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YOUTH EDUCATION

Sunday School

September – May
Sunday morning
Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 5

Confirmation

September – May
Wednesday evening
7:00 – 8:00 pm
Grades 7–10

ADULT EDUCATION

Bible Study

September - May
Mondays
10:00 am – 11:00 am

WORSHIP & MINISTRY

Sunday Morning Service

Sundays at 9:30 am
Nursery provided
Telecast Live HPAT channel 5
Rebroadcast:
9:30 pm Sundays
8:00 pm Wednesdays
2:00 pm Thursdays

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Easter Season of New Beginnings

I bet you are still wondering why I'm still talking about Easter. Well, we are still in the season of Easter and the story didn't end with the resurrection. In many ways, the resurrection is only the beginning. It just so happens, that as we are living in the Easter season there are many things going on in our own lives that resemble the easter season of time of endings but most importantly a time of new beginnings. Students are ending their high school career and looking forward to beginning their future in college or the work force. Sunday school and Bible study have come to an end. We look forward to vacation bible school, F.O.Y, and the summer youth trip. This season begins a period of rest and recreation with family time, on vacation, at the cabin, or right in your own backyard. We draw many programs that run throughout the school year to a close, and begin a period of new things only happening in the summer and planning for the next fall.

Our gospel writer, Luke, describes how God has accomplished new beginnings and spread a message of love and hope that changed the world through just a few dozen people. And something I have been thinking about is as our schedules slow down or pick up with our endings and beginnings during this season, how might God continue to accomplish and spread the message of love and hope in order that the world may be ever changing through us, members of First Lutheran Church? What might that look like if we devoted time this summer to sharing the good news in word and deed? How might our lives be changed? Because as the Bible strongly suggests, it is through ordinary people just like you and me who God chooses to work through. So, let us open ourselves to what God is up to in our lives, communities, and the world this summer full of new beginnings.

Peace,

+Pastor Sarah

Things to look forward to this summer:

Pastor's Patio: I will be providing the main course of the meal and some beverages. I am asking those who attend to bring a side dish or dessert. We will enjoy each other's company through eating, conversation, and yard games.

F.O.Y : I am so excited to be going to Duluth for our second FOY outing. I love bbq and I love bluegrass, and I can't wait for us to be together for this outing!

Summer Youth Trip: This summer I will be taking, along, with a couple other churches, to the Twin Cities this July. We will be heading to Valley Fair, Luther Seminary, and Como Zoo. I am looking forward to this trip to get to know the youth better, have fun, and to explore different spots in the Twin Cities together!



“Strengthen Our Foundation” Capital Campaign

As of May 26th, the total amount that has been contributed to the campaign is \$13,656.00. If you would like to make a donation to this Campaign, please write your donation amount under the “Building Fund” section of your offering envelopes, or you may send in a separate check to the church office as well noting “Capital Campaign” in the memo. We will continue to give updates in the bulletins and newsletters on our campaign efforts and funds raised so that all are aware of the progress and how close we have come to our goal when all is said and done. Our goal for this campaign will be to raise \$150,000 to help cover some of the costs of the repairs and projects that were recently completed (and for future projects) by our 2020 annual meeting next January. We appreciate any and all help we can get in helping maintain our beautiful building! God bless!



Pastor’s Patio

Pastor Sarah would like to invite all to attend a lovely evening at her home on Tuesday, June 18th when she hosts her first “Pastor’s Patio” from 5-8pm. Guests will enjoy some grilling, yard games, and each other’s company in the parsonage backyard. Please bring your own chair and a side dish/ dessert— she will be doing the grilling! Pastor’s Patio will also take place on Tuesday, July 16 and Tuesday, August 20th. These events will not take place if it is raining—they will be weather dependent and rescheduled if need be. Don’t miss out on the fun!

Another thank you to Barb Bautch and Mary Maki for their hard work organizing the rummage sale and for all of the many other volunteers and helpers who made the event happen! FLC made \$2,350.00 during the sale. WELCA will be donating \$1,200.00 to the Capital Campaign and \$500.00 to the Campership Fund. They will also be giving out two \$500.00 scholarships to Hanna Knuckey and Hannah Anderson this year (who both applied for the WELCA scholarship).

A Blessing of the Quilts that have been made by our wonderful quilting group here at FLC will be done on **Sunday, June 2**. Once the quilts have been blessed, they are then donated to the Salvation Army and Lutheran World Relief.

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the quilt blessing for a \$5.00 Pancake/Waffle Breakfast that will consist of: Pancakes, waffles, sausage, fruit, coffee & juice. All proceeds will benefit our Capital Campaign. Invite your friends from outside of FLC if you’d like!



