#### **READINGS**

For Sunday, Feb 18 Mark 1:9-15, The Baptism of Jesus Pew Bible: 812 Spark Bible: 1100

For Wednesday, Feb 21 John 11:1-44, Jesus Raises Lazarus Pew Bible: 873 Spark Bible: 1186

### **PRAYERS & CARE**

Home: Willard & Helen Halverson, Lance Mihalovic

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 Koenig 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 Jason Stanton, Pastor Karyn Bodenschatz Organist: Gabe Hirks

#### **SUNDAY, FEB 18, 8:00AM**

Communion Servers: Marilyn Schreiner, Kurt & Angie Breiling; Reader: Karen Meier; Projection Leader: Rob Kranig

#### **SUNDAY, FEB 18, 10:30AM**

Communion Servers: Jenn Wiesjahn, Aaron McDonald; Reader: Sophia Stanton; Projection Leader: John Peterson

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB 21, 6:15PM

Reader: Sophie Shilts

#### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., FEB 18 & WED., FEB 21

#### **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

#### **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: Rachel Knight, Rob Nelson, Ronn & Renee Thies; Treat Providers: Judy Stemper, Ann Hudson, Brian & Mary Narveson, Todd Lofald



On Wednesday, Feb. 21, the OWLs. a group for those 55+, will have their February potluck at noon in the narthex. In conjunction with the OWLs' potluck, First will host a "Before the After" class for all members of the congregation. The presentation will begin at 12:45pm and serve as the OWLs' program that day. Participants have been invited to bring a dish to pass and join the potluck. "Before the After" is a planning tool to be used by anyone, any age, to outline their wishes, prepare and organize pertinent documents and eliminate possible tough decisions for your loved ones. The program will last two hours and is presented by Causeway Caregivers in La Crosse. Questions? Contact Brian Narveson at owls@firslu.org.

## SUGAR CREEK WINTER FUN DAY

Embrace our Wisconsin winter with some outdoor fun and have wonderful faith-filled fellowship while we do it. On **Sunday, Feb. 25**, we will leave after church (second service) and return around 6pm. Come for an afternoon of snow tubing, broomball, snowshoeing, wagon rides and more!! Cost: \$7/person. *RSVP: beth@firstlu.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!

- Grade 4 Faith Building Block: Apostle's Creed, lifted up in worship
- 8:00am K-Gr 5 Sing at Worship
- 9:15am Kindergarten FBB: Lord's Prayer (1st meeting, parents/guardians only) -Fellowship Hall
- · 9:15am Sunday School
  - · 3- & 4-yr-olds, parent drop-off in 4K Rm
  - Gr K-5, parent drop-off in Choir Rm

#### Sunday, Feb 25

- 9:15am Frolic! Rm 102
- 9:15am Kindergarten FBB: Lord's Praver (2nd meeting, parents/guardians & child) -Fellowship Hall
- 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, February 18

• 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes

#### Wednesday, February 21

- 5:00pm 10 Commandments Class
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups

## YOUNG YOUTH MP3 NIGHT!

For grades K-2, on Friday, March 2, 6-8pm, in the Mary Room. Why? To have fun and build faith-based relationships!!! Wear your most comfy pajamas and bring a sleeping bag and pillow to lounge on if you like. We'll meet, eat, play a couple of games and settle in for a movie and popcorn. This event has always been a huge hit, and everyone has a great time together!! RSVP to beth@firstlu.org.

#### CAKE POP CLASS

Monday, March 5, 6-8pm. Cake pops are made by crumbling and compressing a baked cake until it is smooth and fudgelike in consistency. Then it is molded into fun shapes or balls, covered in chocolate or candy coating and served on a stick. With a full selection of flavors, and a variety of ice cream sundae-like toppings, Laura's cake pops bring a creative and delightfully tasty flare to any event or gathering. Now YOU can come learn how to make them!! Everything will be provided for you, just bring something to carry them home in. \$18 per person or \$30 for two people. Children are welcome with an adult. Preregistration required: 1stlu.org/baking.

#### PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

First Lutheran Preschool provides developmentally appropriate early-childhood education in a warm child-centered Christian environment. We offer Christian preschool sessions in the morning on Mon/Wed/Fri, Tue/Thur and Monday-Friday for ages 30 months and up. We are also a partner with the Onalaska School District, and we are a site for the 4-year-old preschool (4K). 4K runs Monday-Friday in the morning and includes busing. In addition there is Lunch Bunch Mon-Fri. Take a tour at our open house on Thursday, March 8, 4:30pm! Call or email First Lutheran Preschool Director Melissa Rolbiecki with any questions: 608.779.4504 or preschool@firstlu.org. Check us out on Facebook: facebook.com/flponalaska

#### **GRADUATION MILESTONE**

Graduates: You and your parents/guardians are cordially invited to mark the milestone of your graduation at First Lutheran's High School Graduation Recognition Dinner on Sunday, March 11, from 6-8pm. RSVP

to the church office by March 4: 608.783.2236 / office@firstlu.org.

#### **CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS**

It's still winter in Wisconsin, and this month's most needed items are:

- Winter coats/jackets, especially for guys
- Winter boots

Thanks for helping us keep our quests warm!

#### WELCOME BASKETS

Welcome baskets are a way to welcome a new neighbor into your neighborhood. The baskets are a gift bag tied with a bow, filled with some goodies from church and from our community. They are available to sign out at the Resource Center across from the church office.

### **HELPING HANDS**

If you need help with small jobs around the house or if you need a couple of meals or groceries delivered, just go to the "Helping Hands" board by the nursery and make out a slip with a description of what you need help with and your telephone number. Then anyone who thinks they can help out can take the slip and call the number to work out the details. This ministry is open to all in need of help AND to those who can provide the help. There is no set group of "helpers" so we need involvement from all who can be a blessing to someone else. Thanks!

### THIS WEEK: FEB 18-25

Gr 4 FBB: Apostle's Creed, lifted up in worship 8:00am Worship K-Gr 5 Sing 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Kindergarten FBB: Lord's Prayer (1st Mtg, parents/guardians only) - FH 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:45am MS Mission Trip Mtg - FH 11:45am Capital Campaign Steering Cmte - FS 6:00pm Financial Peace University - FS 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR 6:30pm Lenten Small Grp - Davidson's Home 1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Nancy Thorson's home 6:00pm Faith Alive Creative Circle - FH 6:00pm Stephen Ministry Class - MR 7:00pm AA - FS TUES 20 8:30am Parent Share - UR 9:00am Quilting - FS 9:00am Naomi's Circle 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy 6:30pm Lenten Small Grp - UR 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg WED 21 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera 11:00am Lenten Worship 11:45am Light Lunch - NX 12:00pm OWLs Potluck - NX 12:45pm Before the After - FH 5:00pm 10 Commandments Confirm Cls 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Peer Ministry - MR 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps 7:00pm Choir Practice - SN 7:00pm Clothes Closet Volunteer Mtg - House 7:00pm Lenten Small Grp - UR THUR 22 11:00am Lenten Small Grp - House 6:30pm Welcome Center Quarterly Mtg 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House 7:00pm Lenten Small Grp - House FRI 23 7:00pm AA - FS SUN 25 8:00am Worship 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Bible Classes - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee Small Grp - MR 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 9:15am Kindergarten FBB: Lord's Prayer (2nd Mtg, parents/guardians & child) - FH 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:45am Winter Fun Day at Sugar Creek 11:45am HS Gathering Mtg - FS 3:00pm MS Game Time - NX 6:00pm Financial Peace University - FS 6:30pm High School Youth Grp 2.0 - MR 6:30pm Lenten Small Grp - Jill & Mark

#### **CALENDAR KEY:**

Davidson's Home

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