READINGS

For Sunday, July 17

Job's Praver, Job 14:7-15, 19:23-27 Pew Bible: 401, Spark Bible: 555

For Wednesday, July 20

Jesus Visits Martha & Mary, Luke 10:38-42 Pew Bible: 845, Spark Bible: 1146

PRAYERS & CARE

For all chaperons & middle school youth traveling to and serving in the Quad Cities of Iowa this week.

Home: Bev Guenther

Global Missionary: Aliyah Richling, serving in Hungary Military: Jack Vilim, serving in Jordan; Matthew & Kellie Schreiner, serving in Japan

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: Peggy Daleki; Treat Providers: Carroll Lombard, Linda Smith, Shirley, Steve & Lynn Quandahl; Coffee Servers: Lorene Wehrenberg

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Larry Schreiner, Steve Yonkovich; Reader: Karen Meier: Ushers: Bob Dean. Bev Larson: Projection Leader: Randy Nedrelo

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 10:30am

Acolytes: McKenna & Cole Everson; Communion Servers: Paula Skoy, Diane Shuda; Reader: Mark Koenig

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 6:15pm

Ushers: Aaron & Brandon Schmit; Nursery Attendant: Deb Eckert

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., JULY 17 & WED., JULY 20

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.

Sunday school is over for the summer but children ages 3 (and potty-trained) through grade 5 can still spend time together on Sundays at 9:15 a.m. with an episode of Veggie Tales.

FAITH ALIVE CREATIVE CIRCLE

It is a scientific fact that exercising our creative muscles has all sorts of health benefits. It is also a scientific fact that gathering with people has all sorts of health benefits. It seems our ancestors knew these two things together can mean only good things for individuals and communities, so we are bringing back the "sewing circle" with a modern twist. Introducing the Faith Alive Creative Circle, a gathering of people working out their creative muscles. All are welcome to bring whatever project you are working on and enjoy fellowship while doing it. We also will have, from time to time, a shared project so that we can learn new things from each other. When are we meeting, you ask? We will meet the 3rd Monday of each month starting in July from 6-9pm in the Fellowship Hall. Join us on July 18!

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!

WELCOME ALIYAH HOME!

Our Youth in Global Mission, Alivah Richling, returns home from serving in Hungary this July! So make plans to worship at First on Sunday, July 24. We will take time in worship to welcome Aliyah home and celebrate her return

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC

We will celebrate our many volunteers at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Picnic from noon to 2pm on Sunday, July 24, at Rowe Park. RSVP to kathryn@firstlu.org.

COME FOR SUPPER

First Lutheran is assisting with Come for Supper on Tuesday, July 26, 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.

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY

It's a relaxing way to volunteer! Thursday, July 28. at 9am, to assemble the August newsletter. See you there!

Little LEAPs

This group is for parents/quardians and their children ages birth to 3 years old. It meets the last Sunday of the month, at 9:15am in room 102. Join us on Sunday, July 31, for singing, dancing, playing and praying together. We have time with the kids and time with just the adults. We welcome newcomers all the time — join us! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer who helps our children during adult time, contact Carla Stanton.

SUNSHINE BOYS

The Sunshine Boys serve at First on the first Thursday of each month; the next meeting will be Thur., August 4, at 9am. The Sunshine Boys are an informal group that performs a variety of 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.

SUGAR CREEK GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

Saturday, August 27, 1-6pm. Drugan's Castle Mound Country Club in Holmen. For more info about this fundraiser contact Sugar Creek directly: 608.734.3113 / camp@sgrcreek.org.

CLOTHES CLOSET

The Teen Clothes Closet is full. Due to space limitations, we are accepting only donations of boys jeans and shorts, and girls athletic shorts. Thank you.

LOOKING FOR YOUTH!

Summer is the perfect time for our young ones to be a part of our worship leadership! We are always looking for readers, ushers and acolytes for Sundays and Wednesdays. This is an easy way to be engaged in living out your faith and the ministry of First. Sign up today on our website: 1st.org/serve! If you have questions, connect with Pastor Karyn: karyn@ firstlu.org or 608.783.2236.

YOU: A CONFIRMATION **GUIDE**

We are on the search for faithful adults who are willing to spend an hour each week with our confirmation youth. You don't need to know the Bible backwards and forwards and you don't need a seminary degree! All you need is a heart for the youth of our church! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity and contact Tina for more information! tina@firstlu.org

PROVIDE A CHAIR AT THE TABLE

All year we have been talking about how God shows up when we Come to the Table. We installed a new floor in the Fellowship Hall, and we need new chairs to safely rest upon it. Please consider making a special gift to the Fellowship Hall Fund. A quality banquet chair costs about \$75, but gifts of all amounts are, of course, welcome. Thank you for providing a "Chair at the Table."

THIS WEEK: July 17-24

SUN 17 MS MISSION TRIP - QUAD CITIES, IA: SENDING AT 10:30 SERVICE

8:00am Worship

9:15am Parent Share - UR

9:15am The Story Small Group - MR

9:15am VegaieTales - FS

10:30am Worship

11:45am Women of the House

MON 18 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle

6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - FH

7:00pm AA - FS

TUES 19 9:00am Naomi's Circle

9:30am Staff Mta

5:15pm Personnel Team Mta

6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg - FS

6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - House

6:30am Coffee with Pastor Karvn - Panera

6:15pm Worship

THUR 21 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX

FRI 22 7:00pm AA - FS

SUN 24 WELCOME ALIYAH HOME

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP TO

WEST VIRGINIA SENDING - ALL SERVICES

8:00am Worship

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9:15am The Story Small Group - MR

9:15am VeggieTales - FS

10:30am Worship

11:45am Women of the House

12:00pm Volunteer Appreciation Picnic -

Rowe Park

ROOM KEY:

WED 20

CR = Choir Room MR = Mary Room

FS = Fireside Room FH = Fellowship Hall NX = Narthex SN = Sanctuary

TR = Thomas Room UR = Upper Room

For more info, visit our website at www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org

SERVE @ WORSHIP!

OPENINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Acolytes, Coffee Servers, Communion Servers, Nursery Helpers, Puppet Volunteers & Ushers.

Sign up at the Welcome Center or on your phone or computer at 1stlu.org/serve