



The First Word

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Pie Auction for Our Neighbors

Come and help support our local ministries and indulge your sweet tooth at the same time on Sunday, July 10, following the morning's worship service. A mouth-watering selection of pies will be auctioned off in the Social Hall. Also, a bake sale will be held at the same time, so tasty treats will be available for everyone's budget.



A sign-up sheet for pie-bakers and other dessert makers is now available. Or, call the Church Office if you'd like to donate a pie or other baked goods. The auction is being organized by the Social Ministry Team, which is headed by **Jack Cress** and **Harold Grafe**.

Proceeds will be divided among Love INC, Safe Passage and Hope Haven. Your purchases will help these three local agencies continue the vital work they do in our community, especially in light of strained economic conditions.



Dates to Remember

**YOUR PLEDGE
This Summer**

Women's Night Out.....June 28
 EverBlest Youth Choir Concert.....June 30
 LOMC Swing Choir Concert.....July 21

July 2011

Dear Friends in Christ,

On June 17 and 18, I had the joy of attending the Northern Illinois Synod Assembly at Augustana College in Rock Island. This annual gathering of voting members from across the synod met this year around the theme, "Freed in Christ to Serve."

Special guests at this Assembly were Rev. Donald McCoid, ELCA Executive for Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations, who answered questions from the assembly and brought video greetings from Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson and Rev. Dr. John Nunes, the President and CEO of Lutheran World Federation.

At our Friday evening worship service, four new pastors to our synod were ordained into the ministry. Rev. Amanda Bergstrom has been called to serve as associate pastor of Grace, Woodstock; Rev. Mark Laatsch has been called to serve Calvary, New Windsor; Rev. Andy Tyrrell has been called to serve Grace, Richmond; and Rev. Gene Vincent has been called to serve First, Ohio. An offering was taken at the ordination service totaling \$5,186.29. 50% of the offering was designated for the Northern Illinois Synod youth program and 50% to our companion synods in India and Tanzania.

During the legislative session of the Assembly, we passed five resolutions:

1. To support Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and Lutheran Advocacy.
2. To call the Church to speak and act to prevent bullying, harassment and related violence, encouraging new partnerships to address and confront these issues.
3. To call the church to celebrate and support Lutheran Campus Ministry of Illinois, including a memorial to the churchwide assembly seeking stable funding for Lutheran Campus Ministry.
4. To encourage congregations to support the ELCA World Hunger and ELCA Disaster Response programs as well as finding ways to fight hunger in their own communities.
5. To adopt the Northern Illinois Synod Stewardship and Mission Support Strategy as the vision and core principles for the ministry of stewardship in the Northern Illinois Synod.

In addition to these actions, we elected members of ELCA congregations throughout the synod to various positions of leadership in the synod. A Memorial Service was also held to remember faithful Northern Illinois Synod pastors who had died this past year: Rev. Hubert Ahnquist, Rev. Kenneth Andeen, Rev. Carl Eklof, Rev. David Miley, and Rev. James Olsen.

It is always a wonderful time when God's people gather together. This Assembly was no different. Like attending family reunions in the summer time, the Synod Assembly is a time for connecting with old friends and for making new ones. The added joy is we also worship together, study together, and pray together. All in all, it was a great event. God's church is alive, well, and thriving!

Pastor Marilyn

We welcomed to our Christian Fellowship **Cali Lynn Schmidt**, daughter of Marc and Carolyn Schmidt, who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, June 26.

Congratulations to **Craig and Judy Williams** on the celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary on July 2 and to **Stan and Ann Lindahl** on the celebration of their 40th anniversary on July 18.

Please remember the following people in your prayers: **Anna Diab, Corinne Johnson, Lois Johnson, and Bonnie Ruder.**

Senior High Youth Mission Opportunity

Senior Highers, do you have some free time this summer? If so, here's an opportunity for you to serve! Salem Lutheran Church of Sycamore has asked us to join them in a SALT (Service & Leadership Training) experience July 10 – 15 in the Joliet area of Illinois. SALT is a brand new program of LOMC (Lutheran Outdoors Ministry Center) that focuses on leadership and service in Christ's ministry, along with the traditional camp experience. During the day, you will have opportunity to work with various organizations that provide services in the community such as neighborhood rehabilitation projects, food pantries and service with/for senior citizens. Housing will be at Christ of Glory Lutheran Church in Homer Glen. Along with the service projects you'll be doing, there will be time for some fun as well, with the possibility of attending a minor league baseball game. Cost for this servant leadership event is \$354. However, the church will cover \$200 of the cost for each student interested in attending.

