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COLORADO SPRINGS

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10.15.25

FROM THE PASTOR

1 Annual meeting this Sunday! We have had four ministry gatherings with about 150 people attending to discuss ministry plans for 2026. This Sunday, after each service, we will have the opportunity to elect three council members, vote on the proposed budget for 2026, and consider a proposal for Phase One of the master plan that includes an expanded Narthex and Gathering Place. Please plan to attend, and cast your vote.

2 Our Minister of Contemporary Worship, Jeremy Ashida, has accepted a position at a church in Costa Rica. He and his family will be moving there in November and his last Sunday at First Lutheran will be October 26. Please join me in thanking Jeremy and his family for helping us launch the contemporary worship service and reach a whole new demographic of people!

3 Becca Winn (who many of you have heard singing with our band) has accepted a position as our interim minister of contemporary worship. She begins today, October 15. She and her husband James have been serving on the worship team and have vast experience in contemporary worship leadership as well as

in children's ministry. Although Becca will be the one officially on staff, the two of them will work in tandem in the ministry. This three-month interim period will allow us to get to know them and see if they are a good fit for this work on a permanent basis. We will start the position as part-time and determine if that is sufficient or if there is enough other work to make it a full time position.

4 Our business manager, Yoshiko Anspach, had emergency surgery for a torn Achilles tendon and will be out for two weeks. Please be patient if you have questions about your offerings, the property or church financials.

Thank you for all your work to make First Lutheran such a bright place, encouraging so many in their faith. Please commit to praying for your congregation and our staff.



PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

Sunday's Message

OCTOBER 12, 2025

PASTOR TRAVIS NORTON

2 TIMOTHY 2:8 – 19

I USED TO work at Taco Bell when I was in high school. Most of the people who worked during the week were older women from Mexico who took me under their wing and taught me Spanish. The first thing I learned to say was “no es me culpa” (It’s not my fault). I got really good at making tacos; I was fast, faster than anyone else in the store. I worked my way up to shift manager and had to learn the hard way what it meant to delegate. The worst job at Taco Bell was doing the dishes and I didn’t want to make anyone feel bad so even though I was manager I just did the dishes instead of delegating it to others. That meant our times got really slow and the line at the cash register and in the drive-thru got backed up, and people got frustrated and angry. My boss came into my shift one day and yelled at me. Why was I doing the dishes when I was the fastest one on the line? I had to get over my worry about making someone feel bad and focus on the big picture. Honestly, it’s a lesson I’m still learning as a leader because it’s easy to get distracted. It’s easy to lose focus on what’s most important and spend energy on the wrong things. It’s easy to focus on protecting people’s feelings rather than doing what is most critical and right.

Part of what Paul is doing with Timothy is getting him refocused on the main thing. He warns him not to get entangled in things that are small and distracting. He calls him to be a good soldier who doesn’t quote “get entangled in everyday affairs”. He tells Timothy to be careful to avoid “wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening”. Paul reminds Timothy what the mission is when he says in verse 8, “Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendent of David –

that is my gospel.”

The reason we are here today in this congregation singing these songs, reading this Bible, sharing this meal, is because a descendent of King David was raised from the dead. The promises of the Hebrew scriptures of a Messiah who would save people from sin was fulfilled in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus is our north star; he is the reason this place exists, he is who we are following. As a church we need to stay focused on the main thing and not let all the things a church can be about distract us from what is most important. Our primary focus is Jesus and Paul reminds Timothy of this. Timothy’s job and the job of First Lutheran Church are the same as Paul’s, to “endure everything for the sake of the elect so that they may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus.” Our job is to share the good news of salvation so that your sins can be forgiven, that your death can be undone, and you can know the God who made you.

When you are baptized, you are joined to the death of Jesus so that you can share in the resurrection and enjoy eternal life. We have a lot of funerals here at First Lutheran. This past week we held memorials for Carol Palmen and Erv Rokke. In the coming weeks we will hold at least two more, for Larry Arnold and for Jody Wilbur. And we will proclaim there the primary thing that we are about – that those who have died with Jesus in baptism will also live with him, that those who endured in the faith will reign with Jesus. That is our gospel, that is our hope. We are Jesus people who have hitched our wagons to him to go where he goes. Because we believe that he was raised from the dead and not only knows the way back to

the Father, back to heaven, he also has the power to take us there with him. Our work then is to share this good news, this gospel of Jesus in a way that people can hear and receive. That's why Paul urges Timothy to avoid wrangling over words and getting entangled in foolish arguments. It hurts the faith when Christians argue about trivialities. It hurts the faith of others when we get in fights with each other about tangential things. Christians are notorious for arguing about the things of faith that don't really matter. An ancient argument among scholars was about how many angels can dance on the head of a pin. Today Christians get caught up arguing about predestination, dispensationalism, the timing of the second coming and if there will be a rapture or not. These arguments not only don't lead people to faith, they actually push people away from faith. And they create a Christianity that doesn't serve the neighbor but becomes a platform for people to feel superior to others.

