

**During this church season of Lent, please
join us for
"Witnesses to Christ: People from His
Passion"**

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John tells us why he wrote his Gospel: "Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name" (John 20:30-31). Life! When we believe that Jesus is the Christ, God gives us life—abundant life, forgiven life, and eternal life.

This Lent, our life in Christ will be strengthened as we hear the witness of those in John's Gospel who journeyed to the cross. Please join us for worship as we hear the witness of these people in John's Gospel:

- 2/22 **Ash Wednesday:** *John the Baptist*, John 1:29-34
- 3/1 **Midweek of Lent 1:** *Mary, the Sister of Lazarus and Martha*, John 12:1-11
- 3/8 **Midweek of Lent 2:** *Malchus*, John 18:1-11
- 3/15 **Midweek of Lent 3:** *Peter*, John 18:12-27
- 3/22 **Midweek of Lent 4:** *Barabbas*, John 18:33-40
- 3/29 **Midweek of Lent 5:** *Pontius Pilate*, John 19:1-16
- 4/2 **Palm Sunday:** *The Disciples*, John 12:12-19
- 4/6 **Mauudy (Holy) Thursday:** *Judas Iscariot*, John 13:21-30
- 4/7 **Good Friday:** *John, the Gospel Writer*, John 19:25-37
- 4/9 **The Resurrection of Our Lord:** *Mary Magdalene*, John 20:1-18

What is more, in our Sunday Morning Bible classes, we will dig further into John's Gospel as we study this part of God's Holy Word together and see how it applies to our lives today!

The sermons in our series, "Witnesses to Christ: People from His Passion", begin with John the Baptist on Ash Wednesday and end with Mary Magdalene on Easter. Most of the texts for these messages come from near the end of this Gospel (John 18:1-20:31).

The Bible studies on Sunday mornings all during March and on April 2nd are centered on Jesus' seven signs, or miracles, that appear in the first part of John's Gospel (John 1:19-12:50). What's the connection? The signs prepare us for the promises linked to our Savior's passion, death, and resurrection.

Christ's seven signs take us on a journey beginning with a wedding feast in Cana and ending with the resurrection of Lazarus. Throughout this trip, we will see the incredible events of water turned into wine, a sick boy restored, a lame man brought to his feet, thousands fed, a storm silenced, a blind man gaining sight, and a dead man coming forth from his tomb.

THE SEVEN SIGNS

Changing water into wine (John 2:1-11)	2/19/23
Healing the royal official's son (John 4:46-54)	2/26/23
Healing the paralyzed man (John 5:1-15)	3/5/23
Feeding the five thousand (John 6:5-14)	3/12/23
Walking on water (John 6:16-21)	3/19/23
Healing the man born blind (John 9)	3/26/23
Raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-45)	4/2/23

God's blessings to you all throughout this Lenten season!

*In Christ,
Pastor Dan Welch*

SERMON PLAN:

WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES, 2:00 AND 7:00 PM

February 22: "John the Baptist".....	John 1:29-34
March 1: "Mary, the Sister of Lazarus and Martha".....	John 12:1-11
March 8: "Malchus".....	John 18:1-11
March 15: "Peter".....	John 18:12-27
March 22: "Barabbas".....	John 18:33-40
March 29: "Pontius Pilate".....	John 19:1-16

PALM SUNDAY SERVICES 8:00 AND 10:30 AM

April 2: "The Disciples".....	John 12:12-19
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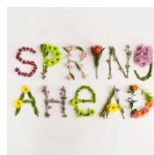
HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2:00 AND 7:00 PM

Mauudy (Holy) Thursday, April 6: "Judas Iscariot".....	John 13:21-30
Good Friday, April 7: "John, the Gospel Writer".....	John 19:25-37

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Easter Sunday, April 9: "Mary Magdalene!".....	John 20:1-18
SERVICES: 6:30 AM 8:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM	

Please join us at 9:15 AM this Sunday morning for Bible Class where we will take a deeper look at the Gospel of John.



Daylight Savings Time

Daylight savings time is Sunday, March 12th. Don't forget to move your clocks ahead 1 hour before you head to bed on Saturday, March 11th.



We are especially thankful for all you do to bring glory to God through the various ministries here at First Lutheran Church!