Thanks from Our Graduates

First Lutheran Church,

Thank you for thinking of me on my graduation. I appreciate the Life Commencement book and CD. Thank you also for the ornament that I will be sure to have in my dorm room in the fall.

Thanks again,
Shelby Wood

Endowment Committee,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to apply for a scholarship. I am very thankful that I was awarded this scholarship. Any amount of money helps to further my education.

Thanks again,
Shelby Wood



Endowment Committee,

Thank you very much for your generous gift. I appreciate it very much. I plan to use it to help with college expenses in the fall.

Thanks again,
Nicole Fisher

A week of FUN at Vacation Bible School ...



“PandaMania: Where God is Wild About You!” was the theme of our wonderful week of Vacation Bible School this year. Throughout the week, we learned how God made us, listens to us, watches over us, loves us (no matter what), and gives us good gifts. At our wild Bible adventures, we learned the stories of creation, of Elijah confronting the prophets of Baal, of Jonah and how he tried to escape from God, of

Jesus’ death and resurrection, and the story of God giving Hannah a baby.

Each day our students learned a Bible verse from the book of Psalms to go with the day’s lesson. We did actions for the verses to help us remember them. These are the great verses we learned:

- “**Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!**” (Psalm 139:14)
- “**You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord.**” (Psalm 139:4)
- “**Even in darkness, I cannot hide from you.**” (Psalm 139:12)
- “**Lead me along the path of everlasting life.**” (Psalm 139:24)
- “**You place your hand of blessing on my head.**” (Psalm 139:5)

The students were introduced to a Bible Memory Buddy each day to help them remember the themes we focused on. Bible Memory Buddies included Fez the gorgeous golden pheasant, Amanda the red panda, Boomer the giant panda, Pogo the cute snow leopard, and Lulu the golden monkey.

In addition to the Bible stories and Bible verses we



Thanks to our volunteers!

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learned, we sang songs, enjoyed the cinema, did crafts, played games, and ate some pretty amazing snacks!

A big thank you to Nicki Henke, our VBS PandaMania Director this year, who coordinated the whole wonderful week and to **Jan Womack** who built the set for PandaMania. Thanks also to all the marvelous volunteers, — **Riley Bauling, Stephanie Corn, Cheryl Countryman, Sarah Cubalchini, Travis deOliveira, Danny Engstrom, Alayna Gersic, Breanna Hanson, Meghan Hanson, Morgan Karolus, Maxwell Lange, Teresa Lange, Paul Letheby, Linda Levine, J.C. Longeville, Ashlee Mecklenburg, and Amy Meier**. A final thanks goes out to all those who made donations of food, supplies, and gifts of money for scholarships. You all helped to make this a fabulous week of fun and learning for our kids!

Youth Gathering News

Youth registration for the 2012 ELCA Youth Gathering begins this October. The gathering will be held in July in New Orleans.

New for 2012 is the plan to house synods as closely together as possible. We want to help strengthen the bonds between congregations in each synod, and assigning synods to specific hotels is one way to accomplish that.

As in 2009, congregations will rotate through their Gathering days in tracks.

One day congregations will **Practice Peacemaking**, one day they will **Practice Justice**, and one day they will **Practice Discipleship**. And every congregation will be given early access to the floor and first bowl of the Superdome on their Practice Discipleship day. A new venue for 2012 is **Champions Square** -- an outdoor entertainment plaza located between the Superdome and the newly rebuilt Hyatt Regency. Not only is this a great place for tailgating each afternoon -- with lots of food vendors and music -- but there will also be plenty of water with indoor restrooms! The Community Life Team is making plans to use this area before and after time in the Superdome each evening.

