for this small community. They were invited into the larger public process of the empire and this part asserts the reality of exile and their responsibility to be fully engaged with it.

Verse 11 then moves the vision to the horizon of Judah beyond exile that was to assert the hope of return from exile. There is a promise in this section that Yahweh (God) will keep the promise of homecoming, that God did not intend evil for His people. This tension between deep judgment and the powerful purpose of God that is held together both in the heart of God and in the destiny of Israel that there is a future willed by God that refutes any despair which Judah has experienced.

Today, we find ourselves in difficult situations and dealing with stresses and anxieties that no recent generation has experienced (COVID-19 and a polarized election that will greatly affect our nation). Amid all of this, we find comfort in God's Word and as a community we can walk together in faith.

Moving forward, we need to know the promise of God for us and to continue to seek His guidance and plans for our ministry together. We must not halt our ministry but continue to build, live, plant and eat together in old and new ways. No matter your political opinion, we need to hear the words of Jeremiah to pray for our Nation, to heal and become unified no matter who is elected November 3rd. Whether you feel in exile right now or may after the election, the same God is Lord and

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king of all. He will bring us peace and a future beyond where we are now. We are all citizens of heaven and need to remember when speaking to those who may hold different opinions than us. We can take these instructions to prepare, live and thrive even in these circumstances and find where God is leading us. We need to seek God's face and continue to ask God to guide the Future plans of First Lutheran Church.

Looking to the future, there are some ideas beginning to be explored on ways to better CONNECT those who are joining FLC Online and those who are participating in-person. Please, look for the article CONNECTIONS and a possible PRAYER SERVICE (in this newsletter) that would be held online. Will you join me in prayer for FLC, our future and our nation as we walk together?

In Christ,
Pastor Chuck

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH UPDATES REGARDING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC AS OF COTOBER 16, 2020

UPDATE regarding Governor Burgum's continuing COVID-19 guideline changes over the upcoming weeks/months. Pastor Chuck, the FLC council members, and staff are making efforts to address these changes as they happen. In these trying times, we can hold fast that we serve a God that is in control despite a world that seems out of control.

**"For God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."
2 Timothy 1:7**

As such, with prayerful consideration we are moving forward with church services being offered both in person and online. A few recommendations moving forward:

- Every family is encouraged to attend church, Sunday school, or other activities in the manner that they feel most comfortable (whether on -line or in person)
- Social distancing will be observed, by family unit (maintaining six feet apart).
- Hand sanitizer is available at multiple locations within the church.
- Face masks are strongly encouraged but not required. Please bring your own mask if able, if you do not have one available a mask will be made available for your use.
- No food is to be prepared in the kitchen at this time, and there will be no coffee hour.
- Due to recent changes, if you are signed up as a worship volunteer moving forward and decide to join online instead, please contact Jeannette with your replacement.
- If you are joining online and would like the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please contact Pastor Chuck.
- It was determined that small groups of no more

than 24 people are the only groups allowed to meet at the church at this time with the exception of Sunday School.

- After the service has finished, please fellowship outside for adequate space for social distancing.
- The FLC website (www.flcwashburn.com) and Facebook will be updated as we continue to monitor the situation and any new developments. Please check these sites for updates or concerns. If you do not see an answer to your concern, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Chuck or Jeannette.
- We ask that you remember your tithing for the church. Either send your payment to the church or drop it off at Farmers Security Bank in Washburn notating it is a donation for First Lutheran Church if you will not be attending worship at the church.

"May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; may the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace."
Numbers 6:24-26

The bulletin for each service will be posted on our website www.flcwashburn.com prior to the service. Click the bulletin tab at the top of the page, then click on the date of the bulletin you are looking for.

Events/activities listed in this newsletter are all subject to change at anytime.

Please check the following for updates:
www.flcwashburn.com
Facebook: First Lutheran Church Washburn, ND
Facebook: What's Happening in Washburn, ND
Or Call the church office at 701-462-3775
if you have questions.



OCTOBER 8 2020 COUNCIL MEETING

(Please note that minutes are not approved until voted on by the council at the next meeting.)



- President Kris Schmidt called the meeting to order
- Members present: Kris Schmidt, Pastor Chuck, Matt Gardner, Kathy Keller, Leilani Olafson, Aaron Vorland, Stacy Boeshans, Jeff Schmidt, Melanie Beckman, Donna Sommer
Administrative Secretary - Jeannette Rost

Devotions – Pastor Chuck – Reference: Building a discipling culture – Spiritual rhythms of rest, Matthew 11:25-30

- Approval of previous council meeting minutes – September 2, 2020
1st Matt Gardner, 2nd Kathy Keller – Motion carries

- **Treasurer's Report – Donna Sommer**
(Motion to approve future audit, and to pay any "non-budgeted bills.")
1st Melanie Beckman, 2nd Aaron Vorland -
Treasurer's Report approved

