



FIRST NEWS

A monthly publication for the members and friends of First Evangelical Lutheran Church
APRIL 2021

APRIL 2021 Time with Tom

What have we learned from our Lenten journey? Did the teachings of Jesus call us to a new vision as Lutherans? Was Jesus clear about the discipleship of the called children of God? These are good questions for us to ponder now that we are moving into the time of year when we go out into the world traveling on vacations or going to the lake. These are times when we will be away from our regular church influence being Jesus' disciples carrying the good news of Jesus Christ along with our travel bags. For some of us we will be staying close to home, as we understand our roll during this pandemic. Worship on Sunday mornings may look different from years past, hopefully better than last year's summer worship options. I remember reading the Lutheran magazine and coming across a story about being a welcoming church.

The story asked a good question about what it means to be a welcoming church. First the phrase "all are welcome" is a difficult statement on which to follow through. All are welcome sounds nice but is it true? We would like to think so but like Wendy Healy explains in her article; all is more than just the family, friends and people with like interests that we normally will see on a Sunday morning. We may want "All" to be 'all people like us' are welcome! Maybe all are not welcome or at least not yet? If we have learned anything from Jesus during lent, we should have noticed Jesus spent more time around people that were not like Jesus and were opposing Jesus. Jesus welcomed them even when they were not welcoming Jesus.

If we are a welcoming church do we have to find a way to set out the welcome mat for every person on earth or just the people who are likely to visit our church? If we want to become a welcoming church this summer season we will need to first decide whom we are and what we have to welcome them into. If we have a clean building, a welcoming web site and a nice sign out front that helps passersby feel comfortable enough to enter our building. We have then just begun to be a welcoming church.

The next thing according to the Lutheran Mag article is being friendly but not over the top so we chase away the ones who are not comfortable with the touchy feely welcome, (not a problem in a pandemic but maybe that will change soon). Yes these things are important but what I found most important would be for us to first know who we are and what is our niche, Bob Fritch also added to the story with the reminder; "we are not here to keep the clubhouse open. We're called to bring God's word, and we must do it in new and different ways" Fritch said.

Who are we at First Lutheran, and how do we bring God's word to all the people we welcome to worship. How do we welcome all people? Lets start by remembering who we are and how will we spend our summer being Jesus to all, at home and away, Amen.

Live in Peace and the God of Love and Peace will be with you! 2nd Cor. 13:11. Pastor Tom Evenson

Our mission: First Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to **welcome** people to faith in Jesus Christ; **equip** persons with a faith that works in real life; and **send** us in service into the world in Jesus' name.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
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Fri. 8 AM - 12 PM
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www.firstlitchfield.org

Council Highlights

**“GOD’S WORK.
OUR HANDS.”**

**First Evangelical Lutheran
Church Council
2021**

PRESIDENT:
Corey Cervin

VICE PRESIDENT:
Karla Kadelbach

SECRETARY:
Dennis Gartner

TREASURER:
Karla Hyberger

**TEAM
REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Christian Education/
Youth & Family:**
Abby Hemmingway
Amy Nelson

Stewardship & Finance:
Betty Allen
Karla Hyberger
Karla Kadelbach

**Social Ministry/
Evangelism:**
Betty Allen
Amy Nelson
Abby Hemmingway

Endowment/Memorial:
Corey Cervin
Beth Fruetel
Chuck Fenton

Property:
Andy Hoffman
Dennis Gartner
Chuck Fenton
Gordon Burdick

Worship & Music:
Beth Fruetel
Gordon Burdick

Personnel:
Corey Cervin

First Evangelical Lutheran Church – Council Minutes
Tuesday, March 16th, 2021 7:00 PM

Our Mission: FLC exists to welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ, equip persons with a faith that works in real life, and send us in service into the world in Jesus’ name.

Council Membership:

2022: Andrew Hoffman, Beth Fruetel, Karla Hyberger, Corey Cervin

2023: Betty Allen, Karla Kadelbach, Amy Nelson, Abby Hemmingway

2024: Dennis Gartner, Joe Berube, Gordon Burdick, Chuck Fenton

Devotions: Karla Hyberger

*Secretary report was approved

*Treasurer reports were approved

*Individual and group photos of council members were taken

*Pastors report:

Pastor Tom is still visiting members locally as regulations permit. He has also started visiting members at Bethesda in Willmar. Revised requirements by the Governor don’t change much of our current policies. We will be able to ad fellowship for weddings etc. and gathering outdoors. Lenten soup suppers and fellowship on Sunday mornings has been going well. Pastor Tom also noted the need to move forward on the Christian Education director since Minister Sarah Jones will be transitioning into her next educational phase. MST 2022 will be doing the breakfast on Easter Sunday beginning at 7:00 AM.

