



FIRST LUTHERAN

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MAY 2021

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STANTON



FIRST LUTHERAN IS cautiously returning to gatherings. Worship continues to be offered three ways: indoors and live streamed Sundays @ 8:00 and Wednesdays @ 6:15. Sundays at 10:30 are a mixture of inside and outside. Small groups are feeling more comfortable, too, as more and more of our members are reaching 'fully vaccinated' status.

Variants of COVID-19 remain a threat. The future is certainly UNcertain. But as we look into May and the summer, I hope to see more and more of our precautions unravelled. Already, outdoor services no longer require registrations. The nursery is open for all indoor Sunday services for as many as 4 kiddos. And maybe we will choose to increase capacity in the

sanctuary and small-group meeting areas. Maybe the numbers will get so much better that we won't have to wear masks! Won't that be a glorious day!

While we wait, I want to THANK YOU for remaining engaged in your faith life. Just reading this pastoral letter is a way for you to remain connected to the ongoing work and ministry of First Lutheran. Our work together continues in the midst of it all!

During worship on May 2, the Stewardship Team will share a brief update on how we're progressing toward our Big 3 goals for 2021: 1) pandemic relief for Sugar Creek Bible Camp, 2) increased access to faith events and 3) hiring a full time faith formation director. May 2 is also the date of our preschool's annual

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KARYN



EASTER IS MESSY, the Spirit said as I was working on the backdrop for Easter. It was the day before Easter, the sermon had been written and there she was: Easter is messy.

I don't know about you, but I'm over "messy." The last 14 months have been the messiest months I have ever lived. So what to do with the words of the Spirit? You know how when you get an annoying song in your head that won't leave for days and days? That is how this phrase felt that Holy Saturday and in the days since to be honest. Easter is messy, I would blurt out to whomever happened to be around: friends, parents, cat, dog, members. Like when you start humming or singing the song in your head simply because it is in your head. Easter is messy.

The more I think about this "gift"

from the Spirit, the more I move from the anxiety and annoyance of "Easter is messy" toward the assurance and love and profound truth and beauty of the if.

What do I mean by that? Well, I mean this: God in her wisdom came to us to live life—the whole messy business from birth to death and all that comes in between. In the person of Jesus, God was born (which is a messy business) and then lived and died. God was here. Then after his death, he chose to re-enter our messy lives full of emotions and stress and fear and happiness and things to do and things we didn't get done, to re-enter the lives of those who denied him and those who cared for him until the end. In that moment of re-entry, Jesus upends our lives in the most beautiful way. In a way that reminds us that even

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I really mean it when I say that First Lutheran is keeping Faith Alive!

SpringFest. Items will be made available for bidding after worship at each service. Enrollment for the fall looks GREAT. Our preschool continues to be an extremely important way our church serves the community. Come support our preschool at SpringFest.

On May 9, Mother's Day, half of our confirmands will affirm their baptisms at 1:00. The other half will do so on May 23. Confirmation is usually in the fall, of course, but the class of 2020 is resilient and persistent. Keep all the confirmands and their families in your prayers.

And, of course, it's the month when we celebrate our high school graduates. On May 16, we will see them all ring the cowbell in celebration of the commencement of their adult lives.

May is a pretty BIG month for our area and our church. I look forward to rejoicing in the opportunities First

Lutheran has to offer the best preschool in town, celebrate the work of our confirmands and grads and move forward with great momentum as we strive to meet our financial generosity goals. I know I sign off on my social media posts with our tagline, "Keep Faith Alive!", but I really mean it when I say that First Lutheran is keeping Faith Alive!

May God continue to bless us with courage and wisdom to navigate the next part of this pandemic together. In Christ's peace!

Pastor Jason Stanton
jason@firstlu.org

God met me in my uncertainty, my grief, my sadness, my joy and in the very ordinary rhythms of my day.

in everything that life is, God is present, ready to remind us that we are loved and forgiven and never alone. In a way no other deity had ever done, our God showed us the way and then reassured us that even when it isn't perfect or neat, it is enough that we follow.

As I reflect on this past year, I see this truth. I see it in the ways God met me in my uncertainty, my grief, my sadness, my joy and in the very ordinary rhythms of my day. God wove herself into the mess that was a year of pandemic and did what was promised in Jesus because grace and love and forgiveness were ours to have, no matter what.

Easter is messy, the Spirit said.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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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

READINGS FOR MAY

Sunday, May 2: John 15: 1-8

Wednesday, May 5: Acts 15: 1-18

Sunday, May 9: John 15: 9-17

Wednesday, May 12: Galatians 1: 13-17, 2: 11-21

Sunday, May 16: John 17: 6-19

Wednesday, May 19: Galatians 3: 1-9, 23-29

Pentecost Sunday, May 23: John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

Wednesday, May 26: Acts 2: 1-4, Galatians 4: 1-7, 5: 16-26

Sunday, May 30: John 3: 1-17

Above are the tentative readings scheduled for May. 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 EPHESIANS IN 5 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers
starting **Wednesday, May 5.**

READ LAMENTATIONS IN 2 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers
starting **Wednesday, May 12.**

READ REVELATION IN 12 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers
starting **Wednesday, May 12.**

READ EZEKIEL IN 14 DAYS!

Pastor Stanton will introduce this book to Bible Readers
starting **Friday, May 14.**

Flowers

Thank you to all who donated flowers
decorating our sanctuary and our outdoor altar
for the celebration of Easter.

Nancy Beguin

In honor of: Al Beguin family, Erik Beguin family, sisters Edythe and Joanne, brother Robert
In memory of: Parents John & Helen Doerring, brothers Keith and Raymond Doerring

Ed & Barb Burrell

In memory of: Parents Leonard & Beverly Olson, daughter-in-law Lisa Dutton

Bob & Bev DiNicola

In memory of: LeRoy & Charlotte Hougom, Jim & Shirley DiNicola, George Allen Hougom, Peyton Lee Erling Hougom

Jan Fink

In memory of: Richard Fink

Jan Fink, Jackie, Chuck & Hunter Wallace

In memory of: In memory of Clayton & Dorothy Every

Larry & Lori Hougom

In honor of: Cody & Colton Hougom, Gary & Nancy Olds
In memory of: Peyton Lee Erling Hougom, LeRoy Sr. & Charlotte Hougom

Shaz Kjos

In memory of: Dorothy Every

Karen Meier

In memory of:
Richard & Phyllis Wood

Paul & Tara Molling

In honor of: Pat & Orv Molling, Taylor & Tristan Molling
In memory of: Lyle & Linda Erickson

Gary & Nancy Olds

In honor of: Larry, Lori, Cody & Colton Hougom; Paul, Pam & Tucker Petersen; Jennifer & Tanner Olds
In memory of: Lawrence & Jennie Olds; Erma Olds; Bob & Mary Williams; Don & Cleo Card; Sue Tarner; Peyton Lee Erling Hougom

Jen Peterson & Geri Johnson

In memory of: Gary Pratt, Regina Pratt

Greg & Linda Prairie

In honor of: Our three sons and grandchildren
In memory of: Our parents

Larry & Marilyn Schreiner

In memory of: Wes & Mary Paulus, Lawrence & Georgia Schreiner

Carol Skoy

In memory of: Gary, Alee & Jay

Paula Skoy, Travis Evenson & Greg Skoy-Evenson

In honor of: Our parents Carol Skoy and Sharon & Darrel Evenson
In memory of: Our babies Jay and Alee Skoy-Evenson, Paula's dad Gary Skoy

JoAnn Sprehn

In memory of: Ronald Sprehn

Wednesday Worship

6:15pm

No reservations required.

Join us!

Springfest

Preschool Silent Auction

Sunday, May 2

This a major fund-raiser for the preschool. After worship on May 2, place bids in the silent auction, with all bids going to the ministry of First Lutheran Preschool.

FOUNDATION COMMITTEE UPDATE



THE MABEL ANDERSON Scholarship was established from a generous bequest received from the Estate of Mabel

Anderson between 1989 in memory of her parents, Peder and Johanna Anderson. It was Mabel's wish that this monetary gift would enable further growth of our church, its ministries and stewardship within the community.

Last spring, the committee awarded nine scholarships to area high school seniors, who are now on the way to finishing their first year of post-secondary learning. Please keep them in your prayers. We are certain that they had a very interesting first year due to the pandemic.

This year's deadline for applicants was April 15. We are currently reviewing applications and will be in touch with this year's scholarship recipients soon.

If you are interested in more information on how you could start a scholarship fund, or have questions on estate giving, please contact the First Lutheran Church Office by emailing office@firstlu.org or calling 608.783.2236. The Stewardship and Foundation Committees will be happy to help you.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP REPORT



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 small groups. We owe a special thanks to all the small group leaders of Lenten studies, circles, Bible studies, OWLs and others who kept the groups meeting by organizing, moderating and learning how to conduct meetings over Zoom. They have helped keep us together as a congregation through these exceptional times.

General Fund Update: Giving for operations (not including the capital campaign and pre-school) for March was \$80,547. Through March, giving has increased by 33%! compared to 2020! Thank you to everyone who completed a statement of intent to increase giving during the January Stewardship Drive. As these increased amounts are received, we look forward to fulfilling our 3 goals of donating to Sugar Creek, reducing the cost of Faith Events, and searching for a Faith Formation director. 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 received another \$4,221 in March for the Capital Campaign. Thank you to everyone who has already completed their pledge and know that it is not too late to make a gift. A balance of over \$127,000 has made it possible for the Vision & Leadership Team to begin work toward

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purchasing a 15 passenger vehicle and building a new 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

UPDATE FROM BETH



Dear First Lutheran Friends and Family!

After 5 years of being the Young Youth Director and Sunday School Superintendent, it is time for me to focus my energy into other opportunities. I have enjoyed the positions and look forward to being a part of the vibrant faith community at First Lutheran. Some of the highlights were VBS Amped and Power Up, Advent Around the Table and the Easter coloring mural. Joel, Emery, Bo and I will be very visible at First and are looking forward to keeping "Faith Alive!" with all of you!

Gratefully,

Beth Miller

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



SERVE & GIVE

GO AND DO LIKEWISE LUKE 10:37

SUNSHINE BOYS & GIRLS

First Thursday of every month, at 8:30am. Various jobs: outside raking, trimming bushes, sweeping, cleaning, pulling weeds. Help make First Lutheran look nice! Donuts and coffee provided. Questions? Text/call Dave at 608.780.0135.

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY

Newsletter assembly is back, with precautions in place: wear masks, respect social distance, etc. Next assembly: **Thursday, May 27, at 9am**, to assemble the June/July newsletter. See you there!

WAFER FOOD PANTRY

WAFER Food Pantry needs volunteers Monday–Friday, 3–7pm. Volunteers sort and stock food, help clients, and assist with general upkeep. If you would like to volunteer call 608.782.6003 or email volunteer@waferlacrosse.org.

WARMING CENTER FOOD VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to everyone who provided a meal for the Warming Center guests this past winter. The guests really appreciate the meals provided. We plan to participate again next winter, November–April. If you are interested in participating in the future, email bridget@firstlu.org and you will be notified in the fall with details.

SAFE FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN

Safe Families for Children is in need of families willing to host a child or children whose families are in crisis and need some time to regroup. This is a great way to make a short term commitment and have a huge impact in our community. See Safe Families for Children on Facebook or contact bridget@firstlu.org for more info.

**stephen
MINISTRY®**

If you know of someone who needs a caregiver, speak with Pastor Karyn (karyn@firstlu.org) or call the church office (608.783.2236).

Volunteer Appreciation Picnic!!!

Sun., July 11
noon–2pm
at Shelter #1 in Rowe Park

OUTDOOR WORSHIP IN MAY & JUNE

First will continue to do outdoor worship services and has set the following dates for May and June:

- May 9, 10:30am
- May 23, 10:30am
- June 6, 10:30am
- June 20, 10:30am

Bring your own lawn chairs, and wear masks.

If the weather's bad that day, we'll move inside.

... and only one service on June 13

Synod Assembly is taking place during the weekend of June 12 & 13. First Lutheran will be the host of the Synod Assembly's **worship on Sunday, June 13, at 9am**, the only service we'll have on that Sunday. The service is open to all.

COVID-19 VACCINES

Now that everyone is eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, you might have questions about how to find a vaccine appointment! Visit the website lacrossecounty.org/covid19 (click on the vaccine tab) to see all of the local vaccine options. If you are interested in signing up at the community-based vaccination site at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, register at vaccinate.wi.gov and check out the FAQ's about the site.

Still have questions? Email covid19@lacrossecounty.org or call the State vaccine hotline at 1.844.684.1064.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

Starting with this May newsletter, we will be changing the newsletter schedule and format. The new schedule will be a quarterly rotation of the following: 1st month full newsletter, 2nd month 1-page mini newsletter covering two months, and 3rd month no newsletter.

Full newsletters will be published in these months:

- February
- May
- August
- November

1-page mini newsletters will be published in these months:

- March
- June
- September
- December

Newsletters will not be mailed in these months:

- January
- April
- July
- October

As always, for both the full and mini newsletters, content will be due the month prior, on the 15th of the month. If you have any questions regarding the new schedule, direct them to andy@firstlu.org.

NEW VISIONING & LEADERSHIP MEMBERS

Welcome to the two new members of the Visioning & Leadership team — Donna Bossman and Jason Witt. They were elected to the 7-person V&L team at the annual membership meeting in February. Their 3-year terms start May 1.

And thank you to the two outgoing members of V&L, whose terms expired on April 30 — Nancy Beguin and Brandon King. Their service is appreciated.

Also, V&L president Larry Schreiner was re-elected to a 3-year term.

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, May 30.*

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

- **Liliana Genevieve Wodele**

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:

- **Bill Baum**
- **Carol Wittenberg**

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

Thank you for the following memorials:

In memory of Bill Baum

- Organ Fund: Ellis & Judy Stetzer
- Onalaska/Holmen Food Pantry: Pat Blanchard
- Undesignated: Betty Borsheim, Diane Haga, Neale & Sheryl Horman, Coulee Investment Club, Steve & Mary Jo Netwal, Kay Risberg, Annette Sherry, Bryce Sherry

In memory of Carol Wittenberg

- Undesignated: Irving Wittenberg

HOSPITAL REMINDERS

For Gundersen: be sure to alert the hospital of your church affiliation when they ask, and they will release your name to us when we call.

For Mayo/Franciscan Healthcare: it is important that you or a family member contact us at the church office: 608.783.2236. Mayo no longer lets churches know who is a patient at their hospital.

A PASTORAL WORD ON THE VERDICT OF GEORGE FLOYD'S MURDER TRIAL

4/20/2021



THE TRIAL OF Derek Chauvin, the former Minnesota police officer charged with the killing of George Floyd, has riveted

our national attention these past weeks, and now a verdict has been reached. Together with people around the world, we have anticipated the jury's decision with troubled hearts. As members of the community of Jesus, we affirm that "if one member suffers, all suffer together with it" (1 Corinthians 12:26, NRSV).

No jury verdict can erase the pain of the Floyd family, and we share our condolences and pray for ongoing comfort in their suffering and for all whose lives have been touched by this tragedy. As people of the cross, we believe in the hope of the resurrection. Yet we cannot rush to Easter Sunday without reflecting on the oppression of Good Friday.

The murder of George Floyd is one of the many examples of the ongoing abuse of police authority. The extrajudicial killings of Brown and Black bodies must stop.

We recommit ourselves as a church to continue to fight against the sin of racism and to hold accountable unjust systems and structures that perpetuate injustices, including our own. In the words of Martin Luther King Jr: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects

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all indirectly." The work of confronting these injustices is long overdue.

Let us together in our congregations and communities discern how we are being called in this moment to live out our baptismal promise to serve all people and strive for justice and peace.

In Christ,,

Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton
Presiding Bishop of the ELCA
@ELCABishopEaton

AMPLIFYING THE VOICES OF BLACK YOUTH IN THE LA CROSSE AREA

Join us in this pressing educational program unveiling the perspectives of black youth and their parents in the La Crosse area. Local Black youth shared their perspectives of experiencing racism, bullying and stereotyping in our community from a very young age.

This 2-day, synod wide online event will include viewing the video and a facilitated discussion. The purpose is to engage our community in necessary conversations about bias, racism and privilege. We challenge our community to change the environment, policies and practices that disproportionately impact black youth and their families. **July 10 and July 17, 10am-noon.**

Watch upcoming announcements, the church website and social media for details on how to register.





OWLs OLDER WISER LUTHERANS

Great news! Every OWL I have talked to has received both of their vaccination shots. We are now looking forward to meeting in person in May. This first momentous occasion will take place on **Wednesday, May 19 in the Fellowship Hall at noon.** It will be great fun to see everyone in person again. However, COVID is still around so there will be new rules to be followed. Because of our maturity, even with vaccinations, we want to minimize risk. We are required to do the following...

- Everyone attending must be vaccinated
- We cannot have a conventional potluck, but we can each bring our own food and drink.
- Face masks will be required when not eating.
- Tables will be arranged for social distancing, do not add chairs to the set up arrangement
- Like church, everyone must sign up ahead of time to attend.

Now that wasn't so bad was it. So pack yourself a bag lunch and a Thermos of coffee and come join the fun. After some lunch and conversation, we will play one of our favorite games that just wasn't possible over Zoom. Being in person we can rock on back to the '40s, '50s and '60s and play

"Name that Tune." We'll crank up the PA and see who can guess the name and singer for the top 10 hits of those years. But we are going to add a twist. When you email Brian to sign up, send a list of favorite songs you would like included in the game. What a great way to look like a musical genius. To sign up, email or call Brian Narveson at owls@firstlu.org or 630.816.5917. Looking forward to seeing everyone in May.

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. A reminder for all meals that First Lutheran is a nut-free campus. Please do not bring food containing nuts or nut butters/oils/extracts of any kind onto the church campus. This is for the safety of all of our members. Thanks!



VOLUNTEER WORK WEEKEND

Friday, May 7 – Saturday, May 8

Come with your family, co-horted group, or
by yourself and make ready your Bible Camp!
Come and stay over the night before!

Reg online: SugarCreekBibleCamp.org



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

GO N E F I R M A T I O N

*Teen-relevant, age-appropriate, active, modern, and
theologically sound*

Events subject to change; up-to-date info at
1stlu.org/confirmation

CONFIRMATION CAMP AT SUGAR CREEK Sun., June 13-Fri., June 18



Questions? Contact Pastor Karyn
karyn@firstlu.org

CONFIRMATION

Affirmation of Baptism

Sunday, May 9 1pm &
Sunday, May 23 1:30pm



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>APRIL</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</p>	<p>JUNE</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</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 6:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn 6:15 PM In-Person Worship † 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups</p>	<p>29</p> <p>11 AM 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>
<p>2</p> <p>4K FBB: The Keys, lifted up in wo... 8 AM In-Person Worship † 10:30 AM In-Person Worship † 3 PM Springfest - SN & NX 7 PM Peer Ministry - NX</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1 PM Knitters & Crocheters - Zoom 7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6 AM Courageous Men - Zoom 6:30 AM Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn 6:15 PM In-Person Worship † 7 PM Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:30 AM Sunshine Boys & Girls 7 PM Women of the House Small Group</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7 PM AA - FS</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 AM Drawing from the Well</p>
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SUNDAYS

8:00am In-Person Worship (*registration required*)

10:30am In-Person Worship (*registration required*)

TUESDAYS

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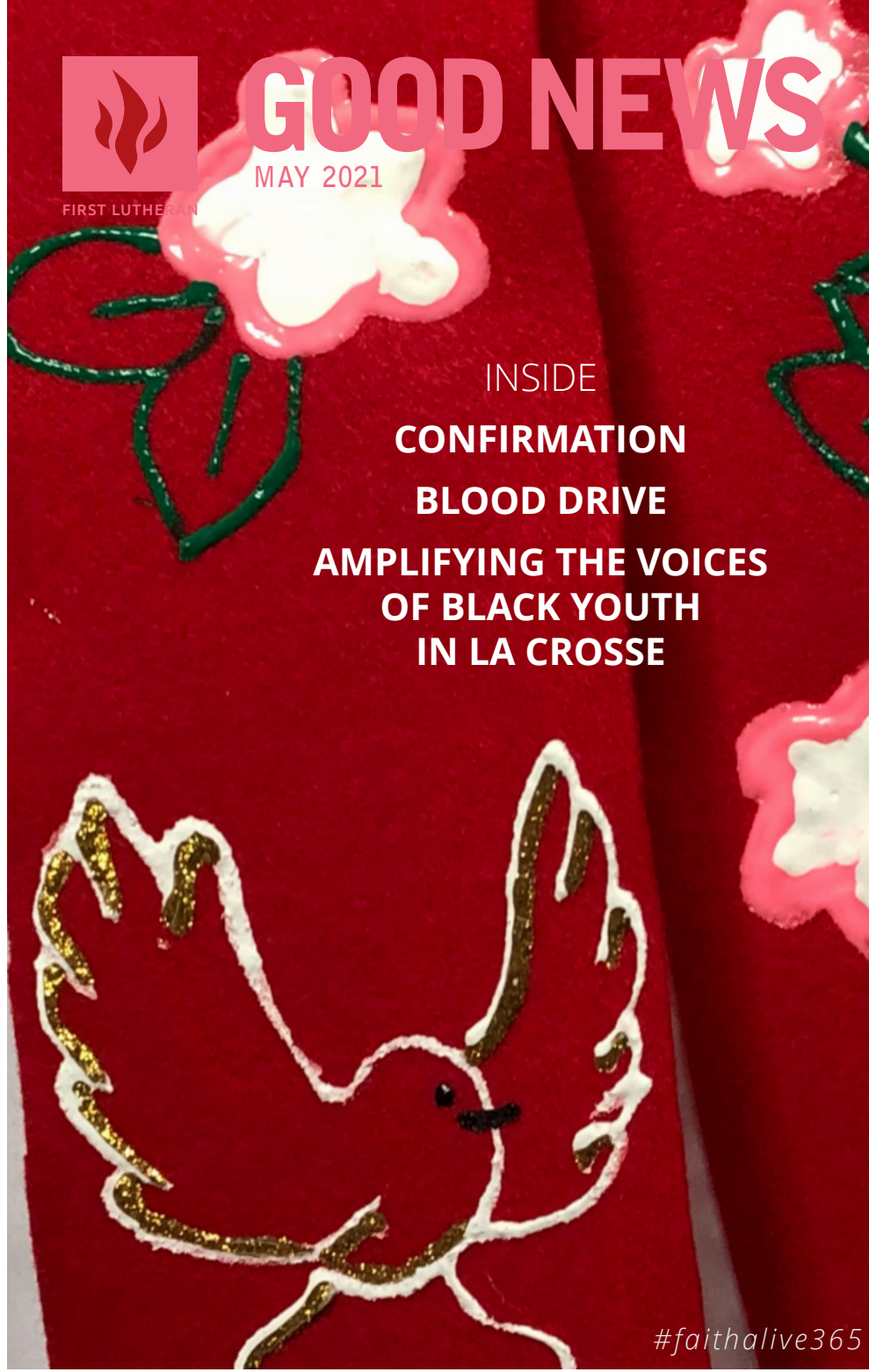
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