CD's	\$200,000.00
Checking	\$71,351.31
Building	\$42,326.89
Cemetery	\$617.40
Interest	\$790.90
Music	\$1,475.80
Parking Lot	\$47,681.11
Worship	\$2,139.56
<u>Morgan Stanley Smith Barney</u>	<u>\$11,992.40</u>
Total Assets	\$378,375.37

- **Pastors Report – Pastor Chuck**
 - 1 funeral 9/21/2020 for Wayne Christensen (non-member)
 - 1st Communion on 9/27/2020 for 6th Grade class
 - Confirmation class has thirteen confirmands with 100% attendance

Visitation

- Met with staff & some Council members, will be meeting with other Council members
- Other member visits (8)
- Coordinate with Pastor Richard Smith the visitation list and will start visitations the week of October 12, 2020

Other ideas to consider

- Thanksgiving service Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at 7 pm
- Christmas Eve services to be held at 4:30 pm and 9 pm

Committee Reports:

Stewardship Committee - Kathy Keller

- Kathy is working on Stewardship books and website. Jeannette added has been working with Vanco on the e-giving and there will be a \$10/month service fee that will be deducted from Miscellaneous expenses for remainder of 2020. In 2021 and future dates there will be a separate line on the budget report

Worship Committee – Jeff Schmidt

- November readers & communion assistants have not been filled yet.
- Christmas eve candles will need to be purchased and will be deducted from the worship fund
- Christmas tree will need to be replaced, but Jeff felt we may be able to get through this Christmas season with the current tree

Education Committee – Stacy Boeshans

- There will be no snack at the serving counter for the Sunday School Children, each classroom may be providing within each classroom
- No SUNDAY SCHOOL ON 11/22/2020
- SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE HELD DURING TEACHER CONVENTION & THANKSGIVING
- Readers from the 6th grade class and Confirmation class will conduct the readings during service on the 4th Sunday of the Month

Evangelism Committee – Melanie Beckman

- Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box supplies – Melanie is working on acquiring the shoe boxes for this upcoming season
- Hymnals will come back out as soon as the restrictions have been lifted for the Corona-virus

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Property Committee – Aaron Vorland

- Parsonage carpet on the front steps was removed
- Parsonage downstairs bathroom - will be looking at acquiring estimate for renovation during the winter season
- Washer/Dryer were checked out and are in good running condition
- Fireside room loveseat was repaired
- Gutters on the church will need to be cleaned

OLD BUSINESS

- We have \$1,138.77 in Thrivent Choice Dollars

Covid-19 Update

- We have had a good response to opening things back up
- A motion was made to return the pews to regular distance and lift seating restriction
- Masks will still be encouraged but not required
- Hymnals will still not be used
- The Liturgy will be sung, however only one hymn will be sung during service
- The Council is taking gradual steps to return to regular protocol
Motion was made to accept these changes
1st Kathy Keller, 2nd Aaron Vorland – Motion carries
- Tricorne Audio – Vivian Merkel Memorial Money
An estimate was provided and it was discussed that a long short projector would be mounted to the Balcony. Other considerations would be for a short throw projector in the basement would be installed for those times where we would have overflow during special events or funerals
A motion was made to approve and do the additional projector in the basement
1st Melanie Beckman and 2nd Kathy Keller – motion carries
Lavern Johnson Trust Money
 1. Parking Lot is going well and the date of completion is looking to be in October if project stays on track.
 2. Security Camera that Matt Gardner provided earlier will be null and void due to looking at cameras needed for other entrances of the church basement. He will be acquiring a new estimate for more cameras.

- Call Committee – Matt Gardner presented Pastor Chuck with a Certificate of Ordination from LCMC
 - Matt provided a flash drive with all the procedures of the Call Committees duties to Jeannette for future use. It was discussed that it be backed up on an additional flash drive to be saved for safety for future Pastoral Calls
- Mutual Ministry Committee will be comprised of a six-member committee – this is a communication link that serves to be a link between the staff and congregation. The recommendations for this committee will come from the Council President and Pastor. Arden Wagner and Alexis Solomonson will be serving and the remaining members will be determined

New Business

- Parsonage Rental Agreement was reviewed per Lindell Law Office in Washburn. The fee of \$125 will be deducted out of the Call Committee expenses
Motion to approve 1st Kathy Keller, 2nd Donna Sommer – Motion carries
- Facebook page activity and streaming and process of tracking online viewers in relation to our attendance records
-Outreach attendance will be pulled on an annual basis for historical records. Followers and views will be the Day of Service numbers and will be collected by the ushers. Service counts will start on October 11, 2020
-Matt will continue operating Facebook Live Church Services and has members approach him to volunteer to operate Facebook Live Church Services
- NALC Constitution Ratification – Amendments to the Constitution will require voting members to ratify the amendments. Action by the Annual meeting will need to take place and notice will need to be given in advance prior to the Annual meeting
- 2021 Budget meeting conducted on November 12, 2020 at 5 pm. Council members needing to be present are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Stewardship and Property Chairpersons along with Pastor Chuck and Jeannette

