

READINGS

For Sunday, May 21

Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21, Living By Faith
Pew Bible: 945, Spark Bible: 1289

For Wednesday, May 24

John 14:15-21, The Promise of the Holy Spirit
Pew Bible: 877, Spark Bible: 1192

PRAYERS & CARE

Military: Jack Vilim, deploying to Jordan; Aliyah Richling, boot camp; Matt Schreiner, stateside.

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: Suzanne Alberts
Wednesday attendant: Cassie Carrell

First Lutheran welcomes Cassie Carrell to serve as our Nursery Coordinator beginning this week. Parents and most importantly, our youngest kids are blessed to have such a qualified, creative mom lead the entire team of care providers who look after our littlest ones while adults worship, rehearse, learn or ‘meet’. First’s nursery remains in good hands!

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: Bev Larson

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Rick Cornforth, Gloria Kubiak;
Reader: Carol Skoy; Projection Leader: Randy Nedrelo

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Peggy Daleki, Mary Nicolai;
Reader: Nancy Beguin; Ushers: Isaiah & Pat Lunney;
Projection Leader: Jerad McHenry

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 6:15pm

Communion Server: Bev DiNicola, Becky Runde;
Reader: Sandi Thompson-Melby; Usher: Hudson Weber, Ben Tracey; Projection Leader: Donovan Grant

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
SUN., MAY 21 & WED., MAY 24

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

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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: Clay & Ginny Pollert,
Cathy Berge, Sue Mohler; Treat Providers:
Terry Lee, Marilyn Schreiner

WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!

Today we welcome the following new members: Kayleigh & Jared Ingenthron; David & Sara Nash with David & Anna; Don & Leslie Nelson; and Peggy Quasius. Please make sure to pick up your name tag in the entryway, or make a new one, and introduce yourself during fellowship time and after worship!

YOUNG YOUTH EVENTS

Young Youth, for grades 2-5, will volunteer at Clearwater Farms on **Tuesday, May 23, at 4pm.** The kids will have opportunities to work with the animals and in their garden. Kids should wear closed-toe shoes, bug spray and old clothes that they can get dirty, and they should bring water bottles. RSVP at 1stlu.org/YYfarm.

Then the very next day, on **Wednesday, May 24, at 4:30pm,** Young Youth will assemble Blessing Bags in room 203. The bags went so fast last time that we hope to make more so that we can help meet the need in our community. Donations of items for the bags are appreciated; see insert for details!

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, May 21
• 9:15am Sunday School, last day of classes
Registration for fall will be during First Fest on Sept. 10! Questions? Contact Sunday school superintendents Beth & Joel Miller at sundayschool@firstlu.org or stop in the Sunday school office in room 206.

THANK YOU SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS & HELPERS!

Thank you to all of the volunteers who made Sunday school possible! It's you who made this ministry happen, and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS FOR NEXT YEAR!

Planning for next year's Sunday school has already begun! There are lots of ways to help with the Sunday school program. Contact Beth & Joel Miller: sundayschool@firstlu.org

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, May 21:
• 9:15am Apostle's Creed - Thomas Rm
• 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS
Wednesday, May 24:
• 6-7:30pm Confirmation Celebration - Rowe Park Shelter #1. For all confirmation students, small group guides and parents.

THANK YOU CHOIR!

Thanks to all the members of the choir who dedicate their time and share God's gift of music with the congregation! Thanks also to director Todd Saner for his leadership! Enjoy your break, and we'll look forward to hearing you again in the fall!

COME FOR SUPPER

First Lutheran helps at Come for Supper at Our Savior's in La Crosse on *the fourth Tuesday of every odd month*, so we'll be assisting next on **Tuesday, May 23**. 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! **Friday, May 26, at 9am**, to assemble the June newsletter. See you there!

ROOT BEER, BEER & HUMNS

A spirited sing-along on **Saturday, June 10, 7pm at Our Savior's**, 612 Division St, La Crosse. This is part of Synod Assembly festivities. Celebrate with friends old and new, support campus ministry, and drink good local craft beer and root beer!

WISCONSIN DELLS

First Lutheran families are invited to Noah's Ark in the Dells on **Saturday, June 10, from 10am-6pm**. Cost: \$18, includes hot dog lunch. Though this is a youth event, it will be more like a family outing. If a youth absolutely can't be accompanied by an adult, contact katie@firstlu.org to work something out. We want everyone who would like to come to be able to participate. RSVP to katie@firstlu.org.

Expl orer Day Camp!

Who: Children entering grades 1-5. What: Day Camp! Where: Sugar Creek. **When:**

Wednesday, July 12, 7:30am-4:15pm. Why: Experience a day at Sugar Creek (a parent is welcome/preferred). How: Carpool/van/bus from First Lutheran! Additional info: wear tennis shoes and bring swim suit and towel. Snacks, lunch and water are provided! Cost: \$20. For more info & RSVP contact Beth Miller: 414.856.5145 sundayschool@firstlu.org.

HELPING HANDS

Announcing a new ministry at First Lutheran called "Helping Hands!" If you need help with small jobs around the house, such as changing batteries in a smoke detector or changing a light bulb, or if you need a couple of meals or delivered to your house because of a medical condition or some groceries, just go to the "Helping Hands" board by the nursery and make out a slip with a description of what you need help with and your telephone number. Then anyone who thinks they can help out can take the slip and call the number to work out the details. This ministry is open to all in need of help and to those who can provide the help. There is no set group of "helpers" so we need involvement from all who can be a blessing to someone else. Let's pray this ministry will be a shining example of "God's work, our hands!"

WELCOME BASKETS

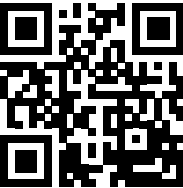
Remember to pick up a welcome basket for your new neighbor. Located in the resource center.

THIS WEEK: May 21-28

SUN 21	8:00am Worship 9:15am Confirm Cls: Apostle's Creed - TR 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am Gardening Small Grp -House 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship
MON 22	7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 23	9:00am Quilters - FS 9:30am Staff Mtg 4:00pm Come for Supper at OSLC 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy
WED 24	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 4:30pm Young Youth Blessing Bags - Rm 203 5:15pm Prayer Shawl Knitters - NX 6:00pm Confirmation Celebration - Rowe Park Shelter #1 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN
FRI 26	9:00am Newsletter Assembly - NX 7:00pm AA - FS
SUN 28	8:00am Worship 9:15am Confirm Cls: Apostle's Creed - TR 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 10:30am Worship

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



First Lutheran accepts one-time contributions electronically by credit/debit card. Use your mobile device to scan this QR code or go to 1stlu.org/give.