March 24-31, 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 worshiping 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!

WELCOME TO PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP!

We warmly welcome you to our Palm Sunday worship service where you will engage in a moving reading of Mark's passion narrative leading you to Good Friday. All worshippers, including you, can join the palm procession for the 8:15 AM service, starting in the Commons area. Our children will do the palm procession for the 10:45 AM service. Parents and children should meet in the Commons at 10:30 AM.

HOLY WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Join us at First Lutheran Church as we begin our pilgrimage to Jerusalem from waving palms and hosannas, to secret meetings in Upper Rooms, to trials and beatings, an execution and burial, and, finally, to an empty tomb.

- Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday Worship at Noon with livestream & 6:30 PM
- Friday, March 29 Good Friday Worship at Noon with livestream (a special service with families and kids in mind) & 6:30 PM
- Saturday, March 30 Community Easter Vigil at 7:00
 PM in collaboration with Spirit of Hope Lutheran and
 Zion Lutheran in Lincoln and Shepherd of the Hills
 Lutheran in Hickman
- Sunday, March 31 Easter Breakfast (8:30-11:00 AM) with Worship at 8:00, 9:30 (with livestream) and 11:00 AM

LEGO BUILDING INTERGENERATIONAL GATHERING TODAY

Come to the Activity Center today from 9:30-10:30 AM and join members of all ages for some LEGO building fun! Let your creativity soar and discover what a touch of imagination can bring to life!

DON'T WAIT! REGISTER FOR VBS TODAY

Exciting news! Register now for our community-wide Who Is My Neighbor Vacation Bible School on June 17-21! Join us for a week of story time, music, games, crafts and fun as we explore the meaning of "neighbor." We're partnering with Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Lincoln (1200 S. 40th Street) who is this year's host. Kids aged 3 to 5th grade will enjoy daily themes and Bible verses to discover who their "neighbor" is. Register for Who Is My Neighbor VBS at https://bit.ly/vbs2024 flc or scan

FIRST LUTHERAN IS HIRING!

the QR code!

We're looking for a Facilities Maintenance Manager at First Lutheran. Review the job description at https://bit.ly/facilities-maintenance-manager to see if you meet the requirements or know a suitable candidate. Online applications accepted until March 31 or until the position is filled. For more info, contact Pastor Erin Heidelberger.

NIEBUHR SENIOR RECITAL TODAY

Today at 3:00 PM in the First Lutheran Church Sanctuary, Will, Xander, and Aden Niebuhr will have a senior recital. They will perform solo pieces on piano and strings, a piano quartet, and a string trio by local composer and aunt. Kara Baxter. The Niebuhr family invites all First Lutheran members to attend. Thank you for supporting their musical journey.

WHAT IS YOUR PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS?

Help us transition to Realm Connect, our new member management software, by telling us what your primary email address is to receive communications. Scan the QR code or go to https://bit.ly/update_your_email_address. Thank you!



LOOKING AHEAD

- 2024 Town Hall Forums and Potluck Lunches Sundays, April 14, July 14 and November 17; Noon (All members are invited!)
- Mother's Day Breakfast Sunday, May 12; 8:30-11:30 AM
- All-Member, All-Church Retreat Saturday, September 21; Camp Carol Joy Holling; Ashland

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

M. Joyce Hansen, Rev. Dr. Mary Jensen, Sylvia Kempf, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Rod Price, Cindy Schuster, 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, Gloria Van Ackeren, Jan Kruse, Ann Masters, Megahn Schafer and the family of Kenneth Stofferahn whose memorial service was held on March 23.

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 - Palm Sunday

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream

9:30 AM - All Generational LEGO Gathering

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

3:00 PM - Niebuhr Senior Recital

MONDAY, MARCH 25

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

1:00 PM - Las Abejitas Advisory Team

1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

12:45 PM - Staff Meeting

6:30 PM - Exodus Group

7:00 PM - Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

6:30 AM - Faith to Go!

6:00 PM - Youth Easter Rehearsal

7:10 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

9:00 AM - Quilters

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

Noon - Maundy Thursday Worship with

Livestream

3:15 PM - BackPack Distribution

6:30 PM - Maundy Thursday Worship

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Noon - Good Friday Worship with Livestream 6:30 PM - Good Friday Worship

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

1:30 PM - Youth Easter Rehearsal

7:00 PM - Community Easter Saturday Vigil

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 - Happy Easter!

8:00 AM - Worship

8:30 AM - Easter Breakfast (until 11:00 AM)

9:30 AM - Worship with Livestream

11:00 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Church office is closed for Easter holiday (and it's not an April Fool's joke either!)