



THE PARISH NEWS



May, 2024

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ARTICLES DEADLINE is 20th of each month.**

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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FROM THE PASTOR

Something for Nothing

How’s this for a great deal? A national donut chain actually ran this advertisement.

GET 3 DONUTS FREE – WHEN YOU BUY 3 DONUTS AT THE REGULAR HALF-DOZEN PRICE!

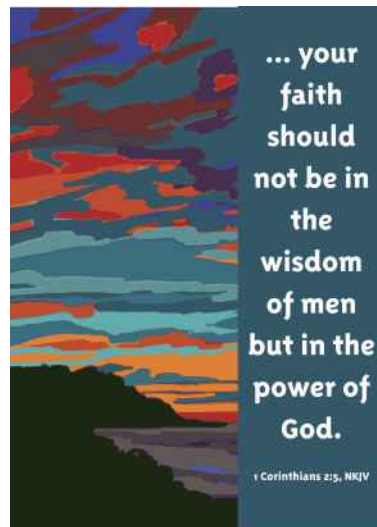
If that rather confusing statement means you can buy six donuts for the price of six donuts, it’s not much of a bargain, is it?

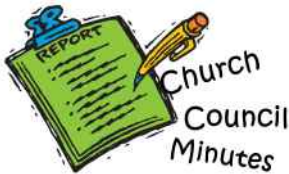
Many of the “great buys” in our world are like deceptive advertisements. You end up receiving nothing for something, when you thought it would be the other way around.

Think about it in spiritual terms. Various religions require a long list of activities in exchange for what amounts to hopelessness.

In reality, only a risen Savior offers something that is truly free. By physically rising from the dead, Jesus destroys death. Though we deserve nothing on account of our sinfulness, Jesus chooses to deal with us in grace by freely forgiving our sins, paying the price to erase our guilt, and opening up heaven for us. Through simple, trusting faith in Christ, we remarkably receive it all. The free gift makes us hopeful people who face life with courage and live to bring blessing to those who hunger for God. There is nothing deceptive in Christ’s promises. What He says is what He delivers. Anyone or anything else is little more than “nothing for something.”

Pastor Krueger





COUNCIL MEETING IN APRIL 9, 2024

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



The Church Council met on April 9th, 2024, at 7:30 PM. Present were Aaron Solomonson, Julie Bentz, Joe Sheldon, Chris Albers, Janet Hanson, Sarah Rosenquist, Sarah Kadrmas, Pastor Paul Krueger, Kacy Hardt, and Alli Sheldon. Jeannette Rost was also present.

President Joe Sheldon called the meeting to order. Alli Sheldon/Hardt to approve the agenda. Carried

Pastor Paul led the devotions from Philippians Chapter 4.

Randy Hanson gave a report from the Call Committee. Pastor Paul was interviewed last Sunday and the Call Committee is recommending that we make an offer to Pastor Paul. Paperwork will be drawn up to issue the Call. Congregational vote to accept the Pastor and another vote to accept the benefits package. Solomonson/Bentz makes motion to accept the call committees recommendation – motion carried.

Kadrmas/Hardt approve old minutes. Motion carried.

Solomonson gave the treasurer's report. The following balances are on hand: CD's: \$150,000, Checking: \$177,572.80, Building: \$205,873.56, Cemetery: \$1,717.40; FLY: \$14,698.90; Interest: \$16,050.69; Music: \$2,308.33; Pizza Day: \$50.00; Raising Hope Ministry: \$20.00; Super Sunday Supper: \$5,050.71; Worship: \$2,603.44, Ameriprise Financial: \$39,995.60; Morgan Stanley: \$11,992.40; Total Assets: \$627,933.83. Hardt/Alli Sheldon approve to file future audit and pay non budgeted bills. Motion carried.

Pastor's report:

1. March/April – Pastoral Activity

- Private Communion to be completed in Garrison on 4/17. Waiting to hear from Rev. Dick Smith on Bismarck private communions.
- Continue to be grateful to Rick and Brent for leading worship on the Sunday's where I am unable to be present. In April Brent will lead worship on the 14th and Rick on the 21st.
- Two rescheduled baptisms took place

on April 7th. One baptism originally scheduled for March has been moved to May to allow more family to attend.

2. Confirmation Classes

- Two more classes remain with a "Ask the Pastor Anything" night to close the year on April 24th. Again, so many First Lutheran people stepped up to help make our Confirmation program a big success this year. Thank you to Kristi Jaeger and Lexi Solomonson for teaching 7th and 8th grade. Thank you to our Small Group leaders who assist our kids each night. Thank you to all who provided food throughout the year for our Confirmation Café. What a ministry to our kids as they discover and grow in faith.
- Thank you to our confirmation students for helping each evening with our Lenten worship services.

3. **First Communion Classes** – 10 students (9-5th graders and 1-6th grader) from First completed the First Communion Class, which ended up being rescheduled for April 7th. Students engaged in the basic truths of Holy Communion, and as part of their faith journey, will receive their First Communion on Sunday, April 28th.