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Transfer Requests:

Transfers In

Pastor Charles & Stephanie Mann along with their children, Isaac & Isabella from Saint Paul Lutheran Church in York, PA

Motion to approve 1st Donna Sommer, 2nd Melanie Beckman – motion carries

Transfers Out

None

By Affirmation of Faith

None

Remove from Membership List:

None

Next Council Meeting:

November 12, 2020 at 7pm

Adjourn meeting

1st Matt Gardner, 2nd, Aaron Vorland - Motion carried

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Leilani Olafson

Church Council Secretary



VOLUNTEERS:

VERY VALUABLE!

Mutual Ministry Committee

Volunteers Needed

Church council is looking for volunteers to serve on the Mutual Ministry Committee. This is a seven member committee that is chaired by the Church Council Vice President. The purpose of the Mutual Ministry Committee is to provide support for the staff of the church and serve as a conduit between the congregation and the church staff. The Call Committee nominated two members, so we are looking for four additional members. Members of the committee are appointed by the Church Council President and Pastor. The term of duty is two years with three members being replaced each successive year. If you are interested in serving please reach out to Matt Gardner, 701-315-0326.



PASTORL CARE

Please call Pastor Chuck if you or a loved one are in the hospital or know you will be going to the hospital. The church does not usually get informed of your stay by any of the hospitals even if you are registered under our congregation's name. We want to make sure you get pastoral care. Pastor Chuck's number is: 701-891-9443 (Cell), 701-462-3774 (Home) or 701-462-3775 (Church). Thank you!



Just a reminder that First Lutheran has a prayer chain. If you would like to be included on the chain to receive prayer requests, please either call the church office – 462-3775, email the church office at flc@westriv.com, or talk to Jeannette or Pastor Chuck. We will need your cell phone number and carrier to be able to text you the prayer. Likewise, if you have a prayer request or know someone that does, please contact Jeannette or Pastor Chuck to get the prayer request started.

CONNECTIONS



We are looking at ways to better connect our members, especially those who are participating online with those who are participating in-person. Many have expressed how much they miss the fellowship time between the service and Sunday School. This article is a brainstorm of potential ways that we could try to better incorporate the whole body of First Lutheran Church.

There are many opportunities through which we may be able to add a more participatory model where those online would be able to talk (live) and see people face-to-face via an online video platform.

Bible Studies:

- Join existing Bible studies via ZOOM to join in the conversation. Please let us know in advance if you would be interested or to get more details of what this could look like.

Prayer Service:

- We would meet online, either monthly, bi-weekly, or weekly for a short prayer service/devotional. The vision that to see is an online forum time that would allow those who are participating online or in-person to have fellowship time to catch up and pray together. We would provide the space and you can bring your coffee ☺. There would also be opportunities for smaller groups to break-off to pray together and chat. This would be especially helpful for those who have been unable to join the in-person activities at the church due to COVID. If you would like to find out more, please contact Jeannette (flc@westriv.com) or Pastor Chuck (PastorChuck@westriv.com) via email.

We would like to start these activities soon, so please let us know if you would like to join us!



According to some sources, the idea for All Saints' Day goes back to the fourth century when the Greek Christians kept a festival on the first Sunday after Pentecost (in late May or early June) in honor of all martyrs and saints. Other sources say that a commemoration of "All Martyrs" began to be celebrated as early as 270 CE but no specific month or date is recorded. Pope Gregory IV made All Saints' Day an authorized holiday in 835 CE. It is speculated that the chosen date for the event, November 1, may have been an attempt to supplant the pagan Festival of the Dead (also known as Samhain or the feast of Saman, lord of death).

All Saints' Day is not to be confused with All Souls' Day, which was first instituted at the monastery in Cluny in 993 CE and quickly spread among Christians.

On All Saint's Sunday we will remember the following First Lutheran members along with those whose service was here at First Lutheran who have gone before us since November 1, 2019.

Stan Goehring - 12/23/19
Vivian Merkel - 12/30/19
LeRoy Bender - 7/6/20
Wayne Christensen - 9/16/20



First Lutheran Church
Thanksgiving Eve Worship
November 25, 2020
7:00 PM
In-person & Facebook Live

Give Online



Many of you have patiently been waiting for e-giving here at First Lutheran Church. I am happy to announce that it is up and ready to use!

We welcome all donations through any of the options we offer for giving. You can contribute anywhere, anytime right from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

- ⇒ Put your offering in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.
- ⇒ Mail your offering or drop it off at the church office.
- ⇒ Go to the church website: www.flcwashburn.com and click on the donate button on the homepage. Follow the instructions from there.
- ⇒ For our smartphone users, don't forget you can contribute through GivePlus Church, our mobile giving app. It's a convenient solution whenever you have your phone but don't have cash or checks with you.

