



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

January 21-28, 2024

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Welcome to worship at First Lutheran! We are glad you are with us! If you worshiped 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!

ANNUAL MEETING PREVIEW SESSION TODAY

Join us today from 9:30-10:30 AM in the Activity Center for a presentation of the Council-approved 2024 spending plan and meet the nominees for elected office before the annual meeting is held on January 28. The 2023 Annual Report and 2024 Nominee Bios are available online on the Resources page of our website (www.flclincoln.org/resources) for you to read and/or download and in print from the church office or for pick-up at the preview sessions (one per household, please).

The annual meeting will be held at 12:30 PM next Sunday, January 28. Come early for a spaghetti lunch (starting at 11:30 AM) prepared by our middle and high school youth as a fundraiser for their accompaniment trip to Kentucky and the Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

THE WAFFLEMAN IS COMING TO FIRST

The Waffleman is coming to First Lutheran on Tuesday, February 13, from 5:00-7:00 PM, for Shrove Tuesday! The meal will include all-you-can-eat waffles (gluten free waffles available), sausage, and beverages. Tickets are \$10 per person and children, ages 5 and under, eat free. Tickets will be available to purchase starting today after worship services and from the church office during regular hours. You may also purchase tickets at the door on February 13.

This is a fundraiser for First Lutheran's middle and high school youth to attend the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 15 – 20 and to serve the community of Louisville, KY, through Youth Works June 23 – 28.

UPDATED EMAIL ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS NEEDED

We are transitioning to a new management software tool that will connect staff and members in one place! To help with this transition, we need every member in a household to tell us what their primary email address is to receive information. You can do it by visiting https://bit.ly/update_your_email_address or scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera. Thank you!



JOIN IN ON A BIBLE STUDY GROUP

After a short break, our weekly Bible study groups have resumed on Tuesdays at 5:45 PM and Wednesdays at 10:30 AM. We are studying the book of Ephesians. All are welcome!

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The Lincoln CROP Hunger Walk is looking for a new design to be featured on the CROP Walk T-shirt for the next three years. First member, Amanda Heier, designed the tshirt used for the three years First Lutheran hosted the Walk. We would love to be able to use another First Lutheran design for the next three years. Designs can include up to three colors. Please submit any ideas you may have to Sandy Latshaw (sjlatshaw@outlook.com) by February 4. You can visit the CROP Walk website at 2023 CROP Hunger Walk for general ideas. We encourage creativity!

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FIRST LUTHERAN 101 CLASSES TO BE OFFERED

If you're looking for a church home, join us for our next newcomers' classes! Membership matters - it allows First Lutheran to better serve you so that we can better serve together. First Lutheran 101 will be held on February 11 and 18 (plan to attend both sessions) from 9:30-10:30 AM. It's your opportunity to hear about First Lutheran, learn what we have to offer and meet other new members and staff. Childcare will be available during these sessions in the church nursery. New members will be officially received at worship services on Saturday, February 24, and Sunday, February 25. If you would like to attend First Lutheran 101, please sign up at <https://bit.ly/flc101class>.



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

M. Joyce Hansen, Rev. Dr. Mary Jensen, Sylvia Kempf, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Rod Price, Cindy Schuster, Sheila Exstrom, Betty Miller, Marge Fahrnbruch, Mary Brass, Harold Borchert, Jeanette Metteer, Dennis Schuster, De Hansen, Jane Mickelson, Mariann Schafer, Phyllis Frickel, Teresa Brohimer, Elaine Kruse, Vern Westberg, Mike Brohimer, Amy Thorpe, Connie Petersen, Richard Bouma, David Pitts and Ralph Hayden.

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream
9:15 AM - Fellowship Time
9:30 AM - Annual Meeting Preview Session
9:30 AM - Learning Hour for FaithTrek, Middle & High School
10:45 AM - Worship
Noon - Nuer Worship
1:30 PM - Vitality Initiative Meeting

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

1:30 PM - Fitness Class
1:00 PM - Las Abejitas Advisory Team
1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

11:00 AM - Staff Meeting and Training
5:45 PM - MADD Victim Impact Panel
5:45 PM - Bible Study
6:30 PM - Exodus Group
6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry Supervision
7:00 PM - Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

6:30 AM - Faith to Go!
10:30 AM - Bible Study
6:00 PM - Discipleship University
7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

9:00 AM - Quilting
9:30 AM - Fitness Class
8:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

3:15 PM - Backpack Program at Morley and Pyrtle Elementary

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

8:00 AM - Saturday Morning with the Guys
5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream
9:15 AM - Fellowship Time
9:30 AM - Adult Forum
9:30 AM - Learning Hour for FaithTrek
10:45 AM - Worship
11:30 AM - Spaghetti Lunch
Noon - Nuer Worship
12:30 PM - Annual Meeting