

READINGS

For Sunday, August 23

Jesus the Great High Priest, Hebrews 4:14-5:10
Pew Bible: p. 972, Spark Bible: p. 1343

For Wednesday, August 26

The Bread from Heaven, John 6:56-69
Pew Bible: p. 868, Spark Bible: p. 1180

PRAYERS & CARE

Hospital:
Home: Norma Johnson, Don Hickok, Howard Anderson
Celebrations:
Sympathy to the family & friends...
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.

Please make every effort to keep food and beverages in the narthex. Thanks!

SERVING:

Pastor Jason Stanton, Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz
Organist: Gabe Hicks; Nursery Attendant: Crystal Miller;
Bread Baker: Peggy Daleki; Treat Providers: Jessica & Chris Rohde, Arnie & Nancy Holthaus

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 8:00am

Acolytes: Jacob Breiling; Communion Servers: Dick & Peggy Daleki; Reader: Beth Curtis; Ushers: Breiling family; Projectionist: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 10:30am

Reader: Jill Hanson; Ushers: Mary McGrath;
Projectionist: John Peterson

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 6:30pm

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 & WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

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!

ASSIST WITH WORSHIP!

It takes the church community to help with all the different aspects of worship—making certain worship is welcoming and runs smoothly. TODAY is the best day to sign up for September, so that we have time to prepare our worship calendar and create reminders. Adults and youth are welcome and can serve in many ways:

- Acolytes
- Coffee servers
- Communion servers
- Nursery attendants
- Puppet volunteers
- Ushers
- Treat providers

Sign up today at the Connecting Point and see Kathryn Pedretti, our Director of Servant Ministries, with any questions.

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!

Baptismal blessings are extended to
Miles William Hammes,
son of Matthew & Sara Hammes



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.

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY

It’s a relaxing way to volunteer! **Friday, August 28, at 10am**, to assemble the September newsletter. See you there!

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.

YOUTH PRAISE BAND NEEDS MUSICIANS!

The first Lutheran Church youth praise band is looking for youth ages 10-18 who can sing or play an instrument. Bass guitar, rhythm guitar, piano and singers are especially needed. **The 1st rehearsal is Sunday, September 13 at 11:30am** and every Sunday at 11:30am after that; performing in church on contemporary worship Sundays. For more info contact Dick Daleki at 608-769-3567 or email dick@firstlu.org.

THIS WEEK: August 23–30

SUN 23	8:00am Worship 9:15am Bible Bits - Mary Rm 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am VeggieTales - FH 10:30am Worship
MON 24	7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 25	9:30am Staff Mtg
WED 26	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karyn - Panera 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - SN
THUR 27	4:00pm OWLS Trip to Lanesboro 6:00pm Stephen Ministry CIs - Mary Rm 6:00pm Prayer Shawl Group 6:15pm NarAnon - FS
FRI 28	10:00am Newsletter Assembly - NX 7:00pm AA - FS
SAT 29	6:00pm Dakota Road, Free Outdoor Concert!
SUN 30	BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS FIRST FEST & RALLY SUNDAY 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School Registration 9:15am Bible Bits - Mary Rm 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 10:30am Worship 11:30am First Fest! 11:45am School Kit Assembly

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



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OPENINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acolytes, Bread Bakers, Communion Servers, Coffee Servers, Nursery Attendants & Puppet Volunteers.

For the above opportunities & many others sign up at the Connecting Point table or on your phone or computer at firstlu.org/assist