Wed.	Mar. 1	2:00 PM – Kermit Terlinden / Dean Scheele 7:00 PM - Jon Lemke / Dean Scheele
Sunday	Mar. 5	8:00 AM - Brian Grochow / Jon Lemke 10:30 AM - Roger Schmidt / Don Hepner
Wed.	Mar. 8	2:00 PM – Dean Scheele / Mark Schmidt 7:00 PM - Kermit Terlinden / Jason Oelfke
Sunday	Mar. 12	8:00 AM - Lars Ide / Fritz Schulz 10:30 AM - Brian Grochow / Dave Sell
Wed.	Mar. 15	2:00 PM – Brian Grochow / 7:00 PM - Dean Scheele / Doug Dahlke
Sunday	Mar. 19	8:00 AM - Michael Cisewski / Fritz Schulz 10:30 AM - Roger Schmidt / Tim Schauer
Wed.	Mar. 22	2:00 PM – Roger Schmidt / Kermit Terlinden 7:00 PM - Jon Lemke / Don Hepner
Sunday	Mar. 26	8:00 AM - Michael Cisewski / Lee Terlinden 10:30 AM - Dan Nikolaisen / Jason Oelfke
Wed.	Mar. 29	2:00 PM – 7:00 PM - Dean Scheele / Dan Nikolaisen

Acolyte Ministry

Your faithful service is what continues to make First Lutheran Church a wonderful place to worship, fellowship and serve together!

Wed.	Mar. 1	7:00 PM - Amelia Boetel
Sunday	Mar. 5	8:00 AM- Alex Cisewski 10:30 AM- Xander Plath
Wed.	Mar. 8	7:00 PM- Amelia Boetel
Sunday	Mar. 12	8:00 AM- Bailey Betsinger 10:30 AM- Amelia Boetel
Wed.	Mar. 15	7:00 PM - Bennet Goff
Sunday	Mar. 19	8:00 AM- Matthew Ortloff 10:30 AM- Cody Michaelis
Wed.	Mar. 22	7:00 PM - Bennet Goff
Sunday	Mar. 26	8:00 AM- Matthew Ortloff 10:30 AM-
Wed.	Mar. 29	7:00 PM – Bennet Goff

ANGEL SEEDS

The McLeod Emergency Food Shelf has been selected as the Angel Seeds recipient for donations received from January through March.



The McLeod Emergency Food Shelf (MEFS) is a non-profit agency which was organized in 1983 to assist residents of McLeod County, Minnesota in the area of hunger relief.

MEFS receives financial donations and food support donations from the individuals, organizations, civic groups, businesses, food rescue partners, and faith partners of McLeod County.

Since 1983, millions of meals have been provided by the generous support of the local community. In the first year, 109 households were served with the number stretching over the years to as many as 1,857 distinct households. More than a half million pounds of food are distributed each year!

Thank you for helping to feed the hungry in McLeod County! We appreciate your support of this local resource!



Easter Lilies

The Mary Martha Altar Guild will again order lilies for the Easter worship service. Would you like to purchase a lily in memory or in honor of a loved one, person, or group? Acknowledgements of these donations will be made in the Easter bulletin notes. Sign-up tables for the lilies will be available Sundays starting February 26th and Wednesdays before & after services. Members will be available to assist with sign up.

The cost will be \$11 per lily. Contact Cheryl Scheidt at 864-3356 jcscheidt68@gmail.com with any questions.

FLS APPAREL

Did you know that First Lutheran School has an apparel store with Squadlocker? If you are looking for a fun way to support our school, check out the Squadlocker website!

We have a wide range of items, name brands and price points for you to choose from. And if you don't see something you are looking for, please let me know and we can probably have it added. Simply go to www.squadlocker.com, click on "Find Your Store" search for First Lutheran School Glencoe, MN and shop the store. All items ordered will be shipped directly to your home. Contact Michelle Alsleben 864-3317 if you have any questions.



15TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

SILENT AUCTION:

Once again we will be holding the Annual Silent Auction on-line, however we will be holding a select few items for a LIVE auction on



March 5th following the in-person meal in the Fellowship Hall. You won't want to miss these live auction items! Online auction will begin Saturday, February 25th, 2023 at 1:00 PM and will conclude on Saturday, March 4th, 2023 at 1:00 PM. Join us on Sunday March 5th 11AM-1PM for a pulled pork sandwich meal with all the sides (free will offering) The LIVE auction will begin at 12:30 PM. Pick up dates for online auction winnings will be Sunday March 5th 1-3 PM and Tuesday March 7th 3-6 PM (cash, check, and card accepted). View items and bid at the link listed below.

<https://www.32auctions.com/fls2023>



First Edition Book Club

First Edition Book Club will meet on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the lounge area at FLC. The group will discuss the book: Cape Refuge (Cape Refuge Series book 1 of 4) by author Terri Blackstock. First Edition book club reads Christian fiction books and welcomes interested women to join in the discussion.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONFIRMATION

Mark Your Calendar

Dates to Remember

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8th	FLS & PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS Confirmation students will be measured for their gowns. It is important that your child wear the shoes he/she is planning to wear the day of Confirmation to ensure that the gown is the appropriate length.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12th	3:30-4:45 PM Confirmation Practice (All Students)
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19th	3:30-4:45 PM Confirmation Practice (All Students)
7:00 PM	Public Review / Questioning
SUNDAY, APRIL 30th	CONFIRMATION SUNDAY @ 10:30 AM Service

72ND ANNUAL

POTATO PANCAKE & SAUSAGE DINNER

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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DINE IN
OR
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MENU INCLUDES: YOUR CHOICE OF AUTHENTIC GERMAN POTATO PANCAKES OR REGULAR PANCAKES, SAUSAGES, APPLESAUCE, CHEESE & MILK

ADVANCED TICKETS
ADULTS: \$14
KIDS (10 & UNDER): \$6
TICKETS @ DOOR: \$15
PURCHASE @ FLC OFFICE & SELECT YOUR DESIRED TIME

72nd Annual Pancake & Sausage Dinner

The First Lutheran 72nd Annual Pancake & Sausage Dinner will be held on **Sunday, April 16** from 9 AM to 1 PM. This is the Sunday after Easter. You'll be able to Dine-In or Take-Out.

