

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

Sunday; Isaiah 33:1-24, Revelation 5:1-14 **Monday;** Isaiah 34:1-2, 8-35:10,[Micah 1:1-7:20] Rev. 6:1-17
Tuesday; Isaiah 40:1-17, Rev. 7:1-17 **Wednesday;** Isaiah 40:18-41:10, Rev. 8:1-13 **Thursday;** Isaiah 42:1-25,
Rev. 9:1-12 **Friday;** Isaiah 43:1-24, Rev. 9:13-10:11 **Saturday;** Isaiah 43:25-44:20, Rev. 11:1-19 **Sunday;** Isaiah
44:21-45:13, 20-25,[Daniel 10:1-12:13, Isaiah 48:1-22] Rev. 12:1-17

I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations. Isaiah 42:6 ESV.

Revelation Bible Study: Please come to **Bible Study** on Sunday Mornings at 9:15 in the Church Fellowship Center. We have recently started a new Bible Study that should be of great interest to every Christian especially in the tumultuous world we live in today: The book of Revelation. In this study series titled, "Revelation: Worthy is the Lamb", we see how God's revelation to John encourages Christians at every age.

Measure of Our Stewardship

Budgetary Needs = Total budget divided by 52. The General Fund Receipts include Sunday through Saturday receipts. These amounts are not reconciled to any bank statement at the time of this publication.

GENERAL FUND INCOME 12/03/23 – 12/09/23

Tuition Income:	\$ 4,230
G/F Envelope Income	\$ 14,912
Weekly Budgetary Needs	\$ 25,052
	\$ - 5,910

Attendance 12/10/23

Sunday Worship Total:	264
Communed:	74
Visitors:	0
Sunday School:	32
Adult Bible Study:	29
Advent Service 12/13:	58

Give, and it will be given to you. Luke 6:38

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 2023

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

AS WE GATHER

God alone balances Law and Gospel with strict justice and beautiful grace. His hatred for wrong is eclipsed by His everlasting covenant of love. In response to His judgement and righteousness, we rejoice in all circumstances, knowing that God alone is faithful, sanctifying us and keeping us blameless. John, the forerunner of Jesus, never claims to be more than he is— not a prophet, not Elijah, not the Christ, but the one who prepares His way.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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HYMNS

8:00 AM #343, 345, 370, [376, 354, 936] 346
10:30 AM **Sunday School Christmas Program**
(See Screens)

ORGANIST: Paul Otte

SERMON:

“Not an Impersonator”
John 1:6-8, 19-28
~ Pastor Dan Welch

BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
Epistle Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel Lesson: John 1:6-8, 19-28

ACOLYTES

8:00 AM –
10:30 AM -Khloe Petron/Emma Gildea

DEACONS

8:00 AM – Brian Grochow/Dean Scheele
10:30 AM –Dan Nikolaisen/Roger Schmidt

CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10: Wednesdays 6:30 PM | Fridays 5:30 PM

INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

-- Kim Oelfke, Lloyd Duenow, JoAnn Iliff, Clara Witthus, Cindy Johnson, Ormund Ostlie, Mavis Holmbeck, Lorraine Kurtzweg, William Dahlke, Ethan Grimm, and Duane Schuette

-- We pray for the family of Margaret Stoeckmann, the mother of Laurie Schauer, who was called home to be with the Lord on December 2nd. Blessed are those who die in the Lord!

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY 12.17

Divine Service w/ Communion | 8:00 AM
Fellowship: Christian Ed | 9:00 AM
Bible Study & Sunday School | 9:15 AM
Divine Service/Sun. School Program | 10:30 AM
GlenFields | 1:00 PM

MONDAY 12.18

Quilt Tying | 1:00 PM

TUESDAY 12.19

Fun & The Son | 3:00- 4:30 PM
Men's Network @ Plato | 7:00 PM
Common Cup Laundry Love | 9:00 AM-Noon/
4:30 PM-7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY 12.20

FLS Chapel: Mrs. Scheele | 8:10 AM
Staff Meeting | 10:00 AM
FLS Christmas Program | 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

THURSDAY 12.21

FLS | No School

FRIDAY 12.22

FLS | No School

SUNDAY 12.24

Divine Service w/ communion | 9:00 AM
Service of Song & Praise | 2:00 PM
Candlelight Service | 5:00 PM

Lutheran Social Service of

Minnesota: is seeking volunteers age 18 and older to provide a break for family caregivers. No prior experience required, and training is provided. [Learn More](#)
866.787.9802 or
lssmn.org/volunteer/caregiver.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You're Invited:

A mysterious Christmas riddle summons three kids on a wild goose chase to help find a missing king. Their adventure brings them to a Christmas program practice at First Lutheran Church and a choir practice at the City Park. Each adventure gives them another clue with more of a mystery to solve. Come join them on their adventure as they solve the mystery of the missing king on December 20th at 9:00 AM or 7:00 PM. All are invited to come and watch your school share the Good News of the King's birth and solve "A Christmas Mystery."

2024 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING: All current board members serving in 2024 and all newly appointed board members are required to attend the re-organizational meeting on Thursday, January 4th at 7:00 PM in the FLC Fellowship Center. Business items conducted at this meeting include selecting board officers, determining monthly meeting date/time, and selecting the 2024 Church Council representatives. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

The Board of Trustees would like to welcome Laura Schmalz as the new church secretary here at First Lutheran. We would also like to thank the volunteers who gave their time volunteering in the office. It is very much appreciated.

Donations Needed: Fun and The Son is in need of snack and drink donations. Fun and The Son meets every other week on Tuesdays and is for all students in Kindergarten-Third grade. If you feel inclined to donate, please drop them off in the church office. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!