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COLORADO SPRINGS

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FROM THE PASTOR

THIS SUNDAY I'll read these words from Jesus "For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it?" Jesus is talking about the cost of following him, and that's what I'll preach about. But I find it interesting that I read these words as I'm working with staff and Council and the Renovation Committee to prepare budgets for our ministry and expansion project. We are thinking through the future costs of the ministry we feel God is calling us to do.

Our Ministry Gatherings will take place the first and second week of October, and I hope you'll be there. Right now we are hammering out the budget, looking at cost of living increases for staff, increases to benevolence recipients and ways to build upon the good ministry that God is doing through First Lutheran. Please keep this process in your prayers and give your attention to the budget when it is published. We aim to be good stewards of the congregation's generosity making sure to maximize each gift for the pursuit of God's mission.

The Renovation Committee is being formed and working on a proposal for the congregation to consider at the Ministry Gatherings and annual meeting. We have heard from the congregation that the scope of phase one should mostly focus on the main level, increasing the size of the narthex and Gathering Place,

modernizing the bathrooms and updating the finishes. They are working with architects to define the scope of phase one and determine a budget that will be shared with the congregation for discussion and approval. Please keep this process in prayer as we continue to make First Lutheran a congregation that is vital, thriving and relevant for the ministry needs of this generation!

I know it is not popular these days to support and promote the work of an institution like the church. But I believe in this congregation and believe in investing in every aspect of our ministry. The infrastructure of our buildings, the organization of the staff, the partnerships we cultivate in the city and beyond all build an institution that gives people a place to flourish in faith and friendship with each other and God. It takes work and sacrifice and effort from all of us. Thank you for all the ways you lean in and help us maintain and build something that was here before we were and will be there for others long after we are gone. We are doing eternal work together!



PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

Sunday's Message

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

LUKE 14:25 – 33

WE FINISH OUR sermon series on breaking traditions with some really hard words from Jesus. “You can’t be my disciple unless you hate your family. You can’t be my disciple unless you carry a cross. You can’t be my disciple unless you give up all your possessions.” Yet here we all are on a Sunday morning claiming to be disciples of Jesus. But we love our families, we don’t carry crosses, and we have an abundance of possessions. What are we to make of these words that Jesus said to the crowds? How can a God of love ask us to hate our family? What does it mean to carry a cross and to rid ourselves of possessions? This is about commitment, commitment to Jesus and His way in the world. And with any commitment it makes sense to be clear-eyed about what you’re getting yourself into. Jesus wants to make sure that those who choose to follow him know exactly what they are signing up for. Because sometimes we get the wrong idea about this Christianity thing and about what it means to follow Jesus. So today Jesus stops in his tracks and lets us know exactly what he asks of his followers. We aren’t used to this. We live in a culture where we’re always being sold something as easy and simple. Buy this product, attend this event, take this pill and all will be amazing in your life. But occasionally we encounter a situation where someone tells the truth. Where someone recognizes we don’t know what we’re getting ourselves into and takes the time and care to give us clarity.

I remember in 10th grade I signed up for Honors Chemistry and the first day of class the teacher lectured us about how difficult the class was going to be. I remember him telling us that if had any AP classes that year we might not be able to do both

Honors Chemistry and those classes. He said there would be significant homework and if we were involved in sports we might reconsider his class. He went on for 10 minutes telling us all the reasons we might want to drop his course. I took him seriously and dropped out the next day. Maybe if I had stuck it out, I’d be a chemist or a pharmacist today instead of a pastor; we’ll never know. But now as I look back at that teacher and think about Jesus, I wonder why any leader would do this. Why would a teacher make us rethink taking his class? I imagine over the years he had failed many students and had lots of hard conversations and so this beginning of the class conversation was mostly preventative and actually a way to care for us. As a result, I can tell you I never failed honors chemistry!

But why would Jesus do this? Doesn’t he want more disciples, doesn’t he want everyone to follow him? Surely, he’s not winnowing out the crowd just to protect them from failing as disciples. We know this because all his disciples failed. They didn’t go to the cross but abandoned him in the garden. And after his death they returned to their families and their jobs. But Jesus didn’t fail them, he forgave them and invited them to try again. Jesus isn’t trying to dissuade anyone from following him but he is trying to make it clear that he doesn’t have casual disciples.

