

## **FLC WEEKLY**

January 4, 2026

God is with us as we care for one another.

### **HELPING PUT AWAY CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS 1/7**

This is an open invitation to anyone and everyone who would like to come and help take down the church Christmas decoration. We will be here at 3:00 on Wednesday Jan 7 to start taking them down. Hope to see you here.

### **ANNUAL MINISTRY REPORTS**

It is that time of year again – annual reports! Please turn your reports into the church office for all ministries and missions of First Lutheran Church by **Friday, January 9, 2026**.

We will begin compiling our annual report for distribution and review prior to the annual meeting.

### **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 1/4 – 2/8,2026**

Our **Souper Bowl of Caring** kicked off on **January 4th and will go through February 8th, 2026**. Join in the friendly competition between the *Angels (A-L)* and the *Saints (M-Z)* for who can collect the most non-perishable food items. Tubs will be placed in the church annex and Sonshine Ark. The winner will be the Floresville Food Pantry.

### **RUTH CIRCLE TO MEET ON 1/8/2026**

The Ruth Circle Bible Study will meet on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 1:00pm in the church annex. We are studying from the book “Portraits of Jesus,” Session, “I am the Gate for the Sheep.” Study Leader is LoReese King and Carolyn Orth is the Hostess. Everyone is invited to come and study with us. Contact Anna Willis (210-722-3410) for questions.

### **SUN., JAN. 11 — BAPTISM OF OUR LORD SUNDAY**

The first Sunday after the Epiphany, January 11, is “Baptism of Our Lord Sunday”. Jesus becomes known as “my Son, the beloved” in his baptism. Throughout the whole season of Epiphany, we remember the importance of making Christ known.

This year’s Baptism of Our Lord Sunday will be special. First, as Jesus chose to be identified with us in baptism, all the worshipers will have an opportunity to publicly say “Yes!” to their baptism in Christ Jesus. There is nothing more important you will ever say than “Yes!” to Jesus.

### **SUNDAYS, JAN. 18 THROUGH MARCH 22 — “GENUINE CHRISTIANITY”**

What does real Christianity look like when beliefs are challenged, love grows cold, and truth is blurred? The letters of **1, 2, and 3 John** were written to communities facing many of the same pressures we face today—confusion about Jesus, competing loyalties, false teachers, and strained relationships within the church. John writes not to offer abstract theology, but to call God’s people back to what is real, faithful, and life-giving.

From Jan. 18 through March 22, we will have a preaching series called “Genuine Christianity”. We will explore a faith rooted in the truth about Jesus, lived out by walking in the light, expressed through love, and guarded against deception. These letters press us to ask honest questions: *Do we believe the truth? Are we living it? Are we loving as God loves?* Week by week, John gives us clear tests of authentic faith and a compelling picture of the kind of church that is worth writing about. Come and bring a friend!

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, SUNDAY, 1/25/26**  
**9:30 AM—BETWEEN THE SERVICES**

Please join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting. We look forward to seeing you.

**FLCW QUARTLEY MEETING 1/25/2026**

All women of the church are invited to attend the first FLCW quarterly meeting of the year on Sunday, January 25th. We will meet at 1:00 in the annex. Hope to see you there. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them" Matthew 18:20

**VBS JUNE 29 – JULY 1, 2026**

Mark your calendars for VBS 2026. This year VBS will be held on June 29 – July 1, 2026. More details are coming soon.

