



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

February 11-18, 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!

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT AT FIRST

Join us on Ash Wednesday to begin our Lenten season and on Wednesdays during Lent as we worship with Holden Evening Prayer and reflect on the joy that points us to God's steadfast love, relentless forgiveness, and unfailing presence. Ash Wednesday worship with Holy Communion and imposition of ashes will be February 14 at noon (with livestream) and 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. Midweek worship every Wednesday will be February 21 and 28 and March 6, 13 and 20 at Noon (Chapel) and 6:30 PM (Sanctuary). Join us for Lenten soup meals at 12:30 PM and 5:30 PM in the Activity Center, beginning February 21, with freewill donations to go toward the Backpack Program at Morley and Pyrtle elementary schools.

THE CHIEFS VS THE 49ERS IN THE 2024 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

The Super Bowl is today and, in honor of it, we are hosting the Souper Bowl of Caring! Drop your monetary donation for the Lincoln Lutheran Food Pantry in the soup pot of the team you want to win as you leave worship today. Who will be the winner of the 2024 Souper Bowl of Caring? The Kansas City Chiefs or the San Francisco 49ers?

BUY YOUR TICKETS FOR THE WAFFLEMAN

Stop by the table in the Gathering Area to purchase your tickets for The Waffleman on Tuesday, February 13, from 5:00-7:00 PM. 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.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Today's Adult Forum session from 9:30-10:30 AM in the Chapel will feature First member, Patrick Hayden-Roy, who spent a year abroad in Berlin, Germany, studying Martin Luther. Having heard the last two weeks about how Martin Luther's image was shaped over the centuries, today's session will explore the "real" Luther and his relation to our faith today. Next Sunday's session will feature First member, Erin Pfister, speaking about visible and invisible disabilities.

FIRST LUTHERAN 101 CLASSES BEGIN TODAY

If you're looking for a church home, join us for our newcomers' classes that begin today and continue next Sunday! Come to the lower level Blue 3 room 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 is available during these sessions in the church nursery. New members will be officially received at worship services on Sunday, March 3.

SOUP NEEDED FOR LENTEN LUNCH & DINNER

Did you know it's been a long-standing tradition at First Lutheran to hold annual soup lunches and dinners during Lent (and Advent, too!) on Wednesdays? It is! And, it's all because of the committed members serving on the Fellowship Committee! They will be serving soup at 12:30 PM following the noon Wednesday Lenten worship services and at 5:30 PM prior to 6:30 PM worship. Can you help them by bringing a crockpot of your favorite soup? Sign up at https://bit.ly/lenten_soup_flc.

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COMMUNION FAITH MILESTONE CLASSES OFFERED

Our next Communion Faith Milestone class will be offered on February 18, and 25 and March 3 (please attend all three sessions) during the FaithTrek hour (9:30-10:30 AM). We will celebrate the Communion Faith Milestone in both worship services on March 17. Any young person interested in taking Communion for the first time should attend this class, along with at least one parent. If your child has already been taking Communion but has not yet taken this class, now is a great time! Contact Pastor Erin at pastorerin@flclincoln.org if you and your child(ren) plan to join the class.

WHAT IS YOUR PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS?

Help us transition to our new management software by telling us what your primary email address is to receive communications.



You can do it by visiting https://bit.ly/update_your_email_address or scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera. Thank you!

PURCHASE OLIVE OIL FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

Freshly pressed olive oil from The Mount of Olives is available for purchase from the church office. The 8.5 oz bottles are \$15 each. 100% of the sales support staff and patients of all faiths in East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza through the outreach of the Lutheran World Federation's Augusta Victoria Hospital.

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, Teresa Brohimer, Elaine Kruse, Vern Westberg, Mike Brohimer, Amy Thorpe, Richard Bouma, David Pitts, Ralph Hayden, Jay Sears and Gloria Van Ackeren.

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

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

9:30 AM - First Lutheran 101 New Member Class

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

5:00 PM - Middle & High School Youth Group
Super Bowl Party

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

7:00 PM - Keeping God's People in Stitches

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:00 AM - Adult Forum Planning

12:45 PM - Staff Meeting

3:30 PM - Lydia Circle

5:00 PM - The Waffleman Fundraiser

5:30 PM - Fellowship Committee

5:45 PM - Bible Study

6:30 PM - Exodus Group

7:00 PM - Church Council

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6:30 AM - Faith to Go!

10:30 AM - Bible Study

Noon - Ash Wednesday Worship

6:30 PM - Ash Wednesday Worship

7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

3:15 PM - Backpack Program

6:00 PM - Realm Soft Launch Training

6:30 PM - Spirit Ringers Rehearsal

8:00 PM - Gather & Gab

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

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

9:30 AM - First Lutheran 101 New Member Class

9:30 AM - First Communion Class

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

Noon - Vitality Initiative Team