*Team Reports:

*Please Note:

There is an “Example for Team Reports to Council” format sheet that is available for team leaders and note takers. We are asking that this format be used to submit reports to the office so access to information can be readily available to Church office staff. Please contact the office for a copy if your team does not receive one. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Christian Ed / Youth and Family:

During Lent WOW is not doing a ZOOM meeting with the kids. They are having a pre-recorded lesson by Minister Sarah Jones emailed to the parents and teachers. This team served soup supper on Wednesday March 10th. The Time Capsule project also took place on March 10th with the 1st and 2nd graders. They are going to discuss at their next team meeting if they will meet in person for the last 4 weeks of WOW. Confirmation students are meeting after Wednesday services to discuss the sermon. First Communion camps are taking place and the First Communion service is scheduled for Sunday April 11th at 10:00 AM.

*Personnel Committee:

This team will be actively working on filling the Christian Education Director position. They are also filling a position for a Media Director. They will also be working to fill the Financial Bookkeeper role as Tonia Beavers has put in her resignation for this position. If you are interested in these positions or know of someone who may be a candidate, please contact the church office for more information.

*Endowment:

Endowment team again voted to donate \$100.00 per camper toward the Green Lake Bible camp.

*Worship and Music:

Good Friday service will be a pre-recorded coop service broadcast online, radio and cable access TV. This team discussed the schedule for Holy Week and leaders for each service. They also discussed what will change with services as pandemic restrictions change. What will become of the cooperative that has been formed? They want decisions to be made based on a Mission that extends beyond Sunday morning worship and not based on emotions. This discussion will continue in future team meetings.

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General Fund:

Year to Date:

Total Income for the month of January 2021: \$37,591
 Expenses for the month of January 2021: \$31,629

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Total Income for the month of February 2021: \$22,890
 Expenses for the month of February 2021: \$25,900

Income as of February 2021: \$60,481
 Expenses as of February 2021: \$57,529

We give to advance the gospel around the world. We give so others will know Christ. We give so our neighbors might experience grace. We give so we have a safe place to freely worship and be a Christian.

Matt 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all things will be added to you.

Matt 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce, then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Jude 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For will the measure you use it, it will be measured back to you.

Council continued...

***Old Business:**

~The 150 year celebration committee continues to meet and are making progress towards celebration dates. (The following was again discussed, similar to last month's meeting. This will be an ongoing discussion at Council meetings for the near future.)

~Council also discussed Ministry in the Midst of Covid. Specifically, what will happen or change regarding the coop group that has been working together during the pandemic if restrictions are lifted. Will the group continue in some form or will it be put on hold with the option to bring it back in the future if needed?

~There was a recap of the Conference assembly.

~There was a recap of the Council retreat.

***New Business:**

~Council will be serving soup supper on Wednesday March 17th.

~Payroll Protection Plan assistance was discussed. The Council decided to move forward with the application process and will report back with any news as to the progress or assistance received.

***Dates to remember:**

~Collaborative services continue Sunday's at 8:30 AM

~Indoor services to continue Sunday's at 10:00 AM

~Lenten services and soup suppers continue through Wednesday March 24th

~Maundy Thursday Services April 1st at 7:00 PM

~Good Friday Coop service is pre-recorded

~Easter Services Sunday April 4th at 6:30 AM and 10:00 AM

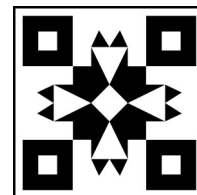
~MST French Toast breakfast Easter Sunday at 7:00 AM

~Team meetings Tuesday April 6th at 7:00 PM

~Executive team meeting Tuesday April 6th at 6:30 PM

~Council Meeting Tuesday April 20th at 7:00 PM

~First Communion Service Sunday April 11th at 10:00 AM



ATTENTION QUILTERS:

Quilting will begin again on Tuesday April 6, at 8:30 a.m. The quilters meet every month on the first and fourth Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in Chilstrom Hall. Please join us!

Submitted by Dennis Gartner

Stewardship

By Grace alone (Sola Gratia)

Through Faith alone (Sola Fide)

In Christ alone (Solus Christus)

According to Scripture alone (Sola Scriptura)

For God's Glory alone (Soli Deo Gloria)

1. Sola Gratia (Grace alone)

Salvation is the free gift of God to man. It is given by God's Grace alone and not through any merit on the part of the Christian. GRACE = God's Riches At Christ's Expense. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9.

2. Sola Fide (Faith alone)

We are judged by God purely on the basis of our faith. FAITH = Forsaking All I Trust Him. "But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for the just shall live by faith."

