



Weekly FLC Updates  
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**Congrats to Calleigh!** The Church Council is pleased to announce that Tuesday night, at its February meeting, the Council voted to replace the “Temporary Ministry Associate” staff position with a new staff position titled “Director of Youth and Family Ministry.” The Council is also pleased to announce that it has retained current staff member, Calleigh Carlson, in this position through January 31, 2022. This action was taken to place an emphasis on serving the youth and families in our congregation.

**Season of Lent** – we hope you join us for a very special Lenten season including:

- A sermon series called "We Wish to See Jesus"
- A unique hymn (with women authors) each Sunday and liturgy from ELW Setting Two
- A brief Taize prayer each Wednesday morning (at 10:00 a.m.)
- Involvement from our youth as readers both on Wednesdays (at 5:30 p.m.) and Sundays (at 10:00 a.m.)

**First Lutheran Friday Forum - *Embracing Diversity: How Does Social Justice Fit into Church?***

- Pastor Bill Nelsen and Dr. Darrell Jodock, Professor Emeritus of Religion at Gustavus Adolphus College, will lead us through a discussion based on the work they have done on the topic of Social Justice and the Church.
- Together they have been working on the issue of "Embracing Religious and Racial Diversity".
- Friday, February 26, 2021 from 12:00pm-1:00pm
- Here's the link to register for the online forum:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclceCvpjosH9xKDz8wIz5HKHRTVNLaerd->

**Small Group Meetings, Gathering Congregational Opinions & Ideas**

- Openings available for the two Small Group Meetings this week Thurs, Feb 18th at 4:30pm and Fri, Feb 12th at 11 am. Times are also available on Thursday, Feb 25th at 7pm and Friday, Feb 26th at 11:00 a.m.
- To sign up contact the office via email at [flcstpoffice@gmail.com](mailto:flcstpoffice@gmail.com) or call 507-934-3060.
- We need more of the members of our younger families to join in these discussions or to send in responses. We want to hear from everyone!
- **Small Group Meeting for our Youth** will be held on February 28th at 1pm. We are still looking for youth to add to this discussion! Contact Calleigh ([cc.flcstp@gmail.com](mailto:cc.flcstp@gmail.com)) to get signed up.

**Communion Kits** – Check out the monthly newsletter for details about this exciting project!

- Sign up **by Friday, February 26** to receive a kit by calling the church 507 934 3060 or by filling out a Google Form here: <https://tinyurl.com/y55nzav8>
- We need to know how many cups and loaves to make, so you must sign up!

**Minnesota Foodshare March Campaign:** The St. Peter Area Foodshelf (SPAF) is again participating this campaign.

- Donations during the month of March earn SPAF purchasing credits at Second Harvest in St. Paul which can be used throughout the year. Please support the food shelf with your donations of food or money.
- Click on this link [St. Peter Food Shelf](#) to see what items are needed. There is also a yellow donate button on the website for financial contributions.
- You can also donate during Holy Week when Communion Kits are delivered or drop items when you pick-up your kit at the church.

- SPFS needs: hygiene products (bar soap, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, masks, pads and tampons, etc.), baby care products (diapers sizes 4-6, baby wipes, formula, etc.), and dry and canned goods.

**Meals on Wheels - St Peter:** Our local Meals on Wheels is looking for two (2) volunteers to deliver meals for the month of March. If you can lend a hand, please contact Harold Anderson at 934-8850.

**Coming Events:**

Bob Ross in a Box                      Feb 20<sup>th</sup>                      6pm, Contact Calleigh [cc.flcstpoffice@gmail.com](mailto:cc.flcstpoffice@gmail.com)

Youth – Small Group Meeting      Feb 28<sup>th</sup>                      1pm, Contact Calleigh [cc.flcstpoffice@gmail.com](mailto:cc.flcstpoffice@gmail.com)

**Sunday Mornings!** Don't forget to join us for our fellowship hour via Zoom. We begin each Sunday morning at 11:00 AM on Zoom. If you want to attend, click on the link [Zoom Coffee Hour](#) or email flcstpoffice@gmail for the information. We look forward to seeing you all there!

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