

READINGS

For Sunday, August 16

Exaltation through Abasement, Hebrews 2:10-18
Pew Bible: p. 971, Spark Bible: p. 1342

For Wednesday, August 19

The Bread from Heaven, John 6:51-58
Pew Bible: p. 868, Spark Bible: p. 1179

PRAYERS & CARE

Home: Norma Johnson, Don Hickok, Howard Anderson
Celebrations: for Paula Skoy & Travis Evenson on the birth of their son Greg Travis.
Sympathy to the family & friends of Carol Temte.
A private family funeral at Evergreen Cemetery in Centerville will follow at a later date. Online condolences may be sent to the family at dickinsonfuneral-homes.com.

Please contact the office if you have any prayers to be lifted up: office@firstlu.org or 608.783.2236

NURSERY AVAILABLE

Members and visitors: our nursery is available for children newborn through age 4. The nursery is staffed Sunday mornings during and between services, and on Wednesday evenings during service and programming. **Please bring your diaper bag.** It will also be staffed during some church events and will be advertised as such when available. We hope you take advantage of our services while here at First.

HOSPITAL REMINDERS

For Gundersen: be sure to alert the hospital of your church affiliation when they ask and they will then release your name to us when we call.
For Mayo/Franciscan Healthcare: it is important that you or a family member contact us directly at the church office: 608.783.2236. Mayo no longer gives out information regarding who is hospitalized.

SERVING:

Pastor Jason Stanton, Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz
Organist: Gabe Hicks; Nursery Attendant: Crystal Miller;
Bread Baker: Lori Lunney; Treat Providers: Beth Curtis,
Terry Lee; Coffee Servers: Martin & Shari Hegland

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Larry Schreiner, Terry Lee;
Reader: Tom Skogen; Projectionist: Steve Klingemann

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 10:30am

Acolytes: Taylor Hanson; Communion Servers: Todd Lofald, Katy Wood; Reader: Vern Olson; Ushers:
Todd & Mary Lofald; Projectionist: Renee Thies

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 6:30pm

Communion Server: Beverly DiNicola; Reader: Carol Skoy; Nursery Attendant: Madalyn Olson; Projectionist: Brian Wittkop

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 & WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

WELCOME VISITORS & GUESTS!

We at First Lutheran are glad you have chosen to worship with us today! We understand that visiting a church can be overwhelming. **Please know that ALL are welcome to worship, commune and participate in all church activities, programs and events.**

If this is your first time at First, we'd love to have you stop at the Connecting Point table in the narthex entry where you may ask questions, share your contact information and receive a gift from us. **We're glad you're here!!**

Communion cards are not required to participate in Holy Communion, but they help us know who is worshiping with us. **Please fill out a communion card and hand it to an usher just before communion, or place it in an offering plate.** Thanks!

YOUNG ADULTS IN GLOBAL MISSION

This week **Aliyah Richling** will join **75 other Young Adults in Global Mission** as they are sent off to various locations around the globe for their year of mission work. Aliyah will be making her new home in Békéscsaba, Hungary, and will be working in parish/music ministry and ministering to the Roma people. With a total cost of approx. \$11,000, Aliyah has made a commitment to raise \$4,000 herself and the ELCA seeks sponsors for the remaining \$7,000. Support Aliyah on her yearlong journey:

- By check: make payable to “First Lutheran” with “Aliyah Richling” in the memo. Place checks in First’s offering plate or fill out an envelope in the narthex.
- Online: ELCA.org/YAGMsupport

More info at firstlu.org/globalministry.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please take time before worship & go to the narthex to write down any prayers you want to lift up, so we can be certain to include them in worship today!

*Flowers in the sanctuary are
in loving memory of Barbara Seminaro,
from Rich, LeAnn & Jeff*



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC

Sun., August 16, noon–2pm, shelter #1 at Rowe Park. People can sign up at the Connecting Point table or by emailing kathryn@firstlu.org. If anyone has any questions, contact Kathryn.

