



### Thursday Lenten Luncheons for 2018

**March 1** – First Lutheran - Rev. Daren Flinck, Methodist

**March 8**– American Lutheran - Rev. Jeanette McCormick, First

**March 15**– Westminster Presbyterian - Rev. Gary Anderson, American

**March 22** – First United Methodist - Rev. Galen Smith, Presbyterian

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!

**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.

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

**Our Annual Silent Auction** continues until March 18. Come check out the variety of items up for bids.

**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.

### First Lutheran Church – ELCA

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Ministers: All baptized members – Jeanette McCormick, Pastor

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February 25, 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

9:00 am Services

#### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GATHERING SONG

ELW 759, “My Faith Looks Up To Thee”

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

ANTHEM

Bell Choir

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (p. 11-12)

SECOND LESSON: Romans 4:13-25 (p. 916)

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Erin Makela

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142)

“Return to the Lord”

\*GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38 (p. 820)

SERMON

Pastor Jeanette

HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 777, “Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty”

\*APOSTLE’S CREED

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL

\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

\*LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

ELW 186, “Create in Me A Clean Heart”

OFFERING PRAYER

\*BLESSING

\*SENDING SONG

ELW 685, “Take My Life, That I May Be” (vs. 1, 2, & 3)

\*DISMISSAL



**MARCH IS FOOD SHELF MONTH:** One of the Evangelism Team’s local Mission projects is collecting food items and gift cards for the food shelves in Worthington. There will be a table set up in Centennial Hall where you can place non-perishable food items. Hy-Vee cards can be handed to a member of the team. Thank you for your generous giving to

this Mission project.

**Beverages and Bibles** will be held on Tuesday, February 27 at 6:00 pm at Holiday Inn Express. Come and join us.

**SUNDAY SERVANTS**  
**ACOLYTES:** Gracyn Vacura  
**USHER:** Angie Randgaard  
**NURSERY:** Julie & Stephanie Bauman  
**LECTOR:** Lola Geisendorfer  
**GREETERS:** Robert & Bonnie Bents (N)  
 Rosann Boots (B)  
**SOUND:** Pat Demuth  
**POWERPOINT:** Glenda Lais  
**ORGANIST:** Nancy Hofstee  
**ASSISTING MINISTER:** Linda Towne  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Eric Parrish  
**COFFEE:** Don & Kathy Craun/Jay & Kathy Myer  
**VAN DRIVER:** 2/25 – Matt Russell  
 3/4 – Leroy Merkel  
**BUSY BAGS:** February – Teresa Widboom  
 March – Dana White-Swanson

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Attendance**

Attendance Last Sunday: 113                      Attendance a year ago: 144  
 Attendance Last Wednesday: 83

**During Lent**, we will be having Lenten suppers at 5:00 pm and Holden Evening Prayer at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.

**LENTEN SUPPERS @ FIRST**

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

**We would like to thank** Robin and David Stoyke for generously designating monies received from Clair Lambert's Trust to be used to reimburse funds that paid for the beautiful cabinets in the kitchen that pull out to stack plates in and the remainder going to our carpet fund. This was a wonderful way to honor Evelyn who so loved working in the kitchen.

First Lutheran Finance Committee

**Meals on Wheels** is 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 26 – March 4, 2018**

Day	Time	Event
Monday 26	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Bulletin Deadline</b>
Tuesday 27	5:00PM 6:00PM	Bell Choir Boy Scouts
Wednesday 28	3:30PM 5:00PM 6:00PM 6:30PM 6:30PM 6:30PM	KFC Lenten Supper – Variety of Hot Dishes Lenten Service Confirmation Mentor Program Sanctuary Choir Youth Group
Thursday 1	9:15AM 12:00PM 7:00PM	Coffee Time Bible Study (Ladies) Lenten Luncheon GriefShare – Love INC
Friday 2		Pastor's Day Off
Saturday 3	9:30AM	Worship & Music Team Rehearsal
Sunday 4	9:00AM 10:00AM 3:00PM	Worship/Communion – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday School Family Game Time

**Radio Broadcast Sponsor:** In memory of Gloria Widboom by her family.

**Attention all 5<sup>th</sup> graders and parents!!!!**

First communion instruction will take place from 10:00 – 11:00 am on these Sundays: March 11, 18 and 25. Parents must be present with their children for these classes. If you are interested in this instruction you are more than welcome. If possible, please contact Pastor Jeanette if you are planning to attend so we have enough supplies for all interested.

**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 [felcwgt@frontiernet.net](mailto:felcwgt@frontiernet.net) or bring the information to the church office by February 28. Thank You! Natalie