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APRIL 2021

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STANTON



BELOW ARE THE comments I made Mar. 14 as worship began indoors, in-person for the first time in a year. A number of people asked if I'd share them in print. Thank God for the newsletter!

MARCH 14, 2021:

52 Sundays ago, exactly a year ago tomorrow, we were among the first church families in the area to cancel worship in response to COVID-19. It was a difficult decision.

Each and every week since then has presented information, data and opinions that have continued to make our weekly decision to worship safely at home difficult.

Being Church is *difficult* in normal times! It's not the same as being a business. It's not the same as being a

school. The Church does not exist to make a profit. And we serve all ages and stages of life. The church exists to give glory to God.

Now, being Lutheran, when you hear that... you should ask, "What does that mean?" What does it mean to "give glory to God?"

Of course, each congregation answers that question for itself. There is no ONE answer. Thanks be to God! There are *many* ways to "give glory to God." In 2020, since March 15, we have answered that question by BEING the Church... while remaining away from our church building. And it has been *difficult*.

Today our family of faith continues to answer the question, "How shall we give glory to God"... but with a different

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KARYN



"I CAN'T WAIT for Easter!"

I have heard some form of this comment from several corners of my world. This deep need for the resurrection story. It feels as if the world has been in the tomb and resurrection day is nearly here. I too feel it in myself, in my body, this need for the resurrection story. Some days it feels like my bones are jumping around, eager to be free of their confinement, or maybe that is my spirit longing for days when being free felt differently.

In a year long Lent, longing for Easter becomes a daily cry. Yet, what I am finding in this year of Lent, this year of isolation and restriction, is an invitation that I could not have heard in the time of Easter. There is something about the forced simplicity of pandemic life that bids me to slow down, to seek silence, to find hope and

joy in different ways. Which, friends, is not my preferred mode of being. I am an out loud, joy full, gatherer of people, explorer of the world, learning new things, colorful kind of person.

Isolation, sadness and gray days is the exact opposite of where I typically live and yet, here we are. My soul longing for Easter and yet bidding me to stay here in Lent just a little longer, because just like a tulip that needs the darkness of a winter's earth to bloom, we need gray to help us see the color of life.

Science has been reminding us of this for eons—the light and the dark, the sadness and the joy, the heights and depths are what give life its essence. It is what makes life worth living, but if we ignore one, the other loses its power as well. The same can be said for Lent and Easter. For a time

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answer. Our COVID Advisory Panel recommended to the Vision & Leadership Team that we begin offering worship in three ways: continue providing a livestream option, offer outdoor worship services for in person worship whenever we can... and offer indoor, in-person worship.

Why? There are three things that have made this possible: 1) Community spread is decreasing. 2) vaccinations are increasing and 3) the congregation is willing to take the necessary precautions to be safe in person.

I've already heard from a couple siblings in this family of faith that they won't be here until we drop some of these restrictions and precautions, because they are too much. I've also heard from a couple siblings who have told me we are being careless to gather again in person. Like I said, being a church is difficult.

BUT, despite the ongoing challenges of this moment, we are going to remain First Lutheran **together**. Whether we are here, home, in our cars, or on 5th Ave., we will keep Faith Alive! at First Lutheran. **And we will offer each other grace for decisions we each make.** Because we are One in the Spirit. We are One in the Lord. And if any of us ever thought that was just something we say... this moment is proving the truth of that claim.

Thank you for being One in the Spirit with me... and with your church."

Gathering again in person, indoors has been great because it's been so fun to see people while also being awful because not everyone can come. It admits how different a place many of us are at as compared to others. Maybe you are immuno-compromised, unvaccinated or have another reason for not feeling safe at worship, while

others have decided to return. For a pastor who celebrates the unity we experience through Christian community, this part is hard.

And that's why I keep returning to that song, "We are One in the Spirit. We are One in the Lord." That means that even now, amidst our scattered siblings who are worshipping in three different ways, even now we are One. I pray that encourages us all.



Pastor Jason Stanton
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of pandemic and a time of wellness. Ignore one and the other loses its power as well.

