READINGS

For Sunday, Oct 1

Romans 6:1-11, Matthew 28:16-20, Dying & Rising With Christ

Pew Bible: 917, 812 Spark Bible: 1249, 1098

For Wednesday, Oct 4

Matthew 21: 23-32, Jesus' Authority Questioned

Pew Bible: 802 Spark Bible: 1085

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: Rob Nelson 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: Bev Larson

SUNDAY, OCT 1, 8:00am

Communion Server: Randy Nedrelo; Reader: Karen Meier; Ushers: Mike & Jody Olson, Michelle Bauer; Projection Leader: lerad McHenry

SUNDAY, OCT 1, 10:30am

Communion Server: Linda Green; Reader: Carla Stanton; Ushers: Ginny & Clay Pollert, Ronn & Renee Thies; Projection Leader: Doug Shupe

WEDNESDAY, OCT 4, 6:15pm

Reader: Sophie Shilts

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., OCT 1 & WED., OCT 4

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

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: Tom & Brenda Schaefer Treat Providers: Yvonne Cade, Lorene Wehrenberg, Judy Stemper, Judy & Ellis Stetzer

OULS

The OWLs will attend Yesterday's Youth this Monday, October 2, at Sugar Creek. Historian Dick Campbell will present on "Building the Erie Canal," followed by "The Klondike Gold Rush." After lunch we will be entertained by the "High-Lo-Men" barbershop quartet and the "Just for Fun" men's quartet. Leaving church at 8am and returning by 3pm. RSVP to Brian Narveson by October 1: owls@ firstlu.org / 608.526.9700. Cost is \$10.

PARENT SHARE: NOW WITH WED OPTION!

Starting October 4, join Carla Stanton, member of First, certified spiritual director and mom of three, **in room 201 every Wednesday morning, 9:45-10:45am.**

(The Sunday Parent Share will also continue to meet at 9:15am between Sun. worship). At Parent Share, we pray and talk about raising our children faithfully. Childcare is available, too, for all children who are not yet attending school.

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, Oct 1

- 9:15am Sunday School
 - 3- & 4-yr-olds, parent drop-off in 4K Rm
 - Gr K-5, parent drop-off in Choir Rm
- 9:15am Grade 3 Faith Building Block: Bibles (2nd meeting, parents/guardians & child) - SN

Sunday, Oct 8

- 9:15am Sunday School
- 9:15am Grade 3 Faith Building Block: Bibles (3rd meeting, parents/guardians & child) - SN New registrations welcome any time of the year. Contact Sunday School superintendent Beth Miller at sundayschool@firstlu.org or stop in the Sunday School office in room 206.

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, October 1:

- 9:15am Gr 6 Middle School Milestone FH
- 9:15am Gr 7 Bible Class FS
- 9:15am Stewardship

Wednesday, October 4:

- 5:00pm Apostle's Creed Rm 207
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

Friday, October 6—Sunday, October 8:

• Gr 8 Sugar Creek Retreat

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

A baptism preparation session will be **Saturday, Oct. 7, 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.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

Carrying on after the death of a loved one can be difficult and lonely. Join with others who have experienced loss, and listen and care for each other. Two groups to choose from, both meeting the first Thursday of the month:

- 1pm in the Upper Rm, led by Nancy Beguin
- 7pm at Gloria Kubiak's home; call Gloria at 608.498.2762 if interested in joining

Questions? Contact Director of Small Group Ministry, Bridget Crave: bridget@firstlu.org. More info at 1stlu.org/griefsupport.

PHOTO SESSIONS

First Lutheran is updating its membership directory this year, and photo sessions are available between **Oct. 10 and 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!

DRAWING FROM THE WELL

Next retreat: Sat., October 14, 8:30–10:30am at Panera. This group is for women of First and the greater La Crosse area seeking to support one another in their spiritual growth. We gather together once a month on Saturday mornings to be with each other, enjoy a breakfast, and develop a deeper relationship with one another. Come and get to know other women of the church, or renew friendships. RSVP to bridget@firstlu.org

FAMILY PHOTOS: A CLOUD OF WITNESSES

In the coming weeks, we will ask for photographs of your beloved dead so that we can be surrounded by their witness on All Saints Day. These pictures can be sent electronically (karyn@firstlu.org) or brought in. They will be printed as 4X6, so resolution should be such that they can be printed well from what you submit. If your loved one was a member of our congregation and died this past year, you will receive a letter from Pastor Karyn with a special request. Please note, we will continue to use the photos submitted last year, so no need to resend those photos.

SUGAR CREEK WOMEN'S RETREAT

Fri., Oct. 20-Sun., Oct. 22. Featured speaker, Carla Stanton, is a certified Spiritual Director and will lead us through various exercises to discover where God is working in our lives. We will consider the things we might need to let go of in order to make room for new growth. Info & reg. at www.sgrcreek.org.

QUILTS DONATED TO LWR

First Lutheran's quilting group boxed up 157 quilts this past Tuesday for shipment to Lutheran World Relief for distribution worldwide. Some of the quilts made by the quilters were kept for local distribution.

THIS WEEK: OCT 1-8

SUN 1 BY HEART: CONVERSATIONS WITH
LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM BEGINS

8:00am Worship

9:15am Gr 6 Middle School Milestone - FH

9:15am Gr 7 Bible Class - FS

9:15am Stewardship Confirm Cls

9:15am By Heart Small Grp - The House

9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Gr 3 Faith Building Block: Bibles

(2nd Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - SN

9:15am Sunday School

10:30am Worship

12:00pm Capital Campaign Steering Committee 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR

6:30pm By Heart Small Grp - Iill & Mark Davidson's Home

MON 2 8:00am OWLS Fly to Sugar Creek

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

7:00pm AA - FS

TUES 3 1:15pm Staff Mtg

5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR

WED 4 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS

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

8:30am First Teen Clothes Closet Mtg

9:45am ParentShare

5:00pm Apostle's Creed Confirm Cls - Rm 207

6:15pm Worship

7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps 7:00pm By Heart Small Grp-UR 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN

8:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal - SN

THUR 5 9:00am Sunshine Boys

11:00am By Heart Small Grp 1:00pm Grief Support Grp - UR

7:00pm Grief Support Grp - Gloria Kubiak's home

FRI 6 6:00pm Gr 8 Sugar Creek Retreat

7:00pm AA - FH

SAT 7 10:00am Baptismal Preparation - NX SUN 8 GR 6 MIDDLE SCHOOL MILESTONE,

LIFTED UP IN WORSHIP

8:00am Worship

9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS

9:15am Stewardship Confirm Cls

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Jill & Mark Davidson's Home
7:00pm Hospitality Leadership Team

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