4. **Easter Services** – Easter Sunday was a wonderful celebration of our Lord's resurrection. Sunrise worship and a full house for our 9:30 Easter Celebration. Special music provided by 13 Brass players who helped lead our Easter singing with Theresa and LeAnn, our wonderfully gifted organists. Special thanks to the choir as well who beautifully spoke the Gospel message into our hearts with song. How blessed we are to have so many people willing to offer their gifts in service to God's people for our Easter celebration. Along with the FLY youth who supplied breakfast, a big thank you to all!

5. **Video/Audio Equipment Updates** – It appears that we will have to give a more serious look at our Video/Audio bid from More than Music. During the last two weeks we struggled with sound difficulties during our worship services and we hit

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snags with both the audio and video portions of our Virtual Service. We budgeted \$3,000 in the 2024 budget for sound updates.

6. Hosting a 2024/25 Year on Mission Team

- In conjunction with Melissa's Daniel Institute summer training program at Wilderness North in Northern Minnesota, the congregation has been asked to consider being a host for a Year on Mission Team in 2024/25. I'd like to explore the possibility with the Council at this month's upcoming meeting. Year on Mission (YOM) team members are trained with many of the same personal development, spiritual renewal, and discipleship skills that would be given to Melissa. During the year YOM participants would work part-time in the community and part-time in the church, adding some extra horsepower to the work that we do, especially in the area of young adult ministries and their growth as disciples of Jesus Christ. Working with Melissa, their time in the Daniel Institute will help us create an even greater impact in the lives of our young adults for Jesus Christ.

7. In the Community

- As I look forward to more involvement in the community, I'm very happy to share that I have been given the privilege to present the Invocation and Benediction at this year's Memorial Day festivities. I'm truly grateful for the invitation. In addition, I'm looking forward to working with the Washburn pastors for this year's community worship service during Riverboat Days.

8. Upcoming Travel Dates

- In April and May I will be gone on the following Sunday's on behalf of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch
 - a) April 14th – Kansas District LWML Convention and services in Abilene, KS
 - b) April 21st – California/Nevada/Hawaii District LWML Convention, Redding, CA
 - c) May 12th – Traveling to Longmont, Colorado having been invited to take part in the Ordination of a new NALC Pastor whom I had the privilege to mentor during his pre-seminary and seminary days.
- Other travel dates:
 - a) April 29 to May 4 – Visits to Ranch Donors in the greater

Denver area

- b) May 7-10 – Regents meeting for the North American Lutheran Seminary

Committee Reports:

- Stewardship Committee - Bentz continues to work on Thank You cards for Thrivent donations.
- Worship Committee - working on filling in the reading spots and helping with the carnival
- Education Committee - May 5th is the last Sunday school, 12 kids currently registered for camp of the cross
- Evangelism Committee - Carnival committee met – Super Sunday supper has donated extra funds - Aug 4th 4-7 pm
- Property Committee - no report
- Executive Committee - no report
- Mutual Ministry Committee - no report

Old Business:

We have \$1,083.37 in Thrivent Choice Dollars.

Endowment committee discussed the 3 different categories to split accounts: unrestricted funds, temporally restricted funds and a restricted account. Discussed having diversified funds to allow for safer options for the endowment. We will need to adopt the language for the officers for the endowment fund. Hardt/Bentz motioned to nominate President, Secretary, and Treasurer as the officers for the endowment fund. Motion carried.

Discussing with Mac on a date to take care of the Cemetery Fence when weather improves.

YHR Associates – Pastor Paul will be reaching out to explore with them meeting with the council. Pastor Paul will reach out to other Architects for further ideas.

Plan to discuss structure of meetings in the fall.

Sound and Video Equipment Bid - Pastor is willing to write the case statement to raise money for the equipment with the statement for the next meeting. Plan to raise the money needed for the equipment by Sept. 1st. We budgeted \$3,000 for this and will need approx. \$20,000. Hardt proposes we focus our mission of the Carnival towards this purpose.

Alli Sheldon/Hardt motioned to use 2nd quarter Benevolences to support Camp of the Cross Summer Sunday Meal. Motion carried.

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New Business:

Melissa's Summer training - Tentmakers 40-day leadership training experience. The cost for her to attend is \$7,500. Part of the program is learning to help market and raising funds. The program starts at the end of June. Council will be the grunTERS that she will be able to attend. Solomonson/Albers motioned - motion carried

Consideration for LCMC meeting. The meeting would occur on April 20th at Charity Lutheran Church from 12-3 pm. The meeting will look at developing a District to better serve ND. Joe will ask Mac if he is willing to attend the meeting.

Consideration of hosting a Year on Mission team at First Lutheran. This would consist of 4 individuals who commit to working a year of mission in preparation of working a life on mission. They would complete a 10-month ministry working for the church specializing in working with youth and the young population in the church. Cost to the

congregation is \$40,000. They would work part time for the church. Further conversation will be had on this topic.

Transfers in:

none

Transfers out:

Thomas and Patrick Oster to Good Shepard in Bismarck, ND.

Bentz/Hardt. Motion for transfers in/out. Motion carried

Council Scheduled next meeting for the 21st of May at 6:30 pm.

Sheldon closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Albers/Hardt adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by
Alli Sheldon
Church Council Secretary



April 7, 2024 Baptisms
Hayden Jesse Hoffert & Tateum Elizabeth Gardner

Picture on the left:
Brittany, Jesse & Hayden Hoffert

Picture on top:
Serenity Duran, Christian & Tateum Gardner and
Pastor Paul Krueger

We welcome Hayden & Tateum as our newest members of First Lutheran Church.