So what to do with the weeks before an Easter that seems like it has taken too long to come? How to honor the grayness, the sadness, the hardship of this moment without jumping too quickly to brightness, the joy, the relief of the next? I'm not sure, to be honest. I have not gone through something like this before, although life hasn't been perfectly blissful, to be sure. What I do know is that my task right now is to be attentive to what this moment is, and I am brought right back to verses from Romans 5 that I spoke to me about 3 months into the pandemic: "1Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces

endurance, 4and endurance produces character and character produces hope, 5and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

God's love has been poured into our hearts, and that love makes it possible to endure suffering, which ultimately helps us to grow stronger. It is this realization that bids me to slow down in these last days of Lent, in these (hopefully) last months of the pandemic and remember not only God's love for me, but what that love calls me to again and again, which Paul so helpfully outlines in Romans 12.

Friends, Easter is coming, that is for sure, and we will rejoice, but for now we sit and we pray and we give thanks to God for a love that knows no end.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Live streaming at 1stlu.org/live
Sundays 8am & 10:30am
Wednesdays 6:15pm

SUBMITTING NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

To have your announcement in the monthly newsletter, send it to newsletter@firstlu.org, or give it to Andy in the office. **Deadline for the newsletter is always noon on the 15th of the month.**

To have your announcement in the weekly announcements pages handed out each weekend, send it to announcements@firstlu.org, or give it to Andy in the office. **Deadline for the weekly announcements is always noon each Wednesday.**

First Lutheran is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA)



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

SMALL GROUPS MAY CONSIDER BEING IN-PERSON

First Lutheran small groups may gather in-person with precautions:

- Capacity of gathering spaces will be capped at 25%.
- Masks will be expected to be worn at all times, in all places.
- There will be no food or beverages at this time.
- Distances of 6 feet will be kept between small group participants.
- Hugging, handshakes and other physical contact are discouraged.

Visit our website for full guidelines. Small group leaders should do the following:

- Connect with Bridget Crave for details.: bridget@firstlu.org
- Connect with Tamara Schonsberg regarding room usage.: office@firstlu.org
- Connect with Andy Stutesman regarding promotions.: andy@firstlu.org

2021 SMALL GROUPS

Weekly Groups:

Coffee with Pastor Karyn

Courageous Men

Bi-weekly Groups:

Dorcas Circle

Knitters

Monthly Groups:

Drawing from the Well

OWLs
(Older, Wiser Lutherans)

Elizabeth Circle

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, Apr. 1:

- 6:30pm in-person (reg required) & live streamed; Fifth grade Faith Building Block lifted up in worship

Good Friday, Apr. 2:

- 10:00am Justice & Peace Stations of the Cross (more info & registration: www.fscenter.org)
- 12:15pm in-person (reg required) & live streamed
- 6:30pm in-person (reg required) & live streamed

Holy Saturday, Apr. 3:

- Sugar Creek Easter Brunch & Egg Hunt, 9am–2pm (more info & registration: www.sgrcreek.org)
- Sacred Storytelling worship, 6:30pm in-person (reg required) & online

Easter Sunday, Apr. 4:

- 6:30am sunrise service outdoors (reg required)
- 8am in-person (reg required) and live streamed (praise band)
- 9:30am in-person (FULL) and live streamed
- 11:00am outdoors (praise band) (reg required) .

Register for in-person worship at 1stlu.org/suninreg

The office will be closed at noon on Friday, Apr. 2 and all day Monday, Apr. 5.



Peer Ministry is an amazing opportunity for our young adults here at First Lutheran. It trains and equips them to have the skills to deal with the tough situations that confront our youth in today's world.

They learn how to welcome those who are hurting, listen with empathy, and communicate in clear ways. Peer Ministry grows leaders who can continue to help and serve in their everyday life.

*Meeting most Sundays,
Feb. 28–May 19
7pm in the narthex*

More info: 1stlu.org/peermin

*Questions?
Contact jason@firstlu.org.*

Make Worship Happen!
Worship assistants bring faith alive!
Help with ushering, check-in, handing out communion cups and leading projection.
Sign up at 1stlu.org/assist.



WITH OUR NEW status as a debt free congregation, we now bring total focus on bringing people into a relationship with Jesus

Christ. This Changes Lives! We are changing lives in our own congregation with the much-awaited return to in person worship. This would not be possible without all the volunteers who show up weekly to make it happen. Each service requires two people to check people in, a greeter to restock communion cups and give out children's bags and four ushers to safely direct people in and out of the sanctuary. Plus, others who assist with cleaning. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered so we can worship together once again. With Holy Week coming, more people are needed. If

you are willing to help, please sign up at 1stlu.org/assist.