The Menu will again include your choice of authentic German potato pancakes, regular pancakes, sausages, applesauce, cheese, and beverage.

Advance Tickets can be purchased for \$14 for Adults and Children under 10 years for \$6. When you purchase your advance tickets, you'll be asked to select your meal time – the choices are 9 AM–10 AM, 10 AM–11 AM, 11 AM–12 PM, or 12 PM–1 PM.

In addition, we will have tickets available at the door at a cost of \$15 for Adults. All take-outs will be at the Adult price.

We are in need of MANY volunteers. It takes about 100 people serving in a variety of capacities to make this event happen. If you're willing to help AGAIN or for the FIRST time, please contact Cindy at 612-840-6308 or Robyn in the church office. In the coming weeks, we'll be working out all the details.

Also, please spread the word to your family and friends. The event has usually been held earlier in the season and some people may have thought they missed it. So we need your help telling others.

Advance Tickets will be available at the church office or after select Sunday services.

This will be the 72nd Annual Pancake & Sausage Meal – quite a tradition that we are blessed to continue!

FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S POPCORN SALES

Please help by participating in the 2023 Popcorn Fundraiser. This is an excellent way to support our school!

Sales will begin on Monday, April 3rd and continue through Friday, April 14th.

Popcorn orders can be placed with FLS students or in the church office. Please make checks payable to First Lutheran School. Thank you for your support and continuing to make this fundraiser a success!



Baskets". Baskets will be placed at all church entrances.

If you prefer to donate cash instead, cash donations greatly multiply the Food Shelf's ability to purchase healthier fresh, frozen, and perishable foods. For every \$1 cash donation, the Food Shelf can buy \$4 worth of food through their access to discount products and programs. Cash donations can be made through your offering envelopes using the "other" line and writing in "Food Shelf" (or place cash/check in a plain envelope with "Food Shelf" written on outside; include name to include this on your annual offering statement). You can also make monetary donations online through the Give Plus app, through the church's website, or directly to the food shelf at www.mcleodemergencyfoodshelf.org/donate.

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Find your local food shelf or donate at gmcc.org/march-campaign

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Major Minnesota FoodShare Supporters: General Mills Foundation

March Campaign Sponsors and Major Supporters: AgriBank, BlueCross BlueShield Minnesota, CenterPoint Energy, Furniture MART, LAND O'LAKES, INC., OLD NATIONAL, UNITEDHEALTH GROUP

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A Message of Hope heard on The Lutheran Hour



Hear the Good News of the Gospel on the Lutheran Hour each Sunday at 9:00 am on KDUZ 1260 AM Radio. During the month of March, you will hear the following program topics:

Mar 5 "An Arresting Encounter" with Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). A devoutly religious person has an arresting encounter with Jesus and learns what it means to be "born again." (John 3:16)

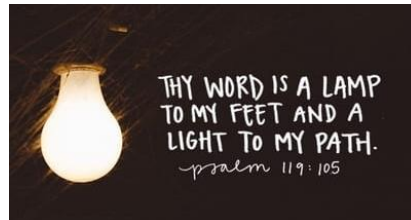
Mar 12 "Thirsting for Life" with Guest Speaker: [Rev. Dr. John Nunes](#). Jesus gives living water to those who are spiritually dehydrated. (John 4)

Mar 19 "Bad Karma vs. Good Creator" with Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). When bad things happen in our lives, is it "bad karma" or--an opportunity for our good Creator to be doing a greater work? (John 9:3)

Mar 26 "Is God Missing in Action?" with Guest Speaker: [Rev. Dr. John Nunes](#). Is God "missing in action?" Not if we see things from God's eternal perspective. (John 11)

We are blessed to have broadcast sponsors for the upcoming Sundays in March, April, May, and June of 2023. We have openings and need sponsors for July 2, July 23, August 13, and August 20. Please contact Rich Streufert at 320-864-6884 or e-mail richstreufert@embarqmail.com to verify available dates.