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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4-15-2024

Dear Members of First Lutheran Church,

During the past many months, our Call Committee has been working diligently with God's guidance to find a pastoral candidate who might be called to serve First Lutheran Church. I am pleased to report that the Call Committee has recommended Paul Krueger for consideration by the congregation. The Congregational Council has met and concurs with this recommendation.

A Congregational Call Meeting has been called and is scheduled for Sunday, May 12th, 2024, at 10:45 a.m. in the sanctuary following worship services.

All members are invited to attend. Only voting members (defined as confirmed members who have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding calendar year) will have the privilege of voice and vote at this meeting.

The purpose for this meeting is specific to the call of a pastor for First Lutheran Church, and will include the following two orders of business provided the requirements for a quorum are met:

- A vote by written ballot to approve placing a Letter of Call to candidate Paul Krueger will be held (approval will require a 2/3 majority).
- If the candidate is approved, a second vote by sign to approve the salary and compensation to be included in the Letter of Call will be called (approval will require a simple majority).

A draft Letter of Call will be available for review and placed in the Narthex. The voter registration will be passed around with a clipboard and pen following the service. Members of the Church Council will issue ballots to each pew for each Congregational Member to cast their vote. Upon completion, ballots will be passed to the center isle for collection and will be counted immediately. If the candidate is approved, there will need to be a motion from a Congregational Member to approve the salary and compensation as well as a second. Any discussion will be heard at this time. Following the discussion, a vote by sign will be called.

I would ask that you all please prayerfully consider this important matter and attend the meeting if you are able. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you might have prior to the meeting. Thank you to everyone for showing faith, patience, and perseverance throughout this time of pastoral vacancy. We have truly been blessed in many ways as we have been able to continue to work to know Christ and make Christ known!

Peace and blessings,

Joseph Sheldon
Congregation President

MOTHER'S DAY FLORAL WORKSHOP

DATE: WEDNESDAY MAY 1ST 5:30-7:00PM

HOSTED BY: *RAISING HOPE MINISTRY*

LOCATION: *FRONTIER FLORAL & GIFTS*

For Mother's who have endured pregnancy and infant loss



Please contact FLC office by April 29th to register!

701-462-3775

COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Sunday, June 2, 2024

10:30 AM

Fahlgren Park

Fort Mandan

(There will be no worship service at First Lutheran this Sunday!)



Bring your own lawn chair!



EVANGELISM REPORT

Kacy Hardt - Evangelism Deacon

Spring is FINALLY here! I am so excited for warmer weather and sunshine! As the spring season starts, graduation dates are approaching. I want to give a huge appreciation shout out to this year's prayer warriors that came forward and volunteered their time and energy to supporting our graduates this year! It is going to be a great Senior Sunday this year!

As the warmer season approaches us, we have officially begun planning and preparing for the 2nd Annual FLC Church Carnival! We had 5 members present at the meeting on April 8th, and we got off to a great start in planning new and fun activities and events to be placed on August 4th from 4 pm - 7 pm. We are still looking for more helpers to make this wonderful event even more

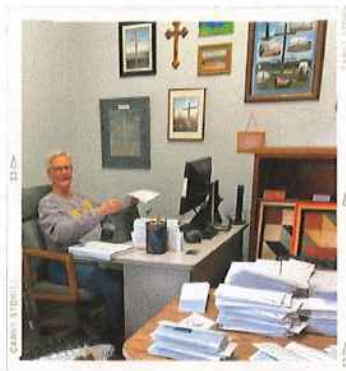
memorable, so if you are looking to help, please reach out to me or contact Jeannette at the church office. Our next meeting will be on May 19th, immediately following the worship service.

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10



CELEBRATING VOLUNTEERS WE THANK YOU ALL!



Camp of the Cross Ministries



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 30, 31 and August 1

10 AM-5 PM



Scan me!

Please scan the QR code to register your child(ren) to guarantee souvenirs!

If you have additional questions or comments,
please call / text Kellie Sheldon [\(701\)840-8454](tel:7018408454)

or Kacy Hardt at (701) 351-0742.

**LUNCH
PROVIDED**



Education Report

Sarah Kadrmas



Hello May!

May 5th is our end of the year celebration when we can “TACO ‘bout Jesus” and end the year with Tacos and ice cream sundaes! Thank you to everyone who helped donate items and continue to support the youth at First Lutheran Church. We couldn’t do it without you!

HUGE thanks and gratitude to our fearless volunteers and teachers. Please take a moment to thank these people for everything they do. It is so much more than Sunday mornings, and although we LOVE it, it takes time and energy! 😊

Large group leader

Stacy Boeshans

Preschool

Kacy Hardt
Kellie Sheldon
Mandi Wimer
Brooke Knutson
Haylie Bentz
Jada Vetter
Gracie Omlid

Kindergarten

Kesia Boeshans
Stacy Boeshans

1st grade

Pamela Vetter
Donavin Vetter
Joan Holznagel
Jaxon Solomonson

2nd and 3rd grade

Sarah Kadrmas
Sadie Lauf
Patty Winn

4th, 5th, and 6th grade

Julie Bentz

Also **thank you** to Judy Beaudry, Sarah Ternes, Kaitlynn Carlson, Amanda Vetter, Lindsay Hoff, Melissa Rothe, Jeannette and Pastor Paul for helping when needed!