General fund update: Giving for operations (not including the capital campaign and preschool) for February was \$62,639. If we divide the year's budget into twelve equal parts, that means that through February, we are slightly ahead of budget. For comparison, through February of 2020, we were behind our budget by nearly \$25,000. Thank you to everyone who completed a statement of intent to increase giving during the January Stewardship Drive. We have received over 120 statements of intent with increases totaling over \$50,000. Please consider regular giving via Simply Giving to provide the resources to expand our ministry to Change Lives. If you are already participating in

Simply Giving, thank you. To enroll sign up at 1stlu.org/giving or call the church office.

Capital Campaign update: It is also great to report we have received \$1,154,465 of the pledged income for the capital campaign and Above and Beyond. Contributions are still coming in. There are \$95,000 in pledges that remain to be filled. Thank you to everyone who has already completed their pledge. We are looking forward to receiving the remaining pledges to complete the asbestos abatement in the educational wing, purchase the bus and build a sign. Full financial details are available by request in the church office. In normal times, we welcome everyone to attend a finance committee meeting. We meet every month, on the second Wednesday, at noon. The Stewardship Committee meets monthly and is looking for members. For meeting times and Zoom information, contact Pastor Stanton.

Faithfully submitted,

The Finance and Stewardship Committees

First Lutheran Onalaska Blood Drive

Be a Beacon of Hope

MAY

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THUR, 12:30–5:30pm

Walk-ins welcome,
appointments encouraged:
schedule at 1stlu.org/blooddrive
Remember to bring mask & ID



Questions? Contact Diane Shuda: 608.386.4270



THE FIRST LUTHERAN Foundation Fund is proud to be able to help support ELCA organizations that are continuing the work of First Lutheran Church. One such worthy and deserving organization is the Sugar Creek Bible Camp. The FLC Foundation has provided funds to Sugar Creek for many years, which are in addition to the current initiative for relief related to the COVID pandemic.

Sugar Creek Bible Camp is a year-round camp and retreat center affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. It is situated on 661 acres in the bluffs and coulees of beautiful southwestern Wisconsin. There are programs for all grade levels from Kindergarten through confirmation and high school as well as adult retreats. Sugar Creek offers a variety of activities including: pony and horseback rides, wagon rides, swimming, camping, hiking, canoeing, campfires, singalongs and games that incorporate worship and Bible studies. They also have a disc golf course, sauna

and miles of hiking/biking trails! The camp also offers team-building activities on low-ropes challenge courses, which are perfect for church groups, school groups, or even corporate retreats.

Sugar Creek is open all seasons to all ages. They have year-round retreat spaces for family, school, church groups, or specialty retreats. They can accommodate groups of more than 100 for overnight retreats and even more for day events.

Sugar Creek's mission statement: Where all generations encounter Christ, experience God's grace and are empowered by the Holy Spirit to go forth in faith.

The generous gifts of our past and present members have allowed for grants to be made to places like Sugar Creek on behalf of First Lutheran Church. If you would like to give a gift to First's Foundation, you can do so easily by sending a check to First Lutheran Church and designating it for the Foundation.

Thank you and God bless!

CHICKEN DINNER!!

Thur. Apr. 25!

UPDATE:

at First Lutheran in 2021



Youth can pick up
ticket packets at the church office

MABEL ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available. **Completed applications are due no later than 3pm on Thursday, April 15.** Students may apply if they will graduate from high school in the spring and have plans to pursue post-secondary education. The application includes writing an essay and completing a worksheet that reflects the student's involvement in church activities. Application forms are available at 1stlu.org/scholarship.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

The pastors are considering baptisms on an individual basis. The next baptism preparation session will be **Saturday, Jun. 5, at 10am** for anyone who is considering or has scheduled a baptism. *To register or ask questions call the church office at 608.783.3326 by Sunday, Mar. 28.*

NEW-MEMBER SOCIAL

By choosing to become a member, individuals and families commit to being part of a shared mission. People who would like to become members of First Lutheran are typically invited to a social at Red Pines where you would get to know more about First and the staff in a relaxed atmosphere. When gathering in such a way is safe, we will celebrate our new members in this way. For now, please let us know if you are interested in membership. One of our pastors will connect with you to find out how we may best be church together in the months and years to come. Call our office for more information. *Call our church office at 608.783.2236 or email office@firstlu.org.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

If you have received a birthday postcard from First in the last several months and still have it, bring it into church Mon–Fri, 8am–4pm and pick up a small gift. Remember to ring the doorbell on the left side of the doors and Tamara will be happy to help you.

