



FIRST NEWS

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

APRIL 2025

April 2025

Time with Tom

This is the season of church busy-ness. Lent is finishing up, Palm Sunday is coming and Holy Week reaches the church climax with Easter. Families gather in celebration as churches declare the Good News of Jesus Christ. This year our gathering may seem the same as every other year but it can have special meaning for you and those close to you if you do a couple things in preparation and during this busy time. First, spend some quality time in meditation/prayer while you ponder what Jesus has done for you. Think about how you will see the love of God, hanging on a cross just for you. Second, as we enter these final days of our journey, talk with someone about your personal journey in faith and share how this Lenten season has affected you. Finally, give thanks for the grace shown by God and love given to us, even though we by our actions truly do not deserve his love. These actions and the people you meet along the way can be a tremendously spiritual experience for you. Trust in the love of God, live in the light of the Christ, know you are a beloved child of God and let the Holy Spirit give you peace. This year the season of light and life can be powerful. Let God's voice be heard in all that you do for one another, love your enemy as you love God and your neighbor. Teach your children what it means to follow the Light that is Christ. Walk in faith and know Jesus is alive. We are resurrection people, living in the knowledge that on his day, Jesus will come to take us to himself. We will dwell in house of the Lord forever. Halleluiah, Christ is risen, Christ is Risen indeed, Halleluiah. Happy Easter, 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 Council

"GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS."

First Evangelical Lutheran Church Council 2025

PRESIDENT:

Karla Hyberger

VICE PRESIDENT:

Karla Kadelbach

SECRETARY:

Mattie Baumgartner

TREASURER:

Jim Cottington

Team Representatives:

Christian Education/

Youth & Family:

Abby Hemmingway

Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Karla Hyberger

Stewardship & Finance:

Karla Kadelbach

Social Ministry/

Evangelism:

Meredith Elj

Abby Hemmingway

Amy Nelson

Sabrara Evenson

Betty Allen

Karla Kadelbach

Karla Hyberger

Endowment/Memorial:

Tanner Eberling

Property:

Mattie Baumgartner

Tanner Eberling

Betty Allen

Worship:

Meredith Elj

Amy Nelson

Personnel:

Tanner Eberling

MST:

Karla Kadelbach

Sabrara Evenson

Church Council Meeting

March 16, 2025

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:

2026: Karla Kadelbach, Amy Nelson, Abby Hemmingway, Mattie Baumgartner

2027: Betty Allen, Tanner Eberling, Sabrara Evenson, Karla Hyberger

2028: Jim Cottington, Julie Bredeson, Alexis Engelke, Meridith Elj

Devotions: Pastor Tom

Additions to agenda: Change June Council Meeting date.

Secretary Report: read and approved

Treasurer Report: After Discussion and talking about how the treasurer report was presented was approved.

Pastor Report:

Pastor Tom reported on the future of MST USA and further discussions will follow.

Organist is working well will increase to three times per month.

General finds will be discussed by council next meeting and other financial investments.

Please refer to written report for more details.

Pastor Michael

Pastor Michael is continuing his visits and reported Ash Wednesday went well, Kelly Fuller will speak to congregation on Wednesday night.

Pastor Michael is now Chairman of Cub scouts, more updates to come.

Synod Assembly June 6 and 7 Dassel will host.

Tennessee was great!!!!

Team Reports

Evangelism/Social Ministry

May 7th is Spring Luncheon

Christian Education/Youth Team

Made bread for Palm Sunday

Church Property

Painting is done , looking at three year, five year, etc. plan for the continued upkeep of the facility.

Personnel-no meeting

Endowment- More money to invest in Ameriprise

Stewardship/Finance- no meeting

Worship See report

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Old Business

225,000.00 invested in CD

Exit Interviews for former council Members- positive comments

New Business Slate of Officers

Karla Hyberger-President

Karla Kadelbach-Vice-President

Mattie Baumgartner-Secretary

Jim Cottington-Treasurer

Motion was made to approve the new slate of officers and approved

Stewardship & Finance

General Fund:

Total Income for the month of Feb. 2025: \$29,723
Expenses for the month of Feb. 2025: \$48,176

Year to Date:

Income as of February 2025: \$52,165
Expenses as of February 2025: \$90,526

Council minutes continued...

Addition to agenda

Motion was made and discussion followed to change the date for the June Council Meeting to June 24 at 7pm.
Motion was seconded and approved. This will allow for the Parade of Bands to not clash with the meeting

Dates To Remember

Soup Supper Serving Schedule

March 26-Council

April 2-Mens Group

April 9-WELCA

Team Meeting April 1 6:30 and 7pm

Palm Sunday April 13

Council Meeting April 15

Maundy Thursday April 17 5:30 pm

Good Friday Service April 18 7 pm

Easter Sunday April 20 630am, 9 am, 1030 am.

May 7 Spring Luncheon

May 15 New Member Orientation

May 18 New member Brunch

Closing and Prayer

Adjourn

Mattie Baumgartner
Secretary



Our First Communion class has been busy with making their chalices and learning about the sacrament of Communion.

Coming up....

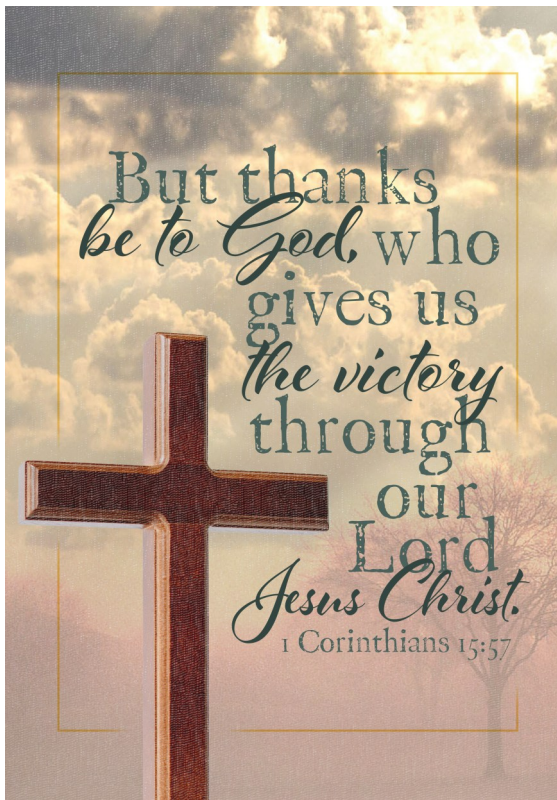
Sunday, April 6th, (10:00 a.m.) Classroom

Thursday, April 24th, (6:30 p.m.)--Final class with parents in Chilstrom Hall, including rehearsal, pictures, and preparation.

Sunday April 27th, 9:00 a.m.--

First Communion Sunday during worship

Matthew 19:14 Jesus said. "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs" NRSV



Sunday, April 20, 2025

Serving from 7:30 am to 10:30 am

Chilstrom Hall

Free will offering, funds go to
MST-2026

WELCA MINUTES MARCH 20, 2025

WELCA met on March 20, 2025, in Chilstrom Hall with Betty Allen calling the meeting to order. The Purpose Statement was recited. Devotions were given by Betty.

The secretary's report was approved as printed with a motion by Karla Kadelbach and a second by Lana Johnson.

The treasurer's report was printed and Karen Eberhard went through various items. An updated Lucia report was provided and we had a profit of \$3,028.83 for the breakfast. She will be moving some money from savings to a CD shortly. A motion was made by Lana Johnson to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Kris Nelson. A motion was made by Karla Kadelbach with a second by Dee Bollin and carried for the \$1555 breakdown of the money to be donated from Harvest envelopes was as follows:

Food Shelf - \$500

LSS - \$250

Hospice - \$200

MAM - \$605

Old Business: So far, no one has volunteered to join the Lucia Committee for 2025. The "old" committee members are willing to stay on and train the new volunteers. **More people are needed to make sure the *Lucia Breakfast* continues for years to come.**

New Business: A sign-up sheet was circulated for sandwiches and bars for the WELCA soup supper on April 9th. Jackie Kraushaar and Darlene Meidal will make the soup. The list will be brought to after church coffee and passed around again.

The Social Committee will be serving Easter breakfast for a free-will donation.

Discussion was held on purchasing an industrial refrigerator for the fair stand. Betty had contacted Gary Smith and he came up with two choices. The first one was a 29" one-door for \$1109 and the second one was a 39½" double door for \$1929. A motion was made by Karla Kadelbach with a second by Sue Lemmer to purchase the double door refrigerator for \$1929 price which should be tax free with the church's tax ID number. Motion carried.

Reducing the amount in our checking account was discussed. A motion was made by Lana Johnson and a second by Kris Nelson to move \$1000 to the Quilting Fund and make an additional payment of \$500 to the Food Shelf for the March matching drive. Motions carried

Dates to Remember: April 9th — WELCA serving soup supper
April 17th — WELCA meeting, 1:30 pm - CONFERENCE ROOM
April 17th — 5:30 pm Sader Supper - Chilstrom Hall
April 20th — Easter & Breakfast
April 26th — Spring Gathering, Cokato, sign-up in office, \$12

A St. Patrick's day themed quiz was taken and a lot was learned about shamrocks and St. Patrick. The first St. Patrick's Day Parade was in Florida and not Ireland!!

The Lord's Prayer and Table Prayer were recited.

Serving next month will be Karla Kadelbach and Jackie Kraushaar

Thank you to Betty for Devotions and Marlys Elam and Dorothy Euerle for serving.

Respectively submitted,

Sue Lemmer, Secretary



April 2025 Worship Schedule

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

- 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
- 7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary

Sunday, April 6, 2025

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

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

- 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
- 7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

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

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025

- 5:30 p.m. Seder Meal, Chilstrom Hall

Good Friday, April 2, 2025

- 7:00 p.m. Worship in Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
- 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast, Chilstrom
- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
- 10:30 a.m. Worship w/Communion
- No Sunday School

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

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

Sunday, April 27, 2025 - First Communion

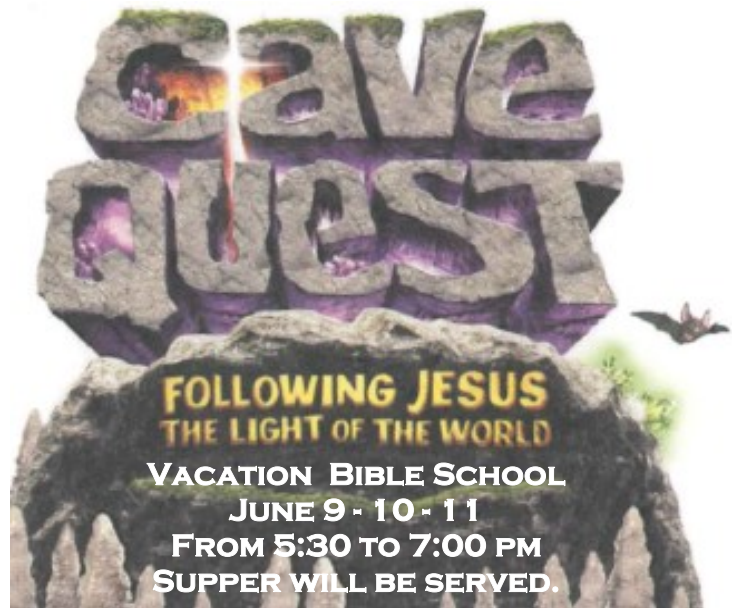
- 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

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

Special Dates...

- Holy Week, April 13-20, 2025
- Palm/Passion Sunday, April 13, 2025
- Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025
- Good Friday, April 18, 2025
- Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025
- Administrative Professionals Day, April 23, 2025



***Traumatic Brain Injury Support Group**
Group meetings are Wednesday mornings from 10 am - 12 pm. 10 until 10:45. - We will have open discussion about our lives today and the challenges we face. After a brief intermission we will start again at 11 am with a designated topic, then end at noon.

This support group is for anyone with a past TBI, including concussions, stroke, brain tumor, aneurisms, falls, and car accidents. It is free for everyone and feel free to come to one or both hours.

Any questions -
please contact Marty at 320-267-1528



Churchwide

LENTEN “GIVING CROSS” PROJECT

The 2025 Lenten “Giving Cross” Project will begin on Ash Wednesday and continue through Easter Sunday. The emphasis is on the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) parish projects which include Baby Care Kits & Personal Care Kits.

The cross will be located in the Narthex and filled with cards, each having an item printed on it. Please take a card or two, purchase the items, tape the card to the item and place the items in the basket placed by the cross. If monetary donations are made, please make the checks payable to First Lutheran Church - noting “Giving Cross Project”. Monetary gifts may be left at the church office as well.

After Easter, the kits will be assembled and packed for Lutheran World Relief. Because shipping costs have escalated each kit costs approximately \$2.65 to ship, so monetary contributions are also appreciated. In the past your response to this project has been overwhelming, so please take the time to make this another successful Lenten Project. If you have questions regarding the project please contact a committee member.

Thank you,
The Giving Cross Committee,
Brenda Johnson, Elaine Lenhard
or Joan Sommerfeld

BABY CARE KIT

- 2 lightweight cotton t-shirts (6 – 24 months)
- 2 gowns or sleepers (without feet) (6 – 24 months)
- 2 receiving blankets
- 4 cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- 1 jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with hood, or include a baby cap
- 2 pair of socks
- 1 hand towel, dark color recommended

PERSONAL CARE KITS

- 1 light-weight bath-size towel (approx. 52”x27”), dark color recommended)
- 2 bath size (4-5 oz) soap in original wrapping
- 1 adult size toothbrush in its original packaging
- 1 study comb
- 1 metal nail clippers



Crow River Conference Women of the ELCA

SPRING GATHERING **Saturday, April 26, 2025**

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Cokato
280 3rd St SE Cokato, MN

An elevator is available if needed.

Registration begins at 8:00AM Brunch at 8:30AM

“Rejoicing in the Lord Always”
Special Guests: SWMN Youth Band,
Directed by Pastor Hans Peterson

Offering: 50% SWMN Synod of the ELCA
50% Gethsemane Lutheran,
Dassel for Summer Food Program for Children

In-Kind offering:
Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits
You may bring any kits, quilts, and shipping
cost contributions.

Reservation: \$12.00 per person
Checks payable to Women of the ELCA
Reservation Deadline April 16



April Calendar

April 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:30 am BREW 8:30 am Quilters 2 pm Worship @ Mkr. Manor 5:30 pm Worship Team Mtg. 6:30 pm NA – Chapel 6:30 pm Exec. Team Mtg. 7:00 pm Team Meetings	2 10 am *TBI Support Group, Classroom (Across from Lib.) 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Worship	3 7:55 am "Open Gate" KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 12:30 pm Widow's Grief Support, Conf. Room 6:00 pm Den Mtg., Chilstrom	4	5 8:00 a.m. Men's Group
6 9:00 am Worship w /Comm. 10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am 1st Comm. Class 6:00 pm 4-H Meeting	7 6:30 pm Boy Scouts	8 7:30 am BREW 8:30 am LAMA Meeting 6:30 pm NA – Chapel	9 10 am *TBI Support Group, Classroom (Across from Lib.) 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Worship 7:00 pm Priscilla Circle, @FLC hosted by Marlene Herzog	10 7:55 am "Open Gate" KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm Ecumen Worship, Bethany Chapel 6:00 pm Scout Mtg, Sunday School Assembly Room 7:00 pm Scout Leaders, Chilstrom Hall	11	12
13 Palm Sunday 9:00 am Worship w /Comm. 10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am Sunday School	14 6:30 pm Boy Scouts	15 7:30 am BREW 9:00 am Martha Circle 11:00 am M.A.M. Meeting 6:30 pm NA – Chapel 7:00 pm Council Meeting	16 10 am *TBI Support Group, Classroom (Across from Lib.) 4:30 pm Staff Mtg.	17 Maundy Thursday 7:55 am "Open Gate" KLFD 12:30 pm Widow's Grief Support, Conference Room 1:30 pm WELCA Meeting, Chapel 5:30 pm Seder Meal, Chilstrom Hall	18 Good Friday 7:00 pm Worship Service	19 8:00 a.m. Men's Group Easter Vigil No Movie Night, see you next month
20 Easter Sunday 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service w/ Comm. 7:30 – 9:30 am Easter Break-fast, Chilstrom Hall 9:00 am Worship w /Comm. 10:30 am Worship w /Comm. No Sunday School	21 9:30 am Rachel Circle 6:30 pm Boy Scouts	22 7:30 am BREW 8:30 am Quilters 6:30 pm N/A, Chapel	23 10 am *TBI Support Group, Classroom (Across from Lib.) 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Youth Study Group 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	24 7:55 am "Open Gate" KLFD 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm First Communion Class, with Students and Parents, & Photos, in Chilstrom Hall 5:30 pm Pack Mtg., Assembly Rm	25	26 8:00 am WELCA Spring Gathering, Cokato
27 9:00 am Worship w/Comm. & First Communion for Students 10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am Sunday School	28 6:30 pm Boy Scouts	29 7:30 am BREW 6:30 pm NA – Chapel	30 10 am *TBI Support Group, Classroom (Across from Lib.) 4:30 pm Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Worship w/Comm., Chapel 7:00 pm Youth Study Group 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	First Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 South Sibley Ave Litchfield, MN 55355 320-693-2487		

Serving Group & Birthdays

APRIL 2025 SERVING GROUP

Chairs:	Barbara L. Keller
Betty Allen	Heather Kepper
Kim Evenson	Heidi Kerstein
Karen M Johnson	Bob & Ruth Kerstein
Michael Johnson	Angela Kinsella
Sharon Johnson	Faye Kjolsing
Sandra Johnson	Mike & Darlene Klabunde
Judy Jones	Howard & Laurie Koehn
Dan & Stacy Justison	Judy Kramer
Aldeen & Idell Kadelbach	Darlene Kotelnicki
Robert Kadelbach	Peter & Sheila Krohse

April Ushers 9:00 a.m.

Ralph Elj
Mike Doty
Will Dolan
Joe Gaulrapp
Dave Schwartz
John Spanos
Darin Mahlow



April

Open



APRIL 1

Trina Driver
Scott Nelson
Julie Spanos

APRIL 2

Courtney Anderson-
Kuhnau

APRIL 3

Isabella Forster
Michelle Guggemos
Darlene Lundin

APRIL 4

Alex Breault
Daniel Johnson

APRIL 5

Brett Alsleben
Hayden Guza
Judy Mahlow
Sara Jo Pollock
Jason Stucky

APRIL 6

Debra Langmo
Linda Larson
Ramona Lohse

APRIL 7

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

APRIL 11

Ali LaVine
Randy Groskreutz
Antonio Weitz

APRIL 12

Alison Radunz
Sarah Kuechle

APRIL 13

Conner Gabrielson

APRIL 14

Nicholas Sandry
Nicholas Sandry

APRIL 15

Joanna Bailey
Emma Defries
Charles DeWolf
Zachary Nelson
Donovan Slinden III
Beau Snodgrass
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
Nicholas Konietzko

APRIL 22

Josh Fluck
Warren Hickman
Mariah Lease

APRIL 23

Quintin Berube
Eliza Buller
Jason Giang
Miranda Isaacson
Casandra Walberg

APRIL 24

Phyllis Ableidinger
Rick Sandry

APRIL 25

Dee Bollin

APRIL 26

Robert Blomberg
Drew Dengerud

APRIL 27

APRIL 28

Cale Alsleben
Kenneth Braseth
Brian Burdick

APRIL 29

Dawn Doty
Kristy Quast
Jacob Quast
Zachary Quast
John G Spanos
Danny Walker

APRIL 30

Patricia Hagen
Austin Kleinschmidt
Jared Laidlaw
Timothy Matheson

Memorials, Gifts & Thanks

Gifts were given to the General fund in honor of Jo Ann Lindstrom's birthday from Steve and Jackie Kraushaar, John and Shirley Lekander, Mike and Kris Nelson and Dan and Brenda Johnson.

A gift was given to the Quilter's fund in memory of brother, Bob Groskreutz, from Donna Gilsrud.

A gift was given to the General fund and Blessing Box fund in memory of Bob Groskreutz from John and Shirley Lekander and Gary and Janet Smith.

Gifts were given to the General fund, Blessing Box and Sprinkler System fund in honor of Gary Smith's Retirement from Kirk and Dorothy Lundin, Jim and Elaine Lenhard, Paul and Sue Lemmer, Jim and Barb Alsleben.

Special Thanks

Thank you all for the birthday celebration, cards, gifts and well wishes. Special Thank you to the Kitchen Serving Group, you all are very much appreciated. Mildred Neitzel

Big Thank you - Thanks for coming to help me celebrate my birthday Feb. 23. Also, thanks to the February group that served the lunch. Jo Ann Lindstrom

The Church Library is grateful for the donated large white Bible that was on the desk. What a gift! Thanks so much.

Thank you to the February Serving Group. You are very much appreciated! Jerry and Lana Johnson

Thank you for the prayer shawl that I received after my surgery. I really appreciate it. Julie Fredrickson



Easter Memorials 2025

Given by: _____

In memory and/or in honor of:

General Fund \$ _____

Blessing Box \$ _____

God's Work Our Hands \$ _____
(for a fall project to be determined)

Please return your memorial and this form to the church office no later than:
Friday, April 11, 2025.



Bingo at the Muddy Cow

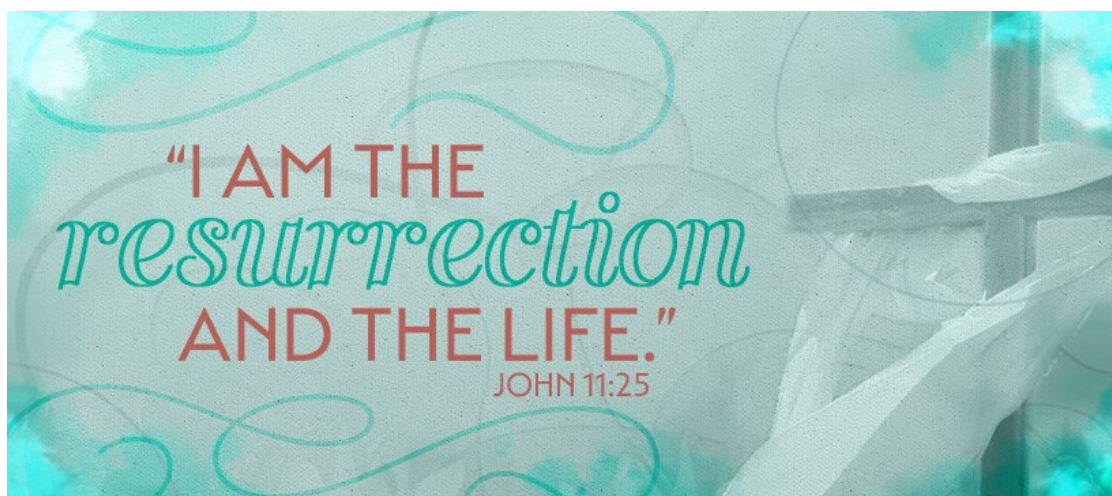
MST-USA will be selling tickets for
Bingo at the Muddy Cow for
Sunday, April 6th.

The ticket cost is \$40 which includes
9 games with \$200 payout and
1 Blackout game with
a \$2,000 payout.

Tickets can be purchased by
any MST-USA youth.



MST-USA 2025 is selling boxes of
GREETING CARDS. Starting April
6th through April 20th. The Boxes
contain 30 handcrafted cards for \$30,
and boxes come in 4 different varieties.
Orders may be placed with any
MST-USA youth or through the
church office. Any questions, please
contact Carrie Block. Thank you again
for your support of MST-USA!



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, Fort Riley, Kansas, grandson of 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: MST - 2026



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

B.R.E.W.

meets every **Tuesday morning at 7:30 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: Wendy Norine

Litchfield, in own home: Jutta Goodrich, Darlene Miller

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

Hilltop Health Center, Watkins: Elois Johnson



Women of the **ELCA** 

WELCA Meeting 1:30

April 17, 2025

In the Conference Room

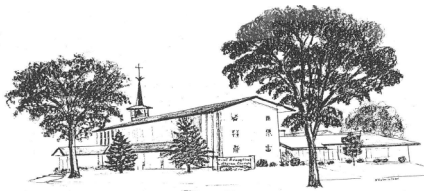
Widow's Grief Support

1st and 3rd Thursday of each
Month, in the Conference Room
at 12:30 p.m.
All are Welcome!



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Lent – Easter Schedule 2025

This year's Lenten theme will reflect on Noah and the flood.

Soup Supper will be served every Wed. at
6:00 p.m. in Chilstrom Hall.

Worship Services:

April 2 Lent Service 7:00 p.m.

April 9 Lent Service 7:00 p.m.

April 13 Palm Sunday 9:00 a.m.

April 17 Maundy Thursday 5:30 p.m.
Seder Meal, Chilstrom Hall

April 18 Good Friday 7:00 p.m.

April 20 Easter Worship Services: 6:30, 9:00 &
10:30 a.m.

Breakfast served from 7:30 to 10:30 am.

Free-will offering, funds go to the MST - 2026