Galatians 3:11.

3. Solus Christus (Christ alone)


Christ is our communicator to God. Our salvation is accomplished only through Christ's death and resurrection. "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;" 1 Timothy 2:5.

4. Sola Scriptura (Scripture alone)

Scripture alone is the only source of divine revelation and the final authority for matters of faith and religious practices. Sola Scriptura does not mean that all truth is contained in the Bible, but rather that all mankind needs to know that salvation is contained within its pages. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

5. Soli Deo Gloria (To the glory of God alone)

Every aspect of the Christian life is to be giving glory to God. This basically summarizes all the other four Soli.



For by grace you have
been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing;
it is the gift of God.

E P H E S I A N S 2 : 8



Job Opening: First Lutheran Church of Litchfield is seeking a part-time bookkeeper, who would be responsible for accounts payable and payroll. Hours of work are very flexible. Strong computer skills and a background in accounting are preferred. Please send resumes to: First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 South Sibley Avenue, Litchfield, MN 55355 or contact the office for more information and an application. Phone: 320-693-2487

JOB OPENING: W.O.W (Worship On Wednesday's) Coordinator, part-time. W.O.W. Coordinator will be energetic in sharing in our vibrant youth ministry with children ages 3 years old through 7th grade. Coordinator will provide oversight and vision for our programming, while providing leadership & resources as needed. Please send letter of application and resume to the church office. Or stop in the church office for an application. Please call the church office for more information. 320-693-2487 Thank you!

Come experience the Wonders of Ancient Israel! Follow the footsteps of Jesus of Nazareth and his Apostles as you explore the Christian heritage of Israel. From Jesus' birthplace in Bethlehem to his crucifixion and resurrection in the Holy City of Jerusalem, explore the stories and scenes that set the foundation for an entire faith. June 25, 2022-July 4, 2022. There is also an extension to Jordan available. The trip cost is about \$5000pp with extra excursions. Log on to see all the information, trip highlights, and to secure your spot today.



Now through May 1st there is a free excursion and risk free enrollment.

<https://grouptoursite.com/tours/Israel2022>

Contact Pastor Mindy Czycalla with any questions you may have: mindyczycalla@gmail.com or 320-221-4840

WOW

Worship on Wednesdays
For our youth
Pre-k to 7th grade
Will begin again in person
Starting April 7th
At 6:00 p.m.
At First Lutheran Church

USHERS



Usher /Acolyte Schedule:
Apr. 4: Elliot Fluck
Apr. 11: Cole & Riley Hoff,
Apr. 18: Tucker Liestman
Apr. 25: Nick Peterson.



Beginning April 25th
MST-USA 2021
will be taking orders for
Papa Murphy's pizzas.
Orders may be placed with any
MST-USA youth, or through the
church office.

Pizzas will be available for pick-
up after the service on Sunday,
May 23.
If you have any questions, please
contact Martha Christensen

Kids

aren't the church
of the future;
they're the
church
of
today!

First Communion Rehearsal

- Thursday, April 8th at 6:00 p.m.

First Communion Service

- Sunday April 11, 2021 at 10 a.m.