See the two pages on GIVEPLUS MOBILE or go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "GivePlus Church" to quickly find the app and download it for free. You can easily make donations anytime you're moved to give, or create an account to schedule recurring weekly, monthly, quarterly or yearly offerings and to the account of your choice. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review giving history. You choose how you prefer to login - Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password.

Find our church by ZIP code - 58577 or by searching our Church name - First Lutheran Church, Washburn, ND

- ⇒ Scan this code and it will take you directly to the app.



Get started today! Download our mobile app or visit www.flcwashburn.com to set up your online contribution!



Pastor Chuck & Steph have changed their cell phone numbers. New numbers are:
Pastor Chuck: 701-891-9443
Step: 701-891-9413
Please make these changes.
The parsonage number remains as 701-462-3774.



POINSETTIAS

I know, who's thinking of Christmas already besides the secretary and floral shops when it's not even Thanksgiving yet! Lots of people!!! Anyway, just a heads up that sometime in November and also in the December newsletter the form for Poinsettias will be out. We will know the price of them hopefully the first part to middle of November. First Lutheran has ordered 30 to fill the poinsettia tree this year. The tree will be up by December 6th. Think about purchasing your poinsettia through First Lutheran this year! Once all 30 are spoken for you are on your own.



Education Report

Stacy Boeshans

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Christmas program will be December 13th at 10:30 am. The education committee is in the process of choosing material.

FALL ACTIVITIES

- Kids will be making Advent Calendars in PreK/K
- We are continuing the Fruits of the Spirit in grades 1-6
- Students in grades 5-12 will be our readers the last Sunday of every month
- NO Sunday School November 22nd – Teacher Meeting

THANK YOU

Thank you to all our Parent Volunteers!

Stacy Boeshans



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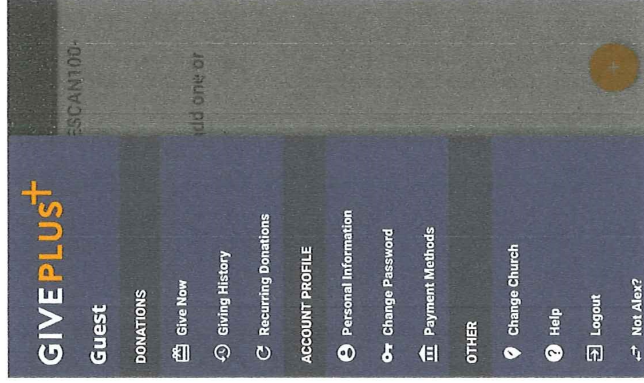
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Schedule

Fund Details

Fund: General Fund

Frequency: Monthly

Starts On: _____

Ends On: _____

Select Amount: \$25, \$50, \$100

\$ Other Amount: _____

Add

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- Next time you donate, tap **Select Frequency** to create a recurring weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or annual donation to the fund of your choice
- Note:** Your church determines frequency options

Review

Recurring Donations

Next Payment	Frequency	Amount
07/25/17	Biweekly	\$5
07/26/17	Biweekly	\$9
07/25/17	Monthly	\$6
07/26/17	Weekly	\$7

General Fund \$4

Community Outreach \$3

Start Date 07/25/17

End Date None

Payment Method **** 8585

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FLCW NEWS

November, 2020

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Gwen DeMontigny
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Altar Guild:

Theresa Petersen

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Mary Ann Beeks

Camp of the Cross:

Peggy Moran

Community:

Kathy Keller
Meals on Wheels
Lions Bake Sale
Alli Sheldon
Goodies From the Heart

Good Cheer:

Mary Ann Beeks

Growth (Confirmation & Graduation Tea and 3rd Grade Bibles):

Janet Hanson
Margaret Rasmussen

Kitchen:

Arlene Schwarz
Kathy Keller
Linda Zeller

Kuchen, Lefse, Cards, etc.:

Donna Kroll
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Norma Petersen
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Prayer Chain Chairmen:

Sande Wagner
Arlene Schwarz
Norma Petersen

Receptions/Bulletin Board**Decorating:**

Donna Gunderson

Service Secretary:

Sharon Chrest
Melissa Chrest

WE ARE
grateful
FOR YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped assemble/box up LWR school, baby and health kits and quilts. This is a wonderful mission project that the women of our church participate in.

The Fall Harvest Festival worship service is scheduled for Sunday, November 22. Colleen Reinhardt, a musician from Bismarck, will be our guest. Please join us! Just a reminder that the potluck and lefse sale have been cancelled. There are cards and napkins available to purchase on a table downstairs.

