

READINGS

For Sunday, Nov. 29

Josiah’s Reform 2 Kings 22:1-10; 23:1-3
Pew Bible: p. 310, Spark Bible: p. 427

For Wednesday, Dec. 2

The Coming of the Son of Man Luke 21:25-36
Pew Bible: p. 856, Spark Bible: p. 1162

PRAYERS & CARE

Hospital: Howard Anderson
Home: Don Hickok, Carolyn Skogen, Nancy Olds
Celebrations: to Heidi & Josh Roe on the birth of their son, Everett Earl
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, Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz
Organist: Gabe Hicks; Nursery Attendant: Crystal Miller;
Bread Baker: Michelle Bauer; Treat Providers: Cindy Mathew, Glen Vilim, Todd Hanson, Kathleen Olson;
Coffee Servers: Marilyn & Sig Rudser

SUNDAY, NOV. 29, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Mary Ann Redfearn, Tami Tooke;
Reader: Bridget Crave; Usher: Mary Ann Redfearn;
Puppet Volunteer: Nicole Garbers; Projectionist: Randy Nedrelo

SUNDAY, NOV. 29, 10:30am

Acolytes: Mollie Fredrickson Natalie Havenstrite;
Communion Servers: Paula Skoy, Shaun Gibbs;
Reader: Shaun Gibbs; Ushers: Ally Ecklund, Jaclyn Thomas; Puppet Volunteers: Linda Green; Projectionist: Renee Thies

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 6:15pm

Communion Server: Glen Vilim; Reader: Nancy Beguin;
Ushers: Ella Nicolai, Tristen & Lillian Madsen; Nursery Attendant: Madalyn Olson

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
SUN., NOV. 29 & WED., DEC. 2

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.

Little LEAPs

This group is for parents/guardians and their children ages birth to 3 years old, **and meets the last Sunday, at 9:15am in room 102.** We sing, dance, play, and pray together to learn ways to raise our little Christians in the home. We have time with the kids and time with just the adults. During the adult time, we have volunteers come in and play with our children as we talk. We welcome newcomers all the time—join us! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer who helps our children during adult time, please contact Carla Stanton, carla@firstlu.org.

THANKFUL SUNDAY
FOOD DRIVE

We are all blessed with God’s graces. This Sunday, Nov. 29, we will pass on God’s grace to those in need. Between services join in packaging our food donations for the Onalaska Food Pantry. Last-minute donations welcome, and adult and high school volunteers to help our Sunday School youth are appreciated!

Flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of
LeRoy & Charlotte Hougom’s
65th wedding anniversary,
from their children (and their spouses),
grandchildren and great-grandchildren



CARING CONNECTIONS

Be part of this wonderful ministry, which offers support and friendship to our young adult members. Simply select a manila envelope for one of our young adults; available for pick-up in the narthex. More info at firstlu.org/caringconnections.

Young adults: It's not too late to be included in Caring Connections! Whether you are college-bound or not, stop in the church office or email grads@firstlu.org your new address so that we can keep you connected in our Caring Connections Ministry!

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Sunday, November 29

- 9:15am: Students assembling food for food drive

Sunday, December 6: Rehearsal

- K–5th graders will have extended opening in their opening classrooms and then go to class
- 3 and 4 year olds will have opening in their usual location

New registrations welcome any time of the year. Contact Sunday School superintendents Sheri Betz and Tawni O'Rourke at sundayschool@firstlu.org or stop in the Sunday School office in room 206.

SUNSHINE BOYS

The Sunshine Boys serve at First on the first Thursday of each month; the next meeting will be **Thur., December 3, 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.

HS LOCK-IN!

Stay up all night hanging out with fellow youth! Joint lock-in with English Lutheran in La Crosse (at English Lutheran). Bring friends!! **Fri., Dec. 4, 9pm – Sat. 7am**

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!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

A baptism preparation session will be **Sat., Dec. 5, at 10am** in the narthex for anyone who is considering or has scheduled a baptism. To register or ask questions, contact the church office: 608.783.2236, office@firstlu.org.

Tables of Blessing

On **Sunday, December 6**, our congregation will celebrate “Tables of Blessing” to recognize the many ways God loves us and to celebrate our thoughtful response to God’s grace in our lives. We urge you to plan now to attend two important events:

- Sunday morning worship at either 8am or 10:30am and...
- The “Tables of Blessing” meal later that day.

More details at: firstlu.org/tablesofblessing

OWLS FLY TO SUGAR CREEK FOR YESTERDAY’S YOUTH

The morning program is “Eternity in Our Hearts” presented by Pastor Ron Nowland, and Sheila Champlin will present a “Tour of Ireland.” Date: **Monday, December 7, leaving church at 8am**. Cost: \$10 (includes lunch). The OWLs are a group at First that welcomes anyone, First Lutheran members or not, who are 55+. For more info contact Brian Narveson at owls@firstlu.org.

HS MOVIE NIGHT

Are you a movie buff? High schoolers, come teach Tina your ways! We will get together once a month to watch a movie and discuss after. Bring popcorn to share! **Tuesday, December 8 @ 7–8:45pm, at the house**.

WOMEN’S COOKIE BAKING PARTY

Thursday, December 10, 7–9pm. Baking cookies to give as gifts during caroling, in the kitchen off the fellowship hall. It’s more about the fellowship than the baking!

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



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THIS WEEK: Nov. 29–Dec. 6

SUN 29	8:00am Worship 9:15am Church History - Thomas Rm 9:15am Little Leaps - Rm 102 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am Thankful Food Drive 9:15am The Story Small Group - Mary Rm 9:15am No Sunday School & Confirmation; Students Assembling Food for Food Drive
	10:30am Worship 11:45am Youth Praise Band Rehearsal - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Group - FH
MON 30	3:30pm Faith and Movies Confirmation Cls- FH 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 1	9:00am Quilters - FS 1:30pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - Mary Rm
WED 2	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karyn - Panera 5:00pm Stewardship A - FS 5:15pm Knitters - NX 6:15pm Worship 6:30pm Peer Ministry 7:00pm 8th & 9th Gr Small Groups 7:00pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - SN
THUR 3	9:00am Sunshine Boys 6:15pm Brene Brown Small Grp - FH 6:15pm NarAnon - FS
FRI 4	7:00pm AA - FH 9:00pm High School Lock-In - English Lutheran
SAT5	10:00am Baptismal Preparation - NX
SUN 6	TABLES OF BLESSING SUNDAY 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sun. School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation 9:15am Lord's Prayer Confirmation Cls - TR 9:15am Parent Share - Upper Rm 9:15am The Story Small Group - Mary Rm 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Tables of Blessing Celebration Meals 6:30pm High School Youth Group - FH

ROOM KEY:

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

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