Paul urges Timothy to, "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth." We are called to share the truth of the gospel in a way that can be heard and received. We have a responsibility to live without sin so people can hear our words about Jesus. We all know the damage it does when a preacher falls into sin and disgrace. People who had believed in Jesus because of their work can fall into doubt; some leave the church. Our conduct matters, how we behave matters. Not so that we can avoid punishment or for just benefit personally, our conduct matters because it affects the faith of others. We are to live our lives in such a way that people come to believe in Jesus. The way we talk and what we talk about matters more than many of us realize. Paul writes, "Avoid profane chatter for it will lead into more and more impiety, their talk will spread like gangrene." He gives the example of two men in the congregation who have been hurting people's faith. Man, I'd hate to be Hymenaeus or Philetus and have my name in scripture for all time for disrupting people's faith! They were arguing that the resurrection had already happened as a cover for

behaving any way they wanted. If the resurrection had already happened, then they felt free to pursue their own pleasure and any vice, since it wouldn't affect them. We do that too, in the church, especially in our more progressive denomination. It's easy for us to start arguing that we are saved by Grace and so our sinfulness doesn't matter that much and we shouldn't worry about it. We give into sexual immorality, into greed and untruthfulness, all under the cover of grace. If I'm saved already, if God has forgiven me, then how I live doesn't really matter, does it? We look down on the judgment of our brothers and sisters in more conservative churches saying we are glad we have more freedom than they do. But isn't that failing to take the log out of our own eye? The reason our obedience to the commands of God matters is not about our own salvation, it's about the salvation of others! We do not belong to ourselves alone; we are not like the world whose ethic is "you do you". Our freedom in Christ is not to be exploited for our own benefit but to be used to help others come to know Jesus so they can be saved. It starts with how we talk. Are we careful to only say the truth? Do we get involved in pointless controversies to make ourselves feel smart and superior? Do we get dragged into arguments, especially on social media that tear people down and leave them cold? It is a big responsibility God has given us to share the gospel with the world and live in a way that encourages faith. Martin Luther said it this way in his small book *The Freedom of a Christian*, "A Christian is a perfectly free lord of all, subject to none. A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject of all." When we submit our lives to Jesus, we are not in charge of our lives anymore. We belong to Jesus and that means we belong to our neighbor. The good news is that God is the one who is doing the work in us and through us. Paul ends this part of the instruction with a reminder that God's foundation stands firm. We may have influence, but we are not so powerful as to destroy the foundation God has established.

Sometimes I look at the church and all those who still believe in Jesus, and I am amazed. With all the mistakes and sins and even abuses Christians and

Christians leaders have committed, how is that so many people still believe in Jesus? I look in the mirror and wonder why anyone would listen to me, sinner that I am? In some ways maturing as a Christian is the same as growing up and realizing your parents made mistakes in raising you. You have to do the work as an adult to recognize where they fell short, to forgive them, and to recognize they are human just like you. You may try to do better in your own parenting but in the end, you realize you fail, too, and you join the ranks of all parents who did the best they could. The key to good parenting, I think, is to give your kids the resources to recover from the mistakes you make as a parent.

As Christians we follow our leaders and learn from them. But the thing we learn is to trust in God, to follow the way of Jesus, to be led by the Holy Spirit. We don't ultimately put our trust in our leaders but in the one our leaders pointed us toward. And then our faith becomes secure because our faith is in the perfect God who never fails us, never lets us down. The foundation of God is secure, and the Lord knows those who are his. Our assurance of salvation comes not from our teachers and pastors and mentors but

from the Jesus who remains faithful to us regardless of our shortcomings. And then God comes to us in this incredible grace and invites us to be those who share the gospel with others.

