



The office will be closed Tuesday, December 24 – Friday, December 27 for the Christmas Holiday.

Interested in playing a larger role in life at First Lutheran? Join Church Council! Erin and Sandy's terms end at our next annual meeting (Jan. 26), and we are looking for two people ready to step forward and help lead our church. If interested, talk to Erin Makela, Todd Scripture, or any current Council member!

2024 Offering –The last day to get your offering in for 2024 will be Sunday, December 29. If you will not be able to make it here that Sunday, please drop off your offering by Monday, December 23, 2024 by 4:00 pm to have it included in 2024.

Want to donate to help with Wednesday suppers? Pick an apple (located in Centennial Hall) and bring the item back. We also need help preparing and serving the meals. See Brenda Richards for more information. THANKS!

If you have a Thrivent card that needs to be used by the end of the year, please check with Brenda Richards or Natalie as they have ideas as to what the card could be used for.

Reminder of Winter Weather Protocol—If the schools are closed; the office will be closed. If there is an early out for the schools, there will be no after school programs and the office will also close. Notices will be posted through email, Facebook and the local radio stations. Thank you!

Pizza Ranch frozen pizzas are for sale from now until December 9. Profits from the sale will help support KFC meals. If you would like to purchase pizzas for yourself or buy some for a Wednesday meal, sign up today! See Brenda for more information. Thanks!

The Christmas Concert by Brule (Paul Summers & guests) on December 21, 2024 will be at 2:00 pm only (note change from Evangel) at First Lutheran Church. If you would like to usher, please let Kathy Summers or Natalie know.

First Lutheran Church – ELCA

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December 8, 2024 – Children's Christmas Program

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT SONG ELW 257, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1 & 5)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*GATHERING SONG ELW 300, "The First Noel"

*GREETING (p. 138)

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (p. 142)

READING: Joel 2:12-13, 28-29 (p. 741-742)

PSALM 86:11-17 (p. 474)

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 142) ELW 262, "Wait for the Lord"

*GOSPEL: Luke 11:13 (p. 845)

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: Manger Tales

ELW 279, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

ELW 278, "Away in a Manger"

ELW 281, "Silent Night, Holy Night!"

WOW 646, "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

*APOSTLES CREED (p. 104)

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*PEACE

OFFERING & CGC MOMENT

OFFERING SONG ELW 295, "Of the Father's Love Begotten" (vs. 1)

OFFERING PRAYER (p. 144)

*LORD'S PRAYER (p. 145)

*BLESSING (p. 146)

*SENDING SONG ELW 290, "Go Tell It On the Mountain"

*DISMISSAL (p. 146)

SUNDAY SERVANTS

ASSISTING MINISTER/LECTOR: Cooper Scripture

ACOLYTE: Parker Kleve

SOUND: Paul Summers

POWERPOINT: Kathy Summers

ORGANIST: Lori Nienkerk

VAN DRIVERS: 12-8 Daren Bauman (360-9275)

12-15 Matt Russell (360-5835)

GREETER: Diane Sletten

FACEBOOK LIVE: Becca McGaughey

COFFEE: Doug & Julie Christensen & Todd Hallstrom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance

Attendance Last Sunday: 81

Attendance a year ago: 133

Attendance Last Wednesday: 13

Livestream: 263



Don't forget that a purchase of a Hy-Vee or Fareway gift card helps our general fund. The more we sell, the more we can deposit into the general fund. These make great gifts. Gift Cards will be available in the office during office hours and during coffee hour on Communion Sundays. Thank You!



Members: Sue Isder, Karen Lewis, Sylvia Jacobson, Leroy Merkel, Alvin Kuehl, Jean Black, Dennis Zierke, Kathy Summers, Glenda Lais, Val Veen, Zach Kempema, Gayle Huehn, JoAnn Kruse, Charlene Wachter, Marilyn Frisch, Julie & Denny Christensen

Members in Nursing Homes: Doris Selberg, Dianne Sanderson, Betty Nelson

Members in Care Facilities: Pearl Aaker, Joan Doeden, Jean Bender

Family Members & Friends: Margaret Kruger (mother of Linda Neugebauer), Gale Kurtenbauch (sister of Val Veen), Chiara Philipp and Damien Philipp, (daughter-in-law and newborn grandson of Ed Philipp), Suzy Wilson (cousin of Gayle Huehn), Cindy Anderson, Ken Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing and Nancy Hellstrom), Family of Kevin Ehlers (son of Sandy Diepenbrock), Vickie Bierman (sister of Lisa Waldner), Darlene Vaala (grandmother of Tiffany Neugebauer), Debbie Schannaw (daughter of Gayle Huehn), Rick Nunes (brother of Pat Elsing & Nancy Hellstrom), Kelly Reeves & family (Friend of Lisa Waldner), Maghan Fleming (Daughter-in-law of Kevin & Pam Fleming), Stan Elsing (Merle Elsing's dad), Mark Richards, Joe Christensen (son of Nora Leinen & Gene Christensen), Butch Zeiner (Valerie Veen's brother), Josh Hansen (Mary Ingenthron's son), Tom Morgan (Sandy Randall's dad), Brad Martens (Valerie Veen's son)

Our service men and women and Love INC

FELC SCHEDULE FOR December 9-15, 2024

Monday 9	9:00AM 6:00PM	Bulletin Deadline Worship & Music Team
Tuesday 10	7:00AM 6:30PM	Early Risers Bible Study Day Care Association Meeting
Wednesday 11	3:30-5:15PM 5:15PM 6:00PM 6:30PM 6:30PM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Kids for Christ (KFC) Meal Worship Card Ministry Confirmation Sanctuary Choir Youth Group
Thursday 12		<u>EVANGEL DEADLINE</u>
Friday 13		Pastor's Sabbath Day
Saturday 14		
Sunday 15	8:00AM 8:45AM 9:30AM	Grace Lutheran Worship Sunday School Worship/Communion – Spirit of the Lord Upon Me

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Gloria & Aaron Widboom by their family.
(Service time is 8:00 am on the radio 104.3 FM.)

Christmas Services

Tuesday, December 24

4:00 PM—Traditional candlelight communion service with Christmas hymns.

8:00 PM—Candlelight communion service with Christmas hymns.

Wednesday, December 25

9:30 AM—Intimate traditional communion service with Christmas hymns.

