

READINGS

For Sunday, March 12

Lament over Jerusalem, Luke 13:1-9,31-35
Pew Bible: 848, Spark Bible: 1150

For Wednesday, March 15

Observe the Sabbath, Deuteronomy 5:12-14
Pew Bible: 142, Spark Bible: 197

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: Brandon Lun; Treat Providers: Shari Hegland, Melissa Forbes, Jill Inge; Coffee Servers: Rob & Jo Ann Kranig

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Mark Carr, Tina Buchal; Reader: Olivia Konrardy-Buchal; Ushers: Bev Larson, Bob Dean; Projection Leader: Larry Schreiner

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Mark Carr; Reader: Nancy Beguin; Ushers: Jennifer, Hunter & Carter Wehrenberg; Projection Leader: John Peterson

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 6:15pm

Reader: Tara Shilts; Ushers: Kenzie Marcon, Nick Pica; Nursery Attendant: Deb Eckert; Projection Leader: Brian Wittkop

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
SUN., MAR 12 & WED., MAR 15

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.

WELCOME TO
PASTORS MARK CARR
& MELINDA PUPILLO

This Sunday we extend a warm welcome to Pastor Mark, chaplain at Mayo Clinic Health System and former interim pastor here at First. He joins Pastor Karyn in worship this Sunday and will deliver the message. This Wednesday, we extend a warm welcome to Pastor Melinda, who is the Program and Retreat Coordinator at the Franciscan Spirituality Center and the evil sister in the La Crosse Community Theatre's recent production of *Xanadu!* She will join Pastor Karyn in worship and give the message during the remaining Wednesdays in Lent.

GRADUATION MILESTONE

Graduates: You and your parents/guardians are cordially invited to mark the milestone of your graduation at First Lutheran's High School Graduation Recognition Dinner on **Sunday, March 19, from 6-8pm.** RSVP to the church office by March 12: 608.783.2236.

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, March 12

- 9:15am Kindergarten Faith Building Block: Lord's Prayer (3rd meeting, parents/guardians & child) - Fellowship Hall
- 9:15am Sunday School

Sunday, March 19

- Kindergarten Faith Building Block: Lord's Prayer, lifted up in worship
- 9:15am Gr 5 Faith Building Block: Communion (1st meeting, parents/guardians only) - Fellowship Hall
- 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:

- 9:15am Lord's Prayer
- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes
- 6:00pm Overcoming Obstacles

Wednesday:

- 5:00pm Keep Calm and Trust Jesus
- 5:00pm Stewardship
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

WORSHIP TEAM GATHERINGS

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

- **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**

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2017

First Lutheran Preschool registration is **March 13, from 9:30am-noon** for church members, and 10:30am-noon for the community. Register at the preschool during the registration times above, or call the preschool at 608.779.4504.

TELL YOUR FAITH STORY

Your help is needed. On **Tuesday, March 14, at 7pm**, there will be a Faith Alive Storytellers meeting in the Upper Room. We have about half a dozen regular storytellers, and we need more. These short (only 250 words) weekly stories, told during the offering on Sundays, are a way to thank the congregation for their generosity and show how ELCA Lutherans help others. If you have questions, call Pat Lunney at 608.769.9166.



On **Wednesday, March 15**, the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will have their monthly potluck at **11:45am in the narthex**. Questions? Contact Brian Narveson at owls@firstlu.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUGAR CREEK RETREAT

Friday, March 17, 6pm-Sunday, March 19, 2pm. Come for a Spirit-filled weekend of new friends, Bible studies, winter activities, good food and more! Each retreat is better than the last, and we always come away wanting more. Cost: \$85. Free transportation in the church van!

FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH: SKIN SO SOFT BUG GUARD PLUS

Do you use bug spray during the summer? Chances are the answer is yes — and everyone around you has the same answer! From **March 5 to 26**, youths can sell Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus products to their family and friends and make money toward their church trip this summer. Ask Tina for more info: tina@firstlu.org

COME FOR SUPPER

First Lutheran is assisting with Come for Supper on **Tuesday, March 28**, at Our Savior's in La Crosse. First Lutheran will help with food donations, serving and cleaning up. The sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center. Call Gloria Kubiak if you have questions, 608.498.2762.

MABEL ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available. Completed applications are **due no later than 11:30am on Sunday, April 30**. 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. Application forms are available at 1stlu.org/ scholarship or in the church office during office hours, M-F 8am-4pm.

THIS WEEK: March 12-19

SUN 12	8:00am Worship 9:00am Small Grp in the House 9:15am Confirm Cls: Lord's Prayer - TR 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 Kindergarten FBB: Lord's Prayer (3rd Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - FH 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30am Puppet Ministry Mtg - CR 11:30am Tech Mtg - SN 5:00pm Healing Democracy Action Circle - FS 5:00pm Small Grp - UR 5:00pm High School Praise Band Practice - SN 6:00pm Confirm Cls: Overcoming Obstacles - FS 6:30pm High School Youth Grp - MR
MON 13	9:30am Preschool Reg Opens 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 14	9:00am Quilters - FS 9:30am Staff Mtg 1:00pm Dorcas Circle - NX 3:30pm Worship & Music Team - NX 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy 5:30pm Community Dinner at United Methodist 7:00pm FAST Talkers Mtg - UR
WED 15	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera 11:00am Lenten Worship 11:45am Lenten Lunch 12:00pm OWLs Potluck - NX & FH 5:00pm Lenten Small Grp- MR 5:00pm Confirm Cls: Keep Calm & Trust Jesus 5:00pm Confirm Cls: Stewardship - FS 5:00pm Lenten Supper 5:15pm Prayer Shawl Knitters - UR 6:00pm Peer Ministry - MR & FS 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN 7:00pm Small Grp - UR 7:00pm Worship Co-ordinator Mtg - FH
THUR 16	10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX
FRI 17	MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT - SUGAR CREEK 6:30am Men's Lent Small Grp - FS 10:30am Lent Small Grp - UR 7:00pm AA - FS
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ROOM KEY:

CR = Choir Room	FS = Fireside Room	FH = Fellowship Hall
MR = Mary Room	NX = Narthex	SN = Sanctuary
TR = Thomas Room	UR = Upper Room	

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