This final line from today's passage, "Let everyone who calls on the name of the Lord turn from wickedness." It is a call for constant reform to become more like our savior every day through the choices we make. And it is an invitation to change so that God can better use us to change the lives of those he is bringing to faith. There is no greater privilege in this life than to accompany someone to faith. Our work is the work of introduction – to introduce an unbelieving world to Jesus, the one descended from David, the one God raised from the dead, the one who desires everyone to be saved. In the end these instructions from Paul to Timothy are about helping him to help his congregation grow up and become mature in the faith. Maybe maturity for us is realizing that God saved us not just for ourselves but for the sake of others. We are not our own, we are God's people living a life that helps others know God. Let's live lives that gives glory to God and serves our neighbor. Amen.

ANNUAL MEETING



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19
After Each Service

We will vote on the budget, council nominees, and the plan to move forward with phase one of the renovation project.

Conversation takes place at the ministry gatherings so that voting can be done quickly on Sunday morning.



PUMPKIN PATCH

MIDDLE SCHOOL OCT 20 | 2 p.m. Meet at Church
GRADES 6 - 8 25 | 25 | 5 p.m. Pick-Up at Church

Bring \$20 | Friends are always welcome!



HIGH SCHOOL

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AT THE ZOO

October 25, 2025
6 - 9 P.M.
GRADES 9 to 12

Dress up and bring a friend! All attendees must register as soon as possible through the QR code.



CHERYL'S CORNER

REGISTRATION FOR summer camp at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp opens at midnight on Saturday, November 1. If your children aren't old enough to attend summer camp on their own, it is extremely important for you to keep reading because the family camps can fill up the first day of registration! Infants through great-grandparents are welcome to attend one of three family camps – a great opportunity to introduce your children to camp. Parents, this is a great way for you to build adult relationships through worship, Bible study, and team building activities while the counselors keep your children busy! Sunday, October 26, will be Camp Sunday here at First Lutheran! Executive Director Dave Jarvis and Ambassadors Steve and Cheryl Mahon will be in the Gathering Place to answer any questions you may have.

Let's look at a few specific camps.

Bring the whole family to Rainbow Trail for **Family Camp** to experience fun, quality family time, and spiritual renewal! Enjoy hikes, games, various activities, optional whitewater rafting and outstanding home cooking. Enjoy a wonderful week in the mountains!

Family Camps are offered June 28 – July 4, August 2 – 8, and August 28 – 31.

Intro to Camp is an action-packed three-day camp for kids (Grades 2 and 3) open to adventure and making new friends. Activities include Bible study, arts and crafts, nature adventures, archery, games, and hiking. These camps are offered June 14 – 17 and June 17 – 20.

Junior Camp (Grades 4 – 6) is an adventurous week full of building relationships with new friends through worship, Bible study, hiking, games, and much more in God's great outdoors. Offered June 14 – 17. Linda Loflin will be visiting the first intro camp and the junior camp.

In **Junior High Camp** (Grades 7 – 8) you'll have your first go at the high ropes course, whitewater rafting on the Arkansas River, and climb Eagle Peak ... along with Bible study, awesome crafts, archery, and more! Colton Laptad will be visiting during the week of July 26 – August 1.

Whether you have been a long-time camper or are new to Rainbow Trail, a week of **Senior High Camp** (Grades 9 – 12) can be the best week of your summer! Share in a week of creativity, high adventure, leadership opportunities, and close relationships! Activities include high rope adventures like the circuit and dangling duo, hiking, and optional whitewater rafting. Sign up now for an incredible week of faith, fun, and friends! Grandma Cher (me!) will be at Rainbow Trail the whole week of July 19 – 25.



CHERYL MAHON, DIRECTOR OF LAY MINISTRIES

ARE WE WASTING ENVELOPES?

We want to be conscious of the environment, our members' needs, and be good stewards of our money. Do you give to First Lutheran annually or semi-annually? Do you give online? If you are receiving giving envelopes in the mail each month but don't use them, please email cheryl@flccs.net and ask her to shut off your subscription.

FOURTH QUARTER VOLUNTEERS

The forms to sign up to volunteer for Sunday worship services, October – December, have been emailed. Volunteers are needed for Communion preparation, worship assistants, etc. If you need a link, contact Cheryl at cheryl@flccs.net.

AGING TOGETHER

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 17 | 10 – 11:30 A.M.
PEEL HOUSE 201

This group for seniors discusses issues of aging. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Maureen Tuttle at **719.640.1985** or Anne Rivers at **719.351.4268**.

