READINGS

For Sunday, Feb 19

Forgiven at Jesus' Feet, Luke 7:36-50 Pew Bible: 840, Spark Bible: 1139

For Wednesday, Feb 22

Concerning Retaliation, Matthew 5:38-48 Pew Bible: 786, Spark Bible: 1063

PRAYERS & CARE

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 Karyn Bodenschatz Organist: Gabe Hicks; Nursery Attendant: Crystal Miller; Bread Baker: Joshua Degenhardt; Treat Providers: Arlette Knudsen, Shirley Sacia, Andrew Hafner, Jeri Metzig; Coffee Servers: Tina Nelson and youths

SUNDAY, FEB 19, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Bridget Crave, Glen Vilim; Reader: Audrey Vinz; Puppet Volunteer: Jerad McHenry; Projection Leader: Steve Klingemann

SUNDAY, FEB 19, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Peggy & Dick Daleki; Reader: Judy Johnson; Projection Leader: Doug Shupe

WEDNESDAY, FEB 22, 6:15pm

Reader: Carol Skoy; Ushers: Emma Kennan, Landon Peterson; Nursery Attendant: Deb Eckert; Projection Leader: Brian Wittkop

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., FEB 19 & WED., FEB 22

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.

FAITH ALIVE CREATIVE CIRCLE

Monday, Feb. 20, 6-9pm. Meeting the third Monday of each month in Fellowship Hall, the Faith Alive Creative Circle is a gathering of people working out their creative muscles. All are welcome. Bring whatever project you are working on and enjoy fellowship while doing it. Join us!



On **Friday, Feb. 24,** the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will leave church at 4:30pm for a night out, complete with dinner in La Crosse and followed by the UW-L production of Stephen Sondheim's Company. RSVP to Brian at owls@firstlu.org by 1pm on Monday, Feb. 20.

SUGAR CREEK WINTER FUN DAY

A Young Youth family event! On **Sunday**, **Feb. 26**, at Sugar Creek. We will leave after church (second service) and will return about 6pm. Come for an afternoon of snow tubing, broom ball, snow shoeing, wagon rides and more!! They will have warm drinks, food (dinner is included) and a toasty fire ready for you! Cost: \$7/person. RSVP to katie@firstlu.org.

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

Sunday, Feb 19

- · Sunday School, 9:15am:
 - 3- & 4-yr-olds, parent drop-off in 4K Rm
 - Gr K-5, parent drop-off in Choir Rm
- 9:15am 3-Yr Old Faith Building Block: Praying Together (3rd meeting, parents/ guardians & child) - FH
- 9:15am Little Leaps Rm 102

Sunday, Feb 26

- 9:15am Frolic! Rm 102
- 9:15am Kindergarten Faith Building Block: Lord's Prayer (1st meeting, parents/guardians only) - FH
- 9:15am Sunday School

New registrations welcome any time of the year. Contact Sunday school superintendents Beth & Joel Miller at sundayschool@firstlu.org or stop in the Sunday school office in room 206.

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, February 19:

- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes
- 6:30pm Class: Being a Faithful Public Servant

Tuesday, February 21:

- 6:00pm Class: Faith and Movies Wednesday, February 22:
- 5:00pm Class: 10 Commandments
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups Friday, February 24:
- 8:00am Class: Outdoor Ministry

WELCOME BASKETS

Remember to pick up a welcome basket for your new neighbor. Located in the resource center.

WORSHIP TEAM GATHERINGS

In order to better know other members in our worship teams, and to review team goals, plan on attending the gathering time for your teams listed below:

- Feb 19, 11:30am for Acolytes
- Feb 22, 7pm for Assisting Ministers (these people will assist in leading worship, speaking the prayers, leading the creed, dismissing people etc.)
- Feb 26, 11:30am for Communion Servers
- March 5, 11:30am for Altar Guild/Communion Set-up
- March 8, 7pm for Intercessors (these people will write the prayers of intercession each week)
- March 12, 11:30am for Puppets and Tech
- March 15, 7pm for Worship
 Coordinators (these people will be our
 primary coordinator for any given worship
 service, making sure people are present,
 trouble-shooting when needed, and
 eventually helping with training etc. We are
 seeking 6 people to make this team.)
- · March 19, 11:30am for Ushers
- · March 22, 7pm for Bread Bakers

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

World Day of Prayer, **March 3, 9:30am,** at West Salem Presbyterian Church, 625 W. Franklin St. \$5 brunch. RSVP to Helen by March 1: 608.786.0856.

FOOD BASKET NEEDS

The Onalaska/Holmen Food Basket is in need of the following: (donations can be placed in the basket in the front entry)

- Tomato products
- Baked beans

- Hamburger Helper
- · Mac and cheese

FIRST TEEN CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS

Specific needs at the clothes closet right now, as we try to assist groups of young people with job-preparation programs:

- XS (0-2) womens/girls dress pants
- Womens dress shoes sizes 10 and up

Donations may be dropped off in the shopping cart located in the front entry of the church. Thank you!

CANCER-NOW WHAT?

We have a new book in the resource center that many of you might find valuable, *Cancer—Now What?* by Dr. Kenneth Haugk, the founder of the Stephen Ministry Program. Randy Nedrelo, a member of First Lutheran and a Stephen Minister, recommends the book.

YOUR PURCHASES AT FESTIVAL, KWIK TRIP & WOODMAN'S CAN SUPPORT YOUTH MINISTRY

Simply purchase cards for the above stores at the scrip table in the narthex!

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

THIS WEEK: Feb 19-26 SUN 19 8:00am Worship

9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS

9:15am Parent Share - UR

9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR

9:15am Teacher Huddle

9:15am Faith Families Event w/ Sugar Creek - FH

10:30am Worship

11:30am Acolyte Info Mtg - SN

1:00pm Healing Democracy Action Circle - FS

6:30pm High School Youth Grp - MR

6:30pm Confirmation Class: Being a Faithful

Public Servant - UR

MON 20 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle -Nancy Thorson's home

6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - FH

7:00pm AA - FS

TUES 21 9:00am Quilters - FS 9:00am Naomi's Circle

9:30am Staff Mtg

5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy

6:00pm Confirmation Class: Faith & Movies - FH

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

WED 22 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS

6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera 9:00am Newsletter Assembly - NX

5:00pm Confirmation Class:

10 Commandments - FS 5:15pm Prayer Shawl Knitters - NX 6:00pm Peer Ministry - MR and FS

6:15pm Worship

7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps

7:00pm Assisting Minister Mtg - FH

7:00pm Choir Practice - SN

FRI 24 8:00am Confirmation Class: Outdoor Ministry 4:30pm OWLS fly to see Company

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SUN 26 8:00am Worship

9:15am Confirmation Class: Lord's Prayer - TR

9:15am Confirmation Class: Social Media and Faith - SN

9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS

9:15am Parent Share - UR

9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR

9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102

9:15am Kindergarten Faith Building Block: Lord's Prayer (1st Mtg, parents/guardians only) - FH

9:15am Sunday School

10:30am Worship

11:30am Communion Servers Mtg - SN

11:45am Winter Fun Day at Sugar Creek

5:00pm High School Praise Band Practice - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Grp - MR

6:30pm Confirmation Class: Being a Faithful Public Servant - LCPD

ROOM KEY:

CR = Choir Room FS = Fireside Room FH = Fellowship Hall
MR = Mary Room NX = Narthex SN = Sanctuary

TR = Thomas Room UR = Upper Room