WE CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF HOLY BAPTISM

- **Joseph Gregory Ludden**

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

Thank you for the following memorials:

In memory of Sig Rudser

- Undesignated: Helen Halverson, James & Kay Nelson, Kathryn Schroeder

In memory of Dorothy Every

- Sugar Creek Bible Camp; Luanne & Scott Freng, staff at Westside Elementary School in Sun Prairie
- Undesignated: Frank & Jean Bousquet; Dane County Sheriff's Bailiff Office staff; Gregory & Lynn Flogstad; Arthur & June Gale; Cheryl & Ronald Hemker; Arnie & Nancy Holthaus; Roger & Barbara Kjos; Judy Krebs; Dave & Terry Lee; A.J. & Marv Leisso; Karen McIntyre; Karon Nelson-Bichel; Rick & Jane Shuda; Barry, Mona, Jenna, Jason & Sydney Sorenson; Aaron & Karen Torud; Ardie Van Riper; Bonnie Veit; Lawrence & Joan Zielke

Thank you for the following gifts:

- Sugar Creek Bible Camp; Nancy Thorson
- First Teen Clothes Closet; Bev Manske

Maundy Thursday, Apr. 1: John 13: 1-17, 31b-35 or Luke 22: 1-27

Good Friday, Apr. 2: John 18:1-19:42 or Luke 22: 32-47

Sunday, Apr. 4: Mark 16: 1-8

Wednesday, Apr. 7: Luke 24: 1-12

Sunday, Apr. 11: John 20: 19-31

Wednesday, Apr. 14: Luke 24: 13-35

Sunday, Apr. 18: Luke 24: 36b-48

Wednesday, Apr. 21: Acts 6: 1-7:2a, 44-60

Sunday, Apr. 25: John 10: 11-18

Wednesday, Apr. 28: Acts 8: 26-39

Above are the tentative readings scheduled for April. Readings used during worship are determined by the pastors on a weekly basis, and, therefore, are subject to change.

You can also view this list online and subscribe to receive them as an email at 1stlu.org/readings.

BIBLE READERS

READ JAMES IN 3 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers **starting Tuesday, Apr. 13.**

READ COLOSSIANS IN 3 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers **starting Friday, Apr. 16.**

READ JEREMIAH IN 15 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers **starting Friday, Apr. 16.**

READ HEBREWS IN 10 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers **starting Wednesday, Apr. 21.**



FIRST LUTHERAN
PRESCHOOL

Preschool Update

Now Enrolling for the 2021-2022 School Year!!!
It's First Lutheran Preschool registration time! If your children are ready for preschool or you know someone with preschool age children, please consider the amazing preschool right here at First Lutheran. We are passionate about early childhood education! We've worked hard to develop a rich curriculum which makes learning fun as well as offer a variety of classes to meet our parents' needs. Contact us today for more information.



What parents are
saying about
First Lutheran
Preschool...

All 3 of my kiddos have loved FLP. FLP is very organized, they have a fantastic facility that is safe and has a great atmosphere for play and learning. The staff is fantastic and I know my kids are in good hands. Thank you for making it such a wonderful experience for our whole family!

FIRST LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

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Preschool Director: Melissa Rolbiecki
4K Teacher: Beth Miller
Preschool Assistant Teachers:
Marci Leppert, Tracy Stoll

CONFIRMATION

Teen-relevant, age-appropriate, active, modern, and
theologically sound 1stlu.org/confirmation
Events subject to change; up-to-date info at

UPCOMING CONFIRMATION EVENTS

Gr 6 & 7 Confirmation Classes
continue online

Wednesdays, 7pm
Gr 8-9 Small Groups

Sunday, Apr. 11, 6pm
Confirmation Elective
Faith Alive! U: Who are the Hungry?