2019 Worship in the Park

Worship in the Park will take place on Sunday, July 14th this year. This joint service will include pastors from FLC, OSL, Holy Trinity, Faith Lutheran, and many more. Come join us for an outdoor worship experience followed by an afternoon of fellowship during the outdoor picnic where hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. We kindly ask that all who attend bring one pot-luck item (no crock pots please) and also a chair to sit in while you enjoy the service.

Alleviating Hunger in our Community

In April we have collected approximately \$260.00 that will be divided between the Hibbing Salvation Army Food Shelf and the First Lutheran Salvation Army Soup Kitchen Account. On the second Thursday of the month (at noon), First Lutheran members volunteer at the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen. Please call Rodney Jacobson at 263-8770 if you can help. Thank you to the volunteers who make this ministry happen!

Church Finances—Many thanks to all who support First Lutheran Church and its extended ministries.

FLC's General Fund contributions fuel this congregation's operational needs and extended ministries. Weekly contributions received:

- May 5—\$5,062.00
- May 12—\$2,594.50
- May 19—\$4005.50
- May 26—\$2,418.05

Submitted by Sandy Carlson, FLC Treasurer

Note: In order to meet our operating budget we need to collect approximately \$4,000 in offerings per Sunday.

Barb Tanem-WELCA president would like to thank all of the women who have dedicated their hard work and time throughout the year to help out with all of the WELCA events and meetings held here at FLC. The group will not be holding meetings in the summer. They will instead resume a monthly meeting starting in September.

The **Hobby/Quilt Club** has now wrapped up and will resume again in September. Thank you to Barb Tanem for keeping this ministry alive and also to Joann Zozgornik, Jean Crep, Lynn Schweiberger, Gloria Maras, Shirley Scofield, and Audrey Hendrickson's help this year! Although the group will not be meeting until September, Barb says to let all know that there is plenty of fabric ready in the quilting room if anyone feels the urge to make quilt tops over the summer. Contact Barb for more information.

The Christmas Boutique Crafters—Both women and men are welcome to join the group. The group will meet on Tuesday, June 4th at 1:00 pm in the fellowship hall to work on crafts for the bazaar. They will also meet on Tuesday, July 9th and Tuesday, August 6th (both at 1:00 pm).



The next FOY event will take place on Wednesday, June 26th when those who purchased tickets depart FLC at 3:30 pm on a charter bus and head to Duluth to board a Vista Fleet boat and attend the **“Bluegrass & BBQ”** dinner hosted by OMC Smokehouse. The cost was \$60 per person and will include the following:

- Roundtrip charter bus ride to Duluth (including tip)
- Dinner consisting of: Chopped brisket, pulled smoked chicken, bacon bleu cheese potato salad, OMC cole slaw, fresh fruit, cookies, and one complimentary non-alcoholic drink. (also includes tip)
- Bluegrass music performed by regionally award winning musicians

****Attention those of you who purchased tickets to attend this event:...**We kindly ask that all arrive early to FLC as the bus will be leaving promptly at 3:30pm. Thank you!

Happy Birthday to the following June & July congregants:

Kay Ranger, Carson Link, Doris Baasie, Jennifer Walters, Phyllis Rian, Mavis Danielson, Darlene Stavnes, Travis Griffiths, Max Bautch, Shirley Szveduik, Ace Barsness, Gloria Maras, Natalie Stimac, John Brandt, Richard Sundvick, Jonathan Rue, Syllas Schweiberger, Alice White, Bradford Benson, Candice Duncan, Gary Kangas, Angeline Betters, Christina Gargano, Mica Morgan, Cassandra Jespersen, Madeline Soderberg, Arthur Anacker, Carol Catani, Joseph Mohn, Michael Cencich, Charles Danielson, Viola Greenwood, Addisyn Weyrauch, Faith Tuin, Cody Rutherford, Andrea Gargano, Ilexa Rutherford, Lila Hill, Shirley Kolden, Brian Fearing, Jan Hietala, Nancy Welsh, Shirley Hugger, Jean Nelson, Sandy Tuin, RaChelle Foster, Aaron Hughes, Tammy Hughes, Drew Kolden, Cora Skraba, Angelina Jones, Roger Lind, Owen Walters, Karyl Giombetti, Katherine Vucetich, Janine Schwartz, Bob Tokarczyk, Linda Anderson, Rodney Jacobson, Patrick Welsh, Ron Vogt, Ashley Fink, Kamryn Mandt, Sheryl Tokarczyk, Stacey Wherland, Austin Galatz, Tammie Stimac, Shane Qualley, Tom Inforzato, Melissa Peterson, and Mikayla Shaffer

First Lutheran Church is blessed with many volunteers who with dedication and commitment serve the church, the Hibbing community, and the world. Thank you to those who volunteered their time during the month of March. **Below is the schedule of helpers for the months of June & July.**

June 2

Reader: Forrest Koland
Ushers: Paul & Vanessa Tokarczyk
Greeters: Dennis & Sharon Estey
Fellow. Host: **\$5.00 Pancake Feed**
Assist. Minister: Linda Smith

June 9

Reader: Rolland Maki
Ushers: Darlene Bennett & Sue Sundvall
Greeters: Owen Walters Family
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Dennis Flynn

June 16

Reader: **STILL NEED A READER**
Ushers: Wendy & Caroline Rue
Greeters: Rue Family
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Stephanie Skraba

June 23

Reader: Forrest Koland
Ushers: **STILL NEED USHERS**
Greeters: Richard & Karen Podominick
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Carly & Toby Inforzato

June 30

Reader: Paul Tokarczyk
Ushers: Paula & Emma Kangas
Greeters: Sue Sundvall & Barb Wray
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Sharon Estey

July 7

Reader: Dennis Flynn
Ushers: Ken & Connie Bryant
Greeters: Ken & Connie Bryant
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Mazie Englund

July 14-WORSHIP IN THE PARK

Reader: ?
Ushers: George & Gloria Maras
Assist. Minister: Paula & Emma Kangas

July 21

Reader: Sheryl Tokarczyk
Ushers: **STILL NEED USHERS**
Greeters: Jan Hietala & Jean Nelson
Fellow. Host: Sheryl Tokarczyk
Assist. Minister: William Clymer

July 28

Reader: **STILL NEED A READER**
Ushers: Betty Aanes & Dennis Flynn
Greeters: Dale & Marcy Berg
Fellow. Host: **STILL NEED A HOST**
Assist. Minister: Wendy & Caroline Rue

***Helping Worship Happen!** If you would like to participate in ushering, reading, greeting, hosting fellowship, or being the assisting minister for a day, please feel free to contact the church office!

Memorial Fund

To underwrite the telecast of FLC's Sunday morning worship service, to contribute Altar flowers, or to donate a memorial gift for other designated purposes, please call the church office. The weekly telecast cost is \$30 which includes the live-feed on Sunday morning plus re-telecasts on Sunday, 9:30 pm, Wednesday, 8:00 pm and Thursday, 2:00 pm, all on the local cable television, channel 5.



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Gretchen Bachman, Program Director

Bluegrass Raffle-July 27th at Camp Vermilion

-1st Prize 1400 Lund Fury W/30 HP Mercury Tiller and Trailer (\$15,000 Retail Value)

-2nd Prize Super One Foods Gift Cards (\$1,000 Value)

-3rd Prize \$500 Cash Prize
Drawing will take place at 6:15 pm on July 27th at Camp Vermilion during the festival. (Need not be present to win) Call VLM to purchase tickets!

Youth Corner

7th-12th Grade Summer Youth Trip—An overnight trip to Valleyfair & Como Zoo has been planned for July 22nd-23rd! A flyer and registration form was recently mailed out to all 7th-12th grade confirmation students regarding this event. The cost is \$35 and all interested students will need to bring in their payments and registration forms to Pastor Sarah by June 1st.

10th Grade Mentor Meeting—will take place on Wednesday, June 12th at 7:00 pm at First Lutheran Church.

Sunday School—Sunday school has ended for the year and will resume in Sept.

First Lutheran/Our Savior's Lutheran 2019 VBS—Vacation Bible School will take place the week of June 17-21st and will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church this year. There is no cost to have your child attend VBS, however, free will offerings are graciously accepted to help defray the cost of this experience. Parents are also required to provide a bag lunch for their child daily. Camp will be held from 9:00 am — 3:00 pm daily. On Friday, June 21st, the day ends at Noon. The Camp Counselor Staff from VLM will be on hand to once again conduct another fun, faith-filled, awesome "day camp" experience for our children grades K-6 consisting of songs, skits, Bible lessons, and crafts! Registration forms are available in the church office and should be turned in by Friday, June 14th. If you would like to make a monetary donation for the VLM staffers meals for VBS week, please visit the church office as well. Thank you!

2019 Graduates-Congratulations to the following graduates from FLC: Hannah Anderson, Hanna Knuckey, Cassie Otto, Jace Soderberg, Gracie Stimac, and Tore Tuin. We wish you luck in all of your future endeavors!

Campers—This year, FLC is sending 5 children to camp at either Camp Hiawatha or Camp Vermilion this summer! Thank you to all who have donated to the Campership Fund and have helped keep this fund alive so that we are able to help kids get to camp each year! The following are the individuals headed to camp this summer: Landon Tokarczyk, Emma Kangas, Kamryn Mandt, Dawson Peterson, & Madeleine Soderberg.