We hope the kids can join us for VBS this summer! July 30, 31, and August 1 from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Lunch is provided! It will be so fun! See Facebook or QR code on flyer for more information! RSVP soon to guarantee your spot!

What will **you do** to keep the Lord in your heart over the summer? Instead of allowing our faith to take a backseat while we tackle new routines, use the summer break to reflect and grow in your faith in new ways! See you back in September!

Every word of God is flawless;



MEDIA TEAM UPDATE



Several people have stepped up to help out with the projection of the slides on Sunday mornings. Over the next several weeks, I will be training them and setting up a schedule for those individuals to help out with building the slides and running the slides.

- Slide Operator: Use an iPad to change the slides during a church service. You can sit in your usual pew!
- Behind the Scenes Builder: Create, organize, and import the slides before a service.

If anyone else is interested, please contact Melissa Rothe.

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS AND CONFIRMATION UPDATE

Melissa Rothe - Coordinator of Student Ministries fly@westriv.com



Confirmation: Confirmation is done for the year. Thank you to Pastor Paul, Kristi, Lexi, Judy, Sharon, Jeff, Randy, Dwight, Rick, Claudette, Stacy, Sue, Janet, and those that I might be forgetting for helping make this year a successful year of confirmation.



May: Youth group will be meeting at 7 pm unless otherwise communicated through Remind.

Summer: I am going to be gone from the end of June through the first week in August. There are

several individuals who are willing to step up and take a week or two for youth group over the summer. We are going to be planning a few service projects as well. I will be sending out a more detailed schedule ASAP.

- Couple dates to keep in mind:
 - VBS: July 30 - August 1
 - Carnival: August 4

Dates to Note: All other dates will be posted on Remind.

May 1st: Last Pizza Day of the year
Youth group at 7 pm

Every Wednesday night: 7:00-9:00 Youth Group

Question to ask the youth and kids in your life: Where did they grow this school year? How did their faith change?

Pray for the Youth: God, challenge our youth to end the school year well. Help them to prioritize you and their faith. Give them opportunities to serve others and share God's love. In your name we pray, AMEN.



Fleece blankets made by the youth group to be taken to the children's unit at the hospitals.



YOUTH GROUP HELPER WANTED

Are you willing to help with the youth? Pastor Paul and Melissa are looking for one or a few individuals to help out with a few different youth related activities and events this summer (late June-August 4th). We will have an informal meeting on May 5th during fellowship hour to discuss the possibilities.

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31, 2024

Brass Players, Full Congregation, Childrens Sermon, Choir, Easter Lilly Tree, Front of Church - What a wonderful day that was!
Look for more pictures on other pages.
Bell Choir was from April 7, 2024





FLCW NEWS

MAY, 2024

Executive Board:

Co-Chairs:

Donna Gunderson
???

Secretary:

Marlys Knell

Treasurer:

LeAnn Richard

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

Janet Hanson
Joan Holznagel

Committees:

Action (Quilts, LWR Kits):

Marlys Knell
LeAnn Richard
Gwen DeMontigny

Community:

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

Altar Guild:

Theresa Petersen

Audit:

Mary Ann Beeks

Camp of the Cross:

Peggy Moran

Decorating, Receptions/ Bulletin Board Decorating:

Donna Gunderson

Good Cheer:

Mary Ann Beeks

Kitchen:

Arlene Schwarz
Kathy Keller
Linda Zeller

Library:

Sharon Chrest
Sande Wagner
Norma Petersen
Arlene Schwarz

Prayer Chain:

First Lutheran Church
Jeannette Rost

Service Secretary:

Sharon Chrest
Donna Gunderson

Thanks so much to Alli Sheldon and her crew for packaging and delivering the Goodies from the Heart! Thanks also to those who brought food items to help fill the plates! (Pictures on next page are from some of the deliveries.)

The Mother's Day event planned for May 5th has been canceled due to scheduling conflicts. Happy Mother's Day to all mothers! Bless you all for all you do for your families.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY

Meals on Wheels - Kathy Keller Chairperson. Please call Kathy if you are able to help.

15 Richardton Abbey Tour and Garden Tour at Taylor.

Please check out the signup sheet in the Narthex.

We will tour the Abbey, have lunch and visit the Taylor Garden Center.

We will meet at the church at 8:30am.

This will be a fun day and hope you can join us! All women are invited!

19 Graduation Tea after the Church service - Growth Committee is in charge.
Work group 4 serves.

23 Quilting at 9:00am

JUNE

1 Riverboat Days Pie and Ice cream - 1:30-3:30 pm. All work groups serve.

Please call your work group chair if you are able to work and or bring a pie.

