

March 2019

Deep Hunger

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Have you ever stood in front of an open refrigerator staring at its contents asking, “What am I hungry for?”? Your stomach is asking for something, but you’re not sure what would hit the spot. You know from experience if you eat something unsatisfying that you’ll be back here shortly, asking the same question again. If you choose junk food, you’ll have momentary enjoyment, but not feel well later. If you choose the healthy option, you may feel like you’ve deprived yourself somehow. What are you hungry for?

Sometimes we find ourselves in a similar situation with our spiritual hunger. We know that we want something to feed our souls, but we’re not sure what would hit the spot. Sometimes we try what we’ve tried before- memorized prayers from our childhood, favorite Bible verses, old beloved songs- and it works. Our hunger is curbed. Sometimes we are left wanting. This may be an invitation to try something new. We may ignore our soul’s hunger and later realize that we are running on empty.

During this season of Lent, I invite you to pay attention to your hunger. Are you feeding your body and soul what they really need? Are you settling for starvation or junk food?

Deep hunger is nothing new. As humans, we long for connection with something bigger than ourselves. The wisdom of all the world’s religions tells us that this longing is best met daily instead of only in certain seasons or certain days of the week. We need several meals a day because hunger is a recurring thing. Likewise, we need regular spiritual practices to stay connected to God and our divine souls. We will be exploring some of these practices in First Forums during Lent.

So, what are you hungry for? How will you choose to meet that hunger this season? May you have the courage to set aside time to attend to this holy longing.

Pastor Gwen



Prayer Concerns

We are called to remember one another in prayer. The list below is for recent needs:

- Paul Baumgartner •Ruth Hall •Garrett Paul •Mike Shores (son of friends of Diane Stenson)
- All those we continue to include in our personal prayer petitions

We also ask for your continued prayers for the below listed people with long-term or chronic needs:

- Marie Benson • Forrest Chaffee •Abigail Christenson (daughter of Kathryn Christenson)
- Dorothy Eliason •George Fasnacht (father of Vicki Demers) •Betty Gustafson
- John Hall •Stephen Hilding •Stuart Johnson •Wayne Johnson •Mike Jones (uncle of Pastor Gwen) •Joan Kudla (sister of Sue Peterson) •Lee Landgrebe •Elgene Lund •Tom Michels (son-in-law of Betty Gustafson) •Dick Muesing •Doreen Pehrson •Tim Salmela (brother of Cheryl Kautt) •Bev Wetherill



Family & Friends of those who have recently died:

- Lorraine Nilsen (mother of Dawn Wenner) •Clare Satre (mother of Nadine Haukoos)

To request being on either our current or long term prayer lists (or to be taken off), please discuss with Pastor Gwen, contact the church office at 934-3060 or flcstpoffice@gmail.com, or go to our website at www.flcstp.org and click on the “Request Prayer” button on the homepage.

Calendar Highlights for March

March 3

First Communion

March 6

Ash Wednesday—beginning of Lent
Worship in Sanctuary at
7:15 p.m.



*What's happening this
month at First Lutheran?*

March 13

Wednesday Soup Suppers begin
(Hosted by committees)

March 30

Youth Fundraiser Dinner

From the Cantor

Handbell Choir Field Trip!

The handbell choir is taking a trip to Arden Hills on Saturday, March 2nd to attend the Bellfest concert! Every year, bell choirs from around the state gather in the Twin Cities and play the same pieces all together at the same time. We are excited to attend the concert! For more information, please talk to Cantor Emily or visit <https://bit.ly/2XePhVi>



FLC Band

On Transfiguration Sunday, March 3rd, we are filling the balcony with *over a dozen* instrumentalists to mark this last big celebration before Easter. Thanks to everyone who signed up to participate - what fun to make music together!

Bonse Aba Singers

At our first rehearsal, the treble singers (currently made up of women and children) came up with ideas for what to call our choir. One of the songs we sang through is called "Bonse Aba," and its full text translates "All that sing have the right to be called the children of God." We are embracing this as our mission and calling ourselves the *Bonse Aba Singers*.

If you identify as female and/or have a higher, treble voice, YOU are welcome to join us, regardless of past experience. Our next rehearsals are March 3, March 17, and March 31 at 11:40 (after the second service), and we will sing during worship on March 17. Children and youth are encouraged to join, too - let's fill up the choir room with lots of generations!

Ash Wednesday

We come together for a special worship to mark the beginning of our Lenten season. This year, Ash Wednesday is on March 6, and we worship at 7:15 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Sunday School Day of Music!

During Sunday School time on March 10th, the children will be gathering and spending the morning praising God by learning songs to sing and getting to play some instruments. Pre-K through 4th grade is the usual Sunday school group, but if your 5th-9th grader wants to participate, there will be plenty of instruments to go around, including a Handchime Group!

Taizé Lenten Midweek Worship

Join us on Wednesdays beginning March 13 for a 7:15 service in the sanctuary. Come to sing, meditate, pray around the cross, receive Holy Communion, and take part in the special journey of Lent.

From the Cantor

Rocks of Ages - On Location!!

This month, our Rocks of Ages group will be meeting in the FLC Gathering Space at 12:30 on March 24th to go to Heritage Meadows, Benedictine, and Ecumen Prairie Hill in Saint Peter. We will bring our hymnals and sing to the residents of these communities, inviting them to make requests and sing along as desired. ANYONE can participate - simply show up, carpool to the various places, and return to the church for a light snack!

