

READINGS

For Sunday, Oct 22

Psalm 118, Matthew 6:5-15, Give Thanks to the Lord
Pew Bible: 492, 787 Spark Bible: 662, 1064

For Wednesday, Oct 25

Matthew 22:15-22,
The Question About Paying Taxes
Pew Bible: 803 Spark Bible: 1163

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; Sun. Helpers: XXX;
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.

SERVING:

Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz, Vicar Tara Shilts, Organist: Gabe Hicks; Bread Baker: Calison Weiss

SUNDAY, OCT 22, 8:00am

Acolytes: XXX; Communion Servers: XXX; Reader: Julianne McDonald; Ushers: Mike & Jody Olson, Scott Lattos; Puppet Volunteers: XXX; Projection Leader: Larry Schreiner

SUNDAY, OCT 22, 10:30am

Acolytes: XXX; Communion Servers: XXX; Reader: Peggy Daleki; Ushers: Ginny & Clay Pollert, Ronn & Renee Thies; Puppet Volunteers: XXX; Projection Leader: Ronn Thies

WEDNESDAY, OCT 25, 6:15pm

Communion Server: XXX; Reader: Terry Lee; Usher: XXX; Projection Leader: XXX

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., OCT 22 & WED., OCT 25

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

Todd Lofald

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: Gaylord Dolphin, Mary Every, Roxann Nedrelo, Rob Nelson; Treat Providers: Dave & Donna Feidt, Shirley Sacia, Pat Blanchard, Curt Hickok

NEW-MEMBER SESSIONS

We offer several new-member sessions each year to acquaint new members with First and a small group of other newcomers. People who would like to become members of First Lutheran are invited to a 3-week introduction to the church, presented in a small-group setting. The group will have its first meeting **TONIGHT, Sunday Oct. 22 at 5pm, and will meet again on Oct. 29 and Nov. 2.** If you are interested in joining, just speak with a pastor!

PARENT SHARE: NOW MEETING SUN & TUES

Join Carla Stanton, member of First, certified spiritual director and mom of three, **in room 201 every Tuesday morning, 8:30-9:30am, or on Sunday mornings 9:15am-10:45am.** At Parent Share, we pray and talk about raising our children faithfully. Childcare is available, too, during either session.

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!

*Baptismal blessings are extended to
Brayden Kai Bosworth,
son of Brandon & Monika Bosworth*



Sunday School

Sunday, Oct 22

- 9:15am 3-Yr Old FBB: Praying Together (1st meeting, parents/guardians & child) - FH
- 9:15am Sunday School
 - 3- & 4-yr-olds, parent drop-off in 4K Rm
 - Gr K-5, parent drop-off in Choir Rm

Sunday, Oct 29

- 9:15am 3-Yr Old FBB: Praying Together (2nd meeting, parents/guardians & child) - FH
- 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102
- 9:15am Sunday School

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 22:

- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes

Monday, October 23

- 4:00pm Death & Dying - FS

Wednesday, October 25

- 6:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

Thursday, October 26

- 6:00pm The Gospel According to Harry Potter - FS

Sunday, October 29

- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes
- 1:30pm Affirmation of Baptism / Confirmation Worship

MARTIN LUTHER MOVIE

Have you missed out on the new Martin Luther movie? A new edition of the film, titled *Return to Grace*, is very similar to *Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World* but offers a slightly deeper dive into Luther's theological insights. It is showing

at the La Crosse Marcus Theater at **7pm on October 23, 25, 30, and at 10am on October 30**. More info: 1stlu.org/luthermovie

NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY

It's a relaxing way to volunteer! **Friday, October 27, at 9am**, to assemble the November newsletter. See you there!

BONFIRE WITH JOURNEY

Saturday, October 28, 5:45–9pm, at Journey Lutheran. For middle school and high school youth! Meet in the parking lot at First. Jared can drive youth to Journey while others carpool. Stay as long as you wish!

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.

ART AND SPIRITUALITY

RETREAT IN CHICAGO

Join Pr Karyn to learn and practice Visio Divina, the spiritual practice of praying with images. The group will visit the Art Institute in Chicago and in addition to other sites, and some free time to shop, sightsee or rest. Traveling by van, the group will leave Friday morning, Nov. 17, returning to Onalaska

Saturday evening. Cost includes transportation to Chicago, hotel and Art Institute entrance fee. Contact Bridget Crave with questions: bridget@firstlu.org. More info & reg. at 1stlu.org/artic.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

A baptism preparation session will be **Saturday, December 2, 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.

FOOD BASKET NEEDS

The following items have been requested to fill the food basket for those in need: pork & beans, rice, Hamburger Helper, ravioli, canned chicken, canned tuna, peanut butter.

CLOTHES CLOSET IS FULL

THANK YOU to all of our generous donors! You have filled the First Teen Clothes Closet - and we do mean FILLED! At the moment, we aren't accepting additional clothing donations for our closet. Instead, we encourage you to pass items along to the Salvation Army, Goodwill, or other charity that can put them to use. We are still collecting, however, for our friends at the Children's Clothes Closet in La Crosse, which can especially use larger children's sizes (10-16). Those donations may be left in our bins in the entrance at First Lutheran Church.

THIS WEEK: OCT 22–29

SUN 22	8:00am Worship 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am By Heart Small Grp - The House 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am 3-Yr Old FBB: Praying Together (1st Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - FH 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Capital Campaign Steering Committee Mtg - FS 5:00pm New-member Session #1 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR 6:30pm By Heart Small Grp - Jill & Mark Davidson's Home
MON 23	4:00pm Death & Dying Confirm Cls - FS 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 24	8:30am ParentShare 1:15pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy
WED 25	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 6:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner - FH 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps 7:00pm By Heart Small Grp - UR 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN 7:00pm Visitor Follow-up Mtg
THUR 26	11:00am By Heart Small Grp 6:00pm Gospel According to Harry Potter Confirm Cls - FS
FRI 27	9:00am Newsletter Assembly - NX 7:00pm AA - FS
SAT 28	6:00pm Bonfire w/ Journey
SUN 29	CONFIRMATION SUNDAY 8:00am Worship 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am By Heart Small Grp - The House 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am 3-Yr Old FBB: Praying Together (2nd Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - FH 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Visitor Follow up Mtg 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Capital Campaign Steering Committee Mtg - FS 1:30pm Affirmation of Baptism / Confirmation Worship 5:00pm New-member Session #2 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR 6:30pm By Heart Small Grp - Jill & Mark Davidson's Home

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