# **RFADINGS**

### For Sunday, March 19

Lost Sheep, Coin, Son, Luke 15:1-32 Pew Bible: 850, Spark Bible: 1153

## For Wednesday, March 22

The Covenant Extended, Isaiah 56:3-8 Pew Bible: 599, Spark Bible: 798

# 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: Mary Nicolai; Treat Providers: Ellis & Judy Stetzer, Curt Jacobson, Marilyn & Sig Rudser; Coffee Servers: Sara Larkin, Stephanie & Robert Lass, Linda Smith

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Tara Shilts, Bridget Crave; Reader: Allan Ohm; Projection Leader: Steve Klingemann

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 10:30am**

Communion Servers: Tara Shilts; Nursery: Meredith Saner; Projection Leader: Doug Shupe

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 6:15pm

Ushers: Brianna Rebhahn, Brooke Visker; Nursery Attendant: Deb Eckert; Projection Leader: Brian Wittkop

#### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., MAR 19 & WED., MAR 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!

# WELCOME TO TARA SHILTS

This Sunday we extend a warm welcome to Tara Shilts, a diaconal minister in the La Crosse Area Synod. She joins Pastor Karyn in worship this Sunday and will deliver the message.

### **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 19, 11:30am for ushers
- · March 22, 7pm for bread bakers

### 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!

Baptismal blessings are extended to Ripley Josephine Kretschmer, daughter of Scott & Genevieve Kretschmer

Nora Elizabeth Nicholson, daughter of Bradley & Christine Nicholson



# SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### Sunday, Mar 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

#### Sunday, Mar 26

- 9:15am Frolic! Rm 102
- 9:15am Gr 5 Faith Building Block: Communion (2nd meeting, parents/guardians & child) -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 Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes Wednesday:
- 5:00pm Keep Calm and Trust Jesus
- 5:00pm Stewardship
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

# **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.

# **BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursday, March 30, 12:30-5:30pm. 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. Walk-ins welcome; appointments encouraged, schedule yours at www.bcw. edu/firstluthona. Please bring a photo ID.

# **REFUGEES: A WORLDWIDE CRISIS**

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in conjunction with La Crescent Community Education is offering a course on four consecutive Tuesdays beginning April 4, at 7pm. This course is designed to inform and provide opportunity for discussion about issues surrounding the refugee crisis in the world, the causes of this crisis, and how we might respond to it. Each week will feature a speaker and time for conversation. Speakers will include an immigration attorney, a Somalian refugee, and Ethiopian refugees. You are welcome to participate in any or all of these sessions. Contact La Crescent Community Education at 507-895-5150 to register.

# 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.

# **CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS THIS MONTH!**

- Prom: Dresses, shoes and jewelry welcome!
- · Athletic shorts for guys and girls.
- Shopping bags.

Thank you for your continued support!

# **BAPTISMAL** PREPARATION

A baptism preparation session will be Saturday, April 1, at 10am in the narthex for anyone who is considering or has scheduled a baptism. To register or ask questions, contact the church office: 608.783.2236 / office@firstlu.org.

# SUGAR CREEK HORSE PROJECT

Camper fees at Sugar Creek Bible Camp cover only 73% of the cost of camp. Monetary gifts are vital to the camp's operating budget, and you can help by donating through the Sugar Creek Horse Project. Look

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#### 8:00am Worship

9:00am Small Grp in the House

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 Gr 5 Faith Building Block: Communion (1st Mtg, parents/guardians only) - FH

9:15am Sunday School

#### 10:30am Worship

11:30am Usher Mtg - SN

5:00pm Small Grp UR

5:00pm High School Praise Band Practice - SN 6:00pm Graduation Milestone Recognition - FH

MON 20 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Marsha Vance's

3:30pm Worship & Music Team - NX

6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - Narveson's

7:00pm AA - FS

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

9:30am Staff Mta

5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg

5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy

6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Property Mngmt Team Mtg

6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg

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

6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera

#### 11:00am Lenten Worship

11:45am Lenten Lunch

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 Bread Bakers Mta - FH

7:00pm Choir Practice - SN

7:00pm Small Grp - UR

6:30am Men's Lent Small Grp - FS

10:00am Lent Small Grp - UR

7:00pm AA - FS

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#### **ROOM KEY:**

FRI 24

CR = Choir Room FS = Fireside Room MR = Mary Room

NX = Narthex

FH = Fellowship Hall SN = Sanctuary

TR = Thomas Room UR = Upper Room

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