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Pastor's Message

Company's Coming

Every summer of my youth you could count on a steady stream of visitors to the house. Out of town guests would arrive and move me out of my bedroom onto the couch. Aunt Bertha, a missionary in Alaska, would come for a *long* stay. Auntie Judy and her family would come from California, creating time to play with cousins. Trips to Flathead Lake to swim and share in potluck family celebrations were all a part of what made summer summer!

In preparation for this annual migration, the yard and flower beds were mowed and weeded. Cherries were picked and put in jars. Fresh cream and strawberries were mixed together for tasty summer treats. And of course, the house must be clean!!

In August we will be welcoming many visitors as we host the Installation of Bishop Elect Lorna Halaas. ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton will be coming to install Lorna. Guests from across the state, bishops from other synods, friends and family will all gather to support and celebrate Lorna's new call.

As hosts we have the "privilege" of cleaning house in preparation for our visitors, but also to enjoy a beautified space to the glory of God. So you will see some changes happening

around the church! For example, have you noticed the new fascia on the A-frame or the new roof on the administration building? With all the rain, the flower gardens and lawn are especially green and vibrant this year. Due in part to the special attention of the First Blooms Gardening Team and our House and Ground mowers.

The council has approved the use of undesignated memorial fund gifts to enhance our worship space and narthex, as well as to spruce up the Fireside Room and lobby. Sarah Biorn is using her gifts for interior design to assist us in creating a beautiful space in which to gather for fellowship and Bible Study. A place where we and our invited guests, now and in the future, can enjoy gathering together for conversation and fellowship.

Summer is a time for renewal, for growth, for seeing the world with new eyes. As we gather for worship, find a place at the high top for a treat with friends, relax into a cozy chair for a conversation or arrive at church to share our gifts, we gather to serve God and welcome our neighbors.

Company's coming, let's get ready to welcome and serve!

Pastor Kristine

SAVE THE DATE

Bishop Elect Lorna Halaas' Installation, **August 17, 2019, 1:30 pm** at First Lutheran.

The congregation is invited to attend the Installation of Bishop Lorna Halaas. Volunteers are needed to greet, host, and serve as parking lot attendants. If you are interested in participating please contact Pastor Kristine.

THANK YOU

Many thanks for those who helped to support our Vacation Bible School. We had an abundance of cans, cartons and bottles, as well as food and volunteers. We are very grateful for your willingness to serve in this way! Thank you!

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SEASONAL WORSHIP

The time after Pentecost, the long green season of summer, continues in July. In the gospel of Luke, we find Jesus commissioning seventy followers to cure the sick and proclaim the arrival of God's kingdom. He also tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, visits with two sisters, Mary and Martha, who have very different ideas of how to serve, and teaches his disciples to pray. As life long learners we gather to learn from Jesus, to hear favorite stories again, and to be wrapped up in the compassion Jesus brings to life.

LOOKING AHEAD

Pick Up Choir, June 30 and July 21

On **Sunday, June 30th** and **Sunday, July 21st**, we will gather as a choir to sing. A "pick up" choir meets one time to learn a song or two to sing the same morning for worship. On the appointed day, we will meet in the sanctuary at **9:00 am** where we will practice our pieces in preparation for worship that Sunday morning.

All are welcome, there is a part for you, even if you haven't sung in a long time or if you have never sung but want to try it! Young and not so young, come! We'll make a joyful noise to the Lord!

UPCOMING PROGRAMMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 14, 2019

Adult Forum with Stan Navrude

Secure Your Future Today

Join Stan Navrude, following worship for a presentation on preparing for your end of life planning. Stan will provide information on personal financial statements, creating a list of important records to provide to your family members, funeral and burial options and ideas for your consideration. Gather in the Fireside Room and bring your coffee with you! All are welcome to come and learn the importance of planning ahead for your future.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

We are in need of coffee fellowship hosts. If you have enjoyed a cup of coffee and a treat following worship, but have not hosted, please consider serving as a coffee fellowship host. You do not need to bake yourself, if you prefer HyVee has a lovely selection of items they would be happy make for you so you could bring!!! Won't you consider serving in this way? Please notify the church office if you are available to serve this month and in the future. Thank you!

