



JUNE

THE FRIENDLY VISITOR

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WELCOME TO

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



Whether you're new to the area or seeking a spiritual home, we're glad you're here. Nestled in a beautiful historic building in downtown Louisville, we are a vibrant community committed to worship, service, and growth in faith.

At First Lutheran, we strive to create a welcoming environment where love, grace, and peace guide our shared journey. Our mission is to help all people connect with God, grow in faith, and contribute to the work of Christ.

As a Reconciling In Christ congregation, we celebrate and affirm the dignity of all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

We look forward to serving you and walking together in faith.

In this newsletter:

Latest news, projects, workshops, and more. Keep Reading!

Add to your calendar:

06/09: 12:00 PM Craft Meeting/Bible Study
06/11: 7:00 PM Worship and Music Committee
06/14: 9:30 AM Breakfast before Service
06/21: 12:00 PM Church Council Meeting

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Updates from the Office Manager

- **New Custodian!** We are welcoming Mr. Iuri Vorobev to our team! Feel free to say hello should you see him around!
- **New Pastor!** We anticipate the arrival of a new pastor this month...details to come.

Music Ministry

In June and throughout the summer we find ourselves in the Season After Pentecost. This is essentially the part of the liturgical year that remains after everything has been accounted for. The name of this season can vary widely depending on a church's tradition - it can be called Kingdomtide, Dominiontide, or Ordinary Time. The term Ordinary Time does not mean that this season is plain or unimportant. It is called that because the weeks are numbered. The Latin word ordinalis, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word ordo, from which we get the English word order. In most churches the general theme of the Bible readings concerns the church's mission in the world. The Season After Pentecost begins on the day after Pentecost. In the Western Church, it ends on the Saturday before the First Day of Advent. The main holy days during this season are Trinity Sunday (the Sunday after Pentecost), The Transfiguration, Holy Cross Day, Reformation Day, and All Saint's Day. You may notice that the paraments on the altar and the worship leaders' vestments change to green, the liturgical color for the season.

David McNease

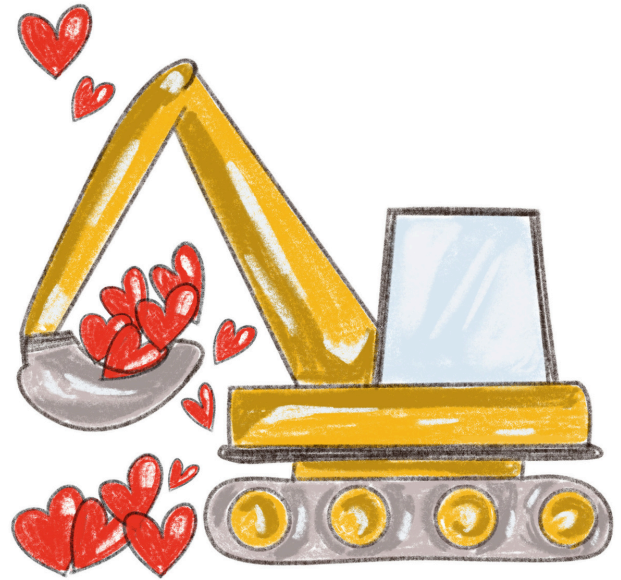


Helpful Info!

- Interstate 65 is going to be shut down from June 1 to July 31st for maintenance and rebuilding of bridges. If you would like to receive email updates or text messages about closures or traffic problems resulting from the detours, visit i65centralcorridor.com
- **No worship services or programs at First Lutheran Church are going to be changed due to this work.**



Another chance to get together is the Young Hearts Theater. Their production of "Celebrate America" will be at Ursuline Arts Center June 4-7. All performances are matinees, at 2 pm and the facility is very accessible for those with limited mobility. Tickets are free, a free will offering is collected. If anyone is interested in going as a group on Friday or Saturday, Contact Sharon Lillie