I think that’s a word we need hear today because there are many Christians who are casual about their faith. Covid showed us this clearly when the pandemic came and the habit of going to church on Sunday was broken. Many Christians simply stopped going. When the building reopened, they stayed home. Their faith wasn’t strong enough to endure a

disruption or difficulty. Their faith was more habit than commitment. I suspect many of us had to take a look in the mirror during that time and ask ourselves if we were casual or committed Christians. I know some who during that time recognized that they hadn't been taking their faith seriously, and they made some changes to up their commitment. Hardship will do this, allow us to examine our faith and decide if we're serious or not. Jesus doesn't have casual disciples, nor does he have compartmentalized disciples. Many of us are tempted to make faith a part of our lives but not our whole lives. To give Jesus our Sundays but not our Saturdays. A compartmentalized Christian seeks to keep God from interfering in our lives. We pick and choose what parts of our life to let God influence. Maybe he influences our finances, and we give generously but he doesn't get to determine how we spend our time. Maybe we stay faithful to our spouses because of our faith but we don't let God determine our business practices. When Jesus says his disciples must hate father and mother, sister and brother even life itself, he's using hyperbole to teach the total commitment he expects of his disciples.

If you follow Jesus, you follow Jesus first, you love Jesus most, you let Jesus lead in every area of your life. That looks like putting every other commitment you have, even your most cherished commitments to your family second to Jesus. That's a big ask, that's a break with tradition, especially in Jesus' day when family was the most important thing in a person's life and every decision was made through the lens of how it would bring honor or shame to the family. Jesus asks us to put him above that, above every other commitment.

That's the ask. Now it's time to consider our response. It's a hard ask because it seems that everyone wants that level of commitment from us today, doesn't it? Our kids' teachers want us to put the school above everything else. Our sport's team wants us on the practice field every day. Our financial advisor wants us to put more of our money away for the future. Every charity we've ever even glanced at wants us to attend their gala and give our money and time to their work. Our jobs want us to put in more hours

and go above and beyond to better their bottom line. Our church wants us to volunteer more and attend more activities and give more. Everyone wants more from us and what we need is relief from the pressure, not more pressure.

Is Jesus just one more person asking us for more? Yes. But the anxiety we feel is not because so many are asking for our commitment. The anxiety and pressure we feel comes when we haven't decided where our ultimate commitment lies. When you're only partially committed then you are always torn because you can't say no, and every ask feels like pressure. But when you commit yourself fully to Jesus then your priorities are clear, and you aren't torn anymore. It's easy to say no to things that don't fit your commitment to Jesus. Decisions become easy and clear. You can say yes and no without guilt or shame because you have already made the hard decision. You've decided to serve only Jesus. Jesus isn't asking for perfection from us, nor does he ask more than we can give. He asks for commitment from us because he knows that when we commit fully, we receive peace, clarity and purpose. Full devotion is a gift, complete commitment is relief, clarity allows us to thrive in life. Jesus says it over and over again throughout his teaching: "If you want to save your life you must lose it ... Come to me all you who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest ... You are distracted and worried about many things only one thing is necessary ... If the son sets you free, you will be free indeed ... I have come that you might have life and have it abundantly ... Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or farms, for my sake and for the gospel's sake, but that he shall receive a hundred times as much now in the present age ... and in the age to come, eternal life."

Jesus knows our distractions and our divided hearts. And he has a gift for us, relief from the pressure of chasing everything and catching nothing. The antidote, the medicine for all of this is complete surrender to Jesus, total commitment. To take everything in our lives and submit it to God. To embark on the journey of discipleship where we learn

from Jesus and his way in the world. It's a milestone moment for each of us to turn our lives over to Jesus. It's a recognition that when we are in charge, we are going a million directions at the same time and not getting anywhere. Jesus offers us something better, but we have to hand the keys over to him. Let Jesus set our priorities and give us clarity for every part of our lives, our family, our possessions, our purpose and focus.

I've been following Jesus now in fits and starts for about 40 years. He has never stopped challenging me to become more like him. He is constantly teaching me to put others ahead of myself, to forgive those who sin against me, to see those whom others overlook. He is working on me to love my enemies and seek peace with those who anger me. And through it all, even though it is often uncomfortable there is a great peace and grace that permeates his work in my life. I know I am loved, I know he won't quit on me, and I know I am part of a good work in the world to bring all people home to a God of love.