**SERVING AT WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY (1/4)**

**Ushers (Team 4)**

**Early Ushers-** Jesse Bryan, Danny Curtis, Laurie Curtis, Charles Koenig, Nina Koenig

**Late Ushers-** Rudd Rhew, David Pfeil, Annette Pfeil, LoReese King, Adam Carter, Andrea Carter

**Live Stream-** Carol Rutledge

**Early Sound Tech-** Jeff Rutledge

**Early Acolytes-** Teagan Cofield & Nicole Pfeil

**Early Reader-** Jan Schellhase

**Early Communion Bread-** Danny Curtis

**Early Communion Wine-** Curtis Holcombe & Vickey Zeithammel

**Late Sound Tech-** Dan Martick

**Late Acolytes-** Pheona Valenzuela & Ainsley Kraus

**Late Reader-** Margie Boening

**Late Communion Bread-** Clay Archer

**Late Communion Wine-** Loretta Carter & Evelyn Frank

**Tellers-** Liz Scheitle & Polly Archer

**Flowers-** Py McKenzie- In gratitude for 94 good years!

**Music-** Manahara Virasinha

**Altar Guild-(T-4)** Judy Rhew, Margie Boening, Linda Jauer, Glenda Taylor, Brenda Yosko

**Eucharistic Ministers-** David & Annette Pfeil

**Lawn Crew-(1/5) T-2** Charles Ogburn, Clay Archer, Charlie Glowka, Charles Koenig

## **THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN**

### **Sun., 1/4**

8am Early Service  
9:15am Confirmation  
10:30am Late Service

### **Tues., 1/6**

10am Bible Study

### **Wed., 1/7**

6pm Confirmation

### **Thur., 1/8**

1:30pm Veterans Home  
2:30pm Prairie Meadows  
3:30pm FNC

### **Sat., 1/10**

8am Men's Bible Study

## **2026 FLOWERS CHART IS NOW UP IN THE ANNEX**

### **PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR MEMBERS AND REGULAR WORSHIPERS**

**Robyn Sanders-** Prayers for comfort and complete healing from Cancer.

**Voncille Bielefeld-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing from shoulder replacement surgery.

**Linda Ogburn-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing with some health issues, surgery on 1/5/26.

**Bonnie Caisse-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing.

**Vernon Blocker-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing.

**Sandra Jandt-** Prayers for comfort & healing, cancer treatments.

**Natalie Adams-** Prayers for continued healing and wholeness.

### **PRAYERS FOR THOSE LIVING IN NURSING HOMES OR LIVING ALONE**

**Florence Baumann**

**Sylvia Gadd**

**Evie Schmidtberger**

### **PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS & VISITORS**

**Prayers for Rain.... Cooler Weather and Joy**

**Melvin Moczygemba-** Prayers for comfort & healing from bypass surgery (Neighbor of Klepac's & Bielefeld's).

**Gene, brother of Sylvia Hermesen-** Prayers for comfort & healing (Friend of Mata Orth).

**Michael Prater-** Prayers for comfort & healing from a concussion.

**Jacob Waclawczyk-** Prayers for comfort while trying to get his body straight with his diabetes (Grandson of Ruby Kolenda).

**Passing of Brenda Smock-** Prayers for comfort for her family.

**Kaye Lake-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing after surgery (Sister of Laveda Thompson).

**Wayne Hartman-** Prayers for peace and hope that there is an alternative treatment for his colon cancer, chemo no longer working (Brother of Linda Jauer).

**Carolyn Heil-** Prayers for comfort & healing, in the hospital since Tuesday.

**Diane Moy-** Prayers for comfort & healing, cancer treatments.  
**Kris Jenschke-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Jack & Betty House-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Carl Ortmann-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Bill Mueth-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Cheryl Brownlow-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Dorothy Wenzel-** Prayers for comfort & healing from a broken wrist (Aunt of Keith Klepac).  
**Christina Pantuso-Speranza-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing from cervical cancer (Niece of Pantuso's).  
**David Nelson** – Prayers for comfort & healing, prayers his cancer does not return (brother-in-law of Andy Gadd).  
**Brandy Hassmann-** Prayers for healing & comfort as she goes through intense treatments for 3 weeks for Lyme Disease (Daughter-in-law of the Glowka's).  
**Steve Plata-** Prayers for complete healing from cancer (Co-worker of Keith Klepac).  
**Keli Oliveira-** Prayers for complete healing from cancer (Friend of the Klepac's).  
**Jennings Johnson-** Prayers for comfort & complete healing (Friend of Denise Klepac).  
**Cindy Pilgrim-Banhart-** Prayers for complete healing from cancer (Friend of Denise Klepac).  
**Karen Lucher-** Prayers for comfort & healing.  
**Courtney Ortiz-** Prayers for comfort & healing, needing lots of prayers.  
**Jenny Klepac-** Prayers for comfort & healing (Aunt of Keith Klepac).  
**Mary Calvillo-** Cancer (friend of Mata Orth)  
**Walter Bauer-** Prayers for comfort & healing. (Ruby Kolenda's cousin)  
**Christina Pantuso-** Health issues. (Wife of John Pantuso III)  
**Terry Forzelle-** Complete healing from surgery. (Friends of John Morning)

### **MEMBERS HAVING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

**Tues. 1/6**

Charles Ogburn

**Wed., 1/7**

Laveda Thompson

**Thurs., 1/8**

Tobyn Noll

Kayla Korzekwa

**Sat., 1/10**

Kimberly Colunga

### **ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**Thurs., 1/6**

Slade & Ryann Kasper

### **DAILY READINGS FOR DISCIPLES**

1/5/26	Monday	Matt 3:13-17
1/6/26	Tuesday	Matt 2:1-12
1/7/26	Wednesday	Ps. 29
1/8/26	Thursday	Isa. 42:1-9
1/9/26	Friday	Acts 10:34-43
1/10/26	Saturday	1 Cor. 3:10-23

**THANK YOU FOR CONTINUING TO REMEMBER FLC IN YOUR GIVING, AS YOU ARE ABLE.** We now have options available for online giving and text-to-give. They are easy to use and secure! You can give a gift of support online at <https://dojoy.org/give> or give via text message by texting the amount you would like to give to **830-420-0747**.