

READINGS

For Sunday, Mar. 13

The End of the Age, Mark 13:1-8, 24-37  
*Pew Bible: 825, Spark Bible: 1118*

For Wednesday, Mar. 16

Blessed to be a Blessing, Luke 16:19-30  
*Pew Bible: 851, Spark Bible: 1155*

PRAYERS & CARE

Hospital: Mary Meier  
Home: Gary Green  
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.

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: Louise Zoerb, Lowell & Mary Meier, Arnie & Nancy Holthaus, Marilyn & Sig Rudser; Coffee Servers: Carroll Lombard, the Leppert family

SUNDAY, MAR. 13, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Larry Schreiner, Randy Nedrelo;  
Reader: Shari Hegland; Usher: Bob Dean; Puppet Volunteers: Sophia Stanton; Projection Leader: Steve Klingemann

SUNDAY, MAR. 13, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Tami Tooke, Judy Johnson;  
Reader: Nancy Beguin; Ushers: Suzanne & Nathan Alberts; Puppet Volunteers: Jerad McHenry

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 16, 11:00am

Reader: Peggy Daleki

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 16, 6:15pm

Reader: Mark Koenig; Ushers: Austin Larson, Nick Pica; Nursery Attendant: Deb Eckert; Projection Leader: Richard Daleki

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
SUN., MAR. 13 & WED., MAR. 16

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 Welcome Center 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!**

CONNECTION CARDS

Connection Cards help the staff keep in touch with the needs of members and visitors alike. **Please fill out a Connection 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.

CANDY SALE

First Lutheran Women will sell the last of the nuts and candies in the narthex on **Sunday, March 13.** Buy a sweet treat for Easter and help fund new flooring in Fellowship Hall.

PRESCHOOL  
REGISTRATION

Preschool registration is **March 14 from 9:30-noon** for church members and 10:30am-noon for the community.



The OWLs, a group for those 55+, will have their next potluck on **Wednesday, March 16, at noon in the narthex.** They will again provide lunch for mid-day Lenten worshippers, so bring extra to share.

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!

**SERMON NOTES & AUDIO**  
Sermon notes are available from ushers during worship; they are also available online, along with the sermon audio, at 1st.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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE**  
**Sunday, March 13**

- 9:15am Sunday School classes
- 9:15am 5th Grd Faith Building Block: Communion (2nd meeting, child with parents/guardians)

**Palm Sunday, March 20**

- No Sunday School classes: enjoy the Palm Sunday breakfast!

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.

**MISSION INTERPRETER WORKSHOP/TRAINING DAY**  
**Sat, March 19, 9am–1pm**, at the synod office, 2301 South Ave, La Crosse. To register or ask questions contact Cindy Berg: billandcindyb@gmail.com / 608.788.7645.

**PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER**  
**March 20, 9–10:30am.** Anyone going on a trip/camp this summer can help work to raise money. Sign up to work & donate food at the Welcome Center and at 1stlu.org/palmsun.

**YOUNG YOUTH & YOUNGER EASTER EGG HUNT**  
Join us on **March 20 from 11:45am–12:45pm** for an Easter egg hunt and fun! All kids 5th grade and younger can join in this exciting hour to explore, have a snack and enjoy fellowship with friends. Please RSVP at 1stlu.org/egghunt or email office@firstlu.org.

**HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

- **Palm Sunday, March 20, worship at 8:00am & 10:30am**, Pancake breakfast between services, no Sunday School
- **Monday, March 21, worship at 6:30pm**
- **Tuesday, March 22, worship at 6:30pm**
- **Wednesday, March 23, worship at 6:30pm**
- **Maundy Thursday, March 24, worship at 12:15pm & 6:30pm**
- **Good Friday, March 25, worship at 12:15pm & 6:30pm**
- **Saturday Prayer Vigil, March 26, worship at 6:30pm**
- **Easter Sunday, March 27, worship at 7:30am, 9:00am, and 10:45am**, No Sunday School on Easter Sunday

*The office will be closed at noon on Friday, March 25 and all day Monday, March 28*

**COME FOR SUPPER**  
First Lutheran is assisting with Come for Supper on **Tuesday, March 22**, at Our Savior’s in La Crosse. First Lutheran will help with food donations and volunteering to serve and clean up. The sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center. Call Gloria Kubiak if you have questions, 608.498.2762.

**SMALL GROUP: KNOWING ME, KNOWING THEM**  
*Why are my kids so different from me?* Join with other parents in a 5-week small group to discover your parenting personality type using the Enneagram, and explore how your personality affects your parenting style. Knowing Me Knowing Them by Tracy Tresidder, Margaret Loftus, and Jacqui Pollock will help you learn how to connect and stay connected with your children, whether they are newborns or adults. Grandparents will find it helpful, too. Led by Carla Stanton, this group will meet **Sunday nights, April 3–May 5, 6:30–8pm.**

**MABEL ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP**  
Applications for the Mabel Anderson Scholarship are now available. Completed applications are **due no later than noon on April 8.**

Students may apply if they will graduate from high school in the spring and have plans to pursue post-secondary education. The application includes writing an essay and completing a worksheet that reflects the student’s involvement in church activities. The First Lutheran Foundation reviews applications and selects the recipients.

Application forms are available at 1stlu.org/scholarship, at the Welcome Center in the narthex, and at the church office.

THIS WEEK: Mar. 13–20	
SUN 13	<b>8:00am Worship</b> 9:15am Candy Sale 9:15am Lent Small Group - Rm 205 w/ Beth Miller 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am The Story Small Group - MR 9:15am 5th Grd Faith Building Block: Communion (2nd Mtg, child w/ parents/guardians) 9:15am Sun School & 6/7th Gr Confirmation <b>10:30am Worship</b> 11:45am Lent Small Group - UR w/ Shaz Kjos 11:45am Quad Cities Mission Trip Mtg - FH 6:30pm First HS Youth Group - MR
MON 14	9:30am Preschool Registration: opens to church members 10:30am Preschool Registration: opens to community 7:00pm Holy Week Creative Team - FH 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 15	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 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 Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg - FS
WED 16	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House 6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karyn - Panera <b>11:00am Worship</b> 11:45am Light Lent Lunch - NX 12:00pm OWLs Potluck - NX 5:00pm Keep Calm & Trust Jesus - FS 5:00pm Servant Leadership - RM 207 5:00pm Lent Supper - FH 5:15pm Knitters - UR <b>6:15pm Worship</b> 7:00pm 8th & 9th Gr Small Groups 7:00pm Lent Small Group - UR w/ Bev DiNicola 7:00pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - SN
THUR 17	9:30am Lent Small Group - Julie Moseng home 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX 5:30pm Early-Onset Dementia Support Grp - FS & UR 6:00pm Gifts of Imperfection Small Grp - FH
FRI 18	7:00pm AA - FS
SAT 19	9:00am Mission Interpreter Training - La Crosse Area Synod Office
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