Here in his church as I walk with you who also follow Jesus, I see why this path of discipleship is worth every sacrifice. I see healing of relationships as people forgive and reconcile, I see service galore as you sacrifice time and effort to help others in need. Some of you bring the elderly and infirm to church so they can worship the God they love. Some of you go out and visit the homebound and sick and give them the meal that includes them in this family. Some of you give your time to teach our young people this beautiful way of Jesus. You feed the hungry and house the homeless and encourage the weary and relieve the burdened. It's a privilege to be a pastor because I get to see so much good that people who follow Jesus do and create. This is a good congregation full of life and the Holy Spirit, full of saints who have sought Jesus for many decades. Learn from each other and decide today again to fully commit to Jesus and everything else will fall into place and you will have peace. Amen.



FALL CITYSERVE

OCTOBER 3 AND 4

The COSILoveYou CityServe projects are live! For 10 years, the “Big-C” Church has gone out into neighborhoods, parks, schools, and non-profits to express the tangible love of Jesus through every pile of leaves raked, every wall painted, and every card written with care. Plan a day to volunteer with your small group or pew neighbors! You can choose to serve on Friday, October 3; or Saturday, October 4. For more information, visit <https://serve.cosiloveyou.com> or scan the QR code, below. The website lets you filter projects by category, type (family friendly, little kid friendly, middle school friendly, high school friendly, limited mobility friendly, etc.), and zipcode.



In the Footsteps of Paul

6 Week Lunch & Learn Course

Join us for a six-week journey through the cities of Greece and Turkey visited by the Apostle Paul. Whether you're preparing for our November trip to Greece or simply eager to deepen your understanding of Paul's missionary journeys, this engaging course will bring biblical history to life.

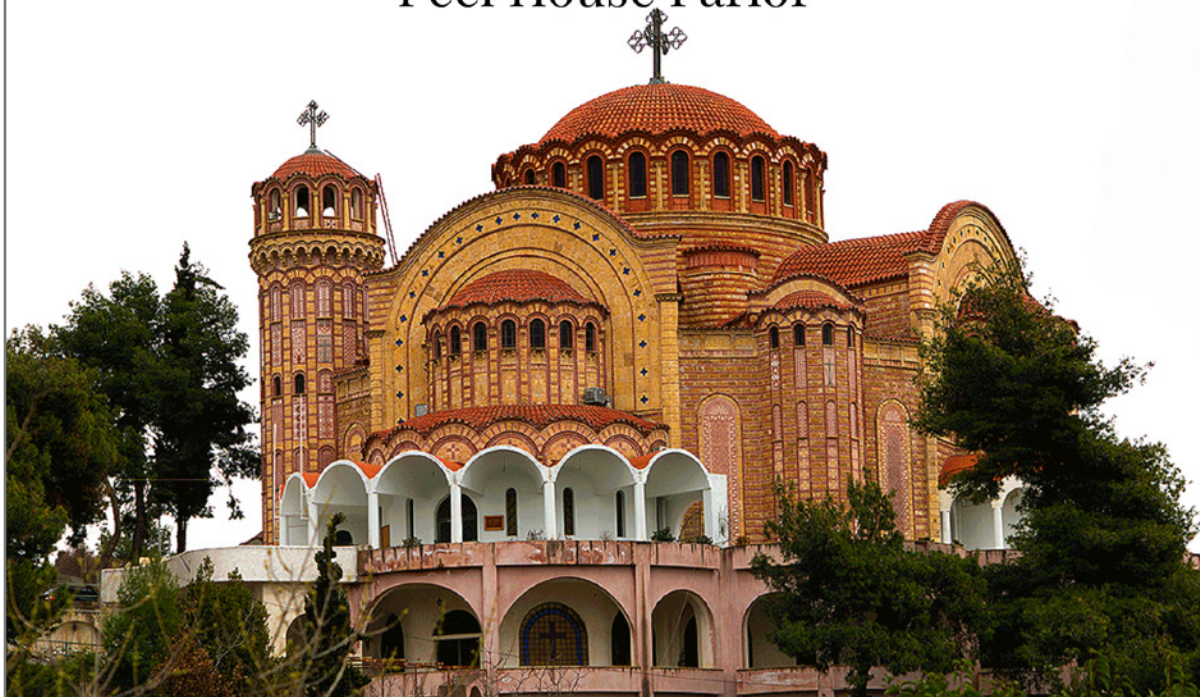
Each week, we'll explore a new location—Philippi, Thessaloniki, Corinth, Ephesus, and more—unpacking the cultural, historical, and spiritual significance of Paul's travels and letters.

