

READINGS

For Sunday, Oct. 18

Ruth 1:1-17
Pew Bible: p. 210, Spark Bible: p. 289

For Wednesday, Oct. 21

The Request of James and John, Mark 10:35-45
Pew Bible: p. 823, Spark Bible: p. 1114

PRAYERS & CARE

For Pastor Karyn & all those traveling in the Holy Land, we pray for open hearts & safe travels.
Home: Howard Anderson, Don Hickok, Carol Peterson, Malita Raymond
Sympathy to the family and friends of Olaf Anderson, uncle to Bev DiNicola
Military: Jack Vilim, serving in Turkey
Global Missionary: Aliyah Richling, serving in Hungary
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, Organist: Gabe Hicks; Nursery Attendant: Crystal Miller; Bread Baker: Calison Weiss; Treat Providers: Tina Buchal, Linda Green, Jessica and Chris Rohde; Coffee Servers: Jody Roes

SUNDAY, OCT. 18, 8:00am

Acolyte: Angie Breiling; Communion Servers: Kurt Breiling, Bridget Crave ; Reader: Karen Meier; Ushers: Breiling Family; Puppet Volunteers: Becky Runde, Beth Curtis; Projectionist: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, OCT. 18, 10:30am

Acolytes: Jill Hanson, Hanna O'Rourke; Communion Servers: Aaron McDonald, Shaun Gibbs; Reader: Lori Lunney; Nursery: Ava Wickstrom; Puppet Volunteers: Kellie Reitzel; Projectionist: John Peterson

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21, 6:15pm

Nursery Attendant: Madalyn Olson; Projectionist: Larsen Birdsong

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
SUN., OCT. 18 & WED., OCT. 21

WELCOME GUESTS!

The 1,800 baptized members of First Lutheran hold hospitality to visitors among our greatest priorities. We understand that visiting a church can feel overwhelming. Please know that ALL are welcome to worship, commune and participate in all church activities, programs and events.

We hope you can make time to stop at the Connecting Point table in the front entry where we have a gift for you. It's also a great place to ask questions, gather information and share ways that we may keep in touch with you. We're glad you're here!

COMMUNION CARDS

"Holy Communion" cards help the staff keep in touch with the needs of members and visitors alike. Please fill out a communion card each week, complete with prayer concerns and anything else you'd like the Pastors to know. Hand it to an usher on your way forward for Communion, or place it in the offering plate. Thanks!

PREPARING OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Please consider using your time in the sanctuary before worship as a time of personal preparation for an encounter with God. Our musicians seek to create a prayerful time and space meant to assist in your preparation. Conversation is, of course, an essential part of our fellowship that deserves its own time and space. Our entry area (narthex) is perfect for those conversations before and after worship services.

HS MOVIE NIGHT!

Come join Tina in a night of movies, popcorn, candy and more! Bring friends and a blanket to share!
Tues., Oct. 20, 6:30–8:30pm.

DONATIONS
FOR WOMEN'S
RESOURCE
CENTER

One of our 8th grade confirmation small groups will visit the Bluff Country Women's Resource Center on Sunday, Oct. 25, to deliver donations and learn about domestic violence and its prevention. Needed items include: combs, brushes, deodorant, nail clippers, nail files, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, sunscreen, soap, shower gel, shampoo, conditioner, and lip balm. Donations can be brought to the altar during offering or dropped off in the church office during the work week.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Please take time before worship and 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 honor of
Matt & Rhonda Rude's
30th Wedding Anniversary



SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Sunday, October 18

- 9:15am: Sunday School classes
- 9:15am:3-year-old Faith Building Block: Praying Together, in fellowship hall (2nd meeting, children with parents/guardians)

Sunday, October 25

- 9:15am: Sunday School classes
- 9:15am:3-year-old Faith Building Block: Praying Together, in fellowship hall (3rd meeting, children with parents/guardians)

YOUTH PRAISE BAND

Rehearsing **Sundays in the sanctuary at 11:45am.** All young people who want to play or sing in a praise band are encouraged to attend!