FLC TECH BUDDIES

SUPPORTING OUR SENIORS

We'd like to build a team to work with older or homebound members in setting up technology. This is a great opportunity for younger members to build relationships with our older, wiser members! Please email Cheryl at cheryl@flccs.net if you would be interested in serving on the FLC Tech Buddies team!

MOMCO

OCTOBER 21 | 9:30 A.M.

MomCo meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the Peel House Lounge, next to the coffee bar.

11 A.M. WORSHIP

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

This is the smaller of our traditional services but still very well received. It is more difficult to find volunteers to Greet, Usher, and/or host Coffee Reception for this service with fewer people in attendance. If you prefer the 11 a.m. service, please consider sharing of your time just once in 2025 to see how you like it. Greeting and Coffee Reception are a great way to meet other members of the congregation. **See Cheryl Mahon** if you are willing to give it a whirl!

WAYFARERS

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 16 | 11:30 A.M.
EDELWEISS RESTAURANT

Wayfarers, an encouraging group for women who have experienced the loss of a husband, will meet for lunch at Edelweiss, 34 East Ramona Avenue. For more information, contact Erna Haring at **719.210.4467**.

BLANKETS FOR ANGEL TREE

If you'd like to tie a fleece blanket for children of the incarcerated, please contact Ken Boehm at **719.352.2377** or by email at kenrboehm@gmail.com for materials. Blankets may be tied at home and returned to the church around the holidays.

LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES REFUGEE AND ASYLEE PROGRAM

General Inquiries: Contact Jessica at **719.227.8899**

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact Britton at **719.257.3706**

Donation Inquiries: Email britton.varn@lfsrm.org

PLEASE NOTE:

LFS **does not** accept donations of clothing

LFS **does** accept household items, but limits apply

Donations are by appointment only – no onsite drop-off at the Peel House or First Lutheran, please! Storage for LFS is offsite; neither the LFS or FLC office has space for storage of donations.



OLDER WISER LUTHERANS (OWLS)

HOTEL ST. CLOUD TOUR | CAÑON CITY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

Join the OWLS Thursday, October 23, for a leaf-peeping road trip and the opportunity to tour the newly renovated 1883 Hotel St. Cloud in Cañon City. We'll leave the church at 9:15 a.m.; the free tour begins at 10:30. This hotel is one of the 10 oldest hotels in Colorado and opened in Silver Cliff in 1883. After the silver mining went bust, the hotel was disassembled brick-by-brick and moved, in 1886, to Cañon City via the Rio Grande Railroad and reassembled on Main Street. It was once the headquarters for the KKK and has welcomed several cowboy movie stars. Visit the website showing all the hotel history at <https://www.hotelstcloud.com>. We will tour the hotel, including pulling two books from the bookshelf to enter the speakeasy. We'll enjoy fellowship and lunch in the 1887 Historic Eatery (where we'll each cover our own lunch). Please register by October 17, at <https://bit.ly/48GaPRM> or by calling the church office.

OCTOBER INGATHERING OF FOOD FOR CARE AND SHARE



Please bring non-perishable and unexpired food to the Gathering Place vestibule. Especially needed are canned meats and peanut butter.



HANDBELLS 101

**Five Thursdays | Beginning October 16
7 – 8 p.m. in the Handbell Room**

Explore the fun of ringing in a five-week class – no experience required! You'll learn to ring using a variety of techniques and discover rhythm notation and music reading. Led by Deacon Joan Kuehn. Everyone, Grade 6 through adult, is welcome. Please register using the QR code, right. For more information, contact Joan by email at jlynnkuehn@gmail.com.



A behind-the-scenes look at recording our podcast: the team, *above*, relaxes at the end of a session. Jeremy Ashida, *right* (wearing headphones), works on framing a shot.



THE EMMAUS WAY

"In 1656, following a quarrel between the two ministers of the Church and their followers, the Town Council had a partition built ... thus forming two charges, the East Church and the West Church, each with its own minister. This situation continued until 1935, when the two congregations were united..."