Come hungry to learn—lunch is provided and all are welcome!

September 21 to October 26, 2025

Sundays from 12 – 1 p.m.

Peel House Parlor



CHERYL'S CORNER

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY A GREAT WAY TO SERVE!

If you've never volunteered on a habitat site, you don't know what you are missing! I led several teams during my 11-year stint with Thrivent, and I learned so much! I used to enjoy bringing a team of women to work onsite toward the end of the build to touch up paint, clean floors prior to carpet installation, clean out window tracks, etc. We wore boas and tiaras while we worked!

I've been blessed to learn many skills while working onsite. I learned how to run a chop saw – and then proceeded to cut all the lumber needed that day. I've installed insulation – and felt it in my fingers for days. I've built a fence and a retaining wall. I even learned how to hang a door – and hung all the doors in the house. The great thing about

working with Habitat for Humanity is that you need only bring gloves and a heart. They teach you *everything* else you need to know! The homeowners also put in their sweat equity, so you get to meet and work alongside them! We have a team of five First Lutheran members working on the jobsite Saturday morning, September 13. They will

be working on the interfaith build house and working alongside five volunteers from another church.

We need you! We have promised a team of 10 First Lutheran members to work on the Apostles Build home Saturday, October 4, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. We still have nine spots to fill. Please email me at cheryl@flccs.net right away if you are interested in serving in this very special way!

Please note that Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity has a new business office; you are invited to attend their open house on October 7 and 8 from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at 3730 Sinton Road, No. 100, Colorado Springs. Tour the new office, meet their staff, and enjoy some light refreshments. To have an accurate count, please let me know if you are interested in attending.

FRIENDS BY THE FIREPIT MONDAY EVENINGS | 6 P.M.

Our new 10-week session continues Monday evenings. We will meet for 60 to 90 minutes around the firepit just north of the Peel House. Bring a beverage to enjoy (margarita, beer, soda, etc.) while we discuss questions based on Sunday's sermon. Sermon-based questions may be picked up Sunday mornings from an usher or at the Welcome Center. In case of rain, we'll meet on the porch. If it gets too cold, we'll meet inside the Peel House parlor.



CHERYL MAHON, DIRECTOR OF LAY MINISTRIES



YOUTH GROUP LASER TAG

CALLING ALL MIDDLE & HIGH
SCHOOLERS!

RSVP USING THE QR CODE BELOW

SEPTEMBER 20 | 2:30 P.M.

MEET AT THE CHURCH. WE WILL CARPOOL
TO COLORADO BATTLEFIELD.



THE EMMAUS WAY

I'M IN SCOTLAND for a couple of weeks! We've talked a bit about the term *anam cara* before here along The Emmaus Way, and while I'm visiting Celtic lands, I thought we could consider some thoughts about it from poet and author John O'Donohue.

"In the Celtic tradition, there is a beautiful understanding of love and friendship. One of the fascinating ideas here is the idea of soul love; the old Gaelic term for this is *anam cara*. *Anam* is the Gaelic term for soul and *cara* is the word for friend. So *anam cara* is the Celtic word for soul friend. In the early Celtic church, a person who acted as a teacher, companion, or spiritual guide was called an *anam cara* ...

With the *anam cara*, you could share your innermost self, your mind and your heart. This friendship was an act of recognition and belonging.

When you had
an *anam cara*,
your friendship
cut across

all convention, morality and category. You were joined in an ancient and eternal way with the 'friend of your soul.' ... This art of belonging awakened and fostered a deep and special companionship ...

"It is precisely in awakening and exploring this rich and unique inner landscape [of friendship] that the *anam cara* experience illuminates the mystery and kindness of the divine. The *anam cara* is God's gift. Friendship is the nature of God. The Christian concept of God as Trinity is the most sublime articulation of Otherness and intimacy, an eternal interflow of friendship. This perspective discloses the beautiful fulfillment of our immortal longings in the words of Jesus who said: 'I call you friends.' ...

