

THE VOICE

of the First Lutheran Congregation

November 2023

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NEWSLETTER CONTENT

We are all one body, one spirit, compelled by Christ to share His Word and the promise of salvation. Matthew 28

South Africa Companion Synod receives old Paraments.



This is Pastor Thabani Doma, one of the three visitors from our companion synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa, who visited Pipestone on October 3rd. They walked the National Monument Trail, talked to the artisans, looked around the visitor's center, and purchased necklaces in the gift shop. They then came to First Lutheran, before going out for supper at the Stonehouse. Several members of First Lutheran and other interested people joined the group for the meal.

Pastor Thabani was absolutely delighted to accept the offer of taking our unused paraments (which the new ones replaced) back to South Africa with them! Pastor Thabani is "modeling" the stoles. There are 2 identical sets of stoles (as when they were purchased, First Lutheran had two pastors), and apparently one of those sets will be given to Bishop Myaka. All of the paraments fit into one suitcase, weighing just under the 50-pound limit and was taken by Pastor Thabani back to South Africa when the group returned on October 12th.

A small group from Southwestern Minnesota will be visiting South Africa in late October and early November, and Pastor Thabani will send something back for us, probably a cross that our acolytes can wear. Pastor Thabani and the other visitors from South Africa were delightful people, and I hope that this connection with our companion synod will grow stronger through the years.

Pastor Ann

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Motivational Short Story of Faith and Hope – Agnostic Man Survives Las Vegas Mass Shooting & Becomes Firm Believer in God

A country music festival in Las Vegas quickly turned tragic when a gunman opened fire on the crowd, killing more than 50 people and injuring hundreds more. When faced with such senseless violence, it's tough to find the good. But Las Vegas shooting survivor Taylor Benge, who went into the concert agnostic, managed to see not just the good, but the divine. And he came out completely changed.

Sometimes the things that test our faith, can also help grow it. When Las Vegas shooting survivor Taylor Benge went into the concert on Sunday, October 1, 2017, he didn't really have any faith to speak of. He was pretty much indifferent towards the existence of God.

But as the horrific attack unfolded, something inside Taylor changed.

Light In the Darkness

The gunman's shooting spree — the worst in modern US History — has been labeled by the President an "act of pure evil." And yet, the horror was met with acts of heroism and humanity as the attack unfolded.

"I saw a bunch of people trying to help," Las Vegas shooting survivor Taylor Benge said. "Unfortunately, I also saw a lot of loved ones with their significant others holding them as they passed."

It's hard to focus on hope when tragedies like the Las Vegas shooting occur. Hearing stories of faith like Taylor's that come out of these situations help us to remember that even in these horrible situations, God has not abandoned us.

"God is bigger than time, dates, and appointments.

He wants you to move through this day with a quiet heart,
an inward assurance that He is in control, a peaceful certainty
that your life is in His hands, a deep trust in His plan and purposes,
and a thankful disposition, toward all that He allows.
He wants you to put your faith in Him, not in a timetable.
He wants you to wait on Him and wait for Him.
In His perfect way He will put everything together, see to every detail...
arrange every circumstance... and order every step to bring
to pass what He has for you." ~ Roy Lessin



Noisy Offering for October was collected for: Lutheran Disaster Response

The total amount collected was: \$39.36.

Noisy Offering for November will be collected for Kiwanis Toy Drive (Money collected will go towards toys, food, etc. as needed)

Thank you for your support of these important Outreach needs.

October 2023 Offerings

Monthly Income Needed to Operate	\$17,800.00
Weekly Offering – October 1st	
Weekly Offering – October 8th	
Weekly Offering – October 15th	
Weekly Offering – October 22 nd	
Weekly Offering – October 29 th	

Now there are THREE METHODS to use Simply Giving:

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- 2. Free Mobile Giving App enables your church offerings to be made securely from anywhere, with 1tap. Plus, it's completely **FREE**!
- 3. Below is a Quick Response (QR) code. When you scan this barcode-like QR code image with a smartphone's QR decoder, it will instantly connect you to the mobile version of the church's web page.



