

READINGS

For Sunday, April 2

Zacchaeus, Luke 18:31-19:10

Pew Bible: 853, Spark Bible: 1158

For Wednesday, April 5

A Plea for Relief from Oppressors, Psalm 73

Pew Bible: 465, Spark Bible: 630

PRAYERS & CARE

Sympathy to the family & friends of John Halgrimson

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.

Sunday attendant: Deb Eckert

Wednesday attendant: Crystal Miller

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; Bread Baker: Emma Keenan

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 8:00am

Reader: Karen Meier; Puppet Volunteers: Trish Perez-Guerra; Projection Leader: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 10:30am

Reader: Judy Johnson; Puppet Volunteers: Jerad McHenry; Projection Leader: Ronn Thies

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 6:15pm

Reader: Mary Every; Ushers: Kenzie Marcon, Lilli Madsen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
SUN., APRIL 2 & WED., APRIL 5

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!**

WELCOME CENTER HOSTS

Gloria Kubiak, Todd Lofald, Doris Hagen

CONNECTION CARDS

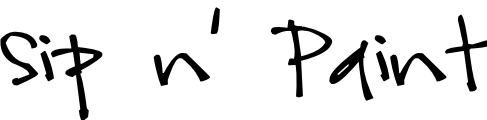
Connection Cards help the staff keep in touch with the needs of members and visitors alike. **Please fill out a Connection Card each week,** complete with prayer concerns and anything else you'd like the Pastors to know. Hand it to an usher on your way forward for communion, or place it in the offering plate. Thanks!

HOSPITALITY ACTION TEAMS

Coffee Servers: Delores Teale, Renee Thies, Sara & Katie Larkin. Treat Providers: Merrill & Judy Wachter, Bethany Girtler, Nicole Garbers

COFFEE WITH
PASTOR KARYN

This small group is open to all and now meets in a new location, at Uptowne Cafe, 1217 Caledonia St., La Crosse, at **6:30am each Wednesday.** See you there!



Thursday, April 6, 6:30pm. Bring a friend or two! This is a great time to relax and let go of the worries of the world or to allow your brain to think through a problem in a different way and enjoy yourself.

- Cost: \$33
- Bring: a beverage of your choice
- Limited to 20 people
- Sign up at 1stlu.org/sipnpaint

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!

Wedding blessings are extended to
Hailie Meyer & Dante Warren



SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Sunday, April 2**
- 9:15am Faith Families Event - FH
- Palm Sunday, April 9**
- No Sunday School: enjoy the breakfast!
- Wednesday, April 12**
- 4:00pm Gr 5 Faith Building Block: Communion (bread baking, child only) - Fellowship Hall
- Maundy Thursday, April 13**
- Gr 5 Faith Building Block: Communion, lifted up at 6:30pm worship
- Easter Sunday, April 16**
- No Sunday School: have a blessed Easter!
- 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, April 2:**
- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes
 - 2:00pm Icing and Outreach
- Monday, April 3:**
- 7:00pm Holy Week Creative Team
- Wednesday, April 5:**
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

PASTOR STANTON RETURNS!

Pastor Stanton will be back in worship next Sunday! Watch our social media (facebook.com/1stlu or twitter.com/1stlu) or sign up for our email announcements (1stlu.org/subscribe) to learn exactly when and how we will welcome him back!

NEEDED: SHEETS

The First Lutheran quilters need sheets (gently used) and can always use fabric. Donations may be dropped off at the church office.

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Fundraiser for youths going on mission trips and to Bible camp. No coffee hour nor Sunday school between services on April 9. Breakfast will be served **9-10:30am**.

YOUNG YOUTH & YOUNGER EASTER EGG HUNT

Join us on **Palm Sunday, April 9, from 9:45-10:15am** for an Easter egg hunt and fun! Children in grade 5 and younger may join in to explore and enjoy fellowship with friends. *RSVP at 1stlu.org/egghunt or office@firstlu.org.*



On **Thursday, April 13**, the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will fly to the Shrine of Our Lady Guadalupe. Departure from church is at 10:30am, returning around 3:30pm. Everything is handicap accessible: golf carts are provided for the hill, and seating is available during the tour of the chapel and church. RSVP to Brian at owls@firstlu.org or call 608-526-9700 by Tuesday, April 11.

LUTHER CATHEDRAL CHOIR: PERFORMANCE & HOUSING!

Under the direction of conductor Jennaya Robison the choir will be perform on **Friday, April 21, at 7:30pm** at First. Open to the public, no tickets needed; an offering will be taken at the concert. Choir members will need host families the night of the performance; contact Todd Saner if you can host: todd@firstlu.org

CHICKEN-Q TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Tickets are on sale for our chicken-q fundraiser on **Thursday, April 27, from 11am-6:30pm!** Contact a youth who is raising funds, or stop by the church office during office hours: M-F, 8am-4pm.

NEW-MEMBER SESSIONS

By choosing to become a member, individuals and families commit to being part of a shared mission — and in one way, answer Jesus’ call to “come follow me.” We get to know you and can more easily provide you with ministry opportunities and invitations to offer your gifts to the rest of this family of faith. People who would like to become members of First Lutheran are invited to a three-week introduction to the church, presented in a small-group setting. The group will meet on these days in 2017: **April 30, May 7 & 11**. Please call the church office at 608.783.2236 to sign up.

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. Application forms are available at 1stlu.org/scholarship or in the church office during office hours, M-F 8am-4pm.

THIS WEEK: April 2-9

SUN 2	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 Teacher Huddle 9:15am Faith Families Event - FH 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Middle School Youth Grp - MR 2:00pm Confirm Cls: Icing & Outreach - FH 5:00pm Small Grp - UR 5:00pm High School Praise Band Practice - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Grp - MR 7:00pm Confirm Class: Holy Week Creative Team - FH 7:00pm AA - FS
MON 3	9:00am Quilters - FS 1:30pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR
TUES 4	6:00am Courageous Men’s Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera 8:30am First Teen Clothes Closet Mtg 11:00am Lenten Worship 11:45am Lenten Lunch 5:00pm Lenten Small Grp - MR 5:00pm Lenten Supper 5:15pm Prayer Shawl Knitters - UR 6:00pm Peer Ministry - MR & FS
WED 5	6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN 7:00pm Small Grp - UR
THUR 6	9:00am Sunshine Boys 1:00pm Grief Grp - UR 6:30pm Sip n’ Paint - FH 7:00pm Grief Grp - Gloria Kubiak’s home 10:00am Lent Small Grp - UR 7:00pm AA - FH
FRI 7	8:30am Drawing from the Well Grp - FS
SAT 8	8:00am Worship 9:00am Palm Sunday Breakfast - FH 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:45am Young Youth & Younger Easter Egg Hunt
SUN 9	10:30am Worship 5:00pm High School Praise Band Practice - SN 6:30pm High School Youth Grp - MR
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