"Jesus is the secret *anam cara* of every individual. In friendship with him we enter the tender beauty and affection of the Trinity."

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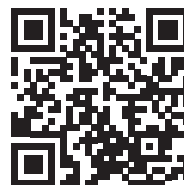
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LORI DUNCAN, MINISTER OF SPIRITUAL CARE

LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES INNKEEPER DINNER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | 5:30 P.M. | GREAT WOLF LODGE

With a theme of *Oceans of Opportunity: Charting Course for Success*, this fundraiser event will feature cocktails, dinner, and a silent auction, commemorating the story of the Good Samaritan. Dress is semi-formal or nautical-themed – set sail with us for fellowship, generosity, and celebration. To register, visit <https://bolder.bid/tickets/innkeeper/lfsrm> or scan the QR code, at right.



Get Involved!

LYDIA CIRCLE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7 | 11 A.M.
GATHERING PLACE

After a summer break, the Lydia Circle resumes monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. All women are welcome! For more information, contact Trudy Hill at 719.439.5323 or Helen Peterson at 719.332.7949.

WAYFARERS LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | 11:30 A.M.
BLACK-EYED PEA RESTAURANT

Wayfarers, a support group for women who have experienced the loss of a partner, will meet for lunch at Black-eyed Pea, 887 North Academy Boulevard, in Colorado Springs. For more information, or to RSVP, contact Susan Luksic at 719.332.1288.

OLDER WISER LUTHERANS (OWLS)

SEPTEMBER 24 | DEPART 9:30 • TOUR 10 A.M.

RM Soap Market, a locally owned business (1440 North Newport Road), manufactures and produces their natural skin care products right here in Colorado Springs. The OWLS will tour RM Soap Market's production line. The Market, a locally-owned business, makes liquid and bar soap, bath balms, shower truffles, skincare products, and more, with the mission: *Inspired by the Rocky Mountains, shaped by what really matters.* The Market donates \$1 from every sale to organizations in support of special needs people in our community. The tour is free; lunch will be at the Airplane Restaurant. For more information, contact Candi at 719.632.8836 or by email at candi@flccs.net. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/3VBqhqc> or scan the QR code, at right, by September 22.

HOLIDAY "CRAFTING AROUND"

SELECT TUESDAYS | 9:30 A.M.
JOSEPH'S WORKSHOP

This group meets in the basement of the main building. This season, three additional crafters have prepared several different craft projects for people of any skill level for the upcoming holiday season. Sign up for one, a few, or all the projects being offered! The cost for these fabulous crafts is a bargain at just \$5 each again this year. Please pay in full when registering to ensure we have the necessary supplies. Be sure to check out samples of these crafts, on display in the Gathering Place near the Welcome Center! To register, visit <https://bit.ly/4l8eTwT> or scan the QR code, below.

CRAFT SCHEDULE

September 16	Snowman
September 23	Southwest Rock Painting
September 30	Rock Painting I*
October 7	Rock Painting II*
October 28	Tree Wreath Ornament
November 4	Gift Card Holders
November 11	Yarn Christmas Tree
November 15	(Saturday) Crafter's Choice

* One \$5 fee covers both sessions



OWLS



Crafting Around



TRAIL TREKKERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 | 9 A.M.

NORTH CHEYENNE CANYON: SEVEN BRIDGES

Meet at the second lower parking lot at the Starsmore Visitor and Nature Center, 2120 South Cheyenne Canyon Road. This 4+ mile hike is lovely any time of year as it follows a stream with seven bridge crossings. There is elevation gain on rugged, rocky terrain as we ascend to Undine Falls. We'll have lunch on the trail. Rated moderate with elevation gain. Anyone capable of hiking three to six miles at altitude is welcome! For more information or to register for the hike, contact Judy Hagge by email at outdoorjudy@comcast.net.

REMEMBER ...

Prepare a daypack to include essentials: rain poncho, wind breaker, sack lunch, snacks, sunscreen, personal identification, at least one quart of water, bandana, hiking poles, other personal items.

Dress in layers; wear a hat, sunglasses, sturdy walking shoes or boots.

Moderate hikes have elevation changes, somewhat rugged terrain.

