

READINGS

For Sunday, Feb. 14

First Last and Last First, Mark 10:17-31  
Pew Bible: 822, Spark Bible: 1113

For Wednesday, Feb. 17

God created human beings; not human doings  
Luke 10: 38-41  
Pew Bible: 845 Spark Bible: 1146

PRAYERS & CARE

Sympathy to the family & friends of Charlotte Hougom, wife of LeRoy Hougom  
Global Missionary: Aliyah Richling, serving in Hungary  
Military: Jack Vilim, serving in Turkey  
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 Greiner; Treat Providers: Tim Weihrouch, Sharon Kjos, Merrill & Judy Wachter; Coffee Servers: Sue Wieman, Kellu Garson

SUNDAY, FEB. 14, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Randy Nedrelo, Tami Tooke, Jennifer Wiesjahn, Glen Vilim; Reader: Sharon Kjos; Ushers: the Southworth family, Vicki Helfrich; Puppet Volunteers: Becky Runde, Beth Curtis; Projectionist: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, FEB. 14, 10:30am

Acolytes: Lexi & Kenzie Miller; Communion Servers: Dick & Peggy Daleki; Reader: Linda Green; Usher: Todd Lofald; Puppet Volunteer: Jerad McHenry; Projectionist: Renee Thies

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 11:00am

Reader: Peggy Daleki

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 6:15pm

Reader: Andrea Dombroski ; Ushers: Tommy Duren, CJ Lass; Nursery Attendant: Madalyn Olson

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUN., FEB. 14 & WED., FEB. 17

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.

FIRST'S ANNUAL  
POTLUCK  
TODAY!

All members are invited to First's Annual Potluck THIS SUNDAY, Feb. 14, at 11:45am. We will eat together, and our kids will play together while the adults share our greatest faith stories from the past year. God is doing all kinds of things at First Lutheran, so our Annual Potluck will be a celebration of what has been and a look ahead to what will be; including a Q&A regarding Pastor Stanton's sabbatical in 2017. No RSVP needed; crash the potluck!

SERMON NOTES & AUDIO

Sermon notes are available from ushers during worship; they are also available online, along with the sermon audio, at firstlu.org/sermons. Sermon notes are meant to be used...

- During worship to write down things you hear that surprise, shock, or otherwise strike a chord with you.
- At home, to think about what you heard during the sermon and what it means to you, in your life, right now.
- In small groups, to share your thoughts and to listen to others talk about how they heard the sermon and were moved by it.

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!

# SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

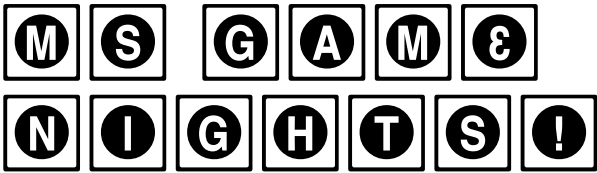
Sunday, February 14

- 9:15am 4th Grd Faith Building Block: Apostle's Creed (3rd meeting, parents/guardians with child) in fellowship hall

Sunday, February 21

- 3- & 4-year olds sing at 10:30am worship
- 4th Grd Faith Building Block: Apostle's Creed, lifted up in worship

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



Middle schoolers: come join in a fun night of fellowship and games. This is a get-together for those game nerds out there! Bring your own favorite games to share with the group! **Sat., Feb. 20, 6–8pm, in fellowship hall.**

## WHO WILL BE OUR SYNOD'S NEXT YOUNG ADULTS IN GLOBAL MISSION (YAGM)?

"As they offer themselves in service, ELCA young adults are shaped by the witness of our global neighbors." If you are interested in this year-long service assignment in another country—or know of someone who would be—learn more at [1stlu.org/1UtgBXE](http://1stlu.org/1UtgBXE) and then **apply by Feb. 15, 2016.** This opportunity is for young adults from age 21-29 with **service to begin in August 2016.**



On **Wed., Feb. 17** the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will have their potluck **at noon in the fellowship hall.** Also at **4:30pm on Friday, February 26,** the OWLs will fly to see "Singing in Rain" at the UW-La Crosse theatre, with dinner before the musical at the Waterfront. RSVP to Brian Narveson by Monday night, Feb. 22: [owls@firstlu.org](mailto:owls@firstlu.org) or 608.526.9700. Cost: \$16, dinner on your own.