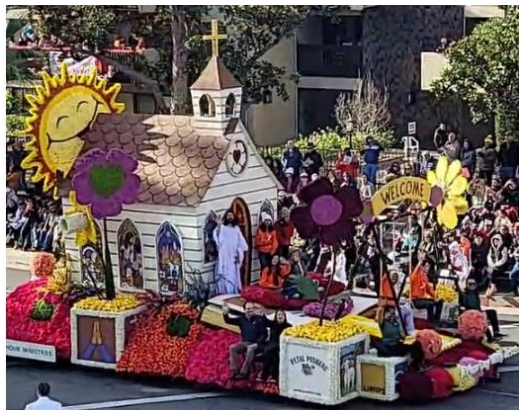
The cost for sponsoring a broadcast during 2023 is \$96.00. Checks should be made out to "KDUZ Lutheran Hour Broadcast". Send checks to "KDUZ Lutheran Hour Supporters", % First Lutheran Church, 925 13th Street E, Glencoe, MN 55336.



God's Word provides the light we need. Psalm 119:105

2023 Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign

Since 1982, Minnesotans have come together to support their communities and local food shelves during this annual Campaign. The Board of Evangelism will be collecting canned goods and non-perishable items for the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf during the month of March and first part of April to "Pack the



Rose Parade Reflections

By Jonathan Schultz, President and CEO Concordia Publishing House

The opportunity to ride on the Lutheran Hour Ministries float in the Rose Parade on January 2nd

gave me a whole different perspective of the Rose Parade and the incredible float ministry of LHM and the Petal Pushers®. Watching from home or watching from the streets allows one to view the parade, but I had the opportunity to view the parade route from my seat on the float literally in a bed of roses!

And I was not fully prepared for my experience. The first thing that surprised me was how close we were to the crowd. I loved the fact that with only 2.5 mph and stopping frequently, I was able to actually make eye contact with people in the crowd and say “God bless you” or “Happy New Year” and receive a smile and a response. But what truly amazed me was the response from the crowd towards the Lutheran Hour Ministries float. One will never see this watching on TV, but as we would move forward through the parade route, countless people stood, cheered loudly for Jesus, called out the name “Jesus” in various languages, started singing Christian songs and thanked us for having a Christian float in the parade.

I will never forget the enthusiasm of kids coming out of the crowd tugging at their shirts and yelling “I am a Christian too”. With an estimated 700,000 people lining the streets, I would say 10’s of 1,000’s of people had such a reaction, which at least in my estimation makes Jesus the star of the Rose Parade.

“Soli Deo Gloria”



Thrivent

Financial News



√ Thrivent Choice –

Thank you Thrivent members for continuing to designate your Choice \$. This past month, we received \$637 for FLC and \$571 for FLS. We also received a charitable Giving Grant of \$650! Remember that you must designate your 2022 Choice Dollars soon. Visit (www.Thrivent.com/choice) or phone 1-800-847-4836 and say “Choice Dollars.” Have your Thrivent ID# handy. You can phone Mon – Friday from 7 am to 6 pm. If you would like assistance, please contact Cindy or the church office.

√ **Thrivent Action Teams** – A Thrivent Action Team is a simple, flexible way for you to bring people together to make a positive difference.....you might hold a fundraiser, conduct a service activity, or hold an educational event. Each year, every Thrivent member has (2) Action Teams to use!

Visit Thrivent.com/actionteam to complete an online application (minimum 3 weeks before your event). If you are unable to make your request via computer, you can phone Thrivent and make your request via Customer Service – call 1-800-847-4836.

When your project is approved, Thrivent will provide resources (Action Team Kit) to help plan the event, promotional items (including Thrivent T-shirts to increase your visibility), and seed money to cover promotional and material expenses (\$250 Community Impact Card).

EVERY Thrivent member is eligible to lead two Action Teams per calendar year. **IF YOU’RE WILLING TO SHARE YOUR ACTION TEAMS, PLEASE LET CINDY OR THE OFFICE KNOW! This a new year – so all Thrivent members again have 2 Action Teams!** Involve others – it’s all about your friends, family and community coming together to make a positive impact!

√ **Facebook page for Thrivent Network** – Be sure to check out and “Like” to stay updated on exciting new opportunities and newly created events!

√ **Thrivent Member Network - Twin Cities Region** works hard to create fun and educational content that you can engage in from the comfort of your own home. There are also some great on-demand webinars (variety of topics) that you can view anytime. **Guests are welcome!** Please feel free to share these events with your friends, family, and community. See all the info and resources at:

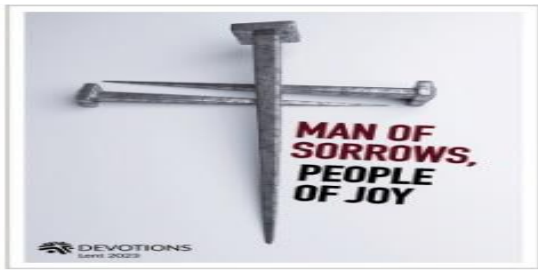
<https://www.thriventfinancial.com/member-network/twin-cities/>

Cindy Eggersgluess – 612-840-6308 / eggsgluesscindy@gmail.com
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Stories of Faith

The Public Relations (PR) Team invites members to share their stories related to situations or events in which they experience God's love and providential care.