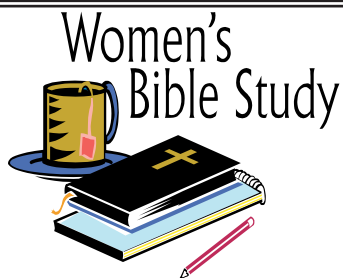


We are still in need of a co-chair for the Women of the Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 9	Members of Executive Board 2021 planning meeting – 10:00 am
November 22	Fall Harvest Festival Worship Service – 9:30 am
November	NO Quilting
December 20	Choir Cantata – Group 4 serves (tentative on COVID)
December	NO Quilting

LeAnn Richard and Donna Gunderson co-chairs

**Deborah Bible Study**

November 19, 2020

9:30 AM

at the church

Cathy Sheldon &
Sylvia Thompson Host

Deborah Bible Study will be doing two chapters a month in their study of Exodus to finish up in December. Please study chapters 9 and 10 of the Bible Study. If you have questions, please talk to Barbara Brewster.

Please let your hostess know whether or not you will be attending each month.

Thanks
be to
God

**“A GREATFUL
HEART”**



for his
indescribable
gift!

2 CORINTHIANS 9:15



Colleen Reinhardt

Join us

Sunday, November 22, 2020

9:30 AM

**First Lutheran Church
Washburn, ND**

Colleen Reinhardt will lead us in worship
with her musical talent.

Colleen is the Choir Director at First Lutheran Church
in Bismarck and also works full-time for the
Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation year-round.

BLESSED

is the one

who trusts
in the Lord,
Whose confidence
is in him.

Jeremiah 17:7

*Pastor Charles Mann
Ordination & Installation
Sunday, October 4, 2020*



Receiving Stole



"Joyful Noise"



Pastor Erik Johnson
Pastors Paul & Sally Gausmann





Pastor Erik Johnson, Pastor Lyle Belleque,
Pastor Chuck Mann, Pastors Paul & Sally Gausmann



Front Row l to r:
 Danny Tamminga, Isaac Mann, Leeland Tamminga,
 Bella Mann, Tricia & Jonathan Tamminga
 Back Row l to r:
 Dot & Gary Mann, Pastor Chuck & Steph Mann,
 Beth & Dann Tamminga

STEWARDSHIP



"Go and celebrate with a feast...and share gifts of food with people who have nothing prepared. This is a sacred day...Don't be sad for the joy of the Lord is your strength."
Nehemiah 8:10

Joy and fun as God intended are important parts of celebration because they lift our spirits and help us see the beauty and meaning in life. Perhaps something to remember in these different times we are living in. Since Thanksgiving is just such a time as Nehemiah spoke, I thought this little poem about "Blessings" by Lisa Woodard speaks well about sharing our gifts!

B Be a forever friend.
L Live life with grace.
E Embrace joy.
S Serve compassionately.
S Speak only kind words.
I Impart only love.
N Never forget you are loved and who you are loved by!
G Give thanks for everything, every day.
S See only good things in others.

Have a Great Thanksgiving everyone! Stay safe and God Bless!

Kathy Keller
Stewardship Chair



Boxes, suggestions for gifts and gift tags are in the narthex.
Please return shoeboxes no later than Saturday, November 14 as they will be dedicated on Sunday, November 15th and taken to Bismarck that week.

FIRST LUTHERAN YOUTH

By Laura Gardner



2020 has definitely kept everyone on their toes and things are no different with our youth group. It's been very strange to not be planning fundraisers and meals! While we miss the interaction and the opportunity to serve our church family, we've enjoyed our time with devotions, videos, games, and lots of deep conversations. We aren't sure at this point if we'll have the opportunity to serve brunch or not in December but we could sure use your help blessing our friends in Pine Ridge. Covid will have some impact on the when and how we will get donations to Ruby and so, but nonetheless, we hope you will prayerfully consider donating materials or Christmas goods. Watch for a detailed list in next month's newsletter.

Upcoming Events:

Nov. 4 th	6:15 Confirmation 7:15 FLY
Nov. 11 th	6:15 Confirmation 7:15 FLY
Nov. 18 th	6:15 Confirmation 7:15 FLY
Nov. 25 th	NO Confirmation NO FLY

If we don't teach our youth to follow Christ, the world will teach them not to.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY USHERS/GREETERS - 9:30 AM

1 - Mike & Sharon Nelson
8 - Dick & Carla Bickert
15 - Lynn & Donna Sommer
22 - Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer
29 - Kris Schmidt Family

ACOLYTES

1 - Ashlyn Schmitz & Maeleigh Baumann
8 - James Chrest
15 - Maddie Jaeger & Ryleigh Schmidt
22 - Aaron Blumhagen
29 -

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READERS

1 - Jeff Schmidt
8 - Randy Hall
15 - Drew Petersen
22 - Randy Hall
29 - S.S. Youth

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

1 & 15 - Melanie Beckman

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP - 7:00 PM

November 25

USHERS/GREETERS

Mike & Sharon Nelson

READER

Jeff Schmidt

ALTAR CARE

Carla Bickert & Sonja Bergstedt

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

Will find people once we resume coffee hour.

SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS

Dick & Carla Bickert



The following list is the service group scheduled for **December**. The group coordinators are Larry & Kathy Keller. ***If your name is on this list, please check the calendar and see what Sunday(s) in December works best for you and give Larry or Kathy a call at 462-3534. If Larry or Kathy calls you, please prayerfully consider how you can help.*** If you don't see your name on this list, your month is coming. Please say yes, when called. Thank you for doing your part and participating in our worship service.

Ryan & Tammy Dockter
Jennifer Dutoit
Dwight & Joy Hanson
Kacy Hardt
Darrell & Sherry Kinnischtzke
Wyat & Carissa Klabunde
Duane & Marlys Knell
Dennis & Donna Kroll
Jeff Leidholm
Cody & Robin Lorentzen
Brent & Theresa Petersen
Terry & Norma Petersen
Dean & Sandy Schell
Jolene Scholl
Sylvia Thompson
Lee & Annette Weisgarber
Bob & Sandra Weisgarber

CLAPPING DURING WORSHIP SERVICE



At First Lutheran Church, we are so blessed with many gifted Musicians that have been so willing to share their gift of music during this unprecedented time of change due to COVID-19. We are especially thankful for their time and energy to share their beautiful music with us each week. To help focus our hearts and minds on Jesus, please refrain from *clapping* during the service as their special music is taking place of the hymns in the normal liturgy of the divine service. The musicians understand that in reverence to God, it is their honor and service to God and congregation to bless us with their harmonious music.

THANK YOU

- ☺ Thank you Jeneen Loe and Randy Hall for helping fold and tape the October newsletter for mailing.



- ☺ Thank you Choir, Peggy Moran, Wendy Miller, Brent, Theresa & Justin Petersen, Sunday School students, Orlin Larson, Rick Richard, Sylvia Kallikowski, Randy & Gwen Hall, Claudette Ness, Sue Winter, Bell Choir, Dustin Moe, Dean & Sonja Bergstedt and Steph Mann for your special music this past month.

- ☺ Thank you Stacy Boeshans for the Sunday School pictures and Matt & Laura Gardner (Gardner Images), Alexis Solomonson, and Jeannette Rost for the pictures from Pastor Chuck's Ordination and Installation.

- ☺ Donna Gunderson would like to thank the following people for helping water the flowers this summer: Dick & Carla Bickert, Willie & Janell Ziemann, Kathy Keller, Mike Aull and Judy Beaudry.

- ☺ Dear First Lutheran Members:

I want to thank you for the gifts, cards and always a kind word. I deeply appreciated your warm and caring support.

Peace,
Pastor Curt Hanson

- ☺ Dear Friends,

My name is Patricia Dittrich and I am a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Rosenberg, TX. My husband is the coordinator of the Texas Region NALC Disaster Response Warehouse.

There have been several storms impacting the Gulf Coast area and we have been shipping out supplies as soon as they come in. In sorting

items, I found a tag with your church's information on it.

I wanted to personally thank you for your generosity in sending items to help our Brothers and Sisters in Christ! Most people have lost so much and the gift of a quilt, flood bucket, baby & school items, Bibles and more is very much appreciated!

May the Lord bless you and thanks again for your kindness!

Peace
Pat Dittrich

- ☺ Ardee Kurle would like to thank the Olafson and Sheldon Farms for donating beautiful pumpkins and gourds for harvest decorating this fall!

I would also like to thank those who helped with the recent Nursery décor refresh...to Besi Wilson for making and donating the large wall sign and for adding words to other pictures, to Brenda Krebsbach for a donation to purchase the little table and chair set, and to Char Syver-son for donating the accent chair. If you haven't seen the refresh, stop by and have a look! Also thanks to Aaron Vorland and Alton Krebsbach for doing things here and there that require hanging and putting together. I so appreciate and enjoy you all!

- ☺ Church Family at First Lutheran:

Thank you for the amazing way you give from the heart. Thank you for all you have done to welcome our family to yours. Thanks for the great food you all prepared for us and Pastor Chuck's ordination. Lovely services. We watch every Sunday in PA. Love our extended family.

Peace & Love & God's Blessings,
The Mann Family - Dot & Gary



As of October 25, 2020:

Our envelope giving is \$164,964.00 with a yearly budget of \$195,000.00.
\$5,609.16 ahead of budget.

The plate giving is \$3,918.25 with a yearly budget of \$8,500.00.
\$3,027.95 behind budget.

Thank you for your giving.