Note from the Cantor: Musical Thoughts for Lent

What is the role of music in worship? Are the prelude and postlude a part of worship? Is applause appropriate? Why or why not? Do you think it's a matter of personal preference or entertainment, or does the music during our worship speak to a greater purpose?

Going back to our Nairobi Statement discussion about the *counter-cultural* aspects of worship, I believe that music and arts for worship and for our entertainment are two separate entities. Applause may be appropriate at a concert, theater production, or recital, but worship tries to embody a space that is different from cultural norms. Worshiping in a Christ-centered way is unique to the culture of the Christian church, even as *cross-cultural* worship takes on many forms.

"But shouldn't we be encouraging our young people by applauding their efforts?" Encouragement can take on many forms, of which applause is only a small and not always necessary portion. As a young person, I appreciated applause when I performed for recitals and contests, but I felt very strange when I received applause in church. From an early age, I felt like church was special and counter to the outside culture, even though I didn't have the words to express it in that way.

Performing carries burdens with it. "Am I good enough to participate?" "If the people didn't clap, did I even do a good job?" "I'm embarrassed - did anyone notice that I made a mistake?" On the other hand, *offering* is something that all of us can do. We can offer our gifts and our time in preparation for worship. We can offer our voices in the midst of the congregation. We can offer worship leadership by ushering, serving communion, teaching our children and youth how to lead and follow, reading scriptures, and just by being present and engaged!

During the season of Lent, we will be returning to a familiar, contemplative liturgy while modifying other musical practices. Pastor Gwen will begin the service with her usual welcome, and this will be followed by a time of meditation during the prelude. At the end of the worship service, you will be invited to remain in the sanctuary during the postlude for a similar time of meditation. Please use that time to listen, reflect, pray, meditate, etc. for personal devotion. The prelude, postlude, and other music offerings during worship are not meant as a performance for entertainment. Rather, we *offer* up our worship, and we use music to praise, proclaim, lament, find comfort, and tell the whole story of our Triune God.

Youth Leadership Team

Night at First Dinner and Show. The annual dinner fundraiser will be on Saturday, March 30. Entertainment will be the Gospel Blue Grass Band and the menu will be homemade lasagna. Please plan on joining us for this evening of fun, food and fellowship. Tickets will be sold in the Gathering Space on Sunday starting March 3 and will be \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children 8-18. Childcare is included!

Senior High Youth Gathering. 9th-12th Graders - mark your calendar for the SW Minnesota Synod Senior High Youth Gathering happening Friday evening, April 5 - Saturday, April 6 in Alexandria. It is a fun-filled 24 hours of upbeat worship and late night games and dancing. Cost is \$100 per person (includes transportation, hotel, food). Registration opens March 4. Contact, Barb Larson Taylor if you are interested in going (you don't have to commit yet) at barblarsontaylor@gmail.com.

Butter Braid fundraiser. The youth will be selling Butter Braids March 3rd-17th to help raise funds for the Backpacking Trip this summer and furnishing the new youth room. You may stop by our table in the Gathering space any Sunday during Fellowship or contact Laurie Erickson @ 507-381-4054 to place your order. The Butter Braids will arrive April 10th.

Lent Offerings

Offerings collected during Lent will benefit the below establishments:

- March 13: St. Peter Food Shelf
- March 20: St. Peter Food Shelf
- March 27: Bread for the World*
- April 3: ELCA World Hunger
- April 10: ELCA World Hunger

*On Wednesday, March 27 during Lenten supper, we will also participate in 'Bread for the Worlds' Offering of Letters to Congress on legislation that impacts hungry and poor people. Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad.

March Service List

Coordinators: Tim and Dawn Kienlen

Bruce Aarsvold	Mark & Sue Kendall	Linda Pell
Paul Amos	Allison Krehbiel-Baskfield	Barbara Samuelson
Jim & Tracie Amsden	Bob & Dana Lamb	Lee & Alice Schwichtenberg
Anders & Judie Bjorling	Darlene Lee	John & Jessica Sourbeck
Jan & Sandy Brovold	Gordon & Mary Long	Kevin & Marcia Wenner
Steve & Laurie Erickson	Shelly Mayo	Douglas Wolfe
Patricia Freiert	Bob & Kay Moline	
Bonna Gostomczik	Barbara Olson	
Terry & Kelly Jaeger	Becky Otterness	
David & Jan Johnson	Susan Paul	

Christian Education

Adult Bible Study (9:30 a.m. Mondays)

We will review the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday in the Conference Room:

March 4: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 , Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

March 11: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Psalm 27 , Philipians 3:17--4:1 , Luke 13:31-35

March 18: Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

March 25: Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Living the Questions (6:15 p.m. Wednesday)

On Wednesday evenings during Lent, we will be exploring what it means to live the questions. Living the Questions is an “open-minded alternative to studies that attempt to give participants all the answers and instead strives to create an environment where participants can interact with one another in exploring what’s next for Christianity.” Adults and the 9th grade Confirmation class will meet at 6:15 p.m. each week in Lent (March 13-April 10). Each session will begin with videos that features an acclaimed scholar, theologian or other expert. This will be an entry point for discussion about Christianity as a whole and our individual faith journeys.

First Forum Schedule (9:30 a.m. on Sundays)

First Forums during Lent are all about spiritual practices! Pastor Gwen