GRIEF WORKSHOP: A JOURNEY TOGETHER

MONDAY EVENINGS | 6:30 P.M. | FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Have you experienced the death of a loved one or do you know someone who has? The Grief Workshop can help those grieving by providing an emotionally safe environment and practical coping tools. While professionals have contributed to the development of this program, the workshop does not serve as a substitute for individual counseling or professional therapy. Participants will be grouped with others who have experienced similar losses. The facilitators of these small groups are former participants who have personally dealt with the death of a loved one. Cost is \$40. To register, visit <https://firstprescos.org/care>. For more information, contact Caring Ministries at 719.884.6145.

FIRST LUTHERAN STATISTICS

For the Entire Month of August 2025

WORSHIP SERVICE	USHER HEADCOUNT	CHECKED IN	PERCENT CHECKED IN
8 a.m.	547	410	75%
9:30 a.m.	770	567	74%
10:15 a.m.	287	164	57%
11 a.m.	455	248	55%

FIRST LUTHERAN CHOIR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 | 7 P.M.
CHOIR ROOM

All are welcome to join the First Lutheran Choir; no audition required! Rehearsals begin September 11 and continue every Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Eric Wicks at 719.632.8836 or by email at eric@flccs.net.

CARILLON RINGERS

EVERY WEDNESDAY | 6 P.M.
HANDBELL ROOM

Advanced ringers, both adults and high schoolers, are invited to join the Carillon Ringers. Rehearsals continue every Wednesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Joan Kuehn at 719.661.4116 or at jlynnkuehn@gmail.com.

JOY RINGERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | 5:30 P.M.
HANDBELL ROOM

Intermediate ringers, adults, middle schoolers, and high schoolers, are invited to join the Joy Ringers. Rehearsals begin September 18 and continue every Thursday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. For more information, contact Joan Kuehn at 719.661.4116 or by email at jlynnkuehn@gmail.com.

PARISH HOUSE BAROQUE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
CONCERTS AT 3 P.M.

A new season opens with Virtuoso Baroque featuring the thrilling artistry of baroque trumpet virtuoso Kris Kwapis, along with violin, recorder, cello, harpsichord, and organ. Tickets available at the door or online at parishhousebaroque.org.

DINING OUT WITH FIRST LUTHERAN

SELECT TUESDAYS | 5:30 P.M.
VARIOUS RESTAURANTS

All are welcome to join this group, which meets at local restaurants on two Tuesdays of each month to enjoy various cuisines and fellowship. Reservations will be made two weeks in advance, so be sure to sign up early. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/4iRh4ff> or scan the QR code, below.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

October 7	Chaang Thai 7525 North Academy Blvd
October 21	Old Spaghetti Factory 3101 New Center Point
November 4	Mi Mexico 3956 Academy Boulevard
November 18	Lazy Dog 7605 Academy Boulevard





Wednesday Night LIGHT

There's a fresh energy on Wednesday nights at First Lutheran, and everyone is invited to be part of it! Our midweek gatherings offer opportunities for connection, worship, and growth for every age and stage of life. We begin each week with a **rolling dinner** in the Gathering Place from **5:15 to 6:15 p.m.** – a warm, come-when-you-can meal open to all (\$5 suggested donation). Then, gather for **Wednesday Night LIGHT** worship at its new, earlier time of **6:30 p.m.** After worship, groups for every age meet for meaningful conversation and learning. Whether you're a child, youth, adult, parent, grandparent, or neighbor, Wednesday nights at First Lutheran are a chance to pause, be refreshed, and grow together in community and faith.

SMALL GROUPS

Pre-Confirmation

For Grades 6 and 7

Confirmation

For Grades 8 and 9

High School

For Grades 10 through 12

Adults and Parents

Led by Pastor Carrie Baylis



More Ways to Serve

**Contemporary
Welcome Team
Member**



**Contemporary
Communion
Assistant**



**Angel to Support
New Teachers at
Sand Creek School**



In the Life of the Church ...

BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER 15

Carolyn Fleming

Ellison Fox

Donna Flores

Rondi Shafer

SEPTEMBER 16

Krista Heavner

Linda Waterman

SEPTEMBER 17

Jim Simonson

SEPTEMBER 18

Mark Andersen

Carol Anderson

Dave Hardin

Andrea James

Karen Matkin

John Palmen

Lucy Waters

SEPTEMBER 19

Chris Ackerman

Dylan McConnell

Evan Reeves

Roger Williams

SEPTEMBER 20

BJ Evans

George Gillaspie III

Amanda Kosley

Cathy Mellott

SEPTEMBER 21

Sophia Torres

SEPTEMBER 15

Chris and Vanessa Schweiger 13 years

Larry Sipe and Sharon Padilla 29 years

SEPTEMBER 16

Jennings and Jan Larson 55 years

SEPTEMBER 19

Anne and Rick Rivers 5 years

Amir and Laura Safayan 27 years

Ed and Olga Strecker 22 years

SEPTEMBER 20

Jeremy and Lauren Wooten 11 years

SEPTEMBER 21

Brian and Fran Freese 2 years



Prayer Requests

Lannette Abbey
Cheri Anderson
Wanda Anderson
Randy Bachman
Fred Bachmeier
Janice Baldwin
Elmer Bauman
Tana Beall
Tom & Georgie Bever
Joan Boehm
Bill & Barbara Brown
Justin Buck
Karl & Pam Cartwright
Tanya Charbonneau
John & Debbie Chlebus
Nell Clowder
Ann Cummings
Debi Deimling
The Family of Randy DiBuono
Rinda Dunson
Alan Flinn
Edna Fross
Corinne Gibson
Nola Gosch
Private Steven Harris
Carla Hartsell
Paul & Kathy Herrmann
Ginger Hipszky
Jake Hodnett
Bill & Doreen Hulka

Irene
Josh Jones
Shirley Jones
Ann Junk
Jonas Kagarise
Kyong Kelley
Gaye Lynn Kielcheski
Cindy Koger
Jesse Lawrence & Family
Sharon Lakey
The Spencer Lehmkuhl Family
Dayne Lindquist
Scott Louis
Susan Lundmark
Elly Mahler
Jim Matthews
Nick McKibben & Family
Hugh McNeely
Brandon Miller & Family
Marilyn Miller & Family
Larry & Lucille Moe
Paul Moe
Amanda Norris
Sam Norton
Owen & Family
Jack & Judy Peterson
David Prater
Darlene Radke
Jeff Rapp
Steve & Laurie Ross

The Josh Saunders Family
Randy Schacht
Dorothy Selleck
Matthew Stark
Jackie Steensma
Gwen Stein
Becky Sternal
Michael Taylor
Aaron & Cindi Thorson
Hailey Ullrich
Bob VanDuy
Karen Henderson-VanDuy
Matthew Stark
Katy Wiegand
Christine Welch
Jody Wilbur
Greg & Carolyn Young

*Please keep these members – and family and friends – of First Lutheran in your prayers this week. If you are requesting to have a name added to the prayer list, please consult with that person prior to making your request. Prayer requests may be submitted by using a Connection Card (in church) or by emailing **teri@flccs.net**.*



Our prayers and condolences surround the family of

ERV ROKKE

husband of Pam Rokke, father of Lisa and Eric,
father-in-law of Cliff and Susan, grandfather of four,
whose memorial service will be here
at First Lutheran at a later date.

Worship and Study

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

SUNDAYS IN THE SANCTUARY
8, 9:30, AND 11 A.M.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

SUNDAYS IN THE WORSHIP CENTER
10:15 A.M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHT

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORSHIP CENTER
DINNER 5:15 P.M. | SERVICE 6:30 P.M.

ONLINE WORSHIP

STREAMED LIVE AT 9:30 A.M.

Tune in on First Lutheran's YouTube channel, on the church website, or in the church app.

SUNDAY ADULT SEMINAR

PEEL HOUSE PARLOR | 9:15 A.M.

THIS SUNDAY: A look at crisis support and services offered by LFS Refugee and Asylee Program, led by Britton Varn.

GENERATION TO REVELATION

FIRST LUTHERAN'S NEW PODCAST!

Generation to Revelation is a new podcast from First Lutheran that launched on August 14. The first topic is "Religious Scandal," exploring how Christians can remain loyal and committed to Christ's church when there are so many bad headlines out there. Find the podcast on First Lutheran's YouTube channel or anywhere you get your podcasts.

PASTORAL TEAM

The Rev. Travis Norton, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Carrie Baylis, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Michaela Eskew, Associate Pastor

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES

Exodus 32: 7-14
1 Timothy 12-17
Luke 15: 1-10

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