Want to find out more? Contact Mary Lasits, Northern Illinois Synod Youth Coordinator.



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering
citizens with the saints
Ephesians 2:14-20

EverBlest Youth Choir Concert

The EverBlest Youth Choir will be coming to First Lutheran this summer on Thursday, June 30 for a 7:00 PM concert. EverBlest is an interdenominational high school choir from Cambridge, Minnesota, and is a ministry of Cambridge Lutheran Church that proclaims the love and joy of God through the blessing of music.



Every summer the choir goes on tour, bringing their gift of music and faith to different parts of the country. This years tour takes them from their home in East Central Minnesota to Maine, Delaware and back to Minnesota, performing 10 concerts in 11 days of travel.

We will need your help with providing an evening meal, housing for about 24-30 youth/adults and providing a continental breakfast at 7:30 AM here at the church to help those families who can host, but need to get to work early in the morning. In addition, we will need members to be greeters and ushers for the concert. A freewill offering will be taken to help them defray some of the expenses for their tour. If you are able to help in any way, please contact John Feken at fekenj@gmail.com or Judy Neumann via the Church Office.

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center Swing Choir Concert

First Lutheran will also be sponsoring the LOMC Swing Choir Tour on July 21 for a 7:00 PM concert. This is their first stop on a tour that takes them through several cities in Illinois and Ohio. Michael Graddy is their Tour Director and Accompanist.

We will need help with providing an evening meal for 25-30 youth/adults, greeters and ushers. A freewill offering will be taken to help offset the cost of their tour. If you can help, please contact John Feken or Judy Neumann.

Attention – Summer Musicians

Summer musicians are needed! We are looking for musicians to provide special music this summer and to serve as Cantors as the choirs take the summer off. All members of the congregation are encouraged to consider this type of offering for our summer services, especially the youth of the church. If you would like to cantor or provide a solo or ensemble for special music, please contact John Feken.

Recording Sunday Services

The Evangelism Committee is providing recordings of worship services to our members who cannot attend regular services or anyone who would like to hear a repeat of the service. We need help with recording the Sunday services throughout the summer months. It is very easy to do and only requires your time on Sunday morning. If you are interested in helping with this service project, please contact John Feken.

Highlights of the June Council Meeting

- Began the meeting with a book discussion on “Being Church for All Generations”.
- Welcomed **Denise Rode** and **Ann Lindahl** who gave a presentation on the Diakonia program of the Northern Illinois Synod.
- Approved extending an invitation to the Northern Illinois Synod to hold Diakonia classes at First Lutheran Church as early as this fall.
- Approved the May 10 council minutes and May financial report as presented.
- Shared correspondence that had been received: a thank you note from **Shelby Wood** for the graduation gift from the congregation and an invitation to Pastor Glenn Leaf’s 50th ordination anniversary to be held on June 19 in Minnesota.
- Discussed ministry priorities for the future and developed the following plan of action to meet them:
 1. Affirmed having **Trent and Teresa Lange**, as volunteers, organize and lead the Youth Ministry program for our senior high school students.
 2. Moved to hire a Coordinator for Christian Education who will give oversight to all our education programs, pre-school through adults.
 3. Appointed an interview team for the hiring of the Christian Education Coordinator: **Bill Sanders** and **Paul Letheby** from Church Council, two members from the Personnel Committee (**Jim Bryner** and **Marilyn Bazeli**), one young adult from the congregation and **Pastor Marilyn**.



New Living Word Book Shelf in the Living Word Room

From the beginning we've been wanting to put the bookshelf in the Living Word Room (old Kindness Klub Room) to good use, but just how, we weren't sure. Now we are ready to unveil the *Living Word Book Shelf*. This book shelf is meant for use by any of our First Families. The items on the shelf can be borrowed and read, watched or listened to, and returned or kept, if your family really enjoys the item. On the other hand, if you have any books that you are ready to pass onto someone else, you can donate them to the Living Word Book Shelf. It is a type of book exchange program, but you don't have to donate to take and vice versa. The types of materials on this shelf are family and children oriented, including children's fiction, family and children devotionals, family and children craft and game books, and biblical to name a few categories. If you have any questions, please contact **Stephanie Corn** or the Church Office.



