

EASTER LILIES will be used at our Easter service on April 1. If you would like to order one in memory or in honor of loved ones, contact the church office. Please indicate if you will be picking them up after the 9 am service or if you will leave them here. The cost for a Lily will be \$10. The deadline to have your order in is March 9. There will be **NO** orders taken after this date so get your order in early.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased cards made by the Card Ministry. We have contributed \$100 to the coffee fund and \$150 to the kitchen fund.

Reminder to Thrivent Members – Remember to designate your Choice Dollars.

We are collecting items for our annual Silent Auction to support the youth. The auction begins on February 20 and will end March 18. If you have something we could use for the auction, please contact Jon. Thank you for your support.

Annual Assembly of the Shetek Conference - Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 2 pm at Shalom Hill Farm, 42194 County Road 3, Windom, MN 56101 All members of the Shetek Conference of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA are welcome to attend. Each Congregation may have up to six members eligible to vote at this meeting.



Members: Gene Wachter, Mary Kraft, Dale Koob, Betty Nelson, Norma Radenbaugh, Dianne Sanderson, Diane Sletten, Edna Marsh, Sandra Marsh

Members in Nursing Homes: Dorothy Nord, Jerry Anderson, Leanna Lundquist, June Boots, Nancy Zuehlke, Helen Beckman, Arlene Muse

Members in Care Facilities: Bernice Melom, Bobbie Elvin, Eldon Good, Dorothy Hallstrom, Joan Doeden, Adeline Larson, Jean Bender

Family Members & Friends: John & Janice Bents (friends of Fern Burmeister), Joyce Lempke (Jo Kruse's sister), Traci Feit (Darcy Poppema's sister), Moses & Matilda Hofer (friends of Arnold), Brad Martens, Todd Bach, Vickie Bierman, Bill Dobson, Mary Elsing, Vivian Oakes, Pat Termunde, Donnie Wiff, Smokey Brandt, Julie Garvin

Our service men and women

Our Missionaries: Chuck & Sybil Rounds in Costa Rica and Love INC.

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Ministers: All baptized members – Jeanette McCormick, Pastor

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February 18, 2018 – 1st Sunday in Lent

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*GATHERING SONG

ELW 504, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*GREETING

*KYRIE

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 9:8-17 (p. 6-7)

SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 3:18-22 (p. 985)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Jeanette

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142)

"Return to the Lord"

*GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15 (p. 812)

SERMON

Pastor Jeanette

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 756, "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

*APOSTLES CREED

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

ELW 186, "Let the Vineyards"

OFFERING PRAYER

*GREAT THANKSGIVING (p. 144)

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 144)

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (p. 145)

*LORD'S PRAYER

*LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW 618, "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

Sanctuary Choir, "To You, O Lord"

ELW 517, "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

*SENDING SONG

ELW 599, "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

*DISMISSAL

Zone Meeting today at 10:00 in the lounge.

SUNDAY SERVANTS
ACOLYTES: Dylon Sholes/Wesley Widboom
USHER: Riley Widboom
NURSERY: Lynette & Natalie Demuth
LECTOR: Linda Towne
GREETERS: Al & Doris Selberg (N)
 Diana White (B)
SOUND: Jay & Kathy Myer
POWERPOINT: Glenda Lais
ORGANIST: Lori Nienkerk
ASSISTING MINISTER: Lisa Waldner
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Eric Parrish
COFFEE: Bob & Jane Benson/Brenda Hurlbut
VAN DRIVER: 2/18 – Midg White
 2/25 – Matt Russell
BUSY BAGS: February – Teresa Widboom
 March – Dana White-Swanson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 108 Attendance a year ago: 125
 Attendance Last Wednesday: 105

During Lent, we will be having Lenten suppers at 5:00 pm and Holden Evening Prayer at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. Lenten meals begin on February 21.

LENTEN SUPPERS @ FIRST

February 21 – Youth Team—Walking Taco’s
 February 28 – Evangelism Team—Variety of Hot Dishes
 March 7 – Finance Team— Pulled Pork Sandwiches
 March 14 – Worship & Music Team—Cheesy Chicken
 March 21 – Church Council—BBQ’s
 The meal will be served from 5:00 to 5:45 pm.

Meals on Wheels are in need of drivers for March 19-23 and March 26-30. Please call Julie Christensen at 360-4840 if you can help. Julie will also be calling in March for drivers.

FELC SCHEDULE FOR February 19 – February 25, 2018

Monday	9:00AM	Bulletin Deadline
19	4:00PM	Silent Auction Set-up
Tuesday	5:00PM	Bell Choir
20	6:00PM	Friendship Supper
	6:00PM	Finance Team
	7:00PM	Church Council
Wednesday	3:30PM	KFC
21	5:00PM	Lenten Supper – Walking Taco’s
	6:00PM	Lenten Service
	6:30PM	Confirmation Mentor Program
	6:30PM	Sanctuary Choir
	6:30PM	Youth Group
Thursday	9:15AM	Coffee Time Bible Study (Ladies)
22	11:30AM	Seasoned Citizens
	7:00PM	GriefShare – Love INC
Friday		Pastor’s Day Off
23		
Saturday	9:30AM	Worship & Music Team Rehearsal
24		
Sunday	9:00AM	Worship – 2 nd Sunday in Lent
25	10:00AM	Sunday School
	1:00PM	Boy Scouts

Radio Broadcast Sponsor:

In honor of Bob & Jean Dieter’s 65th Wedding Anniversary.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: I will be working on the church directory in March and would like to get it updated with the correct information. So if you have moved, changed phone numbers or have a child or children that have moved or gotten married and moved to a different address, please email felcwgtn@frontiernet.net or bring the information to the church office by February 28. Thank You! Natalie



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Services will begin at 12:05 pm and end at 12:30 pm with lunch from 12:30 to 1:00 pm. Each service will feature a different pastor. These services are ecumenical in nature. Please come and bring a friend!

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