Sunday, May 9, 2021, 1pm
and Sunday, May 23, 2021, 1:30pm
Tentative Confirmation Sundays
for youth in tenth grade
(postponed from October)



Sunday School

FAITH BUILDING BLOCKS

Throughout the year, each age group has a special "Faith Building Block" session in which parents or special adults are asked to attend class with their child. Most sessions last for four weeks. The first class consists of parents/guardians connecting with a pastor. Classes two and three are for the child and their parents/guardians to attend together, sharing in conversation and growing together in faith. The fourth and final week, the Faith Building Block is lifted up in worship in celebration of what the students and families have learned about.

Grade 5: Communion

Maundy Thursday, Apr. 1: Faith Building Block lifted up in worship

4K: The Keys

Sunday, Apr. 11: parents/guardians only via Zoom

Sundays, Apr. 18 & 25: parents/guardians with children via Zoom

Sunday, May 2: Faith Building Block lifted up in worship

*Families will be emailed the Zoom link from the pastors
in the week prior to class.*



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OWLS

OLDER WISER LUTHERANS

Great news. All of the OWLs at the March potluck have received the first injection of the vaccine or have a date when they will receive it. We have started the discussion of when everyone will be comfortable meeting in-person. The church has published small-group guidelines in which we can meet provided no food is involved. It was the feeling of those at the meeting that we should delay meeting in person until everyone has reached the point where two weeks has gone by since their second shot. That meant meeting in April would probably exclude some people. As a result, we will meet on Zoom in April with the hope of meeting in person in May. There was also support for planning outdoor get-togethers

starting in June. The main activity discussed was outdoor concerts—it is unclear if concerts in the parks will begin in June—but we will be monitoring it closely. Following the discussion, a great time was had by all playing the game “What’s That?”

April is the time of year people start planning summer trips. Last year was very limited, but as we all get vaccinated, many are planning a get-away this year. To help with that planning, the topic of the April meeting will be “My Favorite Trip.” It has been awhile since we have told each other our stories. If you are comfortable sharing, please bring a story about “your favorite trip” or a “trip you would like to take.” Bring a snap shot or souvenir to hold up to the camera that reminds you of a trip you have taken. Everyone will have 5 minutes to tell their story. Once everyone who wishes to speak has done so, Brian and Mary Narveson will show some photos and tell some stories about one of their favorite places: Yellowstone National Park. **This fun event**

full of great memories will take place on Wednesday, Apr. 21, at 1pm via Zoom.

Zoom information will be sent to the OWLs mailing list before the meeting. If you are not on the OWLs mailing list and would like to be, please contact Brian Narveson at owls@firstlu.org or 630-816-5917.

The OWLs movie watch party (A Night Out at Home) is tentatively set for Thursday, Apr. 29, at 6:30pm.

Because the group has not met in April, at the writing of the newsletter, the movie title will be announced later via email.

Mark your calendar for these fun events and join the group for conversation and fellowship. Look forward to seeing everyone in April!

The OWLs are a group at First that welcomes anyone, First Lutheran members or not, who are 55+. For information or to ask questions, contact Brian Narveson at owls@firstlu.org.



SUGAR CREEK

BRUNCH & EGG HUNT

Saturday, Apr. 3, 9am

Head out to Sugar Creek to celebrate our risen Lord with good food and holy play! Cost for activities: \$5/child. Brunch: \$10/person (children 4 and under eat free)

Reg online: SugarCreekBibleCamp.org



SUGAR CREEK

SUMMER REG NOW OPEN!

With safe practices in a beautiful setting, your children can have a fun and meaningful faith-filled outdoor adventure this summer!

Reg online: SugarCreekBibleCamp.org



SUGAR CREEK
BIBLE CAMP

SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP

2021 Upcoming Events

FAMILY GETAWAY CAMPS

Had enough winter?

Ready to get outside and explore God's beautiful Creation?
Have we got a weekend for you!

Come enjoy a Spring adventure with FUN, faith-building activities designed for the whole family at one of our Spring Family Getaway Camps! Our dynamic staff will host your family and lead games, crafts, hiking, evening programs, worship campfires, horseback or pony rides, and more!

Bring your grandparents! Bring your grandkids!

We welcome all family groups!