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 " LIFE PASSAGES
 || Marriage ||
 " Love one another, as I have loved you "
 || Ashley Mendenhall and Skyler Mino, ||
 " June 15
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FLC Finance Update

Needed weekly per budget \$4,903.85 / for the
 month of June \$24,519.25. Actual income as of
 June 27 is \$19,020.00.



First Lutheran Church Council Report, June 18, 2019

President:	Jim Lippke	Vice President:	Alison Hertenstein
Secretary:	Enola Peters	Treasurer:	Nate Frein
Worship & Music:	Chris Taylor	Faith Formation:	Julie Thiele
Youth:	Jenny Denne	Mission:	Lori McClaren
Mission:	Candy Noonan	Operations:	Tom Bertram
	Pastor Kristine		

The Council of First Lutheran Church met **Tuesday, June 18, 2019**. The highlights of the meeting were as follows:

- ♦ Council continues to review the book Ask, Thank, Tell to assist us in preparing for our next Stewardship Campaign.
- ♦ The roof repair is complete except for the fascia repair. Thanks to Lee Knop and Gary Johnson for the hard work and dedication to First Lutheran Church!
- ♦ The financial status of the church continues to look extremely favorable.
- ♦ At the conclusion of the month of June, we will recalculate our Benevolence pledge and update the amount that we owe to the Synod. We will continue to review our benevolence on a quarterly basis.
- ♦ Pastor Kristine has been keeping very busy with a number of activities including weddings, Bible study and preparation for the VBS program.
- ♦ The Children's School has vacated their space, and Weight Watchers are moving to a consolidated location in the city of Sioux City.
- ♦ Preparations are being made for the installation of Lorna Halaas as Bishop on August 17th. It will be held at First Lutheran Church.
- ♦ Numerous projects to enhance the Worship experience and the appearance of the facility will be completed in the next two months. Be on the lookout for a newly improved and refreshed narthex, Fireside Room and North lobby. Memorial and undesignated funds will cover the expense of these improvements.
- ♦ Council members are attending the Working Together meetings with the other ELCA churches in an effort to consolidate and share our resources.
- ♦ The volunteerism of numerous congregation members have our grounds looking beautiful! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
- ♦ Tickets are available at the Thrivent Office for those who have signed up for the Explorer's Game on July 3rd. 26 persons have signed up.
- ♦ The parking lot will be striped prior to August 17th.



July 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 It's SUMMER!	1 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	2 9:00 First Blooms 10:30 Pastor's Text Study	3 9-11:30 Food Pantry 10:15 Pre-Baptism Mtg. in FR 11:00 Stories of Faith Bible Study in FR 5:00 Meal before 7:00 Explorers Base-	4 <i>Office Closed</i> Happy 4th! 7:00 Co-Dep Downstairs	5 7:00 AA in FH	6
7 10:00 Worship/Baptism 11:00 Coffee in Narthex/Outside; Wayman Family in FH	8 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	9 10:30 Pastor's Text Study 6:00 House & Grounds 6:30 Exec in FR	10 9-11:30 Food Pantry 11:00 Stories of Faith Bible Study in FR	11 7:00 Boy Scouts in FH 7:00 Co-Dep. in Downstairs	12 7:00 AA in FH	13 10:00 - 12:00 Youth Work on Cans/Bottles
14 10:00 Worship 11:00 Coffee in Narthex/Outside - Adult Forum - Secure Your Future Today in FR	15 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> Carla Vacation all week 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	16 10:30 Pastor's Text Study 6:30 Council in FR	17 9-11:30 Food Pantry	18 12:00 Rachel Circle at Pastor Kristine's 7:00 Boy Scouts in FH 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	19 7:00 AA in FH	20
21 9:00 Pickup Choir Rehearsal 10:00 Worship 11:00 Coffee in Narthex/Outside	22 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	23 Contact Deadline 10:30 Pastor's Text Study 6:00 Mary Circle at Pastor Kristine's	24 9-11:30 Food Pantry 12:00 Lydia Circle at Pastor Kristine's	25 Aging Faithfully Conference 5:00 - 7:00 Soup Kitchen 7:00 Boy Scouts in FH 7:00 Co-Dep. Downstairs	26 11:00 Pre-Baptism Mtg. in FR 7:00 AA in FH	27
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ASSISTING ON SUNDAY MORNING

