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Office hours

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First Lutheran Focus

July 2022

Address Service Requested



July 11 - 14

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

@ Worth County Fairgrounds

Kids 5 - 12 years

Invite your friends!
Parents welcome, too!

Games Songs Bible lessons Snacks Prizes

Hostess: Sharyl Ferley 641-324-1279 Non-denominational Pre-registration not required but helpful: 641-425-9818 or pteeter@infaith.org

PASTOR'S PAGE

One of the many old favorite hymns is "I Love to tell the Story". It continues, of unseen things above, of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story because I know it's true, it satisfies my longings as nothing as nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

This hymn was written in 1866 by Kate Hankey and the refrain was written by William G Fischer just a couple of years later. It brings to mind the power of story. Hearing a story as well as telling a story is a gift to all of us.

I love hearing the stories of my family. As I write this, I am visiting my Aunt Ellen in Mesa, Arizona. As we look at old pictures, we retell the stories that we share, and she tells the stories of growing up in Tennessee. She was one of the youngest in the family of 14 children. Her parents were sharecroppers, and she knew what hard work was all about. This is a gift for me because she is my connection to my mom's story.

Have you noticed how many of us can go through the very same experience but remember it in different ways? Aunt Ellie talks about that and how she remembered her mom different than her older sisters. My sister and brothers have laughed about that. Some of our memories have us wondering if we grew up in the same house.

The gift of faith and our retelling the story of faith are an important part of who we are as a community of faith. How we hear the story of God's love for us, and welcome is truly impacted by our life experiences. For some, music speaks the story of faith. Others see God's work in the beauty around us and in the face of those they interact with.

I hope you take time this summer to gather with friends and family and share your old stories. Laughing and crying together keeps us real. We might be grieving people that have died. We might wonder together why we remember certain things and be thankful for letting go of the not so pleasant memories.

I also hope you take time to join us in worship as we gather around word and sacrament telling the story of faith and joining in the telling for those coming after us.

Blessings!

Pastor Becky

PASTORAL ACTS - 2022

Baptisms:

Paisley Renee Wright – 6/12/22

Maci Ranea Smith – 6/19/22

YOUTH NEWS

DayCamp 2022 was a huge success last month! Attendance was the highest we've had in the 15 years I've been leading it – with 124 kids here on Monday and a daily average of 117!!! Our theme was "Tree of Hope" and each day the kids learned about different places near and far and how God blesses the people of those countries. On Thursday we ventured down to the park and then the swimming pool. We wrapped the week up on Sunday morning with the kids singing at church. A huge THANK YOU to all the teens (as well as Pastor Becky and Christa) who stepped up and led the kids throughout the week.

Andrew Breitsprecher

Emma Logemann

Kenny Conlin

Nyx Mayberry

Hailee Schmidt

Christopher Madson

Logan Manning

Damon Reyerson

Camden Trenhaile

Jon Meksi

Mallory Rheingans

Hayden Moore

Weston Willand

Emily Hannemann

Taylor Rodemeyer

Lauren Petznick

Hunter Janssen

Emy Wahl

Colby Eskildsen

Ben Yezek

Kinley Stambaugh

Tyce Skellenger

Jade Fierova

Lexi McHenry

Ashlyn Skellenger

Lex Hanson

Camryn Rheingans

We'll be leaving for Lifest in Oshkosh, WI on Wednesday, July 6th. Currently there are 59 of us signed up. This year we're blessed to have quite a few chaperones in their mid 20's who all went as teens themselves. Very excited to have time to hang out with all of them and have time away from our normal day to day to worship,

have fellowship time and fun! We're blessed this year to have the Trust Fund help us cover the cost of this trip. At the end of July, I'll be taking a smaller group to Lifest Music City, outside of Nashville, TN.



First Lutheran Missio	î			
January 1 – May 31, 2022				
Bremwood	\$			
Operation Christmas Child	\$			
Education Fund	\$	200.00		
Youth Fund	\$	635.00		
Youth Campership	\$	220.00		
Caring Tree	\$			
Meals on Wheels	\$			
Manna	\$			
Heifer International	\$	188.96		
Riverside Bible Camp	\$	80.55		
Campers Fund	\$			
Good Samaritan Fund	\$	125.00		
Lutheran Services	\$	1,000.00		
Dayspring Children's Village	\$	115.00		
Northern Lights Shelter	\$	245.00		
LRH Auxiliary	\$	220.00		
TOTAL	\$	3,029.51		

Donations				
	\$245	- Northern Lights Homeless Shelter		

Memorials

Aljean Kenison Smith \$150 Education \$100 Youth

First Lutheran Financial Update			
<u>May 2022</u>			
Income	\$9,723.00		
Electronic Income	\$2,912.74		
Expense	(\$19,674.05)		
End of Month	(\$7,038.31)		
YTD as of May 31			
Income	\$85,281.87		
Electronic Income	\$15,477.08		
Expense	(\$111,219.11)		
End of Month	(\$10,460.16)		

May General Budget Expenses					
PAYROLL:		\$	16,515.74		
E-GIVING E	\$	44.63			
CHURCH M	\$	183.08			
PARSONAG	\$	114.85			
UTILITIES	\$	1,646.08			
TELEPHONE			212.19		
OFFICE EXPENSE			747.62		
	TOTAL EXPENSES INCOME NET	\$ (<u>\$</u> (\$	(19,674.05) 12,635.74 (7,038.31)		

July Share Shoppe

LEAH Circle will be working July 2nd

Mission Project for July Lutheran World Relief

Staff Phone Numbers				
Pastor Sogge	612-718-9151			
Mark Willand	641-390-1032			
Troy Bachtle	641-430-8305			
Jan Thompson	641-390-0883			
Christa Trenhaile	641-390-0484			



Congratulations to Scott & Jeanette Hanson on the baptism of their granddaughter, Maci Ranea Smith on June 19th. Her sponsors are Jolene and Josh Henigar, Mitch and Jessica Hanson and Jeremy and Carrie Smith.