OWLs, a group for those 55+, will go to see the Paragon Ragtime Orchestra on **Mon., Oct. 26, departing church at 4:30pm.** Cost for tix: \$22. Please RSVP to Brian by Thur., Oct. 22, via email (owls@firstlu.org) or phone (608.526.9700). The next potluck will be **Wed., Oct 28, at noon in the fellowship hall.**

HS GAME NIGHT

Come join in a fun night of fellowship and games. This is a once a month get-together for those high school game nerds out there! Bring your own favorite games to share with the group! **Tuesday, Oct. 27 @ 7pm—8:30pm**

BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, November 2, 12:30-5:30pm, in the fellowship hall. Every day ordinary people are saved by some pretty extraordinary people. People who give blood. Your donation could be the most valuable gift you ever give. Just ask anyone who’s ever received. To schedule your appointment go to www.bcw.edu/firstluthona. Please bring a photo ID.

SUNSHINE BOYS

The Sunshine Boys serve at First on the first Thursday of each month; the next meeting will be **Thur., Nov. 5, at 9am.** The Sunshine Boys are an informal group that performs a variety of necessary tasks around the church; such as grounds clean-up, minor repairs, and other small jobs. Rolls and coffee are supplied to replenish your reserves! Dues are free! Contact Mike, our custodian, with any questions: mike@firstlu.org.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED: OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER

Friday, November 6, 9:30–11am, at Good Shepherd, 4141 Mormon Coulee Rd, La Crosse. \$5 brunch. RSVP to Barb by Nov. 2: 608.784.0062. Bring winter outerwear to donate to Salvation Army.

CARE PACKAGE FOR ALIYAH

Now that Aliyah Richling, our Young Adult in Global Mission, has had a chance to get settled into her new place in Békéscsaba, Jennifer Wiesjahn reached out to see if there is anything she needs/wants from the States that she can’t find in Hungary. The items listed below are the ones she has identified. Contact Jennifer (608.397.6897) if you are interested in providing a monetary donation towards the

purchase of these items, otherwise donations can be brought to the office. **THANK YOU!** Items include: Skittles, chocolate chips, Reese’s Peanut Butter Cups, peanut butter, Cheeze It’s, Twizzlers, Twilight books, ELW hymnal, & cheddar cheese.

CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS

Items we need: lightweight cotton winter gloves, ties, shampoo and winter boots (gently used, “Ugh” type knock offs). Thanks to everyone who has donated their time, clothing, personal hygiene items and cash donations. Finally, thank you for praying for the people in need who use the clothes closet and for the growth we are experiencing at the closet. If you are interested in volunteering as an appointment host, shopper, or inventory assistant, please contact the church office. And keep all those whom we serve in your prayers.

WANTED: SEWING MACHINES

The church quilters are looking for one or two working sewing machines. If you’ve got one you’d like to donate, please send an email to rjmmfoxy@charter.net.

To learn more about these and other announcements, head to our website at www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org

THIS WEEK: Oct. 18–25

SUN 18	8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation 9:15am Apostle’s Creed Confirmation Cls 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am The Story Small Group - Mary Rm 9:15am 3 Yr Old Faith Building Block: Praying Together - FH 9:15am HS Sunday Learning - House 10:30am Worship 11:45am Youth Praise Band Rehearsal - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Group - FH
MON 19	1:00pm Elizabeth Circle 4:00pm Death and Dying - FS 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 20	7:30am Women’s Small Group - House 9:00am Quilters - FS 9:00am Naomi’s Circle 9:30am Staff Mtg 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm HS Movie Night! 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - Mary Rm 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg
WED 21	6:00am Courageous Men’s Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karyn - Panera 12:00pm Finance Team Mtg 5:00pm 10 Commandments Confirmation - FS 5:15pm Knitters - NX 5:30pm Confirmation Rehearsal & Dinner 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm 8th & 9th Gr Small Groups 7:00pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - Choir Rm 6:15pm Brene Brown Small Grp - FH 6:15pm NarAnon - FS
THUR 22	7:00pm AA - FS
FRI 23	10:00am Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation
SAT 24	4:30pm Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation
SUN 25	8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation 9:15am Apostle’s Creed Confirmation Cls 9:15am Little Leaps - Rm 102 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am The Story Small Group - Mary Rm 9:15am 3 Yr Old Faith Building Block: Praying Together - FH 9:15am HS Sunday Learning - House 10:15am Sunday School Teacher Database Training - Office 10:30am Worship 11:45am Youth Praise Band Rehearsal - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Group - FH

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