

READINGS

For Sunday, Aug 27

John 1:19-34, Luke 24:30-31, The Communion Song
Pew Bible: 862,861 Spark Bible: 1171,1168

For Wednesday, Aug 30

Matthew 16:13-20, Peter's Declaration About Jesus
Pew Bible: 798 Spark Bible: 1078

PRAYERS & CARE

Hospital: Bob DiNicola, Tim Weihrouch
Sympathy to the family & friends of
DeVera Yonkovich
Military: Jack Vilim, 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: Deb Koenig

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.

SERVING:

Pastor Jason Stanton, Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz
Organist: Gabe Hicks; Bread Baker: Calison Weiss

SUNDAY, AUG 27, 8:00am

Communion Servers: Bridget Crave, Tami Tooke;
Reader: Michael Peeso; Ushers: Gavin & Vanessa Southworth, Nancy Beguin, Katy Wood; Projection Leader: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, AUG 27, 10:30am

Communion Servers: Jessica Rohde, Jenn Wiesjahn;
Reader: Jill Hanson; Ushers: Peggy Daleki, Diane Shuda, Heather & Jim Sysimaki; Projection Leader: Ronn Thies

WEDNESDAY, AUG 30, 6:15pm

Communion Server: Bridget Crave; Reader: Mark Koenig; Ushers: Larry & Vicki Johnson; Projection Leader: Brian Wittkop

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., AUG 27 & WED., AUG 30

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

Brandon King, Rob Nelson

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: Carol & DeLyle Hanson,
Mark & Deb Koenig; Treat Providers: Dave &
Donna Feidt, Pat Blanchard, Arla Wojahn

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This group is for parents/guardians and their children ages birth to 3 years old, **and meets the last Sunday, at 9:15am in room 102.** We sing, dance, play, and pray together to learn ways to raise our little Christians in the home. We have time with the kids and time with just the adults. During the adult time, we have volunteers come in and play with our children as we talk. We welcome newcomers all the time—join us!

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
Lowell & Mary Meier's
60th wedding anniversary*

*and in memory of
DeVera Yonkovich
from her family*



NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY

It's a relaxing way to volunteer! **Monday, August 28, at 9am**, to assemble the September newsletter. See you there!

\$ 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 **Saturday, September 9, at 10:30am** the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will fly to the La Crosse Storytelling Festival at Myrick Park. Cost is \$5 (\$3 off if you have a library card). Before the event, the OWLs will eat at a local restaurant. Meet at the church at 10:30am and return by 4pm. Please RSVP to Brian Narveson by Sept. 7: 608.526.9700 / owls@firstlu.org.

FIRST FEST!

On **Sunday, September 10**, we invite you to join us to relax, catch up with friends, introduce yourself to visitors or 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.

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IN LA CROSSE

The fall 2017 session of the Synod School of Theology will run from **Sept. 21-Oct. 26** (all classes on Thursday evenings, 5:30pm and 7:30pm) with Bible Intro class for new students on Sept. 14. For more info and registration go to 1stlu.org/theology.

LIFETOUCH CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS

First Lutheran is updating its membership directory this year, and photo sessions are available from **Oct. 10-21**. We encourage you to book your session soon so that you can pick the best time for you and your family; do so by going to 1stlu.org/lifetouch, or call the church office for assistance. Members who have their photos taken for the directory will get a free color copy of their portrait and a free directory. Don't wait — make your appointment today!

CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS

- Hoodies: all sizes
 - Guys belts: especially smaller sizes
 - Wallets
- The closet's schedule is getting busy, and we are in need of volunteer hosts, especially for Monday evenings when we shuttle teens from Trinity Lutheran. Go to 1stlu.org/closethelp to choose a shift you can work. Questions? Contact Bridget Crave at bridget@firstlu.org.

CALENDAR: Aug 27-Sept 6

SUN 27	8:00am Worship 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - NX 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 10:30am Worship 11:30am Coffee Hosts Mtg 5:00pm Sunday School Teacher & Volunteer Orientation - FH 5:30pm ALICE Training for Staff & Volunteers - FH
MON 28	9:00am Newsletter Assembly - NX 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 29	1:15pm Staff Mtg
WED 30	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm AA - FH
FRI 1	10:00am Sugar Creek Annual Quilt & Antique Auction at Sugar Creek
SAT 2	
SUN 3	8:00am Worship 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - NX 10:30am Worship
MON 4	LABOR DAY (OFFICE CLOSED) 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 5	1:15pm Staff Mtg 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR
WED 6	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 8:30am First Teen Clothes Closet Mtg 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Confirmation Guide Orientation - FS 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN 8:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal - SN

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.