# READINGS

For Sunday, Nov. 19

Romans 10:14-17, John 10:1-10, Life in the Spirit *Pew Bible: 918, 792* Spark Bible: 1250, 1071

For Wednesday, Nov. 22 Deuteronomy 8:7-18, Do Not Forget the Lord *Pew Bible: 145 Spark Bible: 200* 

# **PRAYERS & CARE**

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

SUNDAY, NOV. 19, 8:00am Reader: Sara Nash; Projection Leader: Steve Klingemann

**SUNDAY, NOV. 19, 10:30am** Reader: Judy Johnson; Ushers: Mark & Deb Koenig, Diane Engebrecht, Marie Tutlewski; Projection Leader: Doug Shupe

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22, 6:30pm Reader: Peggy Daleki

#### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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#### AT FIRST LUTHERAN

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., NOV. 19 & WED., NOV. 22

#### 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

Gloria Kubiak, Teesha Willinger

#### 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: Shari Hegland, Meredith Hougen, Ronn & Renee Thies; Treat Providers: Tim Weihrouch, Michelle Bauer, Joel Miller, Cassie Carrell

#### FAITH ALIVE CREATIVE CIRCLE Monday, November 20, 6-9pm.

Meeting the third Monday of each month in the fellowship hall, the Faith Alive Creative Circle is a gathering of people working out their creative muscles. All are welcome to bring whatever project you are working on and enjoy fellowship while doing it. Join us!

# OWLs

On **Tuesday, Nov. 21,** the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will kick off the holiday season and fly to Marcus Theatres to see the humorous & heart-warming movie "The Star." They will meet at church at 4pm, see the movie, then have supper at a local establishment. RSVP to Brian Narveson at owls@firslu.org.

## WORSHIP CHANGES FOR WED, THANKSGIVING EVE

On Thanksgiving Eve, **Wednesday**, **Nov. 22.**, worship will NOT be at United Methodist, but at FIRST LUTHERAN. The worship service will be ecumenical, with our brothers and sisters from UMC and New Hope, and the time will be different, starting at 6:30pm (not 6:15pm). Join us for this special worship service on the eve of Thanksgiving!

#### 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, Nov 19

- 9:15am Grade 1 Faith Building Block: 10 Commandments (3rd meeting, parents/ guardians & child) - Fellowship Hall
- 9:15am Sunday School

#### Sunday, Nov 26

- Grade 1 Faith Building Block: 10 Commandments, lifted up in worship
- 9:15am Advent Around the Table -Fellowship Hall (in place of Sun School)
- 9:15am Frolic! Rm 102

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, November 19

- 9:15am 10 Commandments
- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes

#### Monday, November 20

- 7:00pm Holy Week Creative Team Wednesday, November 22
- No Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

#### Sunday, November 26

 9:15am Advent Around the Table -Fellowship Hall (in place of Confirmation Cls)

#### **ADVENT AROUND THE TABLE**

Advent is a season full of rich traditions for both home and church. We invite all members of First Lutheran to join us on Sunday, Nov. 26, at 9:15am in Fellowship Hall for our annual Advent Around the Table event. We will create advent wreaths for our homes, chrismons for our trees. and advent calendars to help us keep the days of Advent. Along the way, we will learn more about this particular season,

have great fellowship and grow in our faith as we kick off the Advent season.

#### SPARKHOUSE BOOK FAIR Monday, Nov. 27-Friday, Dec 8.

Take a look at the display and order books and gifts for the special children in your life!

### COME FOR SUPPER

First Lutheran is assisting with Come for Supper on Tuesday, Nov. 28, at Our Savior's in La Crosse. 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.

#### **BUTTER BRAIDS FUNDRAISER**

The Butter Braid Fundraiser has started! Youth going to Sugar Creek Bible Camp, National Youth Gathering or on summer mission trips can pick up order forms from the church office. All order forms must be turned in on Dec. 10 with the money. Orders will be available for pick-up on Wed., Dec. 20, after 12pm. Questions? Contact jared@firstlu.org.

# **KETTLE RINGERS**

Tis the season! Bellringers are needed through Dec. 24. Bell ringing can be done in 2-hour increments, inside or outside. This is a great opportunity for our confirmation kids to gain some service hours - and do it together! Those interested in volunteering during the holidays - or anytime through the Salvation Army, check out the group's website at Bells2ring.org!

#### **GIFT IDEAS**

If you are looking for alternative ideas to support the excitement in your household

during the Christmas season, Beth has a few solutions... A Star From Afar teaches the meaning of Christmas while encouraging children to go on a hunt for their star, similar to that of the wise men. Kindness Elves leave notes to shine your child's light into the world by doing random acts of kindness. There are only 5 books and elves left! Both are on display and for sale in our resource center outside the office!

#### **FIRST TEEN CLOTHES CLOSET**

While the closet is largely filled, we do need a few specific items to meet our quests' needs. If you have clean, gently used men's coats (especially small and medium sizes) or winter boots for guys or girls, please drop them off in the narthex. Toiletries that are running low include toothpaste and body wash.

#### **YOU CAN PICK UP YOUR PHOTOS**

Members who had their photos taken for the new church directory and who are getting just the free 8x10 can pick up that photo in the church office - they have arrived. Drop by during the week to pick up yours.



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

# **THIS WEEK: NOV. 19-26**

SUN 19 8:00am Worship

9:15am 10 Commandments Confirm Cls - TR 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Gr 1 FBB: 10 Commandments (3rd Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - FH 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR MON 20 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Marcia Vance's home 6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - FH 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm Holy Week Creative Team Confirm Cls 7:00pm AA - FS TUES 21 8:30am ParentShare 9:00am Naomi's Circle 1:15pm Staff Mtg 4:00pm OWLs Fly to the Movies 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Mtg - MR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg WED 22 NO GR 8 & 9 SMALL GROUPS 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Uptowne Cafe 6:30pm Peer Ministry - MR 6:30pm Ecumenical Worship at First THUR 23 THANKSGIVING (OFFICE CLOSED) FRI 24 7:00pm AA - FS SUN 26 GR 1 FBB: 10 COMMANDMENTS. LIFTED UP IN WORSHIP 8:00am Worship 9:15am Advent Around the Table - FH 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Capital Campaign Steering Cmte - FS 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR

#### **CALENDAR KEY:**

CR = Choir Room FBB = Faith Building Block FH = Fellowship Hall FS = Fireside Room MR = Mary Room NX = Narthex SN = Sanctuary TR = Thomas Room UR = Upper Room

For more info, visit our website at www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org