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First Lutheran Church

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Regular Worship Schedule

5:30 pm Saturday
9:00 am Sunday

TV Worship Times

Sun. 5:30 pm, Mon. 11 am,
Tues. 9:30 am, Thurs. 4 pm & Fri. 8 pm



Living in God's amazing grace

Living the unconditional Grace & Love of Jesus Christ

Enjoy Your Coffee



A group of alumni, all highly established in their respective careers, got together for a visit with their old university professor. The conversation soon turned to complaints about the endless stress of work and life in general.

Offering his guests coffee, the professor went into the kitchen and soon returned with a large pot of coffee and an eclectic assortment of cups: porcelain, plastic, glass, crystal - some plain, some expensive, some quite exquisite. Quietly he told them to help themselves so some fresh coffee.



When each of his former students had a cup of coffee in hand, the old professor cleared his throat and began to address the small gathering. "You may have noticed that all the nicer looking cups were taken up first, leaving behind the plainer and cheaper ones. While it is only natural for you to want only the best for yourselves, that is actually the source of much of your stress-related problems!"



He continued, "Be assured that the cup itself adds no quality to the coffee. In fact, the cup merely disguises or dresses up what we drink. What each of you really wanted was coffee, not a cup, but you instinctively went for the best cups. Then you began eyeing each other's cup.

"Now consider this: Life is coffee. Jobs, money, and position in society are merely cups. They are just tools to shape and contain life, and the type of cup we have does not truly define nor change the quality of life we live. Often, by concentrating on the cup, we fail to enjoy the coffee that God has provided us. God brews the coffee, but he does not supply the cups. Enjoy your coffee!"

The happiest people do not have the best of everything - they just make the best of everything they have. So please remember:

Live Simply. Love Generously. Care Deeply,
Speak Kindly. Leave The Rest To God!



And remember, the richest person is not the one who has the most, but the one who needs the least!

Pastor Duane

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

July 1: Mark Converse, Sumner Featherstone II, Ruth Hjermstad, Claudia Howard, Abigail Peterson, Nita Wallace

Ben & Amy Roberson

July 2: Jessica Dudley, Dylan Eggenberger, Corrine Johnson, Aliana Johnson-Nadeau, Monty Vikdal

Cassie & Andy Carlson

July 3: Craig Davis, Mya Krueger, Carol Nibbe, Marv Patton, David Pribyl

Jerry & Sue Benson, Darren & Jessica Brunn, Jon & Sonda Featherstone

July 4: Theresa Plote

Paul & Wanda Myers

July 5: Emily Dinsmore

July 6: Brian Durgin, Carol Proud, Samantha Sukow, Paige West

July 7: Floyd Olson

Matt & Erin Berlin, Tim & Sara Thompson

July 8: Mark Krueger, Ethan Meyer, Robert Nilsson

July 9: Cassie Carlson, Beth Carlstrom, Dick Klein, Kimberly Meyer

Jim & Virginia Plote

July 10: Wes Nibbe

Mark & Lisa Harmon

July 11: Hollis Brunn, Audrina Meyer, Virginia Oliver, Shelley Roussopoulos

Eunice & Al Blattner, Arnie & Paulette Clare, Brad & Mary Nelson, Greg & Becky Sievers

July 12: Drew Bailey, Chuck Bremer, Lynn Davis, Florence Lyons, Mal McCarthy, Darlene Saby

Tom & Julie Dammann, Laura & Tony Miller

July 13: Bruce Carlstrom, Dianna Nafe

Jim & Jennifer Cobb, Alicia & Daniel Prihoda

July 14: Bailee Kohrs, KaBree Krier, Staci Oliver, Kena Tackmann

July 15: Teresa Atkinson, Liz Hallaway, Stephanie Harvey, Olive Neumann

July 16: Tom Ringeisen

Jim & Diane Fuchs

July 17: Pat Tackmann, Maggie Thieren

July 18: Jayden Borgschatz, Patti Bross, Jill Cole, Katie Johnson, Dwight Pierson, Will Stolzenberg

July 19:

July 20: Andrew Ahrens, Tom Gagnon, Dawn Heitman, Roger Rose

Steve & Dawn Heitman

July 21: *Wayne & Julie Karlsrud*

July 22: Kimberly Boos

July 23: Wendi Bauer

July 24: Jackson Berge, Nick Bobb, Nicholas Eckhart, Jean Johnson

July 25: Nancy Brooks

Roger & Peggy Mathison

July 26: Tricia Oeltjen

Justin & Stacie Ratz

July 27: Jenna Grothe, Angie Haviland, Tom Heise, Lee Kirchner, Drew Morgan, Ruth Pflaum, Stacie Ratz, Matthew Schneider

Brittany & Bryan Grimley

July 28: Dean Flugstad, Ben Krehbiel, Nicholas Oeltjen

July 29: Karlee Fick, Arlis Meincke, Max Rogness, Richard Schafer

July 30: Jenny Gabor, Avis Swan

Chuck & Mary Wintheiser

July 31: Lily Fitterer, Christina Wallerich, Jillian Wieck, Jim Zwiener

Thursday Morning Bible Study...will meet at 8:30am in the Fireside Room.

Esther Bible Circle...will resume in the fall.

FLC QUILTERS...will resume in the fall.

Lake City Food Shelf...Is in need of Brown Sugar. Please place items in the wooden bin by the Welcome Center.

Women to Women...will resume in the fall.

VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENTS

As you look over the volunteer ministry assignments, please let me know if there are things you would like to change. Since we no longer have congregants fill out a time and talent sheet with their pledges every year, I am working off of lists that were compiled a few years ago. Also, if you have joined in the last couple years, please let me know if there are things you would like to do. The ministry positions include people to assist in: reading the lessons; communion; greeting people as they come for both Saturday and Sunday services; ushers; and coffee servers for Sunday morning. Thank you!

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Prayer Connection...Mary Nelson, firstlutheranprayerconnection@gmail.com or phone: 651-212-0144.

Friends and Family...Abby Peterson, Lori Meincke, LaVerrn Franke, Sue Huhnerkoch, Larry Holmgren Jr

All service men and women...Lt. Col. Spencer Rasmussen, Justin Fuchs, Nathan Fuchs, Peter Schliep, Matt Sikkink, Kate Blattner Holt, Ethan Meyer, Chris Breuer, Monty Vikdal

Nursing Home, Home Bound & Assisted Living...Roger Helgerson, Mary DeGroat, Edith Hammer, Wendell Olson, Leota Dugstad, Julia Nelson, Violet Stinson, Mary Hallenberger, Corrine Johnson, Marv Nelson

Couples getting Married...Ryan Grobe & Haley Spring, Jarid Groth & Taylor Bremer, Josh Perkins & Taylor Skoglund, Kara Stevenson & Nick Thornburg, Cassie Dittfach & Justin Campbell, Jacob Denning & Roni Senner

OUTREACH BOARD

OUTREACH MEETING...No scheduled meeting.

CARE CENTER BINGO...Monday, July 23 at 6:40 to 8:10pm.

PACKING FOR THE WEEKEND...For July we are asking members to drop off Granola Bars.

THE OUTREACH BOARD IS SEEKING A NEW OUTREACH CHAIR. Becky Schultze is resigning her position at the end of the summer, after nine years. The Outreach Board is responsible for the evangelism efforts at First Lutheran Church. The duties include reaching out to members of the community to encourage participation in an organized church body and encouraging members of our congregation to spread the Gospel in the community. Ongoing projects include Packing for the Weekend, supporting our military families, bingo at the Lake City Care Center and collections for the Haven of Hope women's shelter in Red Wing. We have also supported the Ronald McDonald House in the past couple years. If this sounds like a good fit for you and you would like to learn more please contact Becky at 651-380-2700 or schultze.becky@gmail.com or contact the church office.

Vacation Bible School!

July 9-13th

Noon -4pm



Help Wanted

Looking someone to create a new website for First Lutheran. Please contact the office at 651-345-5003 if interested.