July 2011

First Lutheran Church

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|
| 26 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship | 27 6:00 PM GED Classes 7:00 PM Boy Scouts | 28 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Women's Night Out | 29 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study 6:00 PM GED Classes | 30 7:00 PM EverBlest Youth Choir Concert | 1 6:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal | 2 4:00 PM Wedding of Kyla Rader and Brent Hueber |
| 3 Food Pantry Donations 9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion and Holy Baptism 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Screenings | 4  Independence Day | 5 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Ministry Team Meetings 8:00 PM Executive Comm. Meeting | 6 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study 6:00 PM GED Classes | 7 | 8 | 9 |
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“Prelude” Bible Study an ongoing study for women



Women, how about starting your day by joining a great group of women for Bible study? Prelude, a Bible Study especially for women, meets this summer on the second Thursday morning of the month. We gather at 9:00 AM and conclude by 10:30 AM, but you are always free to come and go as your schedule allows. The summer study theme is “Renew, Respond, Rejoice!” and together we are taking a look at how God’s Word connects with our daily lives. Pastor Marilyn serves as facilitator for the study. Coffee, treats and good conversation are guaranteed. Newcomers are always welcome!

Women’s Night Out!

Are you one of those women who love to go out to eat and let others do the cooking for you? Are you one of those women who enjoy just getting together with other women to talk about anything and everything? If so, you really ought to come to “Women’s Night Out” on the fourth Tuesday night of each month! We get together for good food and good conversation at a variety of restaurants in the DeKalb-Sycamore area. There is no set agenda; the evening is purely social. You order what you want and pay for what you order. Our next night out will be Tuesday, July 26, at 6:00 PM (place to be determined at The Hillside in June). Please call the Church Office by noon

on the 26th to let us know you’ll be coming. We’ll call the restaurant and get the table reserved!

Altar Guild News

The Altar Guild responsibilities for the month of July will be covered by **Terri Kuhns**, **Jackie Winfield**, and **Mary Bradtmueller** on July 3; **Dee Anderson** and **Jan Setchell** on July 10; July 17 **Mary Bradtmueller** and **Jackie Winfield** will again assume the responsibilities; **Deb Fisher** and **Linda Sanderson** on July 24; and **Joyce Lothson** and **Jean Pumfrey** will cover July 31.



The next meeting of the Altar Guild will be held on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. Please feel free to join us or contact any Altar Guild member if you are interested in joining the group.

Hope Haven Needs Volunteers

The Hope Haven chart for volunteers is posted on the bulletin board outside the Library. Volunteers are asked to help provide a portion of the meal (main dish; vegetable or salad; or a dessert). First Lutheran is responsible for the second Wednesday of each month. New volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in helping, please contact **Carrie Engstrom** at 758-2588 or sign up today!



The Giving Garden

Sharing God's love by growing fresh produce for the hungry

By the time this newsletter reaches your home, our Giving Garden will already be planted! Thanks to the expertise and supervision of Master Gardener **John Countryman**, we have a variety of tomatoes, plus beans, broccoli, peppers, carrots, and cucumbers in the garden.

Here are three ways you can support our efforts:

1. Pray for favorable weather and a good harvest.
2. Sign up for a week to weed and water the garden.
3. Grow a "Row to Share" in your own garden at home.



In addition to the Salvation Army Food Pantry, produce from the garden will be donated to Safe Passage and Hope Haven.

The Giving Garden Team includes — **Madison Bauling, Dean Burgemeister, Lynn Cook, John Countryman, Doug & Nancy Dashner, Darrel and Barbara Henson, Carole Johnson, Colleen Johnson, Paul Letheby, and Bill and Marilyn Sanders.**

Letters from Tanzania ...