Congratulations to Carson and Madison Wright on the baptism of their daughter, Paisley Renee. Her sponsors are Jayla Varner, Kyler Varner, Courtney Wright and Colton Wright.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Carol Crane who passed away on May 30th, 2022. Her funeral service will be held here at FLC on July 9th. May God give you strength and peace during this time.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Robert Harris who passed away on June 22nd. May god comfort all who mourn his loss.

Thank you to Linda Griffith and Pastor Everist for leading us in worship while Pastor Becky is away. She will be back in the office on Monday, July 18th.

Congratulations to Aaron and Sarah Stevens on the birth of their son, Reid Patrick who was born Monday, June 20th.

Thank you for all you have done for me, the lessons and love will stay with me for life and thank you for the beautiful quilt, I will love it at UNI. -Thomas Block

First Lutheran Council, thank you for selecting me to receive the Lindflott Scholarship Award. Thank you for all that you taught me during my time on the Council. I am grateful to have been given this opportunity, and I am excited to see what God has in store for me. -Hayden Moore

Thank you for all the gifts from the church and for the quilt. Thank you for the extra love and blessings that you have all put into this project. Your thoughtfulness and generosity is greatly appreciated. -Carly Hengesteg

Thank you for the graduation gifts as well as the amazing quilt. I appreciated it very much. -Dylan Tews

Summertime and the living is easy." That's what the favorite old song says. The living may be easy, but often the giving is not. Summer offerings often drop significantly for our church because of vacation travel, sports schedules and other activities that cause you miss church or worship in other churches. If you would like to make your giving easy and consistent this summer, please consider our electronic giving option. The Vanco app makes giving pretty easy once you have it set up. It can be someone frustrating as you discover how many First Lutheran Churches there are. If you have questions or would like assistance in setting up your smart phone with Vanco app talk to Pastor Becky or any of the council members.

Please bring your spare change for Noisy Offering on Sunday, July 10th, 24th and 31st. This offering goes to the mission of the month which is Lutheran World Relief.

Harper Baker, Ross DeArmoun

3. Brandon Severson

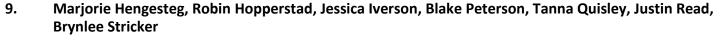
4. Kenneth Block, Shirleen Julson

5. Thomas Felland, David Petznick

6. Casey Dahlby, Graham Holstad

7. Jim Dahle, Dylan Nitcher

8. Madison Berry, Kennedy Eskildsen, Mallory Rheingans



10. Mariah Ballantyne

11. Lorna Christianson, Richard Davis

12. Carol Hillman, Peyton Shoger, Ivy Urbatsch

13. Jacob Gordon, Marissa Nitcher

14. Eugene Eilertson, Joshua Einertson, Orin Liljedahl, Joseph Stricker, Clay Magritz

15. Dan Hendrikson, Laura Kuennen, Matthew Lowe, Janet Severson, Abel Wheeler

16. James Berg, Aidan Gores, Kendra Julseth, Jodi Kilborn, Marjorie Lau, Shannon Moore, Deanna Schutz, Carter Severson, Kelli Wallin

18. Briar Buechele, Mark Buehrer, Robert Hickman, Robert Johnsrud, Matthew Moyer, Arlene Rosdahl

19. Maylynn Lande, Susan Nelson, Camryn Rheingans, Lori Turner

20. Marlin Liljedahl, Belinda Nelson, Peyton Pangburn, Saxon Penfold

21. David Gentz, Janet Wilder

22. Nancy Franke

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23. Kimberly Anderson, Kelsi Collins, Jacob Mix

24. Ronald Gentz

25. Troy Bachtle, Danny Werner

26. Jackie Moyer, Marjorie Olson, Melinda Penfold, Rodney Stehn

29. Allie Branstad, Richard Selvig, Myra Werner

30. Phyllis Berg, Joel Gordon, Heidi Tufte

31. Bonnie Bakken, Tyler Binnebose, Haddie Hanson, Carly Hengesteg, Gary Hennigar, Nickey Stricker





July 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:00am- Service with H.C. 6:30pm- JH. Youth	4 Happy 4th of July	5 6:00pm: Worship Committee 7:00pm: Inspire Comm. Meeting 7:00pm: Property 7:00pm: AA–Al- Anon	6 Lifest	7 8:30am: Quilting 9:00am: Prayer Gr. 6:30pm: Taekwondo	8 Lifest	9 Lifest
9:00am- Service with N.O.	11	12 7:00pm: AA–Al- Anon	13 7:00pm: SH. Youth	14 8:30am: Quilting 9:00am: Prayer Gr. 6:30pm: Taekwondo 7:00pm: Pub Theology	15	16
9:00am- Service with H.C. 10:00am- Council Meeting 3:00pm- LRH Service 6:30pm- JH. Youth		19 11am: Staff Mtng. 7:00pm: AA–Al-Anon	2:00pm: Maple Court 7:00pm: SH. Youth	21 8:30am: Quilting 9:00am: Prayer Gr. 6:30pm: Taekwondo	22	23
 Pentecost 7 9:00am- Service with N.O. 6:30pm- JH. Youth Pentecost 8 9:00am- Service with N.O. 		26 7:00pm: AA–Al- Anon	27	28 8:30am: Quilting 9:00am: Prayer Gr. 6:30pm: Taekwondo 7:00pm: Pub Theology	29	30