



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

September 8-15, 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!

PRAYER PILLOW MILESTONE TODAY FOR TODDLERS

Today during worship we will bless our 3 and 4-year-olds and their parents with a prayer pillow. The prayer pillow is a tool that children and parents can use as soft and gentle reminders to make prayer part of every day. Children can use their pillows and prayers to kneel at the bedside in the morning or cuddle in the evening - or anytime they need to rest in the comfort and reassurance of God's love for them. The children and families will have fun exploring prayer together and learning how to use the prayer pillows today with Pastor Erin at 9:30 AM in the Upper Room.

A NEW LEARNING YEAR BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY

Join us for a new FaithTrek learning year starting on Sunday, September 15th from 9:30-10:30 AM! All cherubs, ages 3 to 5th grade, are welcome! Our nursery will offer a special learning experience for 3 year olds every Sunday. Middle and high school students will also kick off their learning year as they explore being "Young Samaritans," delving into the Good Samaritan story. Youth of all ages are welcome to our Sunday learning hour - why not bring your friends along? ALL are invited! Register your child online for learning hour at First Lutheran at https://bit.ly/flcyouth_registration.

HELP OFFERED TODAY TO ACTIVATE YOUR REALM ACCOUNT

Did you receive your Realm activation email this week? Were you able to activate your account without issues? If so, great! If not, don't worry! First member Judy Bailey will be in the Gathering Area today from 9:15 AM-10:30 AM to offer guidance. Need a photo for your Realm profile? Judy can help with that too! Remember, we'll also have assistance on September 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Join us for a Q&A session and orientation on how to use Realm from 9:30 AM-10:30 AM on September 29th.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Join us for Adult Forum in the Chapel this morning from 9:30-10:30 AM for "Supernal Anthems Echoing: The Poetry of our Hymns" when Priscilla Hayden-Roy explores how hymns express theological ideas through poetry. We'll analyze hymn language and sing a few together.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR THE ALL-CHURCH RETREAT!

There's still time to secure your spot for the All-Church Retreat on September 21 at Camp Carol Joy Holling! This retreat, perfect for all ages, starts at 9:30 AM with a flexible arrival time. Enjoy activities like paddle boating, fishing, games, relaxation, worship and classic camp fun! At 1:00 PM, Kay Rockwell will host a friendly bridge competition. Don't miss the chance to join in - contact Kay at 402-540-8454 if you would like to join in! Saturday night worship in the Chapel is canceled. Come and worship at camp at 5:00 PM instead! Register by scanning the QR code or online at https://flclincoln.org/church_retreat Prepare for a day of unforgettable moments!



WELCOME, CADEN JAMES!

Today we welcome Caden James Kasperbauer as a child of God through baptism at the 10:45 AM service. Caden's parents are Garrett & Nicole Kasperbauer.

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EXPLORE FIRST LUTHERAN: 101 SESSIONS OFFERED

If you are seeking, needing or are curious about being part of a faith community that truly welcomes all, or know someone who is, we invite you and them to explore First Lutheran Church. Join us for our First Lutheran 101 sessions on September 15 and 22, from 9:30-10:30 AM in the Lower Level Room Blue 3 to learn more about what First has to offer and to explore how our faith community can become your faith community, too! Childcare will be available during these sessions in the church nursery. We would love to have you! If you would like to attend, please sign up at <https://bit.ly/2024flc101>.

MONDAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The "Monday Volunteers" program seeks individuals to cover the office on Mondays. Volunteers work 4-hour shifts. Training is provided. For more information or to volunteer, contact Gay Sutter at gaysttr@gmail.com.

LOOKING AHEAD

- First Fall Festival - October 6; Noon-3:00 PM
- Reformation Sunday - October 27; No 8:15 AM worship due to the Good Life Halfsy
- Affirmation of Baptism (10:45 AM) and Breakfast (9:30 AM) on All Saints Sunday - November 3

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

M. Joyce Hansen, 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, Kay Rockwell, Bob Wessels, Tracy Troutman, Kathy Dalby and Elaine Dlouhy.

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 - PRAYER PILLOW MILESTONE

8:15 AM - Worship & Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

9:30 AM - Fellowship Time

9:30 AM - Prayer Pillow Milestone Class

10:45 AM - Worship with Baptism

Noon - Nuer Worship

4:00 PM - Synod Youth Fall Kick-Off

6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

6:00 PM - Justice in Action

6:30 PM - Vitality Initiative Team

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7:00 AM - Adult Forum Planning

12:30 PM - Staff Planning

2:00 PM - Lydia Circle

5:30 PM - Fellowship Committee

5:45 PM - Bible Study

6:30 PM - Exodus Group

7:00 PM - Church Council

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:30 AM - Bible Study

7:10 PM - Adult Choir

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

6:00 PM - Justice in Action

6:30 PM - Spirit Ringers

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

3:00 PM - Backpack Distribution at Pyrtle Elem.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:00 AM - Saturday Morning with the Guys

5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:15 AM - Worship & Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

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

9:30 AM - First Lutheran 101 Class

9:30 AM - Fellowship Time

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

1:30 PM - Vitality Initiative Cohort