

June 30-July 7, 2024

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Welcome to worship at First Lutheran! We're so happy you're here! If you've worshipped with us before, welcome back! If this is your first time, a big welcome to you! We hope you feel God's love, grace and mercy as you worship with us today!

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR A NIGHT AT THE SALTDOGS BALL PARK

Tickets are available now for A Night at the Saltdogs on Friday, July 12! Join your First Lutheran friends for a pregame tailgate starting at 5:30 PM, followed by the game at 7:05 PM and a post-game fireworks display. Each ticket is priced at \$15. Purchase your tickets at the table in the Gathering Area today and next Sunday, July 7, or stop by the church office during weekday hours. The tailgate will be in the SW corner of the parking lot, offering hot dogs, potato salad, watermelon, baked beans and root beer floats with a free will offering. We'll see you at the ball park!

NEW SUMMER SERMON SERIES TO BEGIN NEXT Sunday

Our worship services will undergo a slight transformation in July and August. Throughout the final two months of summer, we are excited to introduce a sermon series titled *The Good Book: Meeting Our Ancestors in Faith, One Story at a Time.* This 8-week journey will help us rediscover the "good" in the Good Book, as we delve into ancient stories of faith from the Old and New Testaments, drawing parallels to our lives today.

FIND SUPPORT IN OUR NEW GRIEF CLASS

We are offering a 6-week grief class on Wednesdays from July 17 to August 21 at 6:00 PM. Led by Judy Bailey, the class provides a safe space for anyone (member or not) to find support and guidance through their grief journey. Register at *jkbailey47@gmail.com* or 402-432-9976.

JOIN THE SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join Pastor Erin for a Sunday morning Bible Study today. The study, based on the day's lectionary, will be held in the Chapel (located in the northwest corner of the building) from 9:30-10:30 AM, replacing the Adult Forum. Feel free to attend every Sunday through August 18 or whenever it fits your schedule!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED IN JULY, August and September

While many of us enjoy summer vacations and weekend getaways, worship continues every weekend at 8:15 and 10:45 AM. The need for volunteer worship assistants remains important. Check your summer weekend schedule and contemplate offering your service on a Sunday or two when you're in town. Your assistance is highly valued by the worship staff and members working diligently behind the scenes to ensure every volunteer slot is filled weekly. Thank you for proactively signing up by scanning the QR code with your smartphone or Exercise the online visiting signup at https://flclincoln.ivolunteer.com/third_quarter_2024



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SUMMER OF SERVING CONTINUES: LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES IS OUR JULY PARTNER

Our summer of serving continues in July with our collection of needed items for Lutheran Family Services. Watch for the display in the Gathering Area to learn more and to leave your donated items during the

month. You can view the list of needed items by visiting https://bit.ly/lfs_donate or scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera. Thank you for your generosity!



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ON THURSDAY

The church office and building will be closed on Thursday, July 4, for the Independence Day holiday. We will resume regular office hours on Friday. The ministry staff wishes everyone a safe and fun holiday!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

M. Joyce Hansen, Rev. Dr. Mary Jensen, Sylvia Kempf, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Cindy Schuster, Betty Miller, Mary Brass, Harold Borchert, Jeanette Metteer, Dennis Schuster, De Hansen, Mariann Schafer, Vern Westberg, Richard Bouma, Ralph Hayden, Jay Sears, Gloria Van Ackeren, Jan Kruse, Kay Rockwell, Bob Wessels, Seth Nitzel, Kristina Hanson, Judy Peterson, Tracy Troutman, Kathy Dalby and the families of Barbara Howard who passed away on June 20 and Jane Mickelson who passed away June 24. Please keep Anna Wemhoff, Elsa Wemhoff, Kaitlyn Brock and Daria Knezevic in your thoughts as they attend Carol Joy Holling Camp this week.

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

8:15 AM - Worship with Livestream 9:30 AM - Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM - Fellowship Hour 9:30 AM - Music Rehearsal 10:45 AM - Worship Noon - Nuer Worship

MONDAY, JULY 1

(Pastor Erin on Vacation July 1-10) 9:30 AM - Fitness Class 1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

TUESDAY, JULY 2

5:45 PM - Bible Study 6:30 PM - Exodus Group 7:00 PM - Executive Committee

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

THURSDAY, JULY 4 - Happy 4th of July! Church Office & Building Closed for the Holiday

FRIDAY, JULY 5

SATURDAY, JULY 6 5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, JULY 7

8:15 AM - Worship and Livestream 9:30 AM - Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM - Fellowship Hour 9:30 AM - Music Rehearsal 10:45 AM - Worship Noon - Nuer Worship 6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry Supervision

LOOKING AHEAD...

- Sunday, July 14 Town Hall Meeting and Potluck Lunch; Noon (No Saturday night or 8:15 AM Sunday worship; 10:45 AM worship only with livestream)
- Wednesday, July 31 Pastor Patio Gathering at Pastor Erin's Home; 7-9 PM