CAMP OF THE CROSS NEWS

November 11-15 Crafting Retreat
November 27-29 Dickens Festival

December 4-6 Dickens Festival
December 11-13 Dickens Festival

January 29-31 Men's Weekend

February 3-7 Crafting Retreat

CRAFTING RETREATS are popular, but are limited in numbers due to COVID-19, so register early to get in on all the fun – quilting, scrapbooking, making cards, needlepoint, paint, knit, crochet, whatever your craft, you are welcome to attend! There are short mealtime devotions, games, fun demonstrations, laughter, fellowship and good food!

THANK YOU to those who contributed to our Harvest for the Camp! All donations are much appreciated!

2020 SCANDINAVIAN SUPPER - due to the present status of the pandemic, the Scandinavian Supper is cancelled.

DICKENS VILLAGE GUEST HOUSE – after a fun-filled day/evening at the Dickens Festival in Garrison, staff will welcome you each evening with dessert, while you relax before the fire in the cozy comfort of our Retreat Lodge.

MEN'S WEEKEND – Come for a weekend full of worship, adventure, service, discussion and fellowship with some other guys trying to live out their own faith.

FELLOWSHIP CENTER UPDATE – A HUGE thanks to the Victor Lemke Estate for his final gifts! With his gifts, we were able to pay off the construction loan at Garrison State Bank & Trust and also pay off the Endowment Fund loan approved by the Constituency this summer. Thank you everyone for your hard work, financial support and prayers to get us to this day! This project of our capital campaign "Building on the Shores of Faith" is complete. We continue to work on the next project which is the completion of the renovations of the row cabins. Steps have begun to get rid of the old dining hall.

Call 701-337-2246, Camp of the Cross office, for questions. Go to www.campofthecross.com to register or for more information.

Thank you
Peggy Moran



Memorial Gifts Given to Special Funds (Sunday, September 27 to Sunday, October 25)



Fund given to & by whom In Memory of

Building Fund..... \$0.00

Camp of the Cross \$0.00

Decorating (Church) \$0.00

General Fund..... \$130.00

Gordon & Janice Persinger Wayne Christensen
Terry & Donna Gunderson Norma Beckman
Steve & Peggy Wollmuth Darryl Bellerud
Kris & Melanie Beckman Nick Reisenauer
Chuck Sheldon..... Nick Reisenauer
Chuck Sheldon..... Bill Beeks

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Lutheran Social Services..... \$0.00

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Dewey & Wanda Oster..Richard & Kathleen Eckert

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Dick & Barbara Brewster Darryl Bellerud
Peggy Moran..... Darryl Bellerud
Jeneen Loe Amy Striefel
Jeneen Loe Nick Reisenauer

Relief Missions..... \$0.00

Sunday School \$0.00

US/Local Missions \$0.00

World Hunger \$0.00

Worship \$0.00



The following people were prayed for by request at worship from Sunday, September 27 - Sunday, October 25. If we missed you or your loved ones, or your prayer requests, please accept our apologies.

Please let the church office know before you enter the hospital for planned surgeries, during any hospitalization, or about your illnesses and any special needs that we may pray for you.

- ♦ Beryl Lonski - Brother-in-law to Mike & Sharon Nelson
- ♦ Wes Sauer
- ♦ Taylor Gardner
- ♦ Virgil Wisdom
- ♦ Harold Holtz
- ♦ Elaine Renfrow - Mother to Lynette Sondrol
- ♦ Sandi Femling - Cousin to Melanie Beckman
- ♦ Laren Holznagel
- ♦ Harlow Tatum - Daughter of Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum

- ♦ Melisa Chrest
- ♦ Ruth Lund - Mother to Doddie Kuntz
- ♦ Derek Laning
- ♦ Jacklyne Carlson
- ♦ Amber Selken - Sister to Wendy Miller
- ♦ John Krebsbach - Brother to Peggy Wollmuth
- ♦ Arlo Omoth - Brother to Jeneen Loe
- ♦ Shirley Nelson
- ♦ Bob Miller
- ♦ Rodney Jaeger
- ♦ James Tolbert
- ♦ Brad Taylor - Friend of Pastor Chuck
- ♦ Jamie Baumann
- ♦ Abe Nichols - Cousin to Steph Mann
- ♦ Mark Weygand - Son of Dick & Barbara Brewster
- ♦ Weldon & Eunice Wagner - Brother & Sister-in-law to Arden Wagner
- ♦ Claire Boucher - Friend's of Aaron & Lexie Solomonson newborn

First Lutheran November Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following First Lutheran members who have birthdays in November. We are sorry if we missed anyone this month. If your name has been missed, kindly report it to the church office so we can get your birth date for our records. Likewise, if we have printed your birthday and you do not wish to have it published in the newsletter, please let Jeannette know in the church office. We will remove it for next year. Thank you!