	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28	August 4
Acolytes	Brady Wavrunek	Maryn Frein	Olivia Zoeller	Ian Hertenstein	Rylie Hermelbracht
Coffee Hosts	David and Janet Gross	Nadine Holst	TBD	TBD	TBD
Communion Assistants	Jenny and Jami Denne	Marlus Mammen Ann Doellinger	Wyatt and Stacy Hagan	Kaia and Shae Downing	Lori McClaren Emma Webb
Greeters	Bruce Miller LaVonne Lundgren	Mavis Schubert Onee Iverson	Karen Hollstein Marcia Hopp	Lee and Linda Bobier	Jenny Denne Jacob Simons Jen Snyder
Layreader	Chris Taylor	Lori McClaren	Tammy Mahaney	Bruce Miller	Angie Reinhardt
Radio	Lori McClaren	Ann Doellinger	Brad and Kaia Downing	Pam Richards	The Schenzel's
Sacristan	Chris Taylor	Julie Thiele	David Gross	Kaia Downing	Chris Taylor

Ushers Gary Johnson - Captain, Ken Carlson, Chuck Cipperley, Lisa Schenzel

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find a replacement and let Carla know ASAP so the weekly bulletin is correct. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED WITH OUR FOOD BANK MISSION

The first need we have is for someone with a pickup truck to go the Food Bank approximately once every 3 - 4 weeks to pick up the order for our pantry. The time for pick up is flexible and it does not have to be the same person every time.

Our second need is for there to be at least three people scheduled for the food distribution day (Wednesday mornings) instead of two since these volunteers are now also bagging the food as well. A few new faces and bodies are needed for this time!

Please contact Randy Burnight at 251-4955, Candy Noonan-Johnson at 251-9411, or Carla in the office if you have any questions or think you might be able to help out.



FOOD PANTRY

HELPING IN THE HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Dorothy Goettsch Ann Doellinger	Orville and Roberta Thiele	Chris Taylor Dorothy Chauncey	LaVonne Lundgren Karen Tagatz	Orville and Roberta Thiele



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COUNCIL ACTIONS

NEW CHURCH BUILDING KEYS

On August 1 we will be rekeying the church building. Those of you who currently have keys to the church building will be asked to return your key and receive a new one. If you don't have a church key but would like to be able to access the church, you may receive one. If you have a key, but don't use it, or feel you need one, you may simply return your key.

Rekeying the church building will allow us to provide our community partners (Scouting Troops, Co-Dependents, AA, Rising Stars and those asking for use of the gym) with access to the building only in the specific areas in which they gather.

If you have any questions regarding the rekeying process please call the office for more information.

Gather Bible Study at Pastor Kristine's Home Treasures in Clay Jars

During July the WELCA women's circles are invited to gather at Pastor Kristine's home for Lunch/Supper and Bible Study on the theme, "Treasures in Clay Jars". See the schedule below. If you are unable to join on your assigned circle day, simply RSVP for a date which works for you. If you are not a member of a WELCA Circle, but would like to attend, contact Pastor Kristine to RSVP at the church office 712 239 3942. Pastor Kristine's address is 4430 Cheyenne Blvd in Sioux City.

Rachel Circle, Thursday, July 18th at 12 noon.

Mary Circle, Tuesday, July 23rd at 6 pm.

Lydia Circle, Wednesday, July 24th at 12 noon.