If you need more offering envelopes, please stop into the church to pick up another book.

Christian stewardship involves the faithful management of all gifts God has so generously given us including accumulated, inherited and appreciated resources. Creating a new endowment fund or contributing to an existing fund is a diligent way to ensure these gifts continue in perpetuity and the legacy of the giver lives on forever. Gifts of cash; partial or full value of securities, stocks and bonds; personal property or real estate; life insurance policies; trust agreements; or charitable gift annuities are some examples that can be used to fund a new or existing endowment. The principle amount given from any of these assets is always retained with only the earned income used to meet the endowment's stated objectives thereby making the gift perpetual. Please contact your estate or financial planner or First Lutheran Church's endowment committee with questions.



First Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes - September 13th, 2023

Members Present: Craig Thies, Pastor Ann, Thad Reinert, Mike Straw, Nicole Weber, Cristy A, Ingrid W, Merit S, Kristy H, and Marah Lytle.

Call to Order: President, Craig Thies, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Devotions: Devotion was led by Pastor Ann. Next month Cristy A. will lead devotion.

Treasurer's Report: Thad R. went over the bills and pointed out that most of our expenses were for the fair stand and updates to the youth room. Cristy A. made a motion to pay the bills and Ingrid W. 2nd the motion and it was approved.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed. Cristy A. made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report and Nicole W. 2nd the motion and it was approved.

Pastor's Report:

- · Pastor Ann handed out her report for August and this was reviewed.
- · The Council reviewed Pastor Ann's upcoming date list, from her August report. A few notes are Pastor will be gone October 14-19, 6 days, including 1 Sunday. It is a non-communion Sunday, and Lori's family will do pulpit supply. Plan to have a 9:30am Christmas Eve Sunday service and 4:30pm service. We will have communion on Reformation Sunday, Oct 29th even though there are no 9th graders being confirmed. We are going to host the Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday Nov 19th at 7pm.

President's Report:

- · Golden Girls/Guys (Partners in Ministry) group that will do mission & outreach. Working with them to make a schedule of who is going where and how many people can go to certain locations.
- · Would like to see committees have regular monthly meetings.

Vice-President's Report: none

Committee Reports – Round Table:

- · Congregational Life Ingrid W. Wanting to watch Arrow football games at the church. Soup potluck and games after worship sometime or bowling or movie nights or tubing at Great Bear.
- · Worship Cristy A. cleaning upstairs and made plans for decorating for Christmas
- **Mission & Outreach** Kristy H. The noisy offering for September is going towards the Wellness Room at the school. Working at the banquet October 25th in Sioux Falls. Making harvest bags for farmers.
- · **Property Management** Mike S. –. Plan to have Stout & Evink winterize the fairstand. The youth room's egress window is wet, needs rock, and wood repainted. Also, a few shingles need to be replaced.

- · Adult Ed none
- · **Youth** Nicole Weber Youth room got a makeover. New seating, walls painted, and game areas. Planning on doing a tailgate for an away football game.
- · Sunday School LIFT begins Sept 27th

Old Business:

- · Fairstand breakdown
- o Total deposits to Youth Acct from Fairstand \$13,486.00
- o Total expenses for Fairstand sales (as of 9/7/23) \$5,792.27
- o Total Profit after expenses \$7,693.73
- o We have an itemized list of items sold at the fairstand and what was returned so that will help us with product quantities next year.

New Business:

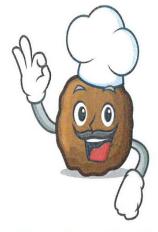
· AED machine was donated by the Sheriff's department – where should it be put? In the narthex by the fire extinguisher and phone.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 11th at 7:30 pm.

Marah Lytle, Secretary



Church News & Events



First Lutheran Church 4017th Avenue SW Pipestone, MN 507-825-5837 It's Meatball Time Again!!