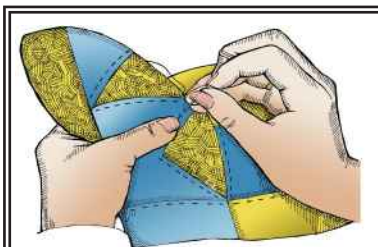
9 Executive Board Meeting after the church service

15 Camp of the Cross Quilt Auction

27 Quilting - 9:00 am

Donna Gunderson Co-Chair

"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31:28-29



QUILTING GROUP

May 23
9:00 AM

Women's Bible Study



Deborah Bible Study

May 16

9:30 AM

at the church

Norma Petersen &

Kathy Keller host

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

Study is Tender Warrior - Lesson 4



GRADUATION
sunday

Join us on Sunday, May 19, 2024
as we honor our First Lutheran Church High
School Graduates during worship.
A tea follows the worship service for the
graduates, families and prayer warriors.
Following are the graduates and
their prayer warriors.

Aaron Blumhagen Randy Hall	Alex Retterath Mac & Judy Beaudry
James Chrest Sylvia Thompson	Justin Scheresky Melissa Rothe
Madelyn (Maddie) Jaeger Carla Bickert	Ashlyn Schmitz Janet Hanson
Carter Knutson Alexis Solomonson	

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN'S OUTING
MAY 15, 2024

TOUR ASSUMPTION ABBEY - Richardton
LUNCH

STOP AT TAYLOR NURSERY - Taylor

SIGN UP SHEET IN NARTHEX
MEET AT CHURCH AT 8:30 AM TO CARPOOL





Pie &



Ice Cream Social

First Lutheran Church

709 5th Ave. (Basement)

June 1, 2024

(Riverboat Days)

1:30 - 3:30 PM



Join us for:
Pie, Ice Cream
Coffee, Lemonade



Come see a
display of
quilts!



MAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY USHERS/GREETERS - 9:30 AM

5 - Mike & Sharon Nelson
12 - Chris & Nicole Albers Family
19 - Randy, Gwen & Jesslyn Hall
26 - Claudette Ness

ACOLYTES

5 - Justin Dahl

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READERS

5 - Dewey Oster
12 - Sarah Rosenquist
19 - Justin Scheresky
26 - Bekka Bentz

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

5 - Dewey Oster, Kristi Jaeger, Brenda Suckow
19 - Alex Retterath, Carter Knutson
Maddie Jaeger

ALTAR CARE

VIRTUAL SERVICE TECHS

5 - DJ Winter
12 - Kyle Albers
19 - Dwight Rasmussen
26 - Wade & Stacy Boeshans

COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

5 - Wes & Pat Sick
Darrell & Stacey Scheresky
12 - Wes & Pat Sick
Darrell & Stacey Scheresky
19 - Graduation Tea
26 - Tyge & Alli Sheldon

SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS

Randy & Gwen Hall and Melanie Beckman

THANK YOU

- ☺ Thank you Judy Beaudry and Kellie Sheldon for helping tape the April newsletter for mailing.
- ☺ Thank you DJ Winter, Kyle Albers, Melissa Rothe, Wade & Stacy Boeshans, Dwight Rasmussen and Nate & Tanner Fiedler for making sure we have YouTube Live.
- ☺ Thank you Brent Petersen and Rick Richard for filling in for Pastor Paul Krueger at worship services when he can not be here.
- ☺ Thank you to our First Lutheran Youth for serving the Easter Breakfast.
- ☺ Thank you everyone that purchased an Easter Lily to help decorate First Lutheran on Easter Sunday.
- ☺ Thank you to the following for being part of the brass playing at the Easter services:
Baritone: Pastor Paul Krueger
French Horn: Kyle Albers
Tenor Sax: Kole Albers
Trombone: Kesia Boeshans, Justin Scheresky
Trumpet: Kacy Hardt, Noah Jaeger, Brent Petersen, Aaron and Jaxon Solomonson, Maxwell Vetter, Bodie Winter
Tuba: Rick Richard, Liam Solomonson
Organists: Theresa Petersen (7:00), LeAnn Richard (9:30)

- ☺ Your sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be gratefully remembered and deeply appreciated.

Family of Dean Vetter

- ☺ Thank you to Kacy Hardt, Kellie Sheldon, Pastor Paul & Suzann Krueger, Dick & Carla Bickert, Sue Winter and Stacey Scheresky for serving the confirmation meals in April.
- ☺ Dear Members of First Lutheran Church,

Thank you to so many of you who have warmly welcomed our family to your church! Whether it be those who have visited with us during coffee fellowship, or those who have taught and supported our children in Sunday School and Youth Group, or those who simply greet us with a smile - you are appreciated! First Lutheran is a wonderful group of believers and we are so thankful to be a part of it. May you all continue to be the 'hands and feet of Jesus' as you continue to worship and do God's work.