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Aaron Blumhagen Don Ellwein Julie Green Lynie Huston	2 Ashley Hanson Cora Holznagel Matthew Richard	3 Russel Smith	4	5 Camden Moran Kayli Richards Val Swanson	6	7 Terry Petersen TJ Pfeiffer Garrett Pfeiffer Brad Sheldon Cassidy Sommer Amelia Swanson
8 Callie Sinner	9 Michael Chrest Linda Wohlk	10 Charley Beaudry Payson Carlson Devan Schell Jeff Schmidt Donna Sommer	11 Vicki Carvell Ann Kadrmas	12 Carolyn Aaseth Lori Ficklin Carissa Klabunde Tim Kuball	13 Laura Gardner Mary Haugtvedt	14 Becky Heringer Carol Nodsle Elmer Schwarz Danika Smith
15 Jolene Scholl George Swanson	16 Dennis Heydt Drew Kadrmas	17 Stephanie Holznagel Gracie Omlid Rick Richard	18 Easton Kugler	19 Brittany Doremus	20 David Hoff Ryleigh Schmidt	21 Donavan Pickell
22	23 McKayde Baumann	24 Brooklyn Thomas Janell Ziemann	25 Ellen Doebler David Goetz Marlene Slagg	26 Barbara Brewster Sydney Schmit	27	28 Skyler Rodriguez
29 Adley Sheldon Charlee Sheldon Aaron Solomonson	30 Susan Balvitsch					



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1 All Saints' Sunday Daylight Savings Time Ends Holy Communion 8:30 AM Bible Study - Cathy Sheldon 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study Alexis Solomonson 7:00 PM AA Meeting	2	3 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	4 6:15 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:15 PM FLY 7:30 PM Choir	5	6	7
8 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Bible Study - Cathy Sheldon 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study Alexis Solomonson 7:00 PM AA Meeting	9 10:00 AM Chat & Sew Quilting 10:00 AM FLCW Exec. Board Meeting	10 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	11 Veteran's Day 6:15 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:15 PM FLY 7:30 PM Choir	12 5:00 PM Budget Meeting 7:00 PM Council Meeting	13	14 Deadline for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes
15 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion 8:30 AM Bible Study - Cathy Sheldon 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study - Alexis Solomonson 7:00 PM AA Meeting	16	17 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	18 6:15 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:15 PM FLY 7:30 PM Choir	19 9:30 AM Deborah Bible Study at the Church	20 Newsletter Deadline	21
22 Christ the King Sunday 8:30 AM Bible Study - Cathy Sheldon 9:30 AM Fall Harvest Festival Worship 10:45 AM S.S. Teacher Meeting NO Sunday School Bible Study - Alexis Solomonson 7:00 PM AA Meeting	23	24 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	25 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28
29 First Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study - Alexis Solomonson 7:00 PM AA Meeting	30					

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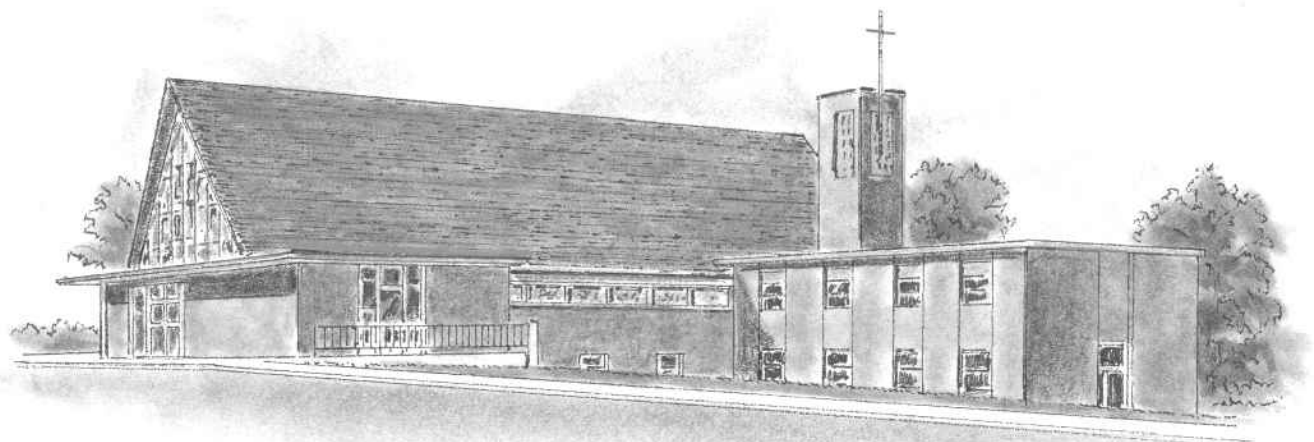
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Service.”***

Happy Thanksgiving to:

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

**Bible Study - 8:30 AM - Led by Cathy Sheldon in Fellowship Hall
(November 22nd last Sunday)**

Worship Service - 9:30 AM

Sunday School - 10:45 AM

**Bible Study - 10:45 AM - Led by Alexis Solomonson in Fireside Room
AA Meeting - 7:00 PM**