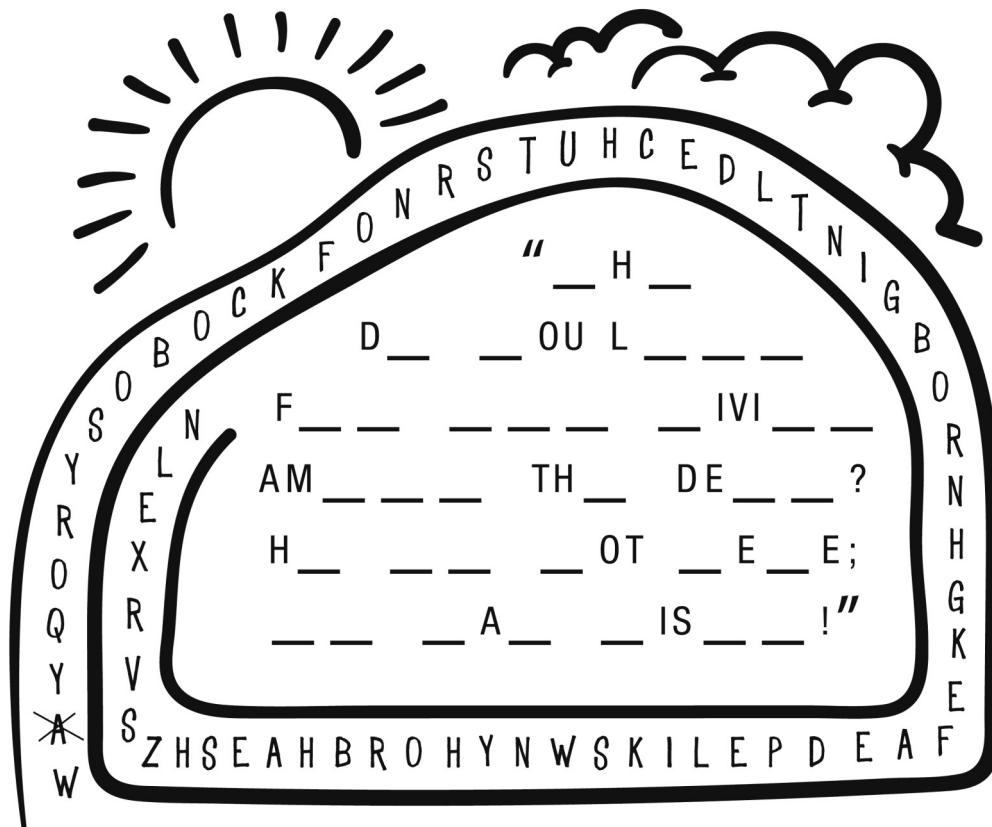




EASTER MORNING *message*

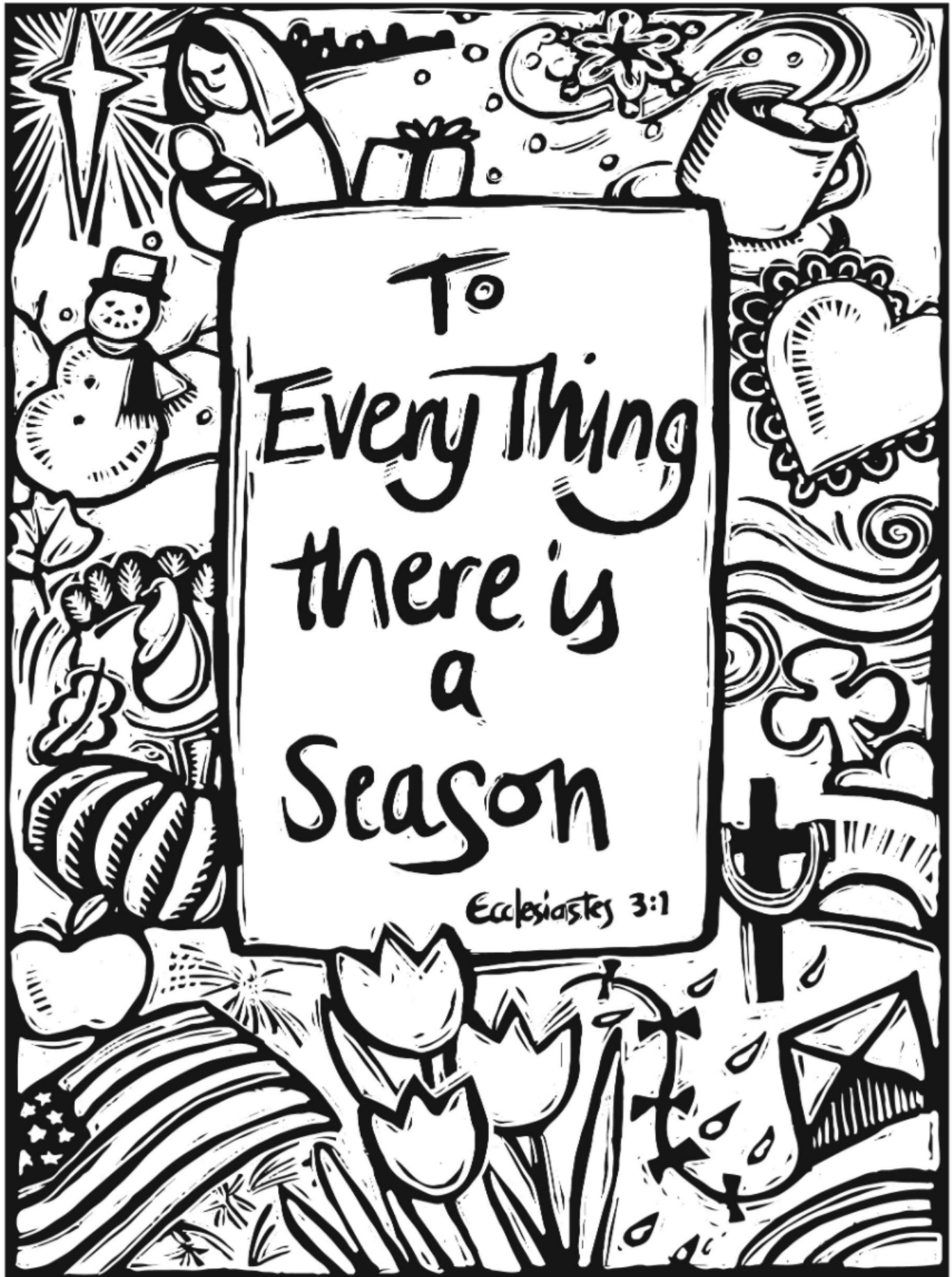
Early Sunday morning, some women who followed Jesus encountered a great surprise. Solve the puzzle to see what the angels told them.