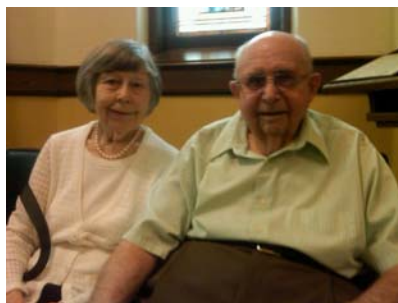
Stop by the Atrium and enjoy reading stories from Tanzania. Mike and Sharon Wadle, currently serving as missionaries in Tanzania and working specifically with the Mwaangaza's Partnership for Education Program, have been sharing stories and pictures from their life in Tanzania. The letters have been sent to us via e-mail. We have made a notebook of their letters so you may stop by and read about the exciting work they are doing. Please regularly pray for them (as well as Randy, Carol, Megan, Marissa and Nathan Stubbs) as they share their love for Christ and their many gifts with the people of Africa.

Men's Moving Ministry Delivers!

Men, come and help deliver furniture to people in need for Love INC on the third Saturday of each month. We meet at the Lincoln Inn for breakfast at 8:00 AM and then deliver furniture from 9:00 AM – NOON. All men of the congregation are invited to join the group next on Saturday, July 16 — more help is always welcome! Contact **Jim Womack** with questions or to volunteer.

Getting to Know Our Members

Edythe and Perry Larsen are members of the “First Family” that you should get to know. Edythe was born in Jo Daviess County near Hanover, IL. She graduated from Stockton High School, then Northern Illinois with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education. Edythe taught elementary school for four years and later worked 18 years at Northern FS as an accounts receivable clerk. In retirement, Edythe has continued to pursue her interests in gardening and sewing. She participated in “Friends of Barb City Manor” activities and she joins the Tuesday morning Projects Group here at First Lutheran.



Edythe and Perry Larsen

Perry Larson was born in the DeKalb hospital that is today Barb City Manor. He received a BS degree in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in 1953. He was first employed by Commonwealth Edison, then manufacturing companies, and was registered with the state of Illinois as a “professional engineer.” In 1971 he joined NIU where he designed and built test equipment for the Department of Psychology for 18 years. In retirement Perry drove for MedVAC for about three years and also served as a cataract narrator* for about three years. He has helped with mailings at Barb City Manor and for the Capital Campaign at church, continues to do repair work around the house, and enjoys the occasional car ride.

Edythe and Perry were married in 1952. They have lived in Urbana, Dixon, and Geneva, IL and, as Perry said, “wherever the army took me while I was in the service (1944-46).” They have five children (all of whom were baptized and confirmed here at First Lutheran), nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Edythe says that she has been a Lutheran her whole life; Perry remembers Dorothy Swanson, his seventh grade teacher, bringing his class to sing at First Lutheran around Christmas time. They joined this congregation in 1954 when they moved to DeKalb.

Edythe’s favorite Bible verses are the 23rd Psalm and John 3:16. Her favorite hymns are *Abide with Me* and *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*. Perry’s favorite Bible verse is also Psalm 23, and his favorite hymns are *Amazing Grace, For the Beauty of the Earth*, and the *Battle Hymn of the Republic*.

* If you ever accompany a friend or family member to a cataract surgery appointment, a person will be there to tell you what the surgeon is doing and what the patient should expect after surgery. That person is a cataract narrator.

What's New at Love INC?



Quick, how many area congregations partner together to form Love in the Name of Christ (Love

INC)? Would you guess five? 10? 20? That would be low! A total of **31 congregations** use their capable hands and loving hearts to help meet the needs of our neighbors in the community in this way.

Some congregations have committed to filling certain “gaps” in the services available to those in need by creating a specific ministry. Some of these began before Love INC was organized, while others were created as a response to needs articulated by Love INC. All provide services to clients identified by Love INC.

As you can see by the list below, many congregations are still working toward establishing a **gap ministry**. Still needed are ministries that could collect and distribute appliances or electronics (lamps, clocks, etc.), provide additional types of repairs, coordinate the furniture delivery, and others. Imagine the love and grace we can show—and the lives we can help transform through Christ’s love — when all our congregations are providing various gap ministries!