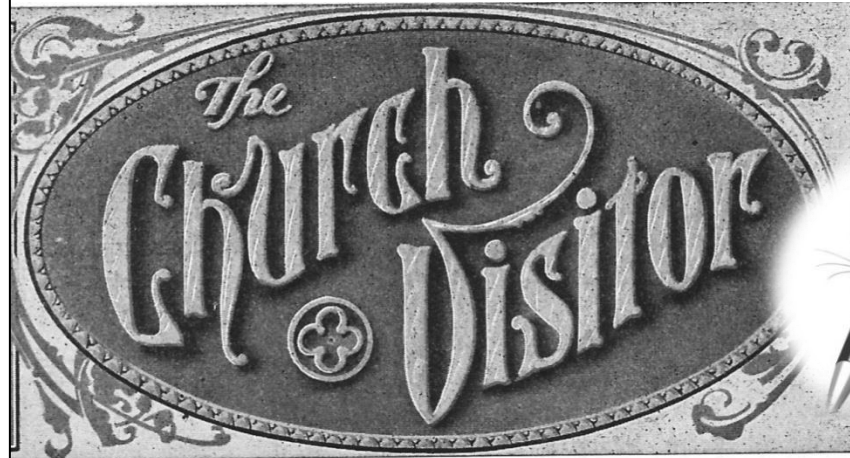


On June 27th, the Pride of Kentucky Chorus, of which Nancy Brian is a member, will be hosting a Trivia night at St. Matthews Episcopal Church. Doors open at 6:30 and the contest begins at 7:30. We have competed in the last several years and have placed as high as 2nd! If you are interested, please let the office know. A place at the table is \$20.



Wow! This 1906 vacation was the trip of a lifetime for the pastor!

I can't wait until the Rev. Dr. Waltz returns with stories and pictures for us to hear and see.



LOUISVILLE, KY., JUNE, 1906.

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OUR PEWS ARE ALL FREE. STRANGER
ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

PASTOR'S VACATION.

A TRIP ABROAD.

Our church Council at its June meeting by hearty and unanimous vote, asked the pastor to extend his usual summer vacation from one to at least two months. This kind and thoughtful action, coming as it does, unsolicited, but representing, we are sure, the spontaneous wish of our Council and congregation, is greatly appreciated by the pastor. It is but another evidence of what he has all along felt in his heart; that no pastor was ever blest with a kinder, more thoughtful and more united church. Years of service together for our beloved congregation, has but woven more firmly the sacred chords of love and confidence that bind us.

"We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear."

At once we set about deciding how to spend the resting time most pleasantly and profitably. The suggestion of friends and

loved ones prevailed and a trip aboard was decided upon. As promptly as possible, arrangements were completed as follows: We sail from Boston on the "Romanic," of the White Star Line, July 7th. Going via the Mediterranean, touching at Gibraltar, we land at Naples the 19th. A month will be spent as restfully and as profitably as possible somewhere between Naples and Liverpool. We sail from the latter port on the homeward voyage on the "Celtic," September 7th, reaching Louisville by the 15th. We preferred an earlier returning vessel, but was not able to secure accommodation.

Thus briefly is outlined the way we have planned to spend the resting time so kindly urged by our thoughtful Council.

OUR WORK.

Much as we appreciate the kind wish of our council, that we extend our vacation much beyond the usual time, we could not consent to do so were it not for the assurance that the work of the church will be carried on as nearly unhindered as possible in the pastor's absence. The pulpit will be regularly supplied by the Council. All official pastoral work will be promptly attended to by Rev. C. E. Buschman, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church. The Elders will faithfully visit all the sick of the congregation. The Sunday-school will carry on its good work as usual. It will be the aim of the Council to see that nothing be left undone that might help on the work of the church. In this we are sure they will have the hearty support and co-operation of all our people. Feeling this confidence, the pastor lays down his work for a time without fear of loss to the church.

THE FRIENDLY PUZZLER

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The remaining letters will reveal a hidden message.

Genesis 12: 1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

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At First Lutheran Church we believe that God delights in the diversity of all creation. As a Reconciling in Christ community, we welcome all into fellowship; recognizing the dignity of every human being regardless of gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, economic status, race, or any other identifier. You are accepted and welcome here, no matter where you are on your spiritual journey.

If you need to contact one of the church's committee chairs, here is a list of all the committees and their chairs. Please let them know if you have any problems, suggestions for improvements, or compliments.

Building Users	Vicky Frank
Christian Education	Lori Caron
Endowment Funds Subcommittee	Harley Butler
Finance	Drew Wartschlager
Food Pantry	Sharon Lillie
Membership	Vicky Frank
Property	Paul Nellis
Social Ministry	Stephanie McCoy
Vision and Outreach	Paul Nellis
Worship and Music	Nancy Brian