With Grateful Hearts,

Donald & Pamela Vetter & Family

EVANGELISM



The lists for ushers has been updated. There were nine groups and now there are six, so each group will be responsible for two months out of the year with the months rotating each year. The reason for the change was to provide more choices for the coordinators when looking for ushers. There are also two coordinators for each group. My goal was to have all our local members in a group. If you have been missed, I sincerely apologize. Please let the office know, and you will be assigned to a group. Also, if you have an updated phone number, please let the office know so our records can be updated. Thank you all for your willingness to say yes when called by the coordinators to assist with the church service. ***Also, please call the coordinator ahead of time and volunteer for a Sunday that works for you.***

GROUPS	Year 2023	Year 2024	Year 2025	Year 2026
1	Jan./July	Feb./Aug.	March/Sept.	April/Oct.
2	Feb./Aug.	March/Sept.	April/Oct.	May/Nov.
3	March/Sept.	April/Oct.	May/Nov.	June/Dec.
4	April/Oct.	May/Nov.	June/Dec.	Jan./July
5	May/Nov.	June/Dec.	Jan./July	Feb./Aug.
6	June/Dec.	Jan./July	Feb./Aug.	March/Sept.

GROUP 5 - JUNE

Coordinators:

Eric & Sarah Rosenquist
Larry & Kathy Keller

Mac & Judy Beaudry
Dean & Sonja Bergstedt
Staci Berube
Jason & Jaclyn Dahl
Ryan & Tammy Dockter
Jennifer Dutoit
Rebecca Duvall
Brad Hanson & Tonya Gieser
Dwight & Joy Hanson
Chad & Kacy Hardt
David & Sharon Hoff
Brittany Hoffert
Dennis & Gayle Johnson
Larry & Kathy Keller
Darrell & Sherry Kinnischtzke
Carissa Klabunde
Dennis & Donna Kroll
Jeff Leidholm
Cody & Robin Lorentzen
Mike & Jamie Nelson
Brent & Theresa Petersen
Drew & Katelyn Petersen
Terry & Norma Petersen
Eric & Sarah Rosenquist
Dean & Sandy Schell
Jolene Scholl
Sylvia Thompson
Grant Tweeten
Rick & Laura Tweeten
Lee & Annette Weisgarber
Bob & Sandy Weisgarber

GROUP 6 - JULY

Coordinators:

Dick & Carla Bickert
Evangelism Committee

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Julie Bentz
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Don & Teri Brewster
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Gwen DeMontigny
Marlene Frank
Neil & Sarah Kadrmass
Wyatt Klabunde
Dale & Julene Klosterman
Duane & Marlys Knell
Cody Meadows
Kelli Murrey
Emil & Pam Oberg
Eric & Leilani Olafson
Clark & Jayne Pochant
Clay & Ranie Price
Steve & Sue Richards
Dale & Geniel Schell
Brad & Cathy Sheldon
Jon & Leslie Sheldon
Aaron & Alexis Solomonson
Lynn & Donna Sommer
Doug & Robin Thomas
Steve & Peggy Wollmuth
William & Kathy Wuolu
Newell & Linda Zeller
Dale & Marla Zimmerman
Matthew Zimmerman

PIZZA DAY - APRIL 3, 2024 - 87 YOUTH SERVED

Thank you to our volunteers!

Wes Sauer, Pastor Paul, Randy Hanson, Arden Wagner, Claudette Ness, LeAnn Richard, Brenda Suckow, Sharon Chrest, Maybell Job, Theresa Petersen, Sande Wagner and Janet Hanson





A decorative border at the top of the poster features various colorful flowers in shades of pink, yellow, and orange, with green leaves. A black and yellow striped bee is flying on the left side of the border.

MAY 19
4:00 - 6:00 PM

SUPER SUNDAY

FREE-WILL DONATION

Supper

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
709 5TH AVE-WASHBURN

MEAL DEIVERY: JUDY 220-4410/RHONDA 315-0656

Everyone is Welcome!

Please be Praying for...

The following people were prayed for by request at worship from Sunday, March 31- Sunday, April 21. 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.

- ◆ Jerry Smith
- ◆ Family of Judd Hinton
- ◆ Alice Richard
- ◆ Warren Pauling - Son of Audrey Pauling
- ◆ Scott Wagner - Son of Arden & Sande Wagner
- ◆ Peace of Jerusalem
- ◆ Alton Krebsbach
- ◆ Melisa Chrest
- ◆ Howard Johnson
- ◆ Karen Goehring
- ◆ Jackie Olson
- ◆ Judy Beaudry
- ◆ Perry Thyberg
- ◆ Corrine Kerzmann - Sister to Donna Gunderson

Military Prayer and Card List

We pray for the Men & Women in our Military who protect our country, especially those assigned to serve overseas or away from home.

Members of First Lutheran on Active Duty in The Military and the National Guard:

- ◆ SGT Bryce Rost – Army National Guard
- ◆ SPC Olivia Retterath - National Guard - Deployed
- ◆ SPC Christian Gardner - Army National Guard
- ◆ SPC Cassidy Sommer - National Guard
- ◆ SPC Jonathan Melvard - Army National Guard

Friends and Family on Active Duty in the Military and in the National Guard:

- ◆ SGT Dustin Enockson – National Guard
- ◆ Emily Johnson - Air Force
- ◆ Bryar Anderson - Marines
- ◆ 1SGT Jordan Ternes - Army National Guard
- ◆ TECH SGT Andre Austin
- ◆ Hunter Feigum - National Guard
- ◆ Morris Duffy - Medical Air Guard
- ◆ Brandon Searcy - Navy - Deployed
- ◆ Adam Walsvik - National Guard



Our sympathy goes out to Ken & Maybell Job on the death of their brother-in-law, Judd Hinton.

May God give them comfort in this time of sorrow.



As of April 21, 2024:

Our envelope giving is \$77,124.09, with a yearly budget of \$301,345.00
\$21,957.25 behind budget

The plate giving is \$8,111.97, with a yearly budget of \$8,000.00
\$5,645.33 ahead of budget

Thank you for your giving.

CAMP OF THE CROSS NEWS

May 12 Mother the Camp Items due at
First Lutheran Church
May 17-19 CCM Work Weekend
May 19 Notifications due to Peggy
Moran for FLC Member
Campers

June 9-August 11 Summer Sundays
June 15 Prairie Lake Festival
August 13 Prairie Masters Golf Scramble
November 23 Scandinavian Supper

* SUMMER 2024 Registration is OPEN to explore who we are "CREATED TO BE"! THANKS to the FLC Church Council, FLCW, Evangelism Committee and an anonymous party, all registration fees will be covered for the FLC Campers to Camp of the Cross Ministries this summer. Please let Peggy Moran know by May 19, 2024, if you have campers registered so funds can be sent to camp before camp season begins. As of the writing of this article, 12 FLC campers have already registered.

* SUMMER 2024 STAFF NEEDED - if you know of anyone - please let CCM know so they can be in contact with them. Staffing is one of the factors that helps determine the number of campers Camp of the Cross can accommodate at each session.

* CCM WORK WEEKEND - May 17-19, 2024, weekend of volunteering your time and talents to prepare camp for the summer season! Housing and meals will be provided!

* PRAIRIE LAKE FESTIVAL - Do you have craft talent to make items for the Festival? The PLF will be Saturday, June 15, 2024. Items need to be received by Monday, May 20th. After evaluating the cost involved and return, the committee has decided NOT to continue with the online auction. As I have stated in the past, the most fun is actually in person at the Camp of the Cross for the PLF!

* GIVING HEARTS DAY UPDATE - A total of \$31,413.37 was raised and as of late March, the hill cabin floors have been renovated and guests will be in there soon! Funds are still being raised to finish paying for this project, so if you would like to donate you can do so through the website or by mailing a donation to the camp office.

* MOTHER THE CAMP - There is a plastic tub in the Narthex for the annual MOTHER THE CAMP donations. A list of food items, kitchen supplies, housekeeping, office supplies, craft items, and maintenance supplies is on the tub, with lists tacked on the bulletin board for the taking. Any donations help to reduce the operating costs of the camp. Donations will be collected until Sunday, May 12, 2024, and then will be packed up for delivery to the Camp.

* CCM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - Camp of the Cross is growing the volunteer base and there are many ways you can use your time and talents to volunteer! RETREAT HOSTS - retreat schedule is fully booked through January 2025. Be available to guests, light housekeeping, and kitchen help. Housing and meals will be provided! OFFICE MAILINGS - assist the Office Manager with bulk mailings, appeal letters, summer welcome packets, etc. GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORK - assist the Site Manager with general maintenance tasks on-site, i.e. mowing grass, etc. Email Deacon Janie with questions about volunteering, deaconjanie@campofthecross.

Thank you to everyone for continuing to support OUR Camp of the Cross, whether it be through a special appeal or on a regular basis! Call 701-337-2246, Camp of the Cross office for questions. Go to www.campofthecross.com for more information.

Thank you
Peggy Moran





Memorial Gifts Given to Special Funds (Sunday, March 31 to Sunday, April 21)



Fund given to & by whom In Memory of

<u>Building Fund</u>	\$30.00
Larry & Kathy Keller	Judd Hinton
Rick & LeAnn Richard	Judd Hinton
<u>Camp of the Cross</u>	\$0.00
<u>Cemetery</u>	\$0.00
<u>FLY</u>	\$0.00
<u>General Fund</u>	\$405.00
Alton & Brenda Krebsbach	Ron Leidholm
Alton & Brenda Krebsbach	Wayne Wollmuth
Nadine Berger.....	Elaine Renfrow
Steve & Peggy Wollmuth	Russ Olson
Steve & Peggy Wollmuth	Maynard Thompson
David & Ruth Borlaug	Jean Binsfeld
David & Ruth Borlaug	Tom Rothmann
David & Ruth Borlaug	Maynard Thompson
Dennis & Gayle Johnson	Maynard Thompson
Larry & Kathy Keller	Maynard Thompson
Francis & JoAnn Brunsell.....	Ron Leidholm
Sharon Chrest.....	Judd Hinton
Sharon Chrest.....	Al Christianson
Elaine Carr.....	Al Christianson
Elaine Carr.....	Jean Binsfeld
Elaine Carr.....	Jim McAdoo
Elaine Carr.....	Dean Vetter
Elaine Carr.....	Sonja Petersen
<u>Global Missions</u>	\$0.00