We are Love INC:

- Bethel Assembly of God
- Bethlehem Lutheran Church (food pantry)
- Christ Community Church (car repair and furniture moving ministries)
- Christ the Teacher Parish

- The Church in DeKalb
- DeKalb Christian Church
- DeKalb Wesleyan Church (divorce recovery program)
- Evangelical Free Church
- First Baptist Church, DeKalb
- First Baptist Church, Sycamore (financial/budget counseling; Helping Hands employment ministry)
- First Church of the Nazarene (food pantry; clothes closet; diaper and baby needs ministry; addiction recovery program)
- First Lutheran Church (linen ministry, furniture moving ministry)
- First United Methodist Church, DeKalb
- Foursquare Church of DeKalb
- Glad Tidings Bible Church
- Grace Free Lutheran Church
- Harvest Bible Chapel
- Hillcrest Covenant Church (kitchen items ministry)
- Iglesias Christiana Vida Nueva
- New Hope Missionary Baptist Church (addiction recovery program; food pantry)
- North Avenue Baptist Church
- Salem Lutheran Church (food pantry; paper goods ministry)
- St. Mary Catholic Church, DeKalb (food pantry; clothes closet)
- St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Sycamore
- St. Paul’s Episcopal Church
- Sycamore United Methodist Church
- Trinity Lutheran Church
- Victory Baptist Church
- Vineyard Christian Fellowship
- Waterman Bible Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church

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| 1. Yvonne Johnson | Miranda Simek | Amy Hager |
| Michael Pumfrey | Bryan Taylor | 19. Judy Williams |
| 2. Rachel Hunter-Rosene | 10. Bil Johnson | 20. Anna Diab |
| 4. Thomas Riel | 11. Jason Hardenbergh | Amy Harris |
| 5. Richard Cress | Gretchen Looney | 21. Merlin Anderson |
| Peyton Marten | 12. Jonathan Colvin | Bryson Buhk |
| Daniel Olsen | Jennifer Franzene | Darla Massier |
| David Olsen | Caden Johnson | 22. Jill Olson Skinner |
| 6. Ellen Cress | 13. Tina Lange | 23. Mason Anderson |
| Barbara Rauman | Richard Sjolund | 24. Jace Cordes |
| 7. Virgene Christensen | 14. Jason Buhk | Jessica Nelson |
| Pamela Corneille | Patricia Smith | Deborah Pardridge |
| Charles Hart | David Wallin | 25. Steven Wiltberger |
| Michael Lange | 15. Kara Clanton | 26. Larry Anderson |
| Doug Massier | Timothy Lange | John Bross |
| Ashlee Mecklenburg | 16. Doris Cole | 27. Samuel Jaros |
| Emmett Youngren | Matthew Hoyle | 28. Kelsey Salazar |
| 8. Victoria Kothrade | Aidan Lange | 29. Allison Hunter-Rosene |
| Caroline Montgomery | 17. Megan Corneille | 30. Andrew Benson |
| Marilyn Sanders | Kerstin Henke | 31. Doug Black |
| 9. Florence Johnson | 18. Michael Bauling | Lisa Schmidt |
| Steve Schmidt | Logan Buhk | JoAnn Skabo |

Comptroller Report for May 2011

| | May Actual | Year-to-Date Actual | Remaining Budget |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Income | \$26,337.89 | \$157,139.14 | \$321,260.86 |
| Expenses | \$38,404.67 | \$167,595.20 | \$313,106.80 |
| Ahead/(Behind) | (\$12,066.78) | (\$10,456.06) | |

Capital Building Fund Loan Balance - \$301,901.54

One day's interest on mortgage - \$48.11

Attendance Figures for May 2011

| | 9:00 AM |
|--------|---------|
| May 1 | 220 |
| May 8 | 171 |
| May 15 | 199 |
| May 22 | 166 |
| May 29 | 174 |

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Bob Snow

Randall Baker

Lisa Cowley

John Countryman

Joyce Davidson

Cathy Foelske

Stan Lindahl

Bill Sanders

Barbara Schrader

Ministry Teams

Endowment

Evangelism

Faith Formation

Finance

Personnel

Property

Social Ministry

Stewardship

Worship/Music/Fine Arts

Youth Ministry

*First Lutheran Church ...
... hearing, living, and
sharing God's Word
together.*



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Worship Schedule
Sunday Worship

9:00 AM

Church Office Hours

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM - Mon. - Thurs.

9:00 AM - NOON - Friday

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED