

READINGS

For Sunday, July 29
John 6:1-21, Jesus Feeds the 5,000
Pew Bible: 867 Spark Bible: 1178

For Wednesday, Aug 1
Ruth 2:1-23, Ruth Meets Boaz
Pew Bible: 211 Spark Bible: 291

PRAYERS & CARE

Sympathy to the family & friends of Ron Espe
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.

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 Pianist: Abby Saner

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 8:00AM

Communion Servers: Paula Skoy, Travis Evenson; Reader: Bridget Crave; Projection Leader: Rob Kranig

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 10:30AM

Communion Servers: Olivia Konrardy-Buchal; Projection Leader: John Peterson

WEDNESDAY, AUG 1, 6:15PM

Communion Server: Emily Wittkop; Reader: Terry Lee

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., JULY 29 & WED., AUG 1

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

Nancy Beguin, Brian & Mary Ann Narveson,

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: Jody Newgaard, Linda Smith; Treat Providers: Pat Blanchard

PADDLIN AT PETTIBONE

Always wanted to try paddleboarding or kayaking? **THIS Sunday, noon-4pm** is your chance to rent a paddleboard, kayak or canoe and paddle with other folks from First Lutheran. If fishing, Frisbee golf or watching others is more your thing, you can do that, too. We will meet at the Pettibone picnic shelter. This is for teens, adults, singles, families, friends. Bring your own lunch & beverage. Costs: paddle board rental \$10, kayak and canoe rental \$7.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR KARYN

It is a great time to join this Wednesday morning small group. We will be reading and discussing *The Book of Forgiving* by Desmond Tutu and Mpho Andrea Tutu. If you have been thinking about starting something new, give it a try. All are welcome! **Meets at 6:30am each Wednesday at Panera.**

THE BIG MOVE!

As part of the relocation of the First Teen Clothes Closet, we need volunteers to help move the inventory from the house to our new location at Trinity Lutheran on **Wednesday, August 1, at 9am.** This is a great opportunity for youth to earn volunteer hours!

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!

PARENT SHARE

Join Carla Stanton, member of First, certified spiritual director and mom of three, **in room 201 every Tuesday morning at 9am**. At Parent Share, we pray and talk about raising our children faithfully. Childcare is available during the session.

SUNSHINE BOYS

The Sunshine Boys serve at First next on **Thur., August 2, at 9am**. The Sunshine Boys are an informal group that performs a variety of necessary tasks around the church; such as grounds clean-up, minor repairs, and other small jobs. Rolls and coffee are supplied to replenish your reserves! Dues are free! Contact Mike, our custodian, with any questions: mike@firstlu.org.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

A baptism preparation session will be **Saturday, August 4, 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.

CONFIRMATION

Come and learn what confirmation this year has in store for your kids.

- **Grade 6–7 Orientation:**
Sunday, August 19, 9:15am
- **Grade 8–9 Orientation:**
Wednesday, August 22, 7pm
- **Grade 10 Orientation:**
Sunday, August 26, 9:15am

FIRST FEST!

On **Sunday, September 9**, 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).

FAITH ALIVE VISITATIONS

A group of First Lutheran members have initiated a new Faith Alive mission. Their goal is to keep in touch with our fellow members who are homebound. The visitation team will keep Faith Alive with phone calls, home visits or by mailing notes to remind "at home" members that our church loves and cares about them. Please notify the church office at 608.783.2236 or office@firstlu.org if you're aware of an individual or caregiver who is either long- or short-term homebound.

PARKING LOT MINISTRY

This new ministry needs warm and friendly faces to greet guests and worshipers who come into the parking lot, giving help if needed at the giving umbrellas to those who need one when it's raining. Come to the Welcome Center to receive more information and sign up to help.

COMPANION MINISTRY

The gift of communion is Christ's invitation for us all. Homebound members or those in nursing home care cannot make it to church and still would love to also receive that gift. Companion ministers help provide the service of delivering communion to them. They visit these members, usually monthly, give them communion, and have wonderful

conversations. Good friendships are formed and the members receiving the communion feel grateful for that gift. If you love visiting with and helping people, consider becoming a companion minister. It is a very fulfilling job. Talk to one of the pastors for more information.

RAFL

Dash Park listening to a string band, log rolling competition at Onalaska Waterfront, going to see Mamma Mia 2... these are just a few of the RANDOM ACTIVITIES that have been posted in the RAFL Facebook Group! RAFL is where members of First invite one another on random activities. It's a great way to get to know others in the congregation better in a social setting, in an informal way. Join the group at 1stlu.org/RAFL.

CONFIRMATION GUIDES

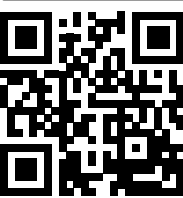
You don't need to know the Bible backwards & forwards & you don't need a seminary degree. Just a heart for the youth of our church & an hour each week to spend with our confirmation youth. Parents, grandparents, godparents, neighbors or any faith-mature adult is welcome to facilitate conversation and build relationships between our confirmands on Wednesday nights. Contact Pastor Stanton to nominate someone: jason@firstlu.org / 608.783.2236.

UPCOMING: JUL 29–AUG 7

SUN 29	8:00am Worship 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Paddlin' at Pettibone
MON 30	12:30pm Blood Drive - NX 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 31	9:00am Parent Share - UR 1:15pm Staff Mtg
WED 1	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Gifts of Imperfection Small Grp - MR 8:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal - SN
THUR 2	9:00am Sunshine Boys 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House
FRI 3	7:00pm AA - FH
SAT 4	10:00am Baptismal Preparation - NX
SUN 5	8:00am Worship 10:30am Worship 5:00pm Vacation Bible School
MON 6	5:30pm Vacation Bible School 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 7	9:00am Parent Share - UR 1:15pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Vacation Bible School

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



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.

To learn more about these and other announcements, head to our website at www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org

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