



First Edition

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FIRST LUTHERAN OCTOBER 2020

It's Fall y'all! Happy October to all those who are reading this month's newsletter. I hope you are enjoying the colors of God's creation as you begin to wear your warm, fuzzy sweatshirts while sipping on your pumpkin spiced drink. I have never had any drink that was pumpkin spiced but I hear they are popular this time of year. As the days get shorter and colder, activity at the church is starting to pick up again. Fellowship after Sunday services has started again. Movie nights have resumed on the last Wednesday of each month. Confirmation classes have begun as well. I am beginning to see a glimpse of things getting back to normal after Spring and Summer were so chaotic.

With things starting to get back to normal, some things will be changing at First Lutheran this month. On Tuesday the sixth, I will be having shoulder surgery again to repair the area that did not heal correctly from my previous surgery. Hopefully, this will be the last procedure and my shoulder will be as good as new. I will be in a sling for a few weeks, which means that I will not be able to play guitar for the sermon song. But maybe this is God's way of opening a door to other people in the congregation that would like to use their musical gifts to bless the congregation. Let me know if that is something you would like to do.

The other big change coming up shortly is the little addition we will be adding to the congregation. The doctor said it could be any day now that Kirstie could go into labor and she does not expect her to make it to her due date (Nov. 3). So when that happens, I will be spending more time with baby and Kirstie. There will be guest preachers filling in for me while Kirstie and I adjust to our lives with our daughter. We will still be attending services to be filled by the Spirit, but someone else will be doing the message. This will take a lot of stress off of me in doing sermon prep on top of doing seminary work. If there does happen to be a church emergency, I will still be available to help out when and where I can.

And lastly, I would like to thank everyone that showed up for the baby shower last month. Kirstie and I were blown away by just how generous the church family is and how welcoming and excited they are for Baby Sundquist to arrive. Thanks also to Bob, Rosie and Connie for all the planning that went into that special day. It was so special and meant so much to us. And thank you to all who gave gifts and all who prayed for us. I am just so grateful and thanksgiving is just pouring out of me. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

I am praying for you all and may God bless you and keep you. May His face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!
Amen.

Pastor Matthew

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN THE HOSPITAL

Kaylee Mudgett
Lindsey Kennedy (cancer)
(Pat Long's granddaughter)
Jessica Nornberg
Kerry Meyer
Brady Fiest (motorcycle accident)
Beverly Williams (cancer)
(Glen Pilgrim's niece)
JoAnn Artmann
(Karen Fundine's daughter)

Bonnie Anderson
Darlene Zabel
Tim Litsheim (cancer) Dan Long's nephew
Rita Peterson (cancer)
Amber Baerg (Chris & Julie Warren's daughter)
Sheila Pohle (cancer) (Sister-in-law Glen Pilgrim)
Adam Long (grandson of Dan Long)

PEOPLE IN NURSING AND ASSISTED LIVING HOME

Riverside Assisted Living

Irene Pietz
Barb Reimer
Ken Kelling

Harmony House/Brainerd

Char Brattlund

MILITARY

Jennifer Vasquez—Navy, Daughter to Don and Sharon Gehrke
Chad Hagg—Army, Son of Arlene Hagg, Nephew of Eileen Ausland
Joseph DeLude—Army, Grandson of Don DeLude
Isaac Jacobson—Navy, Sons of Dan & Wendy Jacobson
Sonja Larson—Army, Granddaughter of Mel & Gwen Larson
Patrick Anderson— Army, Nephew of Julie Hofius



UPDATING

If the military, those who are ill or in the hospital, or people in nursing homes is not up to date or if names need to be added or deleted, please contact Sharon Gehrke so that these lists can be updated.
Thanks

Check out our Website at
firstlutheranpillager.net

We also have a Facebook page to check out!!!! Please free to post anything or post comments!!! Facebook page search type in First Lutheran Pillager and this should take you to the page. The Calendar will be updated as the schedule changes!

PRAYER CHAIN

When you need prayer support, there is a group at our church who will pray diligently for whatever the need is. Please call Marlene Lindeman at 218-746-3541.

Church Council

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Sherman_Beardman 1.3k points 2 years ago
The fact that Kansas and Arkansas are pronounced differently bothers me way more than it should.
madamplease 13.7k points 1 year ago
Pronouncing words that end in 'ough'. Cough, bough, rough, dough, through, though....
Vaxtin 4.7k points 4 years ago
Is the "S" or "C" in scent silent?
AdventurousMan 4.6k points 4 years ago
Why does fridge have a "D" in it, but refrigerator doesn't?
Djimmieboy 248 points 1 year ago
Why are Zoey and Zoe pronounced the same but Joey and Joe aren't?
MundaneRiot 261 points 4 years ago
You can drink a drink but you can't food a food.
cherlishPanda 218 points 4 years ago
The word "queue" is just a Q followed by four silent letters
saranowitz 1 point 10 years ago
Why is a "w" called a "Double-U" when it is clearly a "Double-V"?