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Man of Sorrows, People of Joy paints a revealing picture of Jesus as He winds His way to the cross. Using Matthew's Gospel as its source, we see Jesus as teacher, healer, comforter, and Savior. Our Shepherd's crucifixion and resurrection now make joy and true life available to His followers—to those who through faith entrust their lives to Him.

Our Lord Jesus, though divine in nature, took on human form and thus became intimately acquainted with our griefs and sorrow (see Isaiah 53:1-6). That God would send His Son to bear our sins and die on our behalf is testament to God's unbounded love—a love that declares believers innocent through the Savior's triumphant resurrection.

Daily Devotions from LHM will help strengthen and encourage your faith as you do the same for others. Have them delivered right to your inbox, podcast the audio devotional, access them on your mobile device through the FREE app, or listen with Spotify, iHeart Radio, Alexa, or Google Home. Devotions for Lent are available at lhm.org/len1 in both English and Spanish. Perfect for personal reflection or to share with family, friends, and congregations, this meditation will help prepare you to celebrate the true meaning of this season of Lent.



A Service of Song and Prayer

Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) Prayer Service
March 6, 2:30 p.m.

All women of the congregation, LWML members, honorary members, volunteers and guests are welcomed to the annual Prayer Service led by Pastor Welch on Monday March at 2:30 p.m.

This service will bless your heart and your life as you join your sisters in singing songs to the Lord Who continues to bless you daily. Singing familiar hymns, joining together in the Word and spending time in prayer will help you recognize and give thanks for your God-given blessings.

Please come. Bring a friend if you want. Enjoy worship and Christian fellowship. Refreshments will be served.



Happy March Birthday to honorary Lutheran Women in Mission member Francis Downer. A \$5 gift in honor of each of you has been given to LWML Mission Grants "mites."



DESSERT!

Enjoy a dessert and coffee following afternoon Lenten worship.

Lutheran Women in Mission are pleased to welcome you to dessert and coffee following the 2:00 p.m. Lenten worship

services beginning Ash Wednesday February 22 and every Wednesday afternoon service through Lent. There will be an LWML mite box at the window for those who wish to donate. The offerings will be for LWML mission grants (also known as "mites.")



Bingo & Bake Sale

The Board of Evangelism would like to invite you to join us for a fun afternoon of BINGO in the Church Fellowship Center from 3pm-4pm on Sunday March 26, 2023. BINGO is FREE to play, but we will be accepting free-will donations. Winners will get their choice of a candy prize.

Free-will donation will also be accepted

for bake sale items we will have available. You can choose to enjoy these items while we play or to bring them home with you after the games are finished. We look forward to seeing you, your family, and friends on Sunday March 26th, 2023.

You shall worship the Lord, your God,
and him alone shall you serve.

- Luke 4:8 -

Homegrown! It's a Good Thing!

We are pleased to report that we were recently awarded additional grant monies from the MN Department of Agriculture Farm to School program! We will receive \$3282 from the Full Tray and \$3418 from the Second Helping Grants. These grant monies are used to purchase locally grown and raised foods (beef, pork, poultry, eggs, vegetables, fruits) for our school lunch program. In addition, \$5000 is available under a 50/50 match for equipment purchases under the AGRI Equipment grant program.

After each Homegrown meal, the students sing a little ditty:
Homegrown's all right with me
Homegrown is the way it should be
Homegrown is a good thing
Plant that bell and let it ring!

Our students are enthused to eat local and we are using this program as a teaching tool so they learn about what they are eating, how it was raised, and how it was prepared. We continue to source local vendors that we can purchase from. If anyone would like to help or has any questions, please reach out to First Lutheran School Secretary Michelle Alsleben at 864-3317 or Program Coordinator Cindy Eggersgluess at 612-840-6308 or eggersgluesscindy@gmail.com. We look forward to continuing this "Good Thing!"

GET TO KNOW THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Purpose: Assist the pastors in maintaining proper decorum during worship services, assist the pastors in the work of church discipline, and make decisions for the spiritual life of the congregation.

Responsibilities:

- Attend monthly meetings of the Board; one member to attend monthly church council meetings
- Work at worship services on a rotating basis assisting with ushering, offerings, and communion
- Concern for the spiritual well-being of church members
- Review the needs, salary, and performance of the pastoral staff, music staff, and the DCE
- Prepare and submit an annual budget

Should you or someone you know have questions or concerns, please contact one of the board members listed below:

Michael Cisewski	320-295-6696
Dean Dahlke	510-4315
Joel Goche	320-444-3859
Brian Grochow	952-412-1696
Dan Nikolaisen	952-594-4149
Jason Oelfke	320-296-4260
Dean Scheele	952-250-1149
Roger Schmidt	864-6523
Dennis Wolter	510-0206



Summaries From the Boards, Council, and Committees

Church Council | February 16th

The Board of Christian Education is still looking for volunteers to help with the youth programs. The Day School Board will start the call process for a teacher to replace Sarah Albachten. Suggested Bible readings will be added to the worship folder each week. The Boards of Evangelism and Stewardship have decided not to combine and will look for members to fill the open positions. Roger Schmidt updated the council on the Self-Study and Pastor Call Committees. Four candidates from the seminary were interviewed. The DCE Call Committee will look for an intern as a candidate. Council heard a recommendation from the Endowment/Finance Committee that FLS pay 10% of the teachers and teacher aide's salaries out of the school checkbook. No action was taken at this time. The annual Pancake Dinner will take place on April 16, 2023.