## PRIVILEGE—WHAT IS IT AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

**Thursday, February 25, 6–8:30pm at English Lutheran Church, 1509 King Street, La Crosse.** Join community activist and educator Sam Scinta for an interactive conversation about privilege, its historical basis and its presence in society today. Through this informative session, consciousness and awareness of the topic will be developed in a supportive and constructive environment. We will examine privilege in the context of race, as well as socio-economic differences and other factors. Please call 608.788.5000 or email the synod at [office@lacrosseareasynod.org](mailto:office@lacrosseareasynod.org) to let them know you plan to attend. Space is limited to 20 people at each session.

## 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! **Saturday, February 27, 6–8pm, at the house.**

## SUGAR CREEK WINTER FUN DAY!

This is a middle school, high school and a Young Youth family event!! On **Sunday, February 28** at Sugar Creek. We will be leaving after church (second service) and will return around 6pm. Come on out for an afternoon of snow tubing, broom ball, snow shoeing, wagon rides and more!! They have tubes, snow shoes, broom ball equipment, warm drinks, good food (dinner is included) and a toasty fire ready for you! Bring your cross country skis and/or ice skates. Cost is \$5/person. Young Youth RSVP to [katie@firstlu.org](mailto:katie@firstlu.org). Middle and high school RSVP to [tina@firstlu.org](mailto:tina@firstlu.org).

## BLOOD DRIVE

**Tuesday, March 8, 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](http://www.bcw.edu/firstluthona). Please bring a photo ID.

## PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Join us for our open house on **Thursday, March 10 from 4:30-5:30pm.** Meet the teachers and check out the classrooms!

*To learn more about these and other announcements, head to our website at [www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org](http://www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org)*

## THIS WEEK: Feb. 14–21

SUN 14	<b>8:00am Worship</b> 9:15am Lent Small Grp - Rm 209 w/ Beth Miller 9:15am Parent Share -UR 9:15am The Story Small Grp - MR 9:15am 4th Grd Faith Building Block: Apostle's Creed (3rd Mtg, child w/ parents/guardians) - FH 9:15am Sun School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation <b>10:30am Worship</b> 11:45am First's Annual Potluck - FH 11:45am Lent Small Grp - UR w/ Shaz Kjos 12:00pm Dating, Relationships & Love - Rm 207 6:00pm Financial Peace - FH 6:30pm First HS Youth Grp - MR
MON 15	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Judy Johnson's home 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 16	9:00am Quilters - FS 9:30am Staff Mtg 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg - FS
WED 17	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera <b>11:00am Worship</b> 11:45am Light Lent Lunch - NX 12:00pm OWLs Potluck - FH 5:00pm Apostle's Creed B - FS 5:00pm Women of the Bible - Rm 207 5:00pm Lent Supper - FH 5:15pm Knitters - UR <b>6:15pm Worship</b> 7:00pm 8th & 9th Gr Small Grps 7:00pm Lent Small Grp -UR w/ Bev DiNicola 7:00pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - SN
THUR 18	9:00am Deborah's Circle - Panera 9:30am Lent Small Grp - Julie Moseng home 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX 6:00pm Gifts of Imperfection Small Grp - FH
FRI 19	7:00pm AA - FS
SAT 20	6:00pm Middle School Game Night - FH
SUN 21	3- & 4-YEAR OLDS SING AT 10:30AM WORSHIP 4TH GRD FAITH BUILDING BLOCK: APOSTLE'S CREED, LIFTED UP IN WORSHIP <b>8:00am Worship</b> 9:15am Social Media & Faith - FH 9:15am Lent Small Grp - Rm 209 w/ Beth Miller 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am The Story Small Grp - MR 9:15am Sun School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation <b>10:30am Worship</b> 11:30am Parent Info Mtg: Puerto Rico Mission Trip - FH 11:45am Lent Small Grp - UR w/ Shaz Kjos 6:00pm Financial Peace - FH 6:30pm First HS Youth Grp - MR

CR = Choir Room      FH = Fellowship Hall      FS = Fireside Room  
MR = Mary Room      NX = Narthex      SN = Sanctuary  
TR = Thomas Room      UR = Upper Room  
For more information, visit our website at [www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org](http://www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org)