Fund given to & by whom..... In Memory of

<u>LWR</u>	\$115.00
Mary Ann Beeks	Judy Jacobson
Mary Ann Beeks	Family & Friends
Dewey & Wanda Oster	Sonja Petersen
Dewey & Wanda Oster	Marvin Johnson
Dewey & Wanda Oster	Arlo Omoth
<u>Music</u>	\$180.00
Wes Sauer	Harold & Erna Sauer
Elmer & Arlene Schwarz	Judd Hinton
John & Helen Samuelson.....	Judd Hinton
<u>Pizza Day</u>	\$0.00
<u>Raising Hope Ministry</u>	\$0.00
<u>Relief Missions</u>	\$0.00
<u>Sunday School</u>	\$25.00
AJ & Doddie Kuntz	Keith Kuntz
<u>Super Sunday Supper</u>	\$0.00
<u>US/Local Missions</u>	\$0.00
<u>VBS</u>	\$0.00
<u>World Hunger</u>	\$0.00
<u>Worship</u>	\$0.00





First Lutheran May Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following First Lutheran members who have birthdays in May. 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 Dennis Johnson Taylor Sheldon	2 Sylvia Thompson	3 Twila Beasley	4 Brooke Knutson
5 Brent Petersen Sue Winter	6 Jaden Erickson Grady Tweenen	7 Jack Nelson	8 Chelsey Brandt Brandon Lazier	9 Mia Klabunde Julie Petersen Iris Philbrick Alice Richard Caitlin Scheresky Allison Weisgarber	10 Kristi Olson Kee'onna Rhoades	11 Cierra Philbrick
12 Cody Kinnischtzke Justin Scheresky	13 Samantha Gieser Parker Pochant Patrick Pochant Seth Sackman	14 Arnie Link	15 Brenda Ankenbauer Shawn Sondrol Kacey Winkler	16 Ashton Block Ember Block Kevin Borner Sylvia Kalliokoski Sue Richards Jeff Schafer Vada Vetter	17 Nadine Berger	18 Dacia Pickell Elle Williams
19 Karson Wolf	20 Clark Pochant A.J. Richards	21 Cassie Leidholm	22 Gerald Hoff Steve Richards	23 Shelly Charging Dwight Hanson Richard Lorentzen Andy Philbrick Zack Vollmuth	24 Joe Kaiser Greg Stomp Hannah Westrick	25 Orrin Sheldon
26 NaKya Booth Taylor Gardner Hudson Leingang	27 Erin Fitzgerald Arden Wagner	28 Brian Anderson Kara Bender Chuck Kaiser Skylar Schauer Pat Sick	29	30 Noah Jaeger Noelle Kroll Andrew Lillejord Michelle Lorentzen Hunter Oberlander Jan Olson Justin Sheldon	31	



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study Noon - Pizza Day 7:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM FLY	2	3	4
5 Sixth Sunday of Easter Holy Communion 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Last Day of Sunday School Fireside Bible Reading Taco Meal following SS/Fellowship Hour 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	6	7 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	8 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM FLY	9 Ascension of Our Lord	10	11
12 Seventh Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Worship Congregational Meeting Immediately following Worship Following the Meeting: Fellowship/Coffee Hour 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	13 10:00 AM Chat & Sew Quilting	14 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	15 8:30 AM FLCW Meet at church for Garden Tour at Taylor and Richardton Abbey Tour 9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM FLY <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> LWR Quilts & Kits to Midwest Motor Express in Bismarck </div>	16 9:30 AM Deborah Bible Study at the Church	17	18
19 Pentecost Sunday Holy Communion Holy Baptism High School Senior Recognition 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Graduation Tea 10:45 AM Carnival Committee Meeting 4 - 6:00 PM Super Sunday Supper 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	20 Noon Newsletter Deadline	21 10:00 AM Mommy's Group 6:30 PM Church Council	22 7:00 PM FLY	23 9:00 AM Quilting	24	25
26 Holy Trinity Sunday 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour PM Scheresky Graduation Open House 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	27 Memorial Day	28 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	29 7:00 PM FLY	30	31	June 1 1:30 - 3:30 PM Riverboat Days Pie & Ice Cream Social
June 2 10:30 AM Community Worship at Fahlgren Park (Fort Mandan) NO WORSHIP AT FIRST LUTHERAN 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting						

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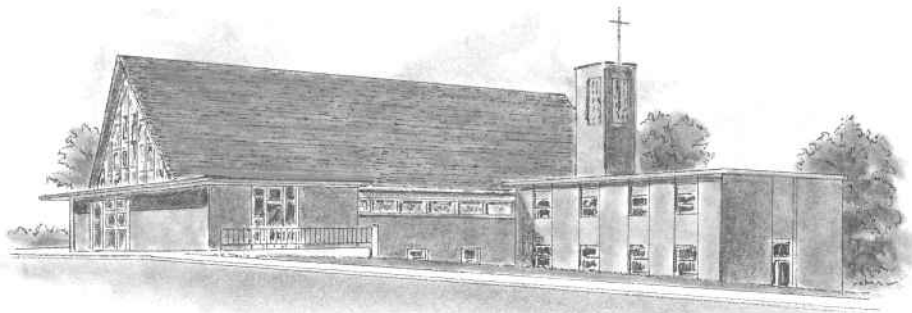
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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship Service - 9:30 AM

Coffee/Fellowship Hour - 10:30 AM

Sunday School - 10:45 AM

(May 5 - Last day of Sunday School)

Fireside Bible Reading -

(Led by Alexis Solomonson) - 10:45 AM

AA Meeting - 7:00 PM

Al-Anon Meeting - 7:00 PM