– Literature in
The Church of the Holy Rude*
Stirling, Scotland

AS MANY OF you know, I recently spent two weeks in Scotland (what a trip it was!). What you might not know is that I've been a bit of a history buff most of my life, with Western Christian history and architecture holding particular interest for me. So, knowing I was going to be able to step into buildings and locations where Christ has been worshiped for many, many centuries was quite exciting for me, as I had never had the opportunity to do so before. What

I experienced, though, was not quite what I was expecting. The buildings themselves were beautiful and fascinating, which was no surprise. What was a surprise was this – instead of initially discerning a sense of worship and God's presence in those places – which is what I thought could happen – I felt instead a profound sorrow at all the divisiveness and

violence done in God's name witnessed by those buildings (especially post-English Reformation) and how God's heart must be grieved by it.

Today I invite us to consider lines of division, so woefully illustrated in the history of the Church of the Holy Rude in Stirling, where a literal wall was erected in the church to divide people who could not – or would not – come to a place of agreement or reconciliation for 279 years. It's easy for me to read Ephesians 2:14 – 16 and wonder, "What were the people of Stirling thinking?" But then all I have to do is look at our world today, and my own heart, and see division doing terrible things that certainly grieve God.

I believe we at First Lutheran do a pretty good job of erasing such dividing lines and finding places of commonality with each other. I ask us this week, though, to prayerfully consider if there may be any unrecognized walls in our hearts, separating us from others of differing (religious; political; etc.) beliefs. Spend some time in the Ephesians passage, asking God to destroy any barrier of hostility, replacing it with peace through the cross. Let's walk in reconciliation, together.

* Rude or Rood is an old English word signifying the Cross of the Crucifixion



LORI DUNCAN, MINISTER OF SPIRITUAL CARE



TRAIL TREKKERS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 | 9 A.M.

UTE VALLEY PARK | BLACK & BLUE TRAIL

We'll meet at the trailhead at the East parking lot, 302 South Rockrimmon Boulevard. Do not go to the Vindicator parking lot. This hike is a loop, about four miles over rocky terrain. We'll pass some interesting large rock outcroppings where the rattlesnakes will be asleep! Lunch at a nearby restaurant is optional. 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.

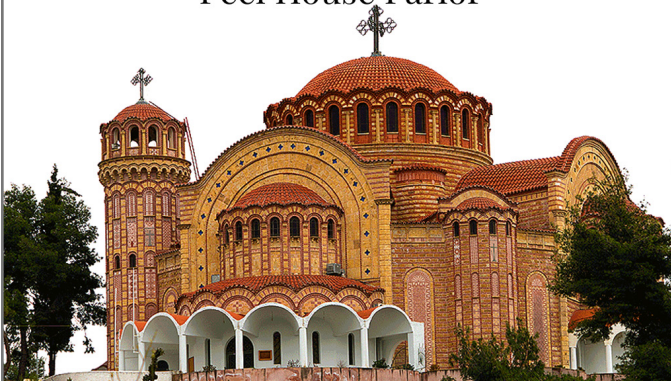
In the Footsteps of Paul

6 Week Lunch & Learn Course

September 21 to October 26, 2025

Sundays from 12 - 1 p.m.

Peel House Parlor



2024 by the numbers:

1,500 cups of hot cider and coffee

68 gallons of apple cider

15,000 pieces of candy

250 bottles of water

550 snacks served

40 volunteers



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/41Rh4ff>.

HOLIDAY “CRAFTING AROUND”

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

This group meets in the basement of the main building. The cost for these fabulous crafts is a bargain at just \$5 each. Please pay in full when registering. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/4l8eTwT>.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

November 4	Mi Mexico 3956 Academy Boulevard
November 18	Lazy Dog 7605 Academy Boulevard
December 2	Ai Sushi 3215 Cinema Point
December 16	La Bella Vita Italiano 4475 Northpark Drive

October 28	Tree Wreath Ornament
November 4	Gift Card Holders
November 11	Yarn Christmas Tree
November 15	Crafter’s Choice

THRIVENT SUPPORTS HALLOWEEN

Thrivent members are eligible for two \$250 grants per year. Contact Cheryl at 719.447.6064 or cheryl@flccs.net to select a unique focus for your grant application, then visit <https://www.thrivent.com> under the Generosity tab select Thrivent Action Teams.

Join us as we
open our doors!

Friday, October 31
5:30 – 8 p.m.

The Old North End is a favorite destination for trick-or-treating. Our outreach to the community relies on your generous donations and willingness to help!