Directions: Cross out every other letter in the maze. Write the remaining letters in order to complete Luke 24:5-6, NIV.



LUKE 24:5-6, NIV

Answer: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5-6, NIV



Dear friends,

It is almost a year since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic and the implementation of lockdowns and other measures by most countries in the world to curb the spread of the virus.

Globally, as of 10:15am CET, 26 February 2021, there were 112,456,453 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 2,497,514 deaths, reported to the World Health Organization (WHO). <https://covid19.who.int/> South Africa has reported about 1.5 million infections and over 50,000 related deaths.

Several coronavirus vaccines have been developed and approved for use but access, cost and distribution are matters of deep concern. In an open letter to the leaders of the G7 countries The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) General Secretary Rev. Dr Martin Junge noted: "Wealthy countries have secured their doses, sometimes in more quantities than they need, while other countries and their populations have inadequate or no access at all." <https://www.lutheranworld.org/news/covid-19-until-all-are-safe-no-one-safe>

The ELCA's Lutheran Disaster Response has responded to appeals from companion churches in Southern Africa to support several programs during the first and now second wave of the pandemic. Activities include distributing relevant information about the pandemic, Personal Protective Equipment and food hampers to vulnerable communities. Lockdowns and restrictions on the numbers of people allowed at funerals and church services have also affected the pastoral, financial and evangelism work of the churches.

However, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malawi reported that evangelism training workshops were held in 2020 for pastors, evangelists and youth leaders. The report stated, "The evangelism work has been hard especially during this period of Covid-19. But despite this... trainings and meetings have been going on very well." The report included the story of Mr. Kwayera who attended one of the training workshops. He is an elder and Confirmation teacher in a local congregation. (In the photo Mr. Kwayera is holding up Sunday School and Confirmation resource books translated into Chichewa, the official language in Malawi.)



In a recent email ELCM Bishop Joseph Bvumbwe wrote: "Kindly please convey our appreciation to the Global Mission office in Chicago and the ELCA members who always support our efforts for the sake of the mission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Thank you for your prayers, support and your participation in God's mission locally and globally.

Yours faithfully,

Rev. Dr. Philip Knutson

ELCA Regional Representative - Southern Africa

Johannesburg, February 26, 2021

My blog page address is: <https://southernafricanconnections.wordpress.com/>

Please visit my [fundraising page](#). (Note: This fundraising page is set up for individuals' gifts only.) If you are donating on behalf of a congregation or organization, please visit [ELCA.org/MissionaryGiving](https://www.elca.org/MissionaryGiving) for online giving.

Churchwide, & Memorials

Gifts were given to the general fund and the Bell Choir fund in memory of James Findley, Brian Findley's Father, by Scot and Joan Anderson, Bea Devereaux, Rand and Dianne Thorp, and Bob and Sharon Johnson.

A gift was given to Mission Support in memory of Audrey Erickson, Karen Eberhard's Mom, by Dan and Brenda Johnson.

A gift was given to the Giving Cross in memory of Stan Mortenson by Karl and Darlene Lundin.

A gift was given to the Undesignated fund in memory of Stan Mortenson by James and Janet Lange.



FUNERALS AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Stanley A. Mortenson

March 13, 2021

Graveside service at Ripley Cemetery
Please keep his family in your prayers



Holy Baptism

This baptism is the start to a wonderful and long lasting faith. Congratulations on this milestone!!

Baptized: Sunday, March 21, 2021

Harper Marie Hultstrum

Parents: Eric and Kayla Hultstrum

Sponsors:

**Laura Hultstrum, and
Trevor and Samantha Heining**

APRIL 2021

APRIL 2021 Calendar

April 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>First Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 South Sibley Ave. Litchfield, MN 320-693-2487</p>				<p>1 Maundy Thursday 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" on KLFDFACEBOOK LIVE 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 2:00 & 2:45 p.m. Worship at Gloria Dei & Ecumen 7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary</p>	<p>2 Good Friday 6:30 p.m. Worship with LAMA (Litchfield Area Ministerial Assc.) On KLFDFaceBook and Youtube</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 Easter Sunday 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Worship with Communion in Sanctuary 7:00 a.m. 2022 MST French Toast Breakfast - Chilstrom Hall 8:30 a.m. COOP Worship on KLFDFaceBook FB & Youtube 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary 11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV</p>	<p>5 11 am *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV</p>	<p>6 7:00 a.m. BREW - Chilstrom 8:00 a.m. BREW - FB Live 8:30 a.m. Quilters 11 am *Encore presentation of FLC on Cable TV 5:30 p.m. Worship Team Mtg. 6:30 p.m. NA - Chapel 6:30 p.m. Executive Meeting 7:00 p.m. Team Meetings</p>	<p>7 9:00 a.m. Staff Mtg. 11 am *Encore COOP on Cable TV 5:30 p.m. Hope - Distribution 6:00 p.m. WOW in person 6:30 p.m. WOW in person KLFDFaceBookLive/Youtube 7:00 p.m. Confirmation 8 pm *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV</p>	<p>8 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" on KLFDFaceBook LIVE 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. First Communion Rehearsal w/parents & photo</p>	<p>9 9:00 a.m. Christian Women's Mtg.</p>	<p>10 7:00 a.m. Men's Group</p>
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APRIL 2021 SERVING & BIRTHDAYS

Chair: Dorothy Euerle	320-693-8747
Keith & Sabrara Evenson	320-693-4244
	S 320-314-2268
	K 320-761-0234
Duane Farmer	320-593-6923
Richard & Peggy Farmer	320-693-9147
	R 320-221-3841
	P 320-221-3845
Robert & Judy Farmer	320-693-4294
Chuck & Sue Fenton	S 612-889-6525
	C 612-325-7661
Brian & Jodi Findley	J 320-699-1535
	B 320-699-1536
Tama Fisher	320-764-2705
	T 320-221-4055
Josh & Anna Fluck	320-444-9157
Geri Follett	507-438-3804
Keith & Juliann Fredrickson	320-693-2617
Marilyn Frisch	320-249-4061
Jerry & Judy Freitag	320-593-8703
Tom & Beth Fruetel	320-699-0195
	C 320-267-4129

Jacob Gabrielson	320-221-0787
Nick & Tracy Gabrielson	320-699-0855
Sandra Gabrielson	320-693-3386
Todd & Jessicah Gabrielson	320-693-2415
	T 320-894-9237
	J 320-212-9500
Sharon Galloway	320-282-4531
Paul & Char Garrison	P 320-221-0100
	C 320-221-0111
Dennis & Renee Gartner	320-693-9117
	R 320-221-3637
	D 320-221-3636
Joe & Lisa Gaulrapp	320-593-6186
	J 320-221-2299
	L 320-221-3436
Jason & Esmerelda Giang	320-295-5098
Algene & Debra Gilberts	320-234-7599
Robert & Sally Gilberts	R 320-221-1895
	S 320-221-2343
Donna Gilsrud	612-512-4118
Harvey Graff	320-593-0671
	H 320-894-1112

320-587-7516
320-593-8879
320-221-2434
320-221-3304
320-221-2476
320-221-3885
320-221-3886
Randy & Pam Groskreutz
Ray & Darlene Groskreutz
D
R
Heather Burdick-Grotto
Von & Kris Grotto
V
K

APRIL USHERS
Darin Mahlow - Cap.
Ralph Elj
Eric Hulterstrum
Mike Doty
Will Dolan - Cap.
Joe Gaulrapp
Dave Schwartz
John Spanos

APRIL 2021 ALTER GUILD
Robin Johnson 693-7197



APRIL 1

Trina Driver
Scott Nelson
Julie Spanos

APRIL 2

Courtney Anderson-Kuhnau

APRIL 3

Isabella Forester
Michelle Guggemos
Darlene Lundin

APRIL 4

Alex Breault
Daniel Johnson

APRIL 5

Brett Alsleben
Kaleb Bartlett
Hayden Guza
Stephen Koehn
Judy Mahlow
Sara Jo Pollock
Jason Stucky

APRIL 6

Debra Langmo
Linda Larson
Ramona Lohse

APRIL 7

Kaden Bartlett
Donna Forster
Lois Volinkaty

APRIL 8

Judith Kramer
Otto Kraushaar
Bodhi Kraushaar
Jailyn Mickelson

APRIL 9

Jeanette Erickson
Priscilla Lee
Renee Mahlow
Tyson Michels

APRIL 10

Justin Benson
Zach Schmidt
Ali LaVine
Randy Groskreutz
Antonio Weitz

APRIL 11

Alison Radunz
Sarah Kuechle

APRIL 12

Conner Gabrielson

APRIL 13

Nicholas Sandry

APRIL 14

Joanna Bailey
Emma Defries
Charles DeWolf

APRIL 15

Zachary Nelson
Donovan Slinden III
Wyatt White

APRIL 16

Bradley Nelson
Carol Nelson
Asjha Quade
Susan Smart

APRIL 17

Grant Dengerud
Kyle DeWolf
Rebecca Farmer
Darron Judes

APRIL 18

Brandon Findley
Marge Hellzen

APRIL 19

Tyson Anderson
Teresa Carlson
Kylie Guggemos
Darcy Schmitz

APRIL 20

Scot Anderson
Daniel Estrada
Steven Hickman
Brandon Nelson
John Spanos
Brittanny Wagner

APRIL 21

Trevon Grotto
Toni Kadelbach
Nicholas Konietzko

APRIL 22

Josh Fluck
Warren Hickman
Mariah Lease

APRIL 23

Quintin Berube
Jason Giang
Miranda Isaacson
Myrna Manson
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APRIL 24

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Rick Sandry

APRIL 25

Dee Bollin

APRIL 26

Robert Blomberg
Drew Dengerud
LeRoy Finneman

APRIL 27

APRIL 28
Cale Alsleben
Kenneth Braseth
Brian Burdick
Arlene Poirier

APRIL 29

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Kristy Quast
John G Spanos
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APRIL 30

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Vernon Madson
Timothy Matheson

Senior Dining Menu

Lutheran Social Service

April 2021

Senior Nutrition Services

Name _____

Please circle the days you want meals and return this to the Senior Dining site OR call 320-693-6318 before 11:30 at least one dining day ahead to order meals. No one will answer the phone so please leave a message including your name and the dates you want meals. **THANK YOU!**



	Monday, April 5th	Tuesday, April 6th	Wednesday, April 7th	Thursday, April 8th	Friday, April 9th
	Pork Loin	Ham	Taco Salad	Spaghetti	Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy
	Candi Yam	Scalloped Potato	Salsa / Sour Cream	Lettuce Salad w/ dressing	Mashed Potatoes
	Broccoli	Peas	Spanish Rice, Corn Chips	Pineapple, Breadstick	Carrots
	Dinner Roll w/ Margarine	Bread/ Margarine	Tom, Lettuce, Cheese	Bar	Dessert
	Bar	Cinnamon Apples	Cookie	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk
	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk
	Monday, April 12th	Tuesday, April 13th	Wednesday, April 14th	Thursday, April 15th	Friday, April 16th
	Chicken & Noodle Casserole	Cheesy Potato Soup	Chicken Ala king	Tater Tot Casserole	Turkey
	Green Bean Blend Veg	1/2 Ham Sandwich	Biscuit	Green Beans	Mashed Potato w/ gravy
	Peaches	Tomato & Cucumber Salad	Country Blend Veg	Bread / Margarine	Squash
	Cookie	Brownie	Pears	Apricots	Dinner roll / Margarine
	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Cake w/ frosting
	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk
	Monday, April 19th	Tuesday, April 20th	Wednesday, April 21st	Thursday, April 22nd	Friday, April 23rd
	Baked Chicken	Goulash	Chef Salad	Swedish Meatballs	Fish Patty on Bun
	Au Gratin Potatoes	Broccoli	Crackers	Mashed Potatoes	Potato Salad
	Peas	Tropical Fruit	Creamy Fruit Salad	Carrots	Calico Beans
	Dinner Roll w/ Margarine	Bread/ Margarine	Cake w/ frosting	Bread/ Margarine	Tartar Sauce
	Bar	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Jello w/ whip topping	Dessert
	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk
	Monday, April 26th	Tuesday, April 27th	Wednesday, April 28th	Thursday, April 29th	Friday, April 30th
	Sub Sandwich	Polish Sausage	Beef Roast w/ gravy	Sloppy Joe on a Bun	Chicken Alfredo
	Mac Sal w/ Peas & Cheese	Mashed Potato	Mashed Potato w/ gravy	Broccoli Salad w/ Grapes	Mixed Vegetables
	Fruit Cocktail	Sauerkraut	California Normandy	Baked Beans	Mandarin Oranges
	Cookie	Dinner roll w/ Margarine	Bread/ Margarine	Cookie	Rice Krispie Bar
	Low Fat Milk	Icecream	Applesauce	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk
	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk	Low Fat Milk

This service is funded in part by a contract from the Area Agency on Aging with funding from the Federal Older Americans Act through the Minnesota Board on Aging.

Additional funds are provided by the State of Minnesota, United Ways, local communities, and other adult contributions

Approved by Donna Dunlap RD,LD

Posted menu is regular diet. Diabetic, sodium, and fat restricted diets available upon request. Regular menu provides average of 700-800 calories.

April 2021 FLC Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 1, 2021

7:00 p.m. Worship with Communion

Good Friday, April 2, 2021

6:30 p.m. Worship with LAMA (Litchfield Area Ministerial Association)
On KLFD Radio, Facebook and Youtube

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Worship with Communion
7:00 a.m. 2022 MST French Toast Breakfast - Chilstrom Hall
8:30 a.m. COOP Worship on KLFD Radio FB & Youtube
10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary
11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV



Wednesday April 7, 2021

11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV
7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary & FB / Youtube
8 p.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Sunday, April 11, 2021

8:30 a.m. COOP Worship on KLFD Radio, FB & Youtube
10:00 a.m. Worship & First Communion *Fellowship following
11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Wednesday April 14, 2021

11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV
7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary & FB / Youtube
8 p.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:30 a.m. COOP Worship on KLFD Radio FB & Youtube
10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion *Fellowship following
11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Wednesday April 21, 2021

11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV
7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary & FB / Youtube
8 p.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Sunday, April 25, 2021

8:30 a.m. COOP Worship on KLFD Radio FB & Youtube
10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion *Fellowship following
11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Wednesday April 28, 2021

11 a.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV
7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary & FB / Youtube
8 p.m. *Encore presentation COOP on Cable TV

Local Cable Access TV Schedule:

Sunday 11 am Encore Presentation COOP
Monday 11 am Encore Presentation Wed. COOP
Tuesday 11 am Encore Presentation Sun. FLC
Wednesday 11 am Encore Presentation Sun. COOP
Wednesday 8 pm Encore Presentation Wed. COOP

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY:



*Our members known to be in the military are:

Staff Sgt. US Army, Zachary Olimb, Vicenza, Italy, grandson of Edna and Martin Oldenburg, Vern and Lil Madson;

Staff Sgt. Austin Kleinschmidt, Great Falls, MT, son of Kipp and Lynette Kleinschmidt;

Staff Sgt. Matthew Wiechmann, stationed at Fort Drum, NY; son of Virgil and Jamie Wiechmann;

Major Troy Thomas, Severance, CO, nephew of Valda Thomas and Mike and Gaylene Thomas;

Eric Kammermeier, active duty United States Navy, son-in-law of Mike and Beth Boyle.

Welcome Home! to those of you who now have returned to the States. Thank you all for your service

*Please let the office know if titles, locations, and/or addresses have changed for any of the above.

Be still, Receive God's Love, Embrace God's Word, Welcome the Day.

B.R.E.W.

meets every **Tuesday morning at 7:00 a.m.** with Pastor Tom for coffee and fellowship. Join us!!



GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING: MST - 2022

Save your greeting cards!

They can be recycled! They will take the whole card or you can cut off the signed names, if you wish. I will drop them off at the Senior Center in Hutchinson. No Christmas Cards please.

Thank you! Elaine Lenhard

Please keep our shut-in members in your prayers:

Meeker Manor: Mary Klosner

Bethesda, Willmar: Richard Bohn

Emmaus Place: Arlene Poirier

Bethany Home: Gloria Dei: Willard Maahs, Lois Rusch, Janet Lundin

Litchfield, in own home: Viola Lenhard, Jutta Goodrich, and Mae Brehmer



Family Fare Receipts: Please bring in your receipts to the **Sunday School Entrance**—there is a basket on the table. These receipts are added together and helps our education program earn \$1000 per \$150,000 worth of receipts. Please note we need the entire receipt.

Thank you for all the receipts that have been turned in!!

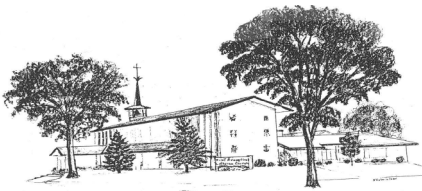
*receipts for prescriptions purchased are **not** eligible for the program.

Food Shelf Donations can be placed in the shopping cart in the Narthex. Please bring non-perishable donations (no expired items please). The needs are great within our community and our contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you!!



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Meeker area ELCA churches live on:

Sunday morning:

8:30 a.m. Worship on KLFM Radio 1410 AM and
95.9 FM, and Facebook Live and Youtube

**10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
at First Lutheran Church**

Wednesday night:

6:30 p.m. COOP Worship on Radio, Facebook & Youtube
7:00 p.m. FLC Worship

Please check our Facebook page,
Youtube (First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Litchfield MN)
or our website for

updates: www.firstlitchfield.org

Schedules for encore presentations
on local cable access TV - will be
Sunday - Wednesday at 11 AM
& Wednesday evening at 8 PM