The old lady handed her bank card to a bank teller and said, "I would like to withdraw \$10, The teller told her, "For withdrawals less than \$100 please use the ATM."

The old lady wanted to know why ...

The teller returned her bank card and irritably told her, "These are the rules. Please leave if there is no other matter. There is a line of customers behind you."

The old lady remained silent for a few seconds, then handed the card back to the teller and said, "Please help me withdraw all the money I have."

The teller was astonished when she checked the account balance. She nodded her head, leaned down and respectfully told her, you have \$300,000 in your account and the bank doesn't have that much cash currently. Could you make an appointment and come again tomorrow?

The old lady then asked how much she could withdraw immediately. The teller told her any amount up to \$3000

"Well, please let me have \$3000 now", she The teller then handed it very friendly and respectfully to her The old lady put \$10 in her purse and asked the teller to deposit \$2990 back into her account.

the moral of this taleDon't be difficult with old people, they spent a lifetime learning the skills.

When: Saturday
October 31st 5:30-7:30
Where: 1st Lutheran Pillager
Parking lot
Please let Pastor Matt know
if you are decorating your
car.



Need: VOLUNTEERS!

- Decorate their car, themselves and hand out candy
 - Maintain campfire
 - Hand out hot cocoa
 - Donate candy/treats



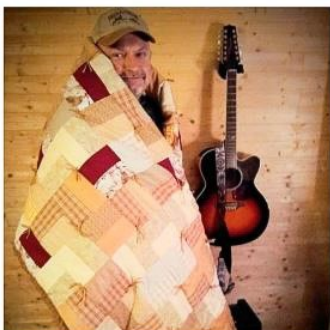
A Big Thank You to
Bob, Rosie and Connie
for hosting our baby
showers!

Thank you for
everyone who
attended and gave us
gifts for Lillian.
We are so blessed by
our church family.



Congratulations Nicole & Robert!

Retired pastor Jim Tellie performed the marriage of Nicole Warren and Robert Buersken at Stone Hill Farm in Eagle Bend on Friday, September 25, 2020. All three call First Lutheran Pillager their home church and, together, made a special memory in the faith journey of the newlyweds. First Lutheran Pillager Quilters worked on a gift ordered by Wendy Jacobson for Mr. & Mrs. Buersken. Know you are covered by the prayers and love of your church family!



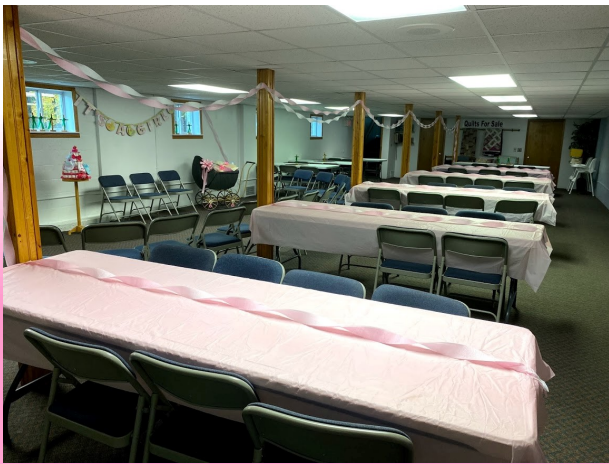
With Great Gratitude: Finally, a King-Size Quilt that Fits!

One for the newlyweds. A second for Dan who thought the first was for us. We can't thank you ladies enough for fulfilling the custom order and reducing my fabric supply. Bless you all!

-Wendy Jacobson



Please welcome our new members Clint and Linda Convergence. We are excited to have you as part of our First Lutheran family!!!!



Shower Preparations



Dad and Mom



Grandpas and
Grandmas





This was a game where the guests had to remember what was on a tray that was passed around.



This was a game where a baby carriage was frozen in ice cubes. All the ladies received a glass of water with the ice and carriage in it. The first one that melted was to yell "My water broke". Kiristie was the winner!!





The guys were exchanging stories on how to raise children!!!



Of course the guys had to play a fishing game!!!



Pastor Matt practicing changing diapers!



The Grandpas and Dad had to draw a dollhouse. After they drew the house, they had to build it with a deck of cards!!!!

