

# READINGS

For Sunday, Aug 19  
John 6:51-58, The Bread From Heaven  
*Pew Bible: 868 Spark Bible: 1179*

For Wednesday, Aug 22  
Matthew 6:19-34, Concerning Treasures  
*Pew Bible: 787 Spark Bible: 1064*

# PRAYERS & CARE

Please contact the office if you have any prayers to be lifted up: [office@firstlu.org](mailto: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 Organist: Gabe Hicks; Bread Baker: Peggy Daleki  
**SUNDAY, AUG 19, 8:00AM**  
Reader: Karen Meier; Projection Leader: Larry Schreiner  
**SUNDAY, AUG 19, 10:30AM**  
Reader: Judy Johnson; Projection Leader: Jerad McHenry  
**WEDNESDAY, AUG 22, 6:15PM**  
Reader: Mark Koenig

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., AUG 19 & WED., AUG 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**  
Brandon King, Nancy Beguin,  
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: Terry Lee, Rita Miller; Treat Providers: Dave & Donna Feidt, Gloria Kubiak, Nancy Olds, Cindy Mathew

# CONFIRMATION

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

- Grade 6-7 orientation:**  
THIS Sunday, August 19, 9:15am, in the sanctuary
- Grade 8-9 orientation:**  
Wednesday, August 22, 7pm, in the sanctuary
- Grade 10 orientation:**  
Sunday, August 26, 9:15am, in the sanctuary
- Confirmation kick-off for grades 6-10**  
Wednesday, September 12, 7pm in the narthex

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  
**Joseph Gary Wodele,**  
son of Erek & Carolyn Wodele



Wedding blessings are extended to  
**Kathryn Bird & Daniel Sevcik**





On **Friday, Aug. 24**, the OWLs, a group for those 55+, fly to the Lanesboro Commonweal Theatre to see the musical "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee." Play is \$30; dinner before the play will be on your own. The van will leave the church at 4pm. **Please RSVP to [owls@firstlu.org](mailto:owls@firstlu.org) before Aug. 20.** Questions? Contact Brian Narveson at [owls@firstlu.org](mailto:owls@firstlu.org).

## BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Youth and adults, bring your backpacks, briefcases, messenger bags, purses, etc. to church on **Sunday, Aug. 26**, so that we may bless the start of your new school year!

## BLESSING EDUCATIONAL STAFF

Thousands of students will return to school next month, and hundreds of teachers, aides and coaches, custodians, groundskeepers and lunchroom workers, office staff and administrators will be there to keep them safe and help them succeed. We invite all staff of our local schools, universities & colleges to join us on **Sunday, Aug. 26**, for worship and a special blessing to start off the new academic year.

## LET'S CELEBRATE

All are invited to join Vicar Tara Shilts and her family at their home to celebrate the completion of her one-year internship. Light refreshments and beverages will be provided. The open house will be **Sunday, Aug. 26, from 1-5pm** at 1925 Sandalwood Drive.

## SUGAR CREEK ANNUAL QUILT & ANTIQUE AUCTION

On **Saturday, Sept. 8, at 10am** come out to Sugar Creek for the annual quilt/antique auction and celebration! There will be a crafts fair and 5K trail run and fun walk starting at 8am.

## Sunday School

**Sunday, Sept. 9, is the first day of Sunday School!** Parents/guardians and kids will gather in the sanctuary at 9:15am to kick off this year's Sunday School program. Register your children, get more info, meet the teachers, pick up a Sunday School calendar and get the ball rolling! Questions? Contact Sunday School Superintendent, Beth Miller: [beth@firstlu.org](mailto:beth@firstlu.org).

## FIRST FEST!

On **Sunday, Sept. 9, 11:30am-1am**, 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!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MILESTONE

At First Lutheran we are committed to bringing the presence of God into the lives of children everywhere they go. This life milestone is for sixth-graders and their parents/guardians as they transition from elementary to middle school, and celebrates that each child is made in the image of God. We spend our time in four weeks talking about being created in the image of God, how God is in the midst of change and ways that we can feel connected with

God through spiritual practices. Week one starts **Sunday, Sept. 16, 9:15am** in the fellowship hall.

## INTRO BIBLE CLASS

**Thursday, Sept. 27, 5:30-9pm**, at Peace Lutheran in Tomah, sponsored by the La Crosse Area Synod. Learn the Bible story as you follow the narrative from Genesis through the New Testament. Pastor Len Liptack guides the journey with energy, insight and wit! Available to anyone, this evening also meets the expectation for the Bible introduction for School of Theology students. There is no obligation in taking the class. Just come and learn! Registration not required, but an RSVP is helpful. To RSVP, contact Peace at 608.343.7322 (leave a message) or email Pastor Dawn Lindberg at [peacepastordawn@gmail.com](mailto:peacepastordawn@gmail.com).

## SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IN LA CROSSE

The fall 2018 session of the Synod School of Theology will run from **Oct. 4-Nov. 8** (all classes on Thursday evenings, 5:30pm) with Bible Intro class for new students on Sept. 27 (see above). For more info and registration go to [1stlu.org/theology](http://1stlu.org/theology).

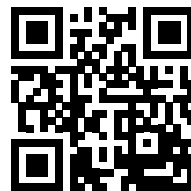
## THIS WEEK: AUG 19-26

SUN 19	<b>8:00am Worship</b> 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Confirmation Orientation - SN <b>10:30am Worship</b> 6:30pm Hospitality Leadership Team - NX
MON 20	1:00pm Elizabeth Circle <b>2:30pm Springbrook Worship</b> 7:00pm AA - FS
TUES 21	9:00am Parent Share - UR 1:15pm Staff Mtg 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg 6:30pm Welcome Center Quarterly Mtg
WED 22	6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera <b>6:15pm Worship</b> 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Confirmation Orientation - SN
THUR 23	7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp - House
FRI 24	4:00pm OWLs Fly to Lanesboro for Theatre 7:00pm AA - FS
SUN 26	BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS & EDUCATIONAL STAFF <b>8:00am Worship</b> 9:15am Gr 10 Confirmation Orientation - SN <b>10:30am Worship</b> 5:00pm Sunday School Teacher & Volunteer Orientation - FH

### 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](http://www.FirstLutheranOnalaska.org)



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