



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

January 22-29, 2023

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Welcome to First Lutheran Church! We are so glad you are worshipping with us! If you worshipped with us before, welcome back! If this is your first time worshipping at First Lutheran, welcome! Please let us know you were here by filling out the Guest Card in the Sanctuary pew slots. Don't hesitate to ask the ushers or the person sitting near you any questions you might have. We hope you experience God's love, grace and mercy as you worship with us today.

PREVIEW SESSION TODAY IN PREPARATION OF NEXT SUNDAY'S ANNUAL MEETING

Join us for the annual meeting next Sunday, January 29, at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary when we adopt a spending plan for the year, elect new leaders and evaluate and celebrate our ministry of the previous year! Attend today's preview session of the annual meeting from 9:30-10:30 am in the Activity Center to learn more about the proposed budget and meet the candidates for office. You can also read the 2023 Nominee Bios and download the 2022 Annual Report from the Resources page (www.flclincoln.org/resources) of our website. Come early to the annual meeting (starting at 11:30 am) for a spaghetti lunch prepared by our middle and high school youth as a fundraiser for their summer accompaniment trips.

THE WAFFLEMAN IS COMING!

Plan to enjoy all you can eat Belgian waffles and sausage from the Waffleman on Shrove Tuesday, February 21, from 5-7 pm! Tickets go on sale today at 9:30 am for \$10 per person, with children, ages 5 and younger, eating free. All First Lutheran members, family and friends are invited! All proceeds will support the high school accompaniment summer trip to Sarasota, Florida, to do clean up from Hurricane Ian and the middle school trip to Camp Wapo's Wilderness Canoe Base in Minnesota.

ENDOWMENT FUND COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW OPEN

The First Lutheran Endowment Fund is accepting online applications for their 2023 College Scholarship awards. The application process includes the online application and a "Meet and Greet". Any First Lutheran member planning to attend college during the 2023-2024 academic year is eligible to apply. The application counts for 75% and the "Meet and Greet" for 25% toward the total number of points needed to receive the full amount available. The applications are due by midnight on February 15. No late applications will be accepted. The "Meet and Greet" will be held on March 22 at 7:00 pm. If you are unable to attend in person, a Zoom appointment will be made for March 26 at 7:00 pm. To complete the online application visit <https://bit.ly/flcscholarship>.

ENDOWMENT FUND DISBURSES OVER \$15,000

Your generosity and giving to the First Lutheran Endowment Fund allowed \$15,448.54 to be disbursed to these ministries in 2022: First Lutheran Refugee Program (\$1,500), Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministry (\$1,000), WELCA (\$500.00), Pastor's Discretionary Fund (\$1,598.54), Lutheran Food Pantry (\$1,250) and College Scholarships (\$9,600). Thank you!

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VOLUNTEERS PLAY A MEANINGFUL ROLE IN WORSHIP

Worship just wouldn't be the same without the volunteers we call on each week. Imagine what worship would look and feel like if we didn't have ushers or greeters offering smiles and a friendly welcome, communion assistants and Altar Guild volunteers preparing and serving the meal we depend on and readers who give us hope and understanding through Scripture readings. Volunteer worship assistants make worship meaningful and welcoming. Consider serving as a worship assistant in February and know that when you do, you are making a big difference in the worship life of many. Sign up at https://flclincoln.ivolunteer.com/february_2023.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL READINGS

FIRST READING Micah 6:1-8

PSALM Psalm 15

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

M. Joyce Hansen, Rev. Dr. Mary Jensen, Sylvia Kempf, Carol Mason, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill and Judy Peterson, Rod Price, Dan Robles, Cindy Schuster, Joan Farmer, Sheila Exstrom, Betty Miller, Dale Latshaw, Marge Fahrnbruch, Karen Lind-Olson, Gene and Mary Brass, Kate Schmitter, Teresa Brohimer, Harold Borchert, Jeanette Metteer and Judy Bailey.

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream

9:30 AM - Pre-Annual Meeting Preview Session

9:30 AM - FaithTrek, Middle & High School Learning

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

2:00 PM - Pop Up Game Event at Velda Schmidt

6:30 PM - Pop Up Game Event at Cindy Lilleoien

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

1:30 PM - Coffee Talk at Rock 'n Joe Coffee

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

12:45 PM - Staff Meeting

5:45 PM - Bible Study

6:30 PM - Pop Up Game Night - Maack Home

6:30 PM - Exodus Group

7:00 PM - Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

6:30 AM - Faith to Go!

10:30 AM - Bible Study

5:00 PM - Cherub and Chorister Choir Rehearsal

7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

9:00 AM - Quilters for Lutheran World Relief

8:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

3:15 PM - BackPack Distribution at Pyrtle Elem.

4:00 PM - Pinewood Derby Set-Up

6:00 PM - Pop Up Game Night - Pfister Home

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00 AM - Pinewood Derby

8:00 AM - Saturday Morning with the Guys

5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream

9:30 AM - Fellowship Time

9:30 AM - FaithTrek, Middle & High School Learning

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

10:45 AM - Worship

11:30 AM - Spaghetti Lunch

Noon - Nuer Worship

12:30 PM - Annual Meeting