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 9am Youth Gathering Tim & Melissa OUT	2 Youth Gathering Tim & Melissa OUT	3	4 OFFICE CLOSED Outdoor Worship 5:30pm @ Hok-Si-La	5 Bible Study 8:30am	6 MOPS Bonfire 6:30pm	7 Worship 5:30pm
8 Worship 9am VBS	9 VBS noon-4pm Melissa OUT	10 VBS noon-4pm Melissa OUT	11 Red Wing Grief Group 10:30am VBS noon-4pm Outdoor Worship 5:30pm @ Hok-Si-La Melissa OUT	12 Bible Study 8:30am VBS noon-4pm Melissa OUT	13 VBS noon-4pm Bike2Camp Cyclists arrive Melissa OUT	14 Bike2Camp Cyclists depart Homeless Shelter Cyclist Arrive Worship 5:30pm
15 Worship 9am Homeless Shelter Cyclist depart	16 Boy Scouts 7-8:30pm	17	18 Outdoor Worship 5:30pm @ Hok-Si-La	19 Bible Study 8:30am	20	21 MOPS Tea 8am-2:30pm Worship 5:30pm
22 Worship/Breyfogle Baptism 9am	23 Care Center Bingo 6:40pm	24	25 Red Wing Grief Group 10:30am Outdoor Worship 5:30pm @ Hok-Si-La	26 Bible Study 8:30am	27	28 Worship 5:30pm
29 Worship 9am	30	31				

July Ministry Assignments

Saturday, July 7 at 5:30pm

Reader: Julie LeCaptain
Communion: Julie LeCaptain, Tim & Jenny Schlagenhaft
Usher: Al LeCaptain, Mackenzie Randall
Greeter: Jake & Teresa Atkinson
Altar: JoAnn Thompson, Jill Braaten
Coffee:

Sunday, July 8 at 9:00am

Reader: Mary Jane Rasmussen
Communion: Mary Jane Rasmussen, Deb Grimley, Becky Ehling
Usher: Pat & Cindy Ebert, Russ Jonson, Rick Janka
Greeter: Avis Swan, Arlis Meincke
Coffee: Jennifer & Jim Cobb
Video: Ric Wallace

Saturday, July 14 at 5:30pm

Reader: Cheryl Luettinger
Communion: Cheryl Luettinger, Wanda Myers, Sandy Swan
Usher: Lyle Mathison, Dick Sitta
Greeter: Ben & Amy Roberson
Altar: JoAnn Thompson, Jill Braaten
Coffee:

Sunday, July 15 at 9:00am

Reader: Janet Reed
Communion: Janet Reed, Luther & Melinda Berkeland
Usher: Jeff Chestnut, Arnie & Paulette Clare
Greeter: Deann Windhorst, Perry Knudsen, Jordana
Coffee: Mavis Hawkins, Denise Jacobson
Video: Randy Zanto

Saturday, July 21 at 5:30pm

Reader: Steve Johnson
Communion: Steve Johnson, Dave Harms, Lori Motenson
Usher: Jon & Sonda Featherstone
Greeter: Jim & Linette Meincke
Altar: Sandy Anderson, Beth Breuer
Coffee:

Sunday, July 22 at 9:00am

Reader: Randi Kirchner
Communion: Grace Ackermann, Melissa Ackermann, Marcia Holst
Usher: Steve Heise, Mac Heise, Jeff Rogness, Max Rogness
Greeter: LaVern Franke, Sylvia Hoffman
Coffee: Paul & Barb Gifford
Video: Mark Bailey

Saturday, July 28 at 5:30pm

Reader: Bruce Carlstrom
Communion: Bruce & Liz Carlstrom, Kenny McEwen
Usher: Steve & Jean Johnson
Greeter: Dawn & Denny Barwald
Altar: Sandy Anderson, Beth Breuer
Coffee:

Sunday, July 29 at 9:00am

Reader: Ruth Wedge
Communion: Ruth Wedge, Sandy Anderson, Eunice Blattner
Usher: Joe White, Mason White, Al Blattner, Jim Menting
Greeter: Jen White, Charlie White
Coffee: Bob & Mary Johnson
Video: Ric Wallace