



FIRST GLANCE

A look at what's happening at
First Lutheran Church

MARCH 16-23, 2025

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!

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Join us in Lent for a new all-ages faith formation opportunity. The Claimed & Called intergenerational study will bring together middle school age and up for study and faith conversations about living out of the promises of Baptism. Claimed & Called will be a time of speaking the faith to one another, growing deeper in discipleship, and building life-giving relationships with one another. Here's our Wednesday Lent schedule starting March 12:

11:00-11:50 AM: Claimed & Called Study (Chapel)

12:00-12:20 PM: Holden Evening Prayer (Chapel)

12:20-1:00 PM: Soup Lunch (Activity Center)

5:30-6:00 PM: Soup Supper (Activity Center)

6:05-6:50 PM: Claimed & Called Study (Activity Center, for middle school and up) + Nursery & Activities for Young Children

7:00-7:20 PM: Holden Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

SHARE YOUR STORY: HOW A BIBLE PASSAGE IMPACTED YOUR LIFE

It's not too late to share your mini-devotion! Would you write a short reflection on a Bible passage that has impacted your life? Share the passage and how it has guided, comforted or inspired you. Your story will be part of our weekly Lenten devotions, emailed to the congregation each Sunday during Lent. Email your mini-devotion to pastorerin@flclincoln.org.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Lessons from Dietrich Bonhoeffer in a House Divided and a World on Fire – March 9 – April 6 9:30 am in the Chapel

Join us for 4 weeks as we explore the life and theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and the lessons we can use as we live at the intersection of faith and civic life today. Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor and theologian living in Nazi Germany, who eventually joined the resistance and was arrested and killed before the end of WWII. This curriculum was compiled by Dr. Lori Brandt Hale, an internationally renowned Bonhoeffer scholar and president of the International Bonhoeffer Society – English Language Section.

HYGIENE NETWORK DRIVE

The Social Ministry team invites you to help support the Lincoln Hygiene Network with a donations drive March 16- April 6th.

Hygiene items must be new and unopened for donations.

Items they have identified as a high need are:

shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, deodorant, period products, toothpaste, and lotion.

AUGUSTANA CHOIR TOUR

The Augustana Choir from Rock Island, IL is on tour and stopping in Lincoln on March 22nd. Performance is at First Plymouth Congregational Church at 7pm. All are invited for a free concert with a free-will offering.

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BUZZY BARGAINS - LAS ABEJITAS FUNDRAISER

Las Abejitas is hosting Buzzy Bargains on March 28th & 29th in the Activity Center. There will be baked goods and kids stuff for sale. Enjoy baking? Kids no longer playing with toys? Outgrown clothes? No longer need the kids books and puzzles? We are taking donations!

We are looking for volunteers to help us during the event too. Any inquiries can be sent to office@lasabejitas.net

FAMILY GAME DAY & POTLUCK

Do you have the *Luck of the Irish*? Join us Sunday, March 16 for Game Day and find out! Start with a potluck lunch at noon in the Activity Center. Bring your favorite game or pick from a selection of provided. Prizes will be awarded through the afternoon. Sponsored by the Youth and Family Ministry Committee.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

M. Joyce Hansen, Sylvia Kempf, Donna Nelson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Cindy Schuster, Betty Miller, Mary Brass, Jeanette Metteer, Dennis Schuster, Vern Westberg, Richard Bouma, Ralph Hayden, Gloria Van Ackeren, Tracy Troutman, Rod Price, Margrett Wehland, Elaine Kruse, Michael Dalton, Doris Bushard, Fred Ohles, Pastor Marsha Anderson, Julius Swen, and Shari Peters.
Our Condolences to Madalyn Popken and family on the passing of her mother.

WHAT'S YOUR TOUCHSTONE VERSE FOR THE WEEK?

It could be from a hymn, reading or something in the sermon! Write it below. Read, pray and discuss it this week to help you connect with it!

CONNECT WITH THE MINISTRY STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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THE WEEK AHEAD AT FIRST

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

8:15 AM - Worship and Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

9:30 AM - FaithTrek, Middle & High School

Learning hour - Intergenerational Quilt Event and Camp Carol Joy Holling Guest Speaker

10:45 AM - Worship

11:45 AM - Family Game Day & Potluck

Noon - Nuer Worship

4:00 PM - Stephen Ministry Training

MONDAY, March 17

9:00 AM - Cook for Matt Talbot

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

1:30 PM - Coffee Talk

TUESDAY, March 18

7:00 AM - Adult Forum Meeting

11:00 AM - Serve at Matt Talbot

12:30 PM - Staff Meeting

5:45 PM - Bible Study

6:45 PM - Stephen Ministry Supervision

WEDNESDAY, March 19

9:30 AM - Martha Circle

11:00 AM - Claimed & Called Study

12:00 PM - Holden Evening Prayer, Meal after

5:30 PM - Lenten Soup Meal

6:05 PM - Claimed & Called Study

7:00 PM - Holden Evening Prayer

7:30 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, March 20

9:30 AM - Fitness Class

10:00 AM - Esther Circle

6:30 PM - Spirit Ringers

7:00 PM - Gather & Gab

FRIDAY, March 21

3:15 PM - Back Pack Distribution at Prytle

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

8:00 AM - Saturday Morning with the Guys

5:30 PM - Worship

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

8:15 AM - Worship and Livestream

9:30 AM - Adult Forum

9:30 AM - FaithTrek, Middle & High School

Learning hour

10:45 AM - Worship

Noon - Nuer Worship

4:00 PM - Stephen Ministry Training