The Friendly Visitor

First Lutheran Church Louisville, KY

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Welcome New Pastor!

On June 16th at 3 in the afternoon, Pastor John Bell will be installed as Pastor of First Lutheran Church. There will be a reception afterward. The 3 o'clock time allows pastors and members of other Lutheran churches in the area to attend after their own services.

News

Youth from the recent gathering here in Louisville came to the food pantry on June 27th and helped us clean and package up canned goods. The kids had fun and were a great help. Thank you to Drew Wartschlager for setting this up.

Bob Wartschlager also had a pacemaker put in recently. We wish him a strong recovery.

The First Lutheran trivia team placed second in the Pride of Kentucky Chorus fundraiser trivia night. Also, Stephanie McCoy won one of the prizes. Congratulations!

We are attending the Bats game on July 19. Tickets are still available. Call the office or talk to Vicky Frank to reserve one.

Sharon Lillie

Mystery Photo



This photo was found in the church office, and we'd like to return it to its owner, but we don't know who that is! It appears to have been taken in 1987. If you know who this baby is, please contact Sharon Lillie.

THE FRIENDLY PUZZLER

Find the underlined words amongst the letter grid at the bottom. The remaining letters will reveal a hidden message.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

That same day <u>Jesus</u> went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds <u>gathered</u> around him that he got into a <u>boat</u> and sat there, while the whole <u>crowd</u> stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "<u>Listen</u>! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some <u>seeds</u> fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on <u>rocky</u> ground, where they did not have much <u>soil</u>, and they sprang up <u>quickly</u>, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were <u>scorched</u>, and since they had no root, they <u>withered</u> away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the <u>thorns</u> grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth <u>grain</u>, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some <u>thirty</u>. If you have ears, hear!"

"Hear, then, the <u>parable</u> of the <u>sower</u>. When <u>anyone</u> hears the word of the <u>kingdom</u> and does not understand it, the evil one comes and <u>snatches</u> away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the <u>path</u>. As for what was sown on rocky <u>ground</u>, this is the one who hears the word and <u>immediately</u> receives it with joy, yet such a <u>person</u> has no root but <u>endures</u> only for a while, and when trouble or <u>persecution</u> arises on <u>account</u> of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the <u>cares</u> of this age and the lure of <u>wealth</u> choke the word, and it <u>yields</u> nothing. But as for what was sown on <u>good</u> soil, this is the one who hears the word and <u>understands</u> it, who indeed bears <u>fruit</u> and yields in one case a <u>hundredfold</u>, in another <u>sixty</u>, and in another thirty."



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 10:30am Worship Service	Pood Pantry closed 5:30pm NA - Why Are We Here 7:30pm LYG	27 10:00am Food Pantry	28 10:00am Food Pantry 6:00pm NA - Escape from Denial 6:30pm LYG	29 4:00pm Food Pantry 5:30pm AA Meeting	30 Food Pantry closed 6:00pm LYG	1 12:30pm NA - Lose the Desire
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9 9:30am Breakfast 10:30am Worship Service	Food Pantry closed 5:30pm NA - Why Are We Here 7:30pm LYG	Food Pantry closed 10:00am Food Pantry 7:30pm NA	10:00am Food Pantry 1:30pm Craft Day 6:00pm NA - Escape from Denial 6:30pm LYG	4:00pm Food Pantry 5:30pm AA Meeting 7:30pm Worship and Music Committee Meeting	Food Pantry closed 6:00pm LYG	15 12:30pm NA - Lose the Desire
16 10:30am Worship Service 1:00pm Council Meeting 2:00pm PFLAG Meeting 3:00pm Installation Service and reception	Food Pantry closed 5:30pm NA - Why Are We Here 7:30pm LYG	18 10:00am Food Pantry	19 10:00am Food Pantry 4:30pm LYG 6:00pm NA - Escape from Denial	20 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 4:00pm Food Pantry 5:30pm AA Meeting	21 Food Pantry closed 6:00pm LYG	22 12:30pm NA - Lose the Desire
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