

FIRST NEWS

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

OCTOBER 2024

October 2024 Time with Tom

This time of year can make us think about preparing for winter. Days are shortening, seasonal temperatures become cooler, trees are beginning to lose their leaves and we want to accomplish all the things we cannot do after the snow falls. Those things can be as simple as cleaning up the yard, picking up the toys and lawn furniture while we can still see them. Maybe it is more complicated like painting the house or replacing the shingles on our house. Whatever the task, we need to get started before it is too late. In our lives, we may start thinking of things we always wanted to do and have not yet accomplished them, a bucket list of sorts, so to speak. Our faith can be like that. What things do we feel we need to accomplish or what things would we want to do before it is too late? In relationship with God, we can do nothing without God. According to Martin Luther, we cannot on our own even believe or have faith but by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are able to believe and have faith. Faith and walking in faith is not something we have to do but something we are called to do. Be faithful, trusting in God to lead us into good relationships for the glory of God not the glory of man. 2Corinthians 9:13, tells us we glorify God by our actions and our ministry to others. Verse 13 (*Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others,* ¹⁴*while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.* ¹⁵*Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift*). Remember God blesses us and all glory goes to God because of Jesus Christ. So too is the glory to God when we receive the grace of God through Jesus Christ. It is in God, from God and to God that we are able to claim victory of salvation now and on the last day.

Therefore, when we think about the last days and our preparation for salvation, we are talking about today, tomorrow and forever in the glory of God. Yes today we live in the salvation of God's eternal life. Go out and live as receivers of God's grace, in all you do, share the word and live the life that is Christ in you. As baptized children adopted into the family of God with Christ Jesus our brother, we can live without worry of getting things done before it is too late. We live in the hope of Christ and the promise of God's covenant for the life of the world to come. You are a child of God, go clean your yard, paint the house and love your neighbor as Jesus first loved you. Amen

Live in peace and the God of Love and peace will be with you. 2Cor. 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 Council

**“GOD’S WORK.
OUR HANDS.”**

**First Evangelical Lutheran
Church Council 2024**

PRESIDENT:

Tanner Eberling

VICE PRESIDENT:

Corey Cervin

SECRETARY:

Mattie Baumgartner

TREASURER:

Andy Miller

Team Representatives:

**Christian Education/
Youth & Family:**

Abby Hemmingway

Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Karla Hyberger

Stewardship & Finance:

Karla Kadelbach

Andy Miller

Mike Langmo

**Social Ministry/
Evangelism:**

Meredith Elj

Abby Hemmingway

Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Betty Allen

Karla Kadelbach

Karla Hyberger

Endowment/Memorial:

Corey Cervin

Tanner Eberling

Property:

Mattie Baumgartner

Tanner Eberling

Betty Allen

Worship:

Meredith Elj

Mike Langmo

Amy Nelson

Personnel:

Tanner Eberling

Corey Cervin

MST:

Karla Kadelbach

Sabrara Evenson

Council Minutes

First Lutheran Church

September 17, 2024

Our Mission:

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

Absent: Cory Cervin, Karla Hyberger, Tanner Eberling

Devotions: Mattie Baumgartner

Secretary Report: See attached minutes, approved

Treasurer Report: see attached report, approved

Pastor Tom/ Pastor Michael Reports see attached minutes

Team Reports:

E-evangelism/Social Ministry: Community Luncheon October 9

Christian Ed/ Youth Team.: See minutes attached

Church Property: signs are coming for the door:

Personnel: no meeting

Endowment: no meeting

Stewardship/Finance: no meeting

Worship/Music: Beer and Hymns Shaggy Bonfire September 22, 2024 at 430 pm, also two new cordless mics have been purchased

Old Business

Gods work our hands good show of support at Zion

Budget and Shepherds staff still discussing

New Business

New router system for church: will go with Vibrant Broadband with little to no increase in cost beyond the initial installment.

Budget: Finance will meet and discuss an information sharing with the church during service.

ALL TEAM BUDGETS MUST BE DONE BY NOVEMBER!!!!

Shepherds staff personnel will set a meeting with Sara

Stewardship will address the congregation regarding budget deficit

Dates to Remember:

Team Meeting October 1 630-7Pm

Communion Luncheon Lunch October 9 at 11 am

New member Orientation October 10 at 7pm

October 12 MST garage sale 8 am -Noon

New Member Sunday October 13 at 9 am

Brunch following service

Confirmation Sunday October 27 at 9 am

Wedding during service October 20 at 9 am

Prayer Requests Closing Prayer

Adjourn



New Member Sunday,
October 13, 2024
Please let the church
office know if you or
someone you know
wants to join!
All are welcome!

Stewardship & Finance

General Fund:

Total Income for the month of August 2024: \$32,757
Expenses for the month of August 2024: \$41,331

Year to Date:

Income as of August 2024: \$274,849
Expenses as of August 2024: \$306,840

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS was a success! Working with our Coop. Together, we packed nearly 40,000 meals that will be sent to families in need all over the world. Great job everyone!!



Beer & Hymns went really well at Shaggy's Bar and Grill, more than 130 people gathered, singing songs and enjoying each others company. Pastor Michael was a great entertainer as our emcee & fun was had by all! Next Beer & Hymns will be all Christmas carols, Place, Time and Date... to be determined. Thank you to all who participated and especially Carol Dragt and the Coop Band!





FUNERALS AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Sylvia Baumgartner
September 13, 2024

Please keep her family and friends
in your prayers.

Churchwide

We are excited to announce...

MST-USA is joining with MST-USA Coop for Summer of 2025!!

MST-USA is a mission study trip opportunity that takes place every 2 years, within the United States. First Lutheran church has teamed up with the ELCA coop. We have partnered with the Serve Boldly, which is a division of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. Serve Boldly is the group that organizes the mission trip sites. They are committed to creating a close-knit, safe place while providing youth the opportunity to accompany and serve their neighbors while deepening an understanding of God's presence in their lives.



Any students from First Lutheran Church that have completed 7th grade through 12th grade (at the time of the trip) can participate.

We will be serving the community of OMAHA, NEBRASKA!!

Sunday, July 13-Friday, July 18th



This is an amazing opportunity to serve others, grow in your faith, make new friends, strengthen friendships you already have, travel to a new place, and have a life changing experience!

If you are interested or have questions please contact Carrie Block (320) 333-7954.



MST-USA 2025
Starting Oct. 28th through Nov. 15th
MST-USA 2025



will be taking orders for **Butter Braids**.

Orders may be placed with any MST-USA youth (online or in person), or through the church office. With the new "on-line" ordering options, customers are able to visit the on-line "store", place an order and pay all in one spot! Your Butter Braids will then be available for pick up at church, or delivered by one of our youth. If you'd like to place an order on-line, you can either visit the First Lutheran Facebook page for the link - or call the church office and Judy can assist by emailing you the link.

Butter Braids will be delivered on Dec. 3rd

If you have any questions, please contact Carrie Block 320-333-7954.



Holy Baptism



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

Baptized: Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024

Liliana Rose Larson

Parents: Tyler and Elaina Larson

Sponsors:

Greta Lux & Emily Nikko

Starting soon...



Make a difference...

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
GIFT BOX!!**

Please Take a Plastic Box from the table in the Narthex. Fill it up according to the pamphlet instructions inside the box.

Drop off the box by Sunday, November 17, 2024.

I will deliver them to the collection site on Nov. 18th Shoeboxes full of Christmas gifts will be shipped to children in need to countries all over the world.

Thank you, Julie Bredeson



October 2024 Worship Schedule

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, October 6, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

- 11:00 a.m. Communion Luncheon
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, October 13, 2024* New Members*

- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Pot-Luck Brunch
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

- No Confirmation*
- 6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, October 20, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion, including Gary Smith and Janet Lange's wedding
- 10:00 a.m. Brunch will be served after the service
- No Sunday School*

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

- 6:00 p.m. 10th Grade Confirmation Banquet
- No Worship Service*

Sunday, Oct. 27, 2024 *Reformation/Confirmation

- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion, Affirmation of Baptism
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Local Cable Public Access TV Schedule:

Sun.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	COOP
Mon.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	COOP
Tue.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. FLC
Wed.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. COOP
Thu.	11 a.m. Encore Pres.	Sun. Trinity G.C.
Thu.	3 p.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. FLC
Fri.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. Zion

Special dates:

- Pastor Appreciation Month
- World Communion Sunday, *October 6, 2024*
- Columbus Day, *October 14, 2024*
- Indigenous Peoples Day, *October 14, 2024*
- Reformation Sunday, *October 27, 2024*
- Reformation Day, *October 31, 2024*



NEW MEMBERS



New Member Orientation with all people who are planning on joining FLC Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Chilstrom Hall.

We will be receiving new members Sunday, October 13, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service w/ Communion Welcoming New Members
 - 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Pot-Luck Brunch in Honor of the New Members
- All are welcome!



Please join us for the

Fall Communion Luncheon

at First Evangelical Lutheran Church
703 South Sibley, Litchfield, MN

Wednesday, October 9, 2024
11:00 a.m.

Lunch and Fellowship to follow the service in Chilstrom Hall

MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, October 19, 2024

5:00 p.m.

Holy Word Theater, FLC

Movie: TBD....

Please join us for a good movie and popcorn.

WELCA MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

WELCA met on September 19, 2024, in the Chilstrom Hall with Marilyn Swanson calling the meeting to order. The Purpose Statement was recited. Devotions were given by Pastor Michael.

There was no secretary's report as last month, August 20, was our Funday spent at Dykstra Gardens in Blomkest.

The treasurer's report was printed and Karla Kadelbach made a motion to approve with a second by Valda Thomas.

Harvest Festival envelopes for WELCA are in the offering envelope packet. If you do not get the envelopes, just put your check in a regular envelope and label it for WELCA and put in the offering plate or bring it to the office.

Today is the last day to sign up for the WELCA Fall Gathering on Sat. Sept. 28th in Lester Prairie.

Chairs and Co-Chairs are needed for the monthly serving of after church coffee and for funerals. If your phone number has changed, or you have not updated your cell phone number in the church office, please do so. Also, if you are called and a message is left from the monthly chair, **PLEASE** call them back. It takes many hands to run volunteer church functions. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!**

Our project today is to finish the school bags and fill them with school supplies. We are running out of bags that have been sewed. Sue Lemmer suggested we order them and the cost would be about \$60 for 100 bags. We will look into that idea.

Dates to Remember: October 17th – WELCA meeting, 1:30, Chilstrom Hall

Thank you to Norma Hall and Valda Thomas for serving today.

The Lord's Prayer was recited and the Table Grace was sung.

The meeting was adjourned to pack school bags for the in-kind offering at the Fall Gathering. (A total of 77+ school bags were packed!!)

Respectively submitted,
Sue Lemmer, Secretary

FLC Quilters have been making quilts for the youth at Wings for many years. We received several thank you notes from them, would like to share with you a special one. This is retyped below for easier reading.

From the letter on the right....

Dear Ladies at church who made me my beautiful quilt...

I am so lucky and blessed to have the quilt one of you beautiful women for me. Yellow is my favorite color because it's my mom's favorite & I love my mom. The flowers are also gorgeous. It looks pretty on my bed & keeps me warm at night. You deserve more appreciation than you get. I'm very grateful.

God bless you -Kaitlyn, from wings *KEEP IT UP!*



October 2024 Calendar

October 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:00 am BREW 8:30 am Quilters 2:00 pm Worship @ Meeker Manor 5:30 pm Worship Team Mtg. 6:30 pm NA – Chapel 6:30 pm Exec. Team Mtg. 7:00 pm Team Meetings	2 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	3 7:55 am "Open Gate"/KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 12:30 pm Grief Support, Conf. Rm 7:00 pm Scout Pack Mtg., Chilstrom Hall	4	5 8:00 am Men's Group
6 9:00 am Worship w/Comm. 10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am Sunday School 6:00 pm 4-H Mtg.	7 Garage sale items may be dropped off in the Sunday School Entrance, Door #4	8 7:00 am BREW 6:30 pm NA – Chapel	9 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 11:00 am Comm. Luncheon 6:00 pm Priscilla Circle 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	10 7:55 am "Open Gate"/KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Scout Committee. Mtg, Assembly Room 7:00 pm Scout Leaders, Conf. Room 7:00 pm New Member Orientation, Chilstrom Hall	11 9:30 am Christian Women's Meeting	12 8:00 am – 12:00 pm MST-2026 Garage Sale
13 New Members 9:00 am Worship w/Comm. 10:00 am Fellowship & Pot-Luck Brunch for our New Members 10:00 am Sunday School	14	15 7:00 am BREW 8:30 am LAMA Mtg. 9:00 am Martha Circle 6:30 pm NA – Chapel 7:00 pm Church Council Mtg	16 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. <i>No Confirmation—MEA</i> 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	17 7:55 am "Open Gate"/KLFD 12:30 pm Grief Support 1:30 pm WELCA Meeting 6:00 pm Scout Den. Mtg, Chilstrom Hall	18	19 8:00 am Men's Group 5:00 pm Movie Night, Holy Word Theater
20 9:00 am Worship w/Comm., Gary & Janet's Wedding 10:00 am Fellowship & Brunch <i>No Sunday School - MEA</i> 4:00 pm Youth Group Activity	21 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle	22 7:00 am BREW 8:30 am Quilters 6:30 pm N/A - Chapel	23 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Confirmation Banquet Chilstrom Hall <i>No Worship in Chapel</i> 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	24 7:55 am "Open Gate"/KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Scout Den. Mtg, Chilstrom Hall	25	26
27 Reformation /Confirmation Sunday 9:00 am Worship w/Comm. 10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Egge Family, Confirmation Party - Private Event	28 Butterbraid orders are now open	29 7:00 am BREW	30 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	31 7:55 am "Open Gate"/KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study	First Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 South Sibley Ave Litchfield, MN 55355 320-693-2487	

Serving Group & Birthdays

OCTOBER 2024 SERVING GROUP

Chairs:	
Mattie Baumgartner	Jill White
David & Darlene Meidal	Travis & Breanna Whitcomb
Marilyn Swanson	Chad & Deb Zeppelin
Charlene Tancabel	Kristi Ziegler
Heidi Thoma	Abby Adams
Gaylene Thomas	Jim & Barb Alsleben
Valda Thomas	Carl & Brenda Anderson
Tammy Thompson	Scott & Joan Anderson
Dianne Thorp	James & Elva Asmus
Jerry & Betty Urdahl	George & Helen Baldwin
Gary and Carolyn Vollmer	Jeff & Lori Ballard

October Ushers 9:00 a.m.

Tony Berglund
David Meidal
Darlene Meidal
Bob Hall
Norma Hall



October
OPEN



OCTOBER 1

Steven Isaacson
Axel Koelln

OCTOBER 2

Camden Gabrielson
Josie Hanson
Susan Hein
Derek Isaacson
Makennon Lokken
Shawn McClay
Eleanora Miller
Becca Prechel
Kenneth Shoutz

OCTOBER 3

Alex Berglund
Mitchell Kleinschmidt
Wyatt Koelln

OCTOBER 4

Duane Bohn
Tim Holt
McKayla Huikko
Steve Kraushaar
Christopher Lease
Ronald Piepenburg
Sarah Stradtman

OCTOBER 5

Kimberly Dolan
Judy Freitag
William Hannan
Larry Hanson
Liv Hanson
Melissa Hanson

OCTOBER 6

Veronica Escen
LaVonne Huso
Einar Lundin
Levi Hickman

OCTOBER 7

Troy Elam
Will Herzog
Sheryl Nelson

OCTOBER 8

Wyatt Kaping
Andy Miller
Hanna Miller

OCTOBER 9

Joan Anderson
Tonia Beavers
Peggy Farmer
Sandra Mielke

OCTOBER 10

Robert Gilberts
Lenora Nelson
Laurie Pierce
Roxanne Rueckert

OCTOBER 11

Mark Elam

OCTOBER 12

Lindsay Ballard
Jesse Carlson
Cole Hoff
Riley Hoff

OCTOBER 13

Brianna Garrison
Adam Kotelnicki
Lylie Miller
Kyren Peterson

OCTOBER 14

Carli Gabrielson
Maxwell Hyberger
Shannon Jepson
Penny Silverberg
Marjorie Streed
Tasha Sutter

OCTOBER 15

Elaine Lenhard
Patrick McCormick

OCTOBER 16

Sabrara Evenson

OCTOBER 17

April Fitzloff
Misty Marotte
Timothy Trettin

OCTOBER 18

Julie Bredeson
Steven Carlson
Tait Christensen
Erienne Fawcett
David Johnson
Sharon Johnson
Gloria Koehn
Miles Kerstein

OCTOBER 19

Richard Bates
Nicholas Walker

OCTOBER 20

Laurie Boll
Judy Farmer
Hunter Grotto
Karen Keller
Kamryn McWherter
Autumn Mickelson
Paige Polzin
Kristi Ziegler

OCTOBER 21

Camron Jones

OCTOBER 22

Iona Albright
Iris Holmgren
Samantha Miller
Sara Rick
Beau Rogers

OCTOBER 23

Mark Beckstrand
Desiree Birch
Matthew Defries
Carol Dragt

OCTOBER 24

Allene Lachelt
Christine Walker
Michael Worden

OCTOBER 25

Breanna Olson
Bernita Quast

OCTOBER 26

Vincent Ableidinger
Patrick Hoecke
Denise Langmo

OCTOBER 27

OCTOBER 28

Fay Kjolsing
Joel Michaletz
Darin Mahlow
Ava Slinden
Kieran VanVleet

OCTOBER 29

Hailey Kieffer

OCTOBER 30

Gary Larson
Robert Manson
Donovan Slinden Jr
Katherine Spanos

OCTOBER 31

Charles Eberhard
Jessicah Gabrielson
Susan Piepenburg

Senior Dining Menu

October 2024		Tuesday, Oct. 1	Wednesday, Oct. 2	Thursday, Oct. 3	Friday, Oct. 4
LSS Meals Traditional Older Adult Menu	Chicken Broc Rice Casserole	Sliced Carrots	Salisbury Steak w/Gravy	Lasagna Casserole	Lemon Pepper Fish
		Apple Crisp	Mashed Potatoes	Italian Veg Blend	Mashed Sweet Potatoes
		Dinner Roll	Broccoli & Cauliflower	Whole Kernel Corn	Country Veg Blend
		Margarine	Dinner Roll & Margarine	Garlic Breadstick	Dinner Roll & Margarine
		1% Milk	Brownie	Margarine	Peanut Butter Cookie
			1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk
	Monday, Oct. 7	Tuesday, Oct. 8	Wednesday, Oct. 9	Thursday, Oct. 10	Friday, Oct. 11
	Chicken Fried Chicken	Beef Stroganoff	Pork Roast	Roast Turkey	Cheesy Egg Bake
	Cream Gravy	Parslied Noodles	Pork Gravy	Roasted Turkey Gravy	Potato O'Brien
	Mashed Potatoes	Chateau Veg Blend	Candied Yams	Parslied New Potatoes	Mixed Vegetables
Parslied Carrots	Hot Spiced Apples	Green Beans	Whole Kernel Corn	Blueberry Muffin	
Dinner Roll & Margarine	Dinner Roll	Dinner Roll & Margarine	Dinner Roll & Margarine	Margarine	
Sugar Cookie	Margarine	Snickerdoodle Cookie	Rhubarb Crumble	1% Milk	
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	
Monday, Oct. 14	Tuesday, Oct. 15	Wednesday, Oct. 16	Thursday, Oct. 17	Friday, Oct. 18	
Beef Stew	Herb Baked Chicken	Country Pork Tips w/Gravy	Meatloaf	Pizza Pasta Casserole	
Green Peas	Mashed Butternut Squash	Parslied Noodles	Brown Gravy	Green Beans	
Apple Crisp	Broccoli Florets	Capri Veg Blend	Rosemary Red Potatoes	Hot Spiced Apples	
Garlic Cheese Biscuit	Dinner Roll	Caramelized Pears	Whole Kernel Corn	Dinner Roll	
Margarine	Margarine	Herb Butter Roll	Wheat Bread	Margarine	
1% Milk	Chocolate Chip Cookie	Margarine	Margarine	1% Milk	
	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	
Monday, Oct. 21	Tuesday, Oct. 22	Wednesday, Oct. 23	Thursday, Oct. 24	Friday, Oct. 25	
Smooth Chopped Steak	Chicken a la King	Meatballs w/Spaghetti Sauce	Garlic Parmesan Fish	Beef Shepherd's Pie	
Mashed Potatoes	Steamed Rice	Spaghetti Noodles	Baked Potato	Roasted Butternut Squash	
Whole Kernel Corn	Parslied Carrots	Italian Veg Blend	Green Peas	Corn Muffin	
Dinner Roll & Margarine	Dinner Roll	Herb Butter Roll	Wheat Dinner Roll	Sugar Cookie	
Chocolate Chip Cookie	Margarine	Margarine	Margarine	Margarine	
1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	
Monday, Oct. 28	Tuesday, Oct. 29	Wednesday, Oct. 30	Thursday, Oct. 31		
Cheesy Chicken Spaghetti	Beef Roast w/Gravy	Tuna Noodle Casserole	Oven Roasted Turkey		
Green Peas	Parslied New Potatoes	Broccoli Florets	Turkey Gravy		
Country Veg Blend	Sliced Carrots	Peach Crisp	Mashed Potatoes		
Dinner Roll	Herb Butter Roll	Dinner Roll	Sliced Beets		
Margarine	Snickerdoodle Cookie	Margarine	Wheat Bread & Margarine		
1% Milk	Margarine	1% Milk	Chocolate Chip Bar		
	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% 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.

The posted menu is for a traditional diet. Diabetic friendly, reduced sodium and fat restricted diet menus are available upon request. The traditional menu provides an average of 700-800 calories per meal.

If you are interested in learning about the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), please call 800.488.4146.

Menu is subject to change.

Approved by:
Nicole Crouch, MS, RD
SNAP or EBT payment is accepted.

Gifts, Memorials & Thanks

Gifts were given to the General fund, Blessing Box and Quilters fund in memory of Sylvia Baumgartner from Karla Kadelbach, Kirk and Dorothy Lundin, Lil Madson, Mark and Julie Bredeson, Corey and Kris Cervin, Paul and Sue Lemmer, Marlys Elam, Steve and Jackie Kraushaar, John and Shirley Lekander, Jerry and Lana Johnson, Barbara Keller, Darlene Lundin, Mark and Judy Hulterstrum, Charlie and Jo Ann Lindstrom, Dianne Thorp, Valda Thomas, Jim and Elaine Lenhard, John and Shirley Lekander, Faye Kjolsing, Ron and Sue Johnson, Duane and Darlene Henkelman, Ron Dingman, Stanley and Sylvia Kittelson, Bob and Norma Hall, Gary Smith and Janet Lange, Bryan and Linda Larson, Iona Albright, Ronald and Donna Anderson, Jeffrey and Amy Boche, Tori Rogers, Darlene Putney, Donna Putney, Cecil and Jan Fawcett, Don and Mary Hokanson, Megan Bethke, Dan and Brenda Johnson, Theresa Gienapp, Ron and Barb Piepenburg, Gayle Madsen, Kay Johnson, Joanne Miller, Pam Dille, Everett and Kathy Hantge, Russell and Shirley Kronbeck, Corey and Kris Cervin, and many more friends and family members.

A gift was given to the Quilters Group in remembrance and with love for my mother Elva Shea's birthday Sept. 22 from Carol Rowell.

A gift was given to the Choir in remembrance of my music teacher Mrs. Devereaux with love from Carol Rowell.

A gift was given to MST International in honor of Steve and Jackie Kraushaar's 51st Wedding Anniversary from Cecil and Jan Fawcett.

Gifts were given to the General fund in memory of Janet Lundin, Violet Rosenau, Michael Thomas, Chuck Fenton, and in honor of Mike and Kris Nelson's 60th Anniversary and Steve and Jackie Kraushaar's 51st Anniversary from Chuck and Karen Eberhard

A gift was given to the General fund in honor of Norma Hall's 80th Birthday from Janice Madden.

Gifts were given to the Sr. Choir and Bell Choir funds in memory of Bea Devereaux from Dorothy Euerle, Daniel and Heather Lease, Scot and Joan Anderson, Larry and Pam Radunz, Dorothy Euerle, Dianne Thorp, Ron and Barb Piepenburg, and Linda Miller and family.

Gifts were given to the General fund in memory of Mike Thomas from Cecil and Janice Fawcett, Dan and Brenda Johnson, John and Shirley Lekander, Gary and Lori Larson, Corey and Kris Cervin, and Duane and Darlene Henkelman.

Special Thanks

Thank you - A huge Thank you goes out to all who helped in any way to make the MST Meeker County Fair Food Stand a success! This includes all who worked a shift (or more!), donated fruit pies, cans of beans, and root beer. Thanks to all the awesome young people that pitched in to help with taking orders and preparations. The Food Stand would not have been able to operate without all the help and donations received. A very special thanks goes to those who came to the church kitchen every morning to cut up the fruit for the fruit pails for each day. Also, thanks to those who visited the Food Stand and purchased a burger meal, a drink, pie and ice cream, large dill pickle, etc. We are very thankful and blessed, and you are appreciated.

Thank you, Kim Dolan and Jackie Kraushaar, 2024 MST Food Stand Organizers

The family of Chuck Fenton would like to send a genuine heartfelt thanks to the members of First Lutheran for the kind words, cards, memorials, and caring support. A special thanks to Carol Dragt, Beth Boyle and Keith Johnson for providing music for the service. A big thank you to the members who provided cakes. Finally to Pastors Michael and Tom we appreciated the comfort and courageous strength you provided with your comforting visits and wisdom.

Thank you to the September Serving Group for your help with everything. We really appreciate it.
Janet Lange and Marlys Elam

Area Events:

Ostmark Lutheran Women of the ELCA will host their annual Bazaar on Saturday, Oct. 5th from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the church which is located at 32721 680th Ave., Watkins, MN. There are many options for food and goods to purchase. Proceeds are used for youth Bible Camp, community outreach and global missions. All are welcome!

Historic Ness Church 150th Anniversary Fall Service "Roof Fundraiser" Saturday, October 12th at 2 PM. Worship, music and history of Hess. Free lunch will be provided following the service. 24040 580th Ave., Litchfield.

Share a Meal - FREE community meal held at Zion Lutheran Church at 5:30 p.m. 2nd Sunday of each month.

American Red Cross Blood Drive - Thursday October 10th 12:30 - 6:30 p.m. St. Phillip's Church, Litchfield.

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 Oldenburg, and Lil Madson;

Master Sgt. Austin Kleinschmidt, 934th Airwing, Minneapolis, son of Kipp and Lynette Kleinschmidt;

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

Eric Kammermeier, Chief Petty Officer HSC-23, 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

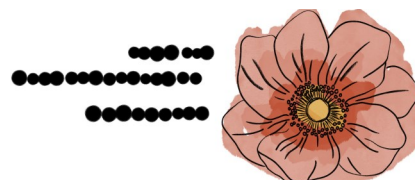
*Please let the office know if titles, locations, and/or addresses have changed for any of the above.

GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING: Operation Christmas Child

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!!



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: Lois Rusch

Bethany Home: Mae Brehmer, Wendy Norine

Litchfield, in own home: Jutta Goodrich, Darlene Miller

Lakeside, Dassel: Edna Oldenburg

VA Health Care, St. Cloud: Gordon "Bud" Johnson

Hilltop, Watkins: Elois Johnson

Cokato Manor: Lavaune Putzier

MISSING

**FLC IS CURRENTLY MISSING THE
LARGE PROJECTION SCREEN
(IN A BLACK CASE)**

**IF YOU KNOW ITS WHEREABOUTS –
PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH
OFFICE. THANK YOU!**

Widow's Grief Support

is beginning again on

The 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month

In the Conference Room

At 12:30 p.m.

All are Welcome!

GARDEN PRODUCE

The Social Ministry Team invites you to drop off or pick up fresh garden veggies and fruit during the summer and fall growing season.

Let us once again share our produce with one another!

A table is located in the southeast (Sunday School) entrance.

Thanks to all who participated last season.



NEXT WELCA MEETING

October 17, 2024

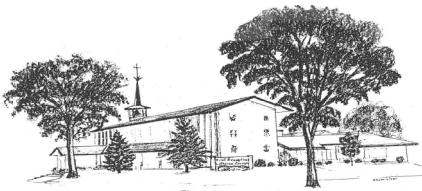
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MST Rummage Sale
Saturday, October 12, 2024
8:00 AM - Noon

Beginning on Monday, October 7th
we will accept your donations of gently used
clothing, household items, toys,
books, games, etc.

Please place these items in the
South Sunday School entrance.

Please understand that we are
unable to accept the following:

Electronics, large furniture,
exercise equipment, and encyclopedias.

~MST 2026