- Decorate: Thursday, October 30, 4 – 7 p.m.
- Donate: Candy – or cash or gift cards (we’ll do the shopping!)
- Create: A themed car for “Trunk or Treat”
- Serve: Welcome guests with candy and drinks on Halloween

Donations of candy may be placed in the orange and black bins in the Gathering Place. Gift cards for King Soopers and Sam’s Club – helpful for cider, candy, and snacks – may be turned in at the Welcome Center. To register for decorating, trunk or treat, or helping on Halloween, visit <https://bit.ly/3VQmSUR>.

See above for information on Thrivent Action Team Grants.

Halloween at First Lutheran



In the Life of the Church ...

Birthdays

- October 20** Judy Hagge
Gary Harris
Ann Hjelmstad
Jill Walsh
- October 21** Madison Huebner
Roger Wilson
- October 22** Arik Aufderheide
- October 23** Chris Gerbig
Jess Knudtson
Eileen Lipscomb
Rich Tuttle
Clio Wilkerson
- October 24** Charlie Helmstetler
Dakota Johnson
Luke Travins
- October 25** Annette Kester
Cris Waters
- October 26** Bonnie Bagley
Mark Mathiesen
Dan Molner
Gwen Pool

Anniversaries

- October 20**
Bobby and Iona Kochera 68 years
- October 22**
Frank Yellico Jr and Jill Yellico 32 years
- October 23**
Jan and Wayne Booker 49 years
- October 26**
Scott and Katie Kosley 34 years



Prayer Requests

Lannette Abbey
Wanda Anderson
The Larry Arnold Family
Fred Bachmeier
Janice Baldwin
Elmer Bauman
Tana Beall
Joan Boehm
Bill & Barbara Brown
Justin Buck
Calista
Clare Campbell
Karl & Pam Cartwright
Tanya Charbonneau
John & Debbie Chlebus
Nell Clowder
Debi Deimling
Carol Donachy
Russell Downs
Duane & Gaylene
Rinda Dunson
Alan Flinn
Donna Flores
Edna Fross
Corinne Gibson
Nick Gomes
Nola Gosch
Private Steven Harris
Ginger Hipszky
Jake Hodnett
Bill & Doreen Hulka
Irene
Matthew James
Josh Jones
Shirley Jones
Ann Junk
Jonas Kagarise
Kephart, Tami
Kyong Kelley
Gaye Lynn Kielcheski
Cindy Koger

Jesse Lawrence & Family
Timothy Lillich
Dayne Lindquist
Patricia Lopez
Susan Lundmark
Elly Mahler
Malia
Jim Matthews
Nick McKibben & Family
Hugh McNeely
Brandon Miller & Family
Gwyn Miller
Marilyn Miller & Family
Larry & Lucille Moe
Paul Moe
Wilma Nicolaisen
Sam Norton
Marlis Olson
Owen & Family
Jack & Judy Peterson
Ralph Peterson
Ed Pounds
Darlene Radke
Jeff Rapp
The Erv Rokke Family
Mark Roth
Dorothy Selleck
Matthew Stark
Gwen Stein
Becky Sternal
Barbara Swan
Michael Taylor
Tom & Gretchen Tetzlaff
Aaron & Cindi Thorson
The Family of Virgil Tindall
Bob VanDuy
Karen Henderson-VanDuy
Christine Welch
The Jody Wilbur Family
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**.

In Remembrance of **Larry Arnold**

MEMORIAL SERVICE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17
12:30 P.M.

Join us in the Sanctuary as we remember the life and witness of Larry, Rick and Scott Arnold's father; Norine and Susan's father-in-law; grandfather of eight; great-grandfather of one.

Date of death: September 30, 2025

In Remembrance of **Jody Wilbur**

MEMORIAL SERVICE
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12
1 P.M.

Join us in the Sanctuary as we remember the life and witness of Jody, Rich Wilbur's wife; Jeff and Eric's mother; Lynda and Anne's mother-in-law.

Date of death: October 4, 2025

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.

QUARTERLY ADULT EDUCATION

Weekly Adult Seminar is now finished. We will continue with quarterly Adult Education classes. The Lunch and Learn Footsteps of Paul class is part of Adult Education. Check here in the Ekklesia in January and April for our winter and spring options, respectively.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

LUTHER HALL | 10 A.M.

Led by the preaching pastor for the week.

GENERATION TO REVELATION

FIRST LUTHERAN'S NEW PODCAST!

Find our podcast on YouTube, on the church website, 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

Genesis 32:22 – 31

2 Timothy 3: 14 – 4:5

Luke 18: 1 – 8

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