Housing limits apply based on number of beds in cabins or rooms.

Rest assured, all COVID-19 protocols remain firmly in place.

Masks will be required in all shared indoor settings (not personal housing) and any gatherings wherein social distancing is not possible.

REMAINING 2021 SPRING SESSION:

April 23-25, Friday to Sunday

Contact camp for more info and to register:
www.sgrcreek.org • camp@sgrcreek.org • 608.734.3113

APRIL AT FIRST LUTHERAN *see also weekly events list on back*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>MARCH</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	<p>MAY</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	<p>30</p> <p>1 PM Dorcas Circle - Zoom 6:30 PM Worship Live Stream </p>	<p>31</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 7:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom 4 PM Gr 5 FBB: Communion (bread baking) 6:30 PM Worship Live Stream 7 PM Lent Small Group</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Gr 5 FBB: Communion, lifted up... Maundy Thursday 1 PM Lent Small Group 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday In-Person Worship 7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Good Friday 10 AM Peace & Justice Stations of the Cross - Riverside Park 12:15 PM Good Friday In-Person Worship 6:30 PM Good Friday In-Person Worship 7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9 AM Sugar Creek Brunch & Egg Hunt 6:30 PM Sacred Storytelling In-Person Worship </p>
<p>4</p> <p>Easter Sunday 6:30 AM Sunrise Outdoor Worship 8 AM In-Person Worship 9:30 AM In-Person Worship 11 AM Outdoor Worship 7 PM Peer Ministry - NX</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Office Closed 7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 7:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom 6:15 PM In-Person Worship 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:30 AM Drawing from the Well</p>
<p>11</p> <p>8 AM In-Person Worship 9:15 AM 4K FBB: Praying Together - Zoom 10:30 AM In-Person Worship 6 PM Faith Alive! U: Who are the Hungry? 7 PM Peer Ministry - NX</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>13</p> <p>4 PM Worship & Music Team - NX</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 7:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom 6:15 PM In-Person Worship 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups 7 PM Stephen Ministry - Zoom</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Deadline for Newsletter 3 PM Deadline for Mabel Anderson Scholarship Applications: 3PM 7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>8 AM In-Person Worship 9:15 AM 4K FBB: Praying Together - Zoom 10:30 AM In-Person Worship 7 PM Peer Ministry - NX</p>	<p>19</p> <p>1 PM Elizabeth Circle - Zoom 7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7 PM Executive team</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 7:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom 12 PM Finance Team Mtg 1 PM OWLs Virtual Potluck - Zoom 6:15 PM In-Person Worship 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Deadline for Chicken Dinner Tix (...) 7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p> <p>8 AM In-Person Worship 9:15 AM 4K FBB: Praying Together - Zoom 10:30 AM In-Person Worship 7 PM Peer Ministry - NX</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5:15 PM Personnel Team Mtg 7 PM Vision & Leadership Team Mtg</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 7:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom 6:15 PM In-Person Worship 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Chicken Dinner Fundraiser 6:30 PM OWLs Watch Party - Zoom 7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>1</p>

weekly events for

APRIL

at First Lutheran

SUNDAYS

8:00am In-Person Worship

10:30am In-Person Worship

MONDAYS

7:00pm AA - FS

TUESDAYS

1:30pm Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAYS

6:00am Courageous Men - Zoom

6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Zoom

6:15pm In-Person Worship

7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

FAITH ALIVE! U

First offers courses for all ages to explore, question and learn about your faith. Presented in the sanctuary.

Who Are The Hungry?

Shelly Fortner

Sunday, Apr. 11, 6pm

Executive Director Shelly Fortner from The Hunger Task Force of La Crosse will help us understand the issue of hunger locally, including how Foodshare (SNAP) helps families, and why there is still a need for food pantries. She will also discuss the unique circumstances of the past year. Join in-person in the sanctuary, or via Zoom, on Sunday, Apr. 11 at 6pm.

This event is intended for confirmation students, high schoolers and all adults. To join the Zoom meeting go to the event page at 1stlu.org/FAUzoom.

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FBB = Faith Building Block

FH = Fellowship Hall

FS = Fireside Room

LG = Lounge

MR = Mary Room

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SN = Sanctuary

TR = Thomas Room

UR = Upper Room

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