First Lutheran Church MEATBALL SUPPER Tuesday, Nov 14th, 2023

(Snow date ~ November 16th, 2023)

- Take Outs: 4:30 7 PM
- Dine In: 5:00 7 PM

(or until all are served)

MENU:

Meatballs & gravy, mashed potatoes, cole-slaw, applesauce, rolls, coffee, milk & ice cream

Advance tickets are available from the Church Office, or at the door on the day of the event.

➤ ADULTS - \$12.00 ➤ 7-12 YEARS - \$8.00 ➤ 6 YEARS & under - Free

Dine-in, Carry-out & Home Delivery to Shut-ins & Disabled ONLY!





We have made some changes for our young families here at First Lutheran!! There is now an area in the Fireside Room where parents can their children if they need a place to go for a break during chur other events held at the church. We also have the northeast of area in the Narthex that has church pew bags for kids, etc. as your changes for kids.

There is now an area in the Fireside Room where parents can take their children if they need a place to go for a break during church or other events held at the church. We also have the northeast corner area in the Narthex that has church pew bags for kids, etc. as well. Feel free to utilize these areas but we do ask that things are put back and ready for the next visitors. If you have some gently used items you would like to donate, feel free to bring them in as well.

DON'T FORGET to turn your clocks back! SATURDAY NIGHT - NOVEMBER 4TH



Make sure to join us for Coffee Fellowship in the Narthex after worship every Sunday!! It's a great time to visit with visitors to our church as well as other members. If you would like to bring goodies to pass or help serve, there are sign-up sheets are in the Narthex or you can contact Lori in the office!!



Are you looking for a great gift idea for a wedding or even Christmas?

We have beautiful quilts and sturdy jean rugs for sale here at the church. The rugs and quilts are displayed in the Fellowship Hall so stop in and take a look! Quilts are \$50 and rugs are priced on their individual tags. We recently received some new rugs so stop in and check them out. We will not be getting any more until AFTER Christmas!!

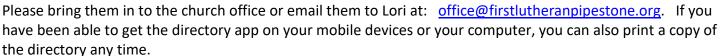
DON'T FORGET: We have our church cookbooks available for \$5.00! Payments can be made to <u>FLCW</u> and put in the office mailbox.

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DON'T FORGET THE CHURCH DIRECTORY!

If you have any pictures that you would like to share in the directory that you have taken at church activities, contact

the church office. We would like to get more added before we print copies.



If you have any questions or problems accessing your directory or printing out a copy, please contact the church office.

If you would like a copy of the directory printed, please contact the church office at 507-825-5837.

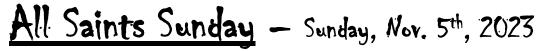
Printed copies will be sent out in December.

VISITATIONS

If someone is ill or in need of a Pastoral visit, please call Pastor Ann or contact the Church office@ 825-5837. Please remember the following First Lutheran Church members in your prayers, send them a card, or stop to visit them.



Kay Buranen & Joyce Kunz	Good Samaritan Communities, Pipestone
Carol Foss	Good Samaritan – Prairie Creek, Sioux Falls
Darrell Foss	Good Samaritan, Sioux Falls



We have welcomed the following Saints into our community through baptism in this past year:

† Lincoln A. Watts 个 Kaysan L. Ilse

† Amelia K. Rohlk † Brenley G. Kendall

† Jameson C. Carpenter 个 Mikaia R. Alfson

We also remember our loved ones who have departed this earthly life in this past year. We remember each of them and lift them up in

prayer:

↑ Justin T. Rops

† Bernice L. Jacobson

个 Cory Allen Hoekstra

† Helen M. Miller

† Charlotte O'Connor

† Blake E. Olsen

† Norman Perschke

† Wilhemina (Minnie) Perschke

† Crystle Dougherty

† Lorel Anderson

† Joseph L. Douty

Community Events

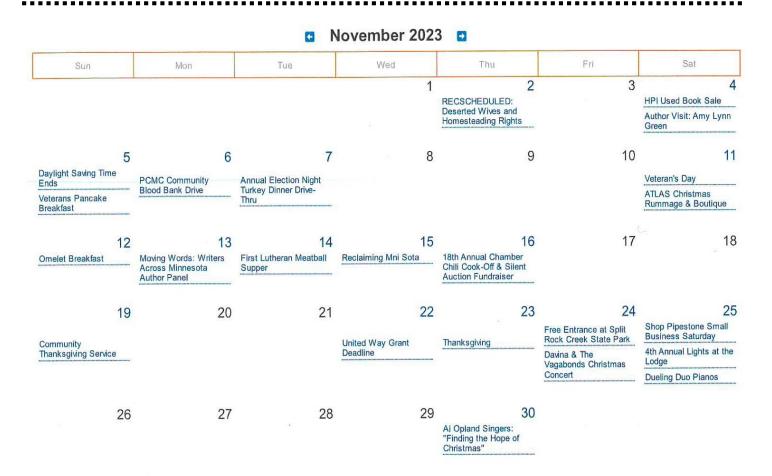


Pipestone County Hospice will be holding a 6-week adult grief support group from October 10th to November 14th at the Pipestone County Hospice House. Grief support groups allow individuals mourning the loss of a loved one the chance to come together in a safe environment to discuss their experiences. Mourners are given a space to share his/her thoughts and emotions. The group will discover coping skills, discuss identity changes and find support.

Meetings will be on Tuesdays from 10:00am – 11:00am at the Pipestone County Hospice House.



Pipestone Area Calendar of Events



F.L.C.W News and Activities



F.L.C.W Fundraiser



Are you looking for some Christmas gifts, birthday gifts, shower or wedding gifts? Well, check out the stuff at 'That's My Pan' website for the FLCW fundraiser. You can browse the products, change the colors, etc. and you can see what it will look like. It is all online but if you

need some help, you can stop into the church office or contact Kristy Henriksen for assistance! It's pretty cool so check it out!!!!!!!!

Go to: www.thatsmypan.biz/flcw OR scan the QR code.

Women
of Faith

Dear FLCW,

It feels like winter will soon be upon us! Fall never lasts long enough for me. Things are getting busy for us. Here is what is happening:

We will be selling "That's My Pan!" items during November. We sold these a few years ago and thought people would be interested again. They make nice Christmas, birthday, shower, and wedding gifts. Or just for you! Sales are online. It is very easy. We have our own site. It is www.thatsmypan.biz/flcw. It lets you browse the products and shows you what your personalized pan or other item will look like.

Payment is by credit card on the website, or you can write a check to FLCW, and we will make the payment when the order is submitted. If you have any questions or do not want to order by yourself, Lori will help you at the office or I can, too. Deadline for ordering is Monday, November 27th.

Kaffi Ti will be held on Saturday, December 9th. We have changed it up a bit. It will be held in the AFTERNOON from 1-3 pm. The Tea Table will see the most changes. We will have the fruit soup and rommegrot, but instead of rolls, will be serving CRANBERRY CAKE WITH HOT BUTTER SAUCE. If you have eaten it, you will love it! The Bake Sale will remain the same with cookie plates, rosettes, lefse, breads, tea rings, candy, etc. Start planning your baking for this annual event. Changes were made to try to increase participation and customers. If it doesn't work, at least we tried.

There are some new 60" rugs for sale. Perfect for entryways, laundry rooms, kitchens. There will be no more rugs until after Christmas so get your rug shopping done soon! They make a nice gift. So do quilts!

Quilting will be Thursday, November 9th and possibly November 30th due to Thanksgiving on the 4th Thursday and a 5th one is available. There will be no quilting in December.

Bomgaars and Dahl Motors are again sponsoring a Coat and Winter Gear Drive. Take any gently used coats, hats, gloves, mittens, etc. to either Bomgaars or Dahl Motors. The drive ends on December 31st. Items will be given to Volunteers In Mercy.

Our next FLCW meeting will be Tuesday, November 28th. Time is to be determined. Watch the church bulletin. I will also send out a text. If there is a day or time that works better for you, let me know. We can change our meeting day and time.

There is an evening community Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 19th at 7pm here at First Lutheran. Plan to attend. Refreshments will be served afterwards by the Worship Committee.

Meatball Supper is coming up also on Nov. 14th. Watch for your letter and the work schedule.

See you in church,



Scandinavian Ninner Surday, December 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Enjoy an evening of fellowship, laughter, and delicious food. All you can eat buffet of Lutefisk, Meatballs, Lefse, and more!



\$20 all you can eat!

We need advanced paid registrations.

Reserve your plate by **November 27, 2023**!

Head over to www.shetek.org, email camp@shetek.org, or call (507)763-3567 for more information!

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14 Keeley Island Drive Slayton, MN 56172 507-763-3567 camp@shetek.org www.shetek.org

Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers



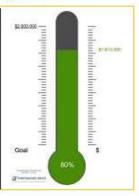
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! 1 CHRONICLES 16:34

Wish List

- 17 foot Aluminum canoe
- Vest style life jackets
- Good Vacuums
- Volunteers

We thank you for all your generosity this year!

We met our Phase 1 goal!
\$1,613,000 in gifts and
pledges! Our challenge
goal is \$2,000,000 and
with increased costs, our
budget has changed for
our different phases.
More info on our website.
https://shetek.org/sim-master-plan/



Mark your Calendar

- November 3-4 Confirmation
 Retreat
- December 3 Annual Meeting
- December 3 Scandinavian Dinner
- · December 28 Winter Fun Day

Register at <u>shetek.org</u> or Call 507-763-3567 for more information

Help send kids to Camp...Become a
Pelican Club or Timber Society member
today. Pelican Club members support
the ministry with a gift of \$100 - \$499 a
year and Timber Society members give
\$500 or more a year. Thanks for your
support!





THANK YOU to all the Youth and volunteers who helped serve at

The Banquet on Oct. 25th!! We served 141 meals.

Your work and your fellowship with all those you serve is appreciated more than you know!!!

Shetek Winter Fun Day



www.shetek.org

SLM Winter Fun Day Registration

3rd-6th Grade 9:30-3:00 \$25 (Youth Advisors Welcome)

Name:		Current Grade:
Address:_		City:
State:	Zip:	Congregation (If applicable):
Parent/Gu	uardian Nam	ne(s):
Parent/Gu	uardian Phoi	ne: Email:
My child h	as permission	n to take part in all camp activities under supervision, and
I agree tha	t the camp o	r its personnel will not be held responsible for accidents
arising wh	ile at camp. I	also give permission for the use of photographs, video,
and electro	onic images i	ncluding my child in camp promotions.

Register online www.shetek.org or complete the above information and send it with your \$10 deposit by <u>December 18th, 2023</u> to:

*Parent/Guardian Signature for Participation:

Shetek Lutheran Ministries 14 Keeley Island Drive Slayton, MN 56172

507-763-3567



Every Child is designed by God to be a leader!!



The golden CALF



Read Exodus 32. Find and circle the words below.

M R N T A B L E T S T Z P W P O N I J D H S N A W R B H N O S R I N F M P C C B F L V T W E L T S G F P F A K C Y W Q D S K A G R S T J V T B M S J E F K H N G A O P M S T I C G R O H V M D Y E F N W E E I F S J N B F J O S L G M V Y R B I Y J F N L W F Q I O Z E J U N N N A L T A R Z E Y T L J O L G W A O X Z M S C G N E D S H I L U O S U D A W A Y F S H R N C S W L D O T L Q O P G U N G D A N C I N G N X V E T A W Z C A L F L G D U P K C D E G V

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November 2023 Worship Assistants

Date	Worship	Reader	Acolytes	Communion Assistant(s)	Ushers *(captain)	Sound
11-5-2023 All Saints Sunday *Holy Communion	9:30 a.m.	Paul Johnson	Rhaelee Heidebrink		*Al Hollingsworth (cpt) ~Troy Heidebrink family -Mick Hollingsworth -Aaron Burnett family -Brandon Houselog family	Mark Zinnel
11-12-2023 *Holy Communion	9:30 a.m.	Lori Ilse	Rhaelee Heidebrink		*Al Hollingsworth (cpt) ~Troy Heidebrink family -Mick Hollingsworth -Aaron Burnett family -Brandon Houselog family	Mike Straw
11-19-2023	9:30 a.m.	Gen Velde	Rhaelee Heidebrink		*Al Hollingsworth (cpt) ~Troy Heidebrink family -Mick Hollingsworth -Aaron Burnett family -Brandon Houselog family	Neil Johnson
11-26-2023	9:30 a.m.		Rhaelee Heidebrink		*Al Hollingsworth (cpt) ~Troy Heidebrink family -Mick Hollingsworth -Aaron Burnett family -Brandon Houselog family	Jason Weber



November Anniversaries



		11-6	~Jake & Gen Velde	
11-12	~Mike & JoAnn Straw	11-28	~Ken & Karen Boehm	

Wishing you a day of special moments for thankful remembering of all that has made your adventure of love a blessing and a joy.



November Birthdays

BITHDAY		11-16	Casey Fritz Brooklyn Tiefenthaler Isabelle Tiefenthaler		
11-1	Jeanine Olson	11-17	Lincoln Burkard Paige Petersen		
11-2	Joel Carpenter Lily Hamner	11-18	Hunter Burnett		
11-3	Darla Hartke Peyton Maschino	11-20	Paul Fritz Theresa Swenson		
11-4	Eric Brockberg Dustin Eslick Maisy Legler	11-21	Laurie Ness		
11-6	Troy Bouman	11-22	Jamie Hartke Mara Taubert Gen Velde		
11-8	Scott Crawford Finn Wielenberg	11-23	Lori Woelber		
11-9	Tom (TR) Clark Kris Mastbergen	11-25	Callum Heller Krista VanderWal		
11-12	Caleb Ossefoort	11-27	Brantley Buffington Tom Dunn		
11-13	Erica Hazelton Emery Hollingsworth	11-28	Brody Alderson Jim Benz Piper McCorquodale		
11-14	Sal Griebel Breanna McCorquodale	11-29	Caitlyn Thode		
11-15	Avery Bosma Austin Carpenter	11-30	Chuck Ness		

On your special day, you are wished all the very best, all the joy you can ever have and may you also be blessed abundantly today, tomorrow and the days to come!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			~6:15pm – LIFT/Confirmation ~7:00pm - Church committee mtgs	2	3	4 ~4pm - Baptism Jameson C Carpenter
All Saints Sunday ~9:30am Worship *Holy Communion (live-streamed) ~L.I.F.T. sings	6	7 ~4pm – Worship Committee meeting	8 ~6:15pm – LIFT/Confirmation ~7:30pm - Church Council mtgs	9 ~9:30am– Quilting	10	VETERANS DAY
~9:30am Worship *Holy Communion (live-streamed)	13 6	Meatball Supper!!	~6:15pm – LIFT/Confirmation	16	17	18
~9:30am Worship (live-streamed) ~7pm - Community Thanksgiving service @FLC	20	21	NO SCHOOL — NO L.I.F.T. or Confirmation	THINKS VIN	24	25
~9:30am Worship- (live-streamed) ~Advent Begins	That's My Pan order DUE!!	~FLCW meeting – time TBD	~6:15pm – LIFT/Confirmation	~9:30am- Quilting (??) NO Quilting in December		

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Worship schedule:

- 9:30am Sundays at Church & live-streamed on Facebook
- Radio Worship Broadcast: 10:30am Sundays on KLOH 1050AM
- TV Public Access: Wednesdays @12pm & 5pm on Channel 3

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First Lutheran Church Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month @ 8 p.m.