### **READINGS**

For Sunday, Oct 14 Mark 10:17-31, The Rich Man Pew Bible: 822 Spark Bible: 1113

For Wednesday, Oct 17 Joshua 24:1-15, Joshua Renews the Covenant Pew Bible: 187 Spark Bible: 258

### **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: Suzanne Alberts Wednesday attendant: Deb Koenig

### **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; Organist: Gabe Hicks

#### **SUNDAY, OCT 14, 8:00AM**

Communion Servers: Glen Vilim, Joel Miller, Aaron McDonald; Reader: Beth McDonald; Projection Leader: Larry Schreiner

### **SUNDAY, OCT 14, 10:30AM**

Communion Servers: Jenn Wiesjahn, Jill Hanson, Tina Buchal; Reader: Sophia Stanton; Projection Leader: Jerad McHenry

### WEDNESDAY, OCT 17, 6:15PM

Members of a confirmation small group will serve as worship assistants

#### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUN., OCT 14 & WED., OCT 17

### **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**

Larry Schreiner, Lee & Yvonne Cade, 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: Marci Leppert, Pam Key, Ronn & Renee Thies; Treat Providers: Harry & Vicky Helfrich

## SPECIAL GUEST: BISHOP JIM ARENDS

This Sunday we extend a warm welcome to La Crosse Area Synod Bishop Jim Arends; he will be joining the Pastor Stanton in worship today and delivering the message. Later this evening he will present the following...

# FAITH ALIVE! U POLITICAL JESUS?

A Faith Alive! U course presented by Bishop Arends on **Sunday, Oct. 14, at 6pm:** People of faith are called to be faithful citizens. Yet, when we speak to political issues, we are often cautioned to be silent due to the separation of church and state. Join Bishop Arends as he explores the call to faithfulness and action that comes to Christians from Jesus. We will look at the need to speak and act as well as the worries and fears of "going public."

### 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!

Wedding blessings are extended to

Rebecca Frett & Riley Mason

Brittney Hibbard & Tyler Metzig



# Sunday School

### Sunday, Oct. 14

- Gr 3 FBB: Bibles, lifted up in worship
- · 9:15am Preschool FBB: Praying Together (1st meeting, parents/guardians only) -Fellowship Hall
- 9:15am Frolic! Rm 102
- · 9:15am Sunday School
  - · Preschool & 4K, opening in 4K Rm
  - Gr K-5, opening in sanctuary

### Sunday, Oct. 21

- · 9:15am Preschool FBB: Praying Together (2nd meeting, parents/guardians & child)
- 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 14

- 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Confirmation Classes
- 6:00pm Elective Op: Faith Alive! U: Political Jesus?

### Wednesday, October 17

- 7:00pm Gr 10 Confirmation
- 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Groups



This group is for parents/quardians and their children ages birth to 3 years old, and meets the second Sunday, at 9:15am in room 102. We sing, dance, play, and pray together to learn ways to raise our little Christians in the home. We welcome newcomers all the time — join us!

### BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER

The Butter Braid Fundraiser starts this Sunday and runs through Sunday, Nov. 4.

Youths going to Sugar Creek Bible Camp or on summer mission trips can pick up order forms from the church office. All order forms must be turned in on Nov. 4 with the money. Orders will be available for pick-up on Wed, Nov. 14, after 12pm. If you have any questions please contact jason@firstlu.org.

### **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-session introduction to the church, presented in a small-group setting. The group will meet in the evening starting **TONIGHT** Sunday, Oct. 14, Sunday, Oct. 21, and Thursday, Oct. 25. If you would like to attend, simply speak with Pastor Stanton.



On Monday, Oct. 15, the OWLs, a group for those 55+, will return to the Winona Boat Tour for a fall color cruise. To reserve your spot or to ask questions, contact Brian Narveson at owls@firslu.org.

### **BLESSING HEALTH CARE WORKERS**

We invite all staff of our area clinics and hospitals to join us on Sunday, Oct. 21, for worship and a special blessing for all of the care you provide to our community.

### **KNITTERS**

Prayer shawl knitters meet every Wed, at 5:30pm in the narthex. Open to all!

## **FAITH IS LIKE A PUMPKIN**

Our Young Youth (K-Gr 5) find out how faith is like a pumpkin! Sunday, Oct. 28, 6pm, in Fellowship Hall. RSVP to beth@firstlu.org by Oct. 26. Min. attendance required: 3.

### **FAMILY PHOTOS...** A CLOUD OF WITNESSES

Help us create a visual cloud of witnesses for All Saints worship, Nov. 1 at 11am. We are looking for pictures of loved ones who have died, not just this past year. If you had a loved one die this past year (November 1, 2017-October 31, 2018) and they were a member of our congregation, a letter will be sent to you with a special request. We are also looking for pictures of those who have been baptized this past year. Pictures should be 4x6 and copies that you don't need back. You can either email pictures to kathryn@firstlu.org or drop them off at the church office. Thanks for your help in creating our cloud of witnesses.

### **OPENING: CHILDCARE @ CHURCH!**

First Lutheran is creating a list of young adults willing to babysit our kids aged 5 and up, at First Lutheran, for \$10/hour. The need for care providers happens randomly, mostly evenings. If you are interested, call 608.783.2236.

YOUNG YOUTH: I THIS WEEK: OCT 14-21 SUN 14 GR 3 FBB: BIBLES, LIFTED UP IN WORSHIP BUTTER BRAID ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE 8:00am Worship 9:15am Gr 6 & 7 Confirm Cls - Rm 207 & FS 9:15am Parent Share - UR 9:15am Sun Morning w/ Coffee - MR 9:15am 3-Yr Old FBB: Praying Together (1st Mtg, parents/guardians only) - FH 9:15am Frolic! - Rm 102 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 5:30pm New-Member Small Grp #1 - FS 5:30pm Middle & High School Youth Grps - NX 6:00pm Faith Alive! U: Political Jesus - SN 7:00pm Gifts of Imperfection Grp - UR MON 15 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

1:00pm Elizabeth Circle - Eileen Upton's Home 2:30pm Springbrook Worship

3:00pm OWLs Fly to Winona for Boat Tour 7:00pm AA - FS

7:00pm Luther College Trumpet Ensemble TUES 16 8:30am Parent Share - UR 9:00am Quilters - FS 1:15pm Staff Mtg 5:15pm Personnel Team Mtg 5:30pm Bells Practice - Sacristy

6:30pm Vision & Leadership Team Mtg WED 17 6:00am Courageous Men's Bible Study - FS 6:30am Coffee w/ Pastor Karyn - Panera

> 10:00am Ona Terrace Worship 5:30pm Prayer Shawl Knitters - NX

6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Gr 10 Confirmation 7:00pm Gr 8 & 9 Small Grps

7:00pm Choir Practice - SN THUR 18 10:00am Deborah's Circle - NX 1:00pm Grief Support Grp - UR 7:00pm Women of the House Small Grp

FRI 19 7:00pm AA - FS SUN 21 8:00am Worship

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9:15am Sunday School

9:30am Visitor Follow-up Quarterly

10:30am Worship

5:30pm New-Member Small Grp #2 - FS 5:30pm Middle & High School Youth Grps - NX 7:00pm Gifts of Imperfection Grp - UR

### **CALENDAR KEY:**

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

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