Board of Deacons | February 2nd

The deacons were shown how the fire alarm system works as well as other areas of the church and explanations. The deacons will be serving Fellowship on February 26th. The upcoming wedding schedules were shared, and deacons signed up for different wedding services. Chairman Schmidt asked for donations from the Deacons for the silent auction gift cards that he will purchase from local establishments. The chairman shared the importance of being in the word in a congregation member's personal devotional life. Motion made and seconded to add suggested daily lectionary Bible readings to the bulletin. Carried. There is a new student in the 5th grade confirmation class.

Board of Trustees | February 6th

The Board of Trustees reviewed a quote for stucco repair on the school building and will get additional quotes. Jonny Rock's Body Shop has volunteered to paint the dividers in the lower-level men's restroom. Quotes for insurance will be gathered and presented at the March Trustees meeting. Thrivent Action monies and rebates have been used to cover some of the expenses for the school boiler repair.

Christian Ed Board | February 14th

No Summary Submitted

Day School | February 7th

Students at First Lutheran were finally able to share the love of Jesus' birth at their Christmas concert on Jan 6. The students also celebrated National Lutherans Schools Week Jan 22-28. Various activities took place throughout the week. 7th & 8th grade students are headed to Wolf Ridge February 8-10 and plan are underway for the FLS silent auction March 5th.

Board of Evangelism | February 9th

No Summary Submitted

Board of Stewardship | February 7th

No Summary Submitted

First Lutheran Financial Report

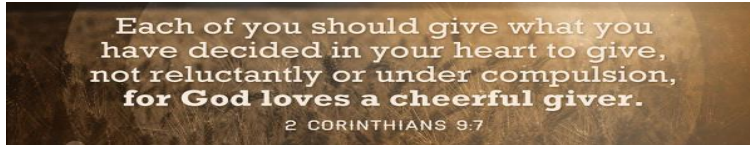
2022-2023 Financials: JANAUARY (YTD)

GENERAL FUND INCOME ONLY (January):		<u>Last Year</u>
Offering Envelopes	\$ 437,891.34	\$ 483,076.14
Debt Reduction	6,929.00	3,015.00
Thrivent "Choice" <i>Member Elections</i>	2,433.00	1,443.00
School "Keep It Happening" Fund	300.00	780.00
School Tuition	<u>131,969.06</u>	<u>186,866.09</u>
	\$ 579,522.40	\$ 675,180.23

GENERAL FUND EXPENSES (January):		<u>Last Year</u>
Staff	\$ 511,873.03	\$ 545,672.38
Employer Payroll Expenses	2,050.79	2,027.19
Buildings	54,935.68	55,033.35
Operations	15,932.91	18,145.54
Interest on Line of Credit	<u>- 0 -</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>
	\$ 584,792.41	\$ 620,878.46

2022-2023 MISSIONS & ANGEL SEED OFFERINGS:	
\$ 7,735.00	\$ 10,069.00

January 31st GENERAL FUND INDEBTEDNESS:	(\$ 101,819.69)
Last Year's January 31st General Indebtedness:	(\$ 139,273.96)





- February 25-March 4 | Silent Auction is open for bidding
- March 3 | Early release at 11:45 am
- March 5 | All students sing in church | 10:30 am
- March 5 | Meal and live auction
- March 6 | No school
- March 17 | St. Patrick's Day
- March 23 | Operetta @ 7:00 pm
- April 2 | Palm Sunday
- April 6-11 | No school - Easter break
- April 9 | Easter Sunday
- April 16 | Potato Pancake Breakfast
- April 30 | Confirmation Sunday



Please Pray For:

Together we pray for:

- Lutheran Hour Ministries - India, our chapel offering recipients, as they work to help spread the Gospel of Christ in Africa.
- The Silent Auction Committee and all involved as they prepare for the big event.
- Those families that are considering sending their children to FLS that they might be led to realize the importance of a Christ centered education.
- A successful Silent Auction.
- A penitential heart during the Lenten season.
- The strength to remain faithful to God.
- Our committees at First Lutheran as we continue to search for a DCE and Assistant Pastor.

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thank you

- All the great people who bought pizzas to support our 7th and 8th grade trips.
- Everyone who has already donated, and will donate, to our 16th annual Silent Auction as well as all the great folks who will be buying the dinner and bidding.
- Our Boosters, for all of their countless hours preparing for the Silent and Live Auction!
- Our wonderful Board of Education for their selfless donations of time and talents.
- All of our great teachers who tirelessly work to provide the best in person Christian education for our wonderful students.



2nd Grade

We have been busy doing a lot of exciting new learning, including cursive handwriting and addition with regrouping! Each subject is unique:

Religion- Concentrating on a unit of the Miracles of Jesus. Jesus did miracles to prove that he is 100% God! This enriches our faith in Him!

Reading- We have done a unit on Martin Luther King Jr., Arctic Fox, and other stories that teach us about voting and how to share with others. We will soon do a unit on Snowflakes and fables.

Math- We are getting better at adding with regrouping (trading), telling time to 5 minutes, temperature to 2 degrees, and measuring inches to the 1/2 inch. We are each doing timed tests to our own pace so those math facts stick in our heads!

Science- We have finished a unit on weather, and will finish penguins.

Soon, we will be studying animals, which includes classification. We will be studying habitats including which animal lives in which habitat. Social Studies- We are studying how our environment changes and how technology has helped make life easier! We will begin a unit on American symbols.

-Mrs. Carmel Willett | 2nd Grade Teacher



K-2 Operetta

We are also preparing for our operetta, "Cross Country". It is set at a cross country race and through our operetta, we will learn what "crosses" we can carry for Christ: Trust, Courage, Love, Faith, and Obedience. The Operetta is for Kindergarten-Second Grade students and will take place on Thursday, March 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Center at church.

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\$200 for free!

As a continuing incentive, First Lutheran is offering \$200 to any school or church family who recommends a family to First Lutheran and that family registers a child, or children, for this school year. If you get two families to register, you get \$400! Spread the good news that First Lutheran School is a great place to learn about God's love and the awesome world he has given to us!



Fruit of the Spirit - Gentleness
The fruits of the spirit are the characteristics of Jesus. It is through the Holy Spirit, that we, as Christians, are given them and able to live them out.

This month's fruit of the spirit is gentleness. If you would like to read more about Gentleness and what that looks like in your life, I encourage you to check out [this devotional blog](#). We only have two more fruits of the spirit to review!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ...

FIRST EV. LUTHERAN SCHOOL
16TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION & MEAL

Thank You **Online Auction**
Feb 25th 1pm - Mar 4th 1pm
WWW.DONATIONS.COM/1132873

In Person Meal
Sunday March 5th 11AM-1PM
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
First Lutheran's 16th Annual Silent Auction & Meal
Please contact and register at:
Kara with Catherine
To See Options and Details
Email: kara@1stglencoe.org

Live Auction
Sunday March 5th 12:30pm-3pm
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
Come To Be Fed and Fed Back! The More The Better!

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16th Annual Silent Auction

Our school's biggest fundraiser is quickly approaching! The silent auction will be taking place online again from February 25-March 4. Then, on Sunday March 5 the students sing in church with a meal following the service. The boosters will be serving pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, and desserts. There will be hot dogs for those who do not like pulled pork sandwiches. Please share this link with your family and friends! Bidding is easier now more than ever when you can do it from the comfort of your own home!



Popcorn Fundraiser

Everyone's favorite fundraiser will be taking place from April 3-14th. Order forms will be sent home with your child and orders can be placed in the church office or from a student. Please make checks payable to First Lutheran School. Popcorn will be available for pick up early May.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

FEB/MAR

FEB 27	WAYZATA	4:00
MAR 2	CHASKA	4:30
MAR 3/4	TOURNAMENT AT WACONIA	
MAR 9	ZION COLOGNE	4:00
MAR 14	NYA	3:45
MAR 16	WATERTOWN	4:00
MAR 20	ZION MAYER	3:45
MAR 21	WACONIA	4:00

Additional information located on Miss Albachten's Fast Direct Planner

4-6 Boys Basketball

Our 4th-6th grade boys basketball team is getting ready to start their season! Check out the schedule above and come cheer them on! Each of the games take place at the Lutheran school in that town. Go Flames!



7-8 Wolf Ridge

Our 7th-8th graders enjoyed their stay at Wolf Ridge. They learned all sorts of things about God's beautiful creation and how He continues to take care of us and the world around us.



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First Lutheran Sunday School Report September 2022 - February 2023

Attendance

10/09/22 35 children, 9 adults
 10/16/22 32 children, 8 adults
 10/23/22 26 children, 9 adults
 10/30/22 41 children, 8 adults

October Average - 34 children

11/06/22 32 children, 8 adults
 11/13/22 38 children, 9 adults
 11/20/22 27 children, 10 adults
 11/27/22 39 children, 8 adults

November Average - 34 children

12/04/22 39 children, 10 adults
 12/11/22 41 children, 8 adults
 12/18/22 41 children, 8 adults
 12/25/22 No Sunday School

December Average - 40 children

01/01/23 No Sunday School
 01/08/23 33 children, 9 adults
 01/15/23 29 children, 8 adults
 01/22/23 25 children, 7 adults
 01/29/23 22 children, 8 adults

January Average - 28 children

* 09/18/22 to 10/02/22 and 02/23
 attendance figures were not readily
 available for this report at this time.

Offering

09/18/22 \$5
 09/25/22 \$2
 10/02/22 \$4
 10/09/22 \$3

10/16/22 \$6

\$20

\$20 to Heifer International to donate flock of ducks

10/23/22 \$7.40 (\$\$.40 for Heifer International for
 processing of earlier donation)

10/30/22 \$9

11/06/22 \$4.50

\$20.40 to Heifer International to donate flock of chicks

Balance \$.10

11/13/22 \$3

11/20/22 \$5

11/27/22 \$6.25

12/04/22 \$5.45

12/11/22 \$4

12/18/22 \$3

01/08/23 \$5

01/15/23 \$109

01/22/23 \$5

01/29/23 \$2

02/05/23 \$4.40

02/12/23 \$4

Balance \$156.20

Extra Activities

In October and November the Sunday School children sang during church. In November they assisted with the assembly of the Thanksgiving Blessing Bags. On December 18, 2022, the Sunday School Children led the 10:30 a.m. Service. For Palm Sunday, the children will be participating in the Processional and singing.

Sunday School Offerings:

As of 02/12/23, the Sunday School has an offering balance of \$156.20. The children will be voting on which animals they would like to donate through Heifer International.





"Sharing Christ, Changing Lives"

*How are we doing that here at First Lutheran?
One way is through Youth Groups and Sunday School!*

FUN IN THE SON

Who? Children in Kindergarten to Grade 3
Where? Church Fellowship Center
When? Tue., March 14 & 28, 3 to 4:30 p.m.
What? Snack, Games, Singing, Bible Stories, Craft, Fellowship, Fun!

Theme? St. Patrick's Day Party, Easter Party

Leaders? Mindy Dressel, Madi Mathews, LuAnn Schmidt, Amy Welch

* We could use donations of healthy snacks for Fun in the Son, please. *



TWEENS

Who? Children in Grades 4 to 7
Where? Church, Room 111
When? Tue., March 7 & 21 from 3 to 5 p.m.
What? Snack, Games, Singing, Bible Stories, Craft, Fellowship, Fun
Theme? St. Patrick's Day, Easter Party
Leaders? Travis Uecker, Amy Welch

* We could use donations of healthy snacks for Tweens, please. *



Please keep the process of calling a new D.C.E. in your prayers!
Until then, you may contact Amy Welch at 320-510-4583 or dovechocolate25@gmail.com or on Fast Direct.

I.M.P.A.C.T.

Who? Young People Grades Eight to Twelve
Where? The Lighthouse, above Temple Cleaners
When? Sun., March 19 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
What? Snack, Games, Bible Stories, Fellowship,
Theme? Overview of the Bible
Leaders? Mackenzie Thiesfeld, Pastor Dan

SUNDAY SCHOOL

"Let the Little Children Come to Me."

Jesus urges all of us, from the youngest to the oldest, to come to Him to learn, receive forgiveness, and serve one another. His stories are the best!

Activities for the children include:

Snack during Church Fellowship Hour, Opening, Music, and Lesson Time which includes a true story from the Bible and possible crafts.

Two's and Parents: Flames of Faith activity space in church basement, Teacher - LuAnn Schmidt

Preschool: Flames of Faith classroom in church basement, Teacher - Madi Mathews & Mindy Dressel

Kindergarten: Mrs. Bargmann's Preschool Room, Teacher - Amy Welch and Sarah LaMott

1st/2nd Grade: Ms. Kora's 1st Grade Room, Teacher - Grace Brickzen

3rd/4th Grade: Mrs. Willett's 2nd Grade Room, Teacher - Amy Edwards

5th/6th Grade: Church, Room 111, Teacher - Julie Uecker and Carrie Donnay

7th/8th Grade: School Library, Teacher - Travis Uecker

High School to Adults: Church Fellowship Center Teacher - Pastor Dan

Sundays, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
 <p>LIKE US ON facebook</p>		 <p>Church Contacts: 925 13th St. E. Glencoe, MN 55336 320 - 864 - 5522 office@firstglencoe.org</p>		 <p>School Contacts: 1015 14th St. E. Glencoe, MN 55336 320 - 864 - 3317 mthiesfeld@1stglencoe.org</p>		 <p>FLS ONLINE SILENT AUCTION</p>		 <p>FLS ONLINE SILENT AUCTION</p>			
 <p>ALTAR GUILD WORKERS Cindy Dahike 864-5030 Amy Welch 864-2753 Michele Mackenthun 864-6232</p>		<p>www.firstglencoe.org</p>		<p>FLS ONLINE SILENT AUCTION</p>		<p>FLS ONLINE SILENT AUCTION</p>		<p>FLS ONLINE SILENT AUCTION</p>			
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