READINGS

For Sunday, Aug 13

Isaiah 58:6-7, Matthew 25:31-40, Offering Pew Bible: 601,807 Spark Bible: 800,1091

For Wednesday, Aug 16

Matthew 14:22-33, Jesus Walks on the Water Pew Bible: 796 Spark Bible: 1076

PRAYERS & CARE

Military: Jack Vilim, in Jordan

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: Cassie Carrell

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; Assisting Minister: Linda Green; Organist: Gabe Hicks; Bread Baker: Mary Nicolai

SUNDAY, AUG 13, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Mary Every, Larry & Marilyn Schreiner; Reader: Shari Hegland; Ushers: Cherie & Dave Rohde, Jan Klein; Projection Leader: Randy Nedrelo

SUNDAY, AUG 13, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Linda Green, Aaron McDonald, Steve Thomas; Reader: Dick Daleki; Ushers: Richard & Peggy Daleki, Heather & Jim Sysimaki; Projection Leader: Jared McHenry

WEDNESDAY, AUG 16, 6:15pm

Communion Server: Teesha Willinger; Reader: Bob Hayter; Ushers: Vicki Johnson, Bob Hayter; Projection Leader: Brian Wittkop

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., AUG 13 & WED., AUG 16

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

Curt Hickok, Peg Hickok, Todd Lofald

CONNECTION CARDS

the offering plate. Thanks!

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

HOSPITALITY ACTION TEAMS

Coffee Servers: Shari & Marty Hegland, Renee & Ronn Thies; Treat Providers: Sara Larkin, Paula Skoy, Cassie Carrell



The OWLs, a group for those 55+, have moved their August potluck to the fourth Wednesday, **August 23**, **at noon** in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite picnic food for the potluck. The program will be Ruth Krett from the area food pantry talking about hunger in La Crosse County. Questions? Contact Brian Narveson at owls@firslu.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!

Flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of Chuck & Carmon Deeth's 60th anniversary



BLESSING THOSE WORKING IN EDUCATION

Thousands of students will return to school in next month, and hundreds of teachers, aides and coaches, custodians, groundskeepers and lunchroom workers, office staff and administrators will be there to keep them safe and help them succeed. We invite all staff of our local schools, universities & colleges to join us on **Sunday, August 28**, for worship and a special blessing to start off the new academic year.

\$ NEEDED 4 SHOES

First Teen Clothes Closet is accepting monetary donations to purchase new shoes for teens in conjunction with the annual shoe distribution hosted **August 30** by the Children's Clothes Closet/Trinity Lutheran Church in La Crosse. We hope to provide at least 120 pair of shoes for middle school and high school students to get the new school year started on the right foot. Monetary donations may be dropped off in the church office or in the offering — please indicate it is for the First Teen Clothes Closet shoe drive.

Along with donating shoes, we hope to bring along 12-14 volunteers. Six volunteers will get shoes from the holding area and have the person try them on, making sure they have the correct size. You will work with kids of all ages. We need another 4-6 high schoolers and/or adults to help with games to provide a fun outlet for those who attend. Sign up at 1stlu.org/shoes or contact the church office. Thank you!



On **Sunday**, **September 10**, we invite you to join us to relax, catch up with friends, introduce yourself to visitors or even members you've yet to meet, listen to great music, have lunch, and have some fun! This is also registration day for Sunday school, confirmation, and Frolic! (a small group for parents and their children birth to three).

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Youth and adults, bring your backpacks, briefcases, messenger bags, purses, etc. to church on **Sunday, September 10**, so that we may bless the start of your new school year!

CONFIRMATION KICK-OFF FOR GRADES 8-10

Wednesday, September 13, 5:30-8pm. Come for food and fellowship and learn what this confirmation year has in store for your kids. We will walk through the program year together, and you can meet your kid's small-group guide. For students in grades 8-10 and their parents/guardians. Location: Fellowship Hall.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILESTONE

At First Lutheran we are deeply committed to bringing the presence of God into the lives of children everywhere they go. This life milestone is for sixth-graders and their parents/guardians as they transition from elementary to middle school, and celebrates that each child is made in the image of God. We spend our time in four weeks talking about being created in the image of God, how God

is in the midst of change and ways that we can feel connected with God through spiritual practices. Week one starts **Sunday**, **Sept. 17**, **9:15am** in the fellowship hall.

JOB OPENING: ASSISTANT PRESCHOOL TEACHER

First Lutheran Preschool is looking for a new assistant teacher. We are looking for a team player who can provide loving, quality care and education to our families. Hours are approximately 8am-12:15pm, Monday-Friday. We follow the Onalaska School District schedule. If this sounds interesting to you, please email/mail us your resume at preschool@firstlu.org or 410 Main St. Onalaska, WI 54650.

THANK YOU VBS VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who helped teach, lead and cook and who donated time and items for VBS. Your help was greatly appreciated! The kids had a wonderful week!

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

Share your Faith Alive! experience and tag your posts on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook with #faithalive365.

CALENDAR: August 13-25

SUN 13 8:00am Worship
9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - NX
10:30am Worship
MON 14 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House
7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 15 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

9:00am Naomi's Circle 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg

WED 16 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 6:15pm Worship

8:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal - SN

THUR 17 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX

FRI 18 7:00pm AA - FS SUN 20 8:00am Worship

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

10:30am Worship

7:00pm Hospitality Leadership Team

MON 21 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle 6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - FH

7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House

7:00pm AA - FS

TUES 22 1:15pm Staff Mtg 7:00pm Welcome Center Mtg

WED 23 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS

6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe

12:00pm OWLs Potluck - NX

6:15pm Worship

FRI 25 7:00pm AA - FS

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.