MEET TINA!

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS: Meet with Tina, our new Director of Discipleship for Youth, on **Wed. August 19, 7:15pm** (after worship) to discuss her vision and goals in her ministry. She also wants to learn what parents want for their kids so she can incorporate it into her vision and youth events.

SING!

Do you like music? Do you enjoy singing, even if it's in the shower? Do you appreciate the power of music in worship? Then put all of these things together and join the First Lutheran Senior Choir! The first rehearsal of the season will be **Wednesday, August 26 at 7:15pm**. All are welcome!



The OWLs, our group at First that welcomes anyone 55+, will fly to

Lanesboro to see the comedic play “Charley’s Aunt”. Date: **Thursday, August 27**. Cost: \$35 with a discount if we get more than 15 people. RSVP to Brian Narveson by **Tuesday night, August 25**: owls@firstlu.org.

Dakota Road IN CONCERT!

Larry Olson & Hans Peterson of Dakota Road return to First for a free, outdoor concert on **Saturday, August 29, at 6pm**. Nationally known for their stirring music and playful performance, Larry and Hans’ songs range from sacred to silly and touch people of all ages and walks of life. The concert is free and open to the public, all ages welcome! Save the date and invite EVERYONE!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Youth and adults, bring your backpacks, briefcases, messenger bags, purses, etc. to church on the day of First Fest, **Sunday, August 30**, so that we may bless the start of your new school year!

FIRST FEST!

First Fest is early this year! We will gather together for food, fun and fellowship on **Sunday, August 30**, after worship. Save the date!

Little LEAPs

Little Leaps families will take part in First Fest activities on **Sunday, Aug. 30**, instead of meeting as a group. Families can register their children ages 3 and younger for Little Leaps at First Fest. Their regular meetings on the last Sunday of the month will **resume Sept. 27**. Little Leaps is for parents/guardians and their children ages birth to 3 years old, **and meets the last Sunday, at 9:15am in room 102**.

TRAVEL PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

Open to all members of First and their friends. Special equipment not required—techniques taught can be used with a point and shoot camera or a smart phone. The class will meet three times in the fellowship hall from 6:30–9pm on the following **Mondays: August 31, September 14 and 28**. Cost: \$25 for all 3 classes. More information and registration at firstlu.org/photoclass.

WED WORSHIP TIME CHANGE

Starting Sept. 2, Wednesday’s service will start at 6:15pm (instead of 6:30pm).

USHER TRAINING

Usher training sessions will be offered four times in the coming months; pick a Sunday to learn more about how you, and even your entire family, can serve and worship in this way! **Sept. 13, 27, Oct. 4, 11 all from 9:30–10am**. Sign up online or at the Connecting Point table.

THIS WEEK: August 16–23

SUN 16	8:00am Worship 9:15am Bible Bits - Mary Rm 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am VeggieTales - FH 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Volunteer Appreciation Picnic - Rowe Park Shelter #1
MON 17	1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Judy Johnson's home 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 18	9:00am Naomi's Circle 9:30am Staff Mtg 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - Mary Rm 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg
WED 19	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karyn - Panera 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Meet Tina!
THUR 20	9:00am Deborah's Circle - Panera 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX 6:00pm Stephen Ministry Cls - Mary Rm 6:15pm NarAnon - FS
FRI 21	7:00pm AA - FS
SUN 23	8:00am Worship 9:15am Bible Bits - Mary Rm 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am VeggieTales - FH 10:30am Worship

ROOM KEY:

CR = Choir Room FS = Fireside Room FH = Fellowship Hall
NX = Narthex SN = Sanctuary TR = Thomas Room

For more info, visit our website at www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org



ASSIST WITH WORSHIP!

OPENINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acolytes, Communion Servers, Coffee Servers, Nursery Attendants, & Ushers. *For the above opportunities & many others sign up at the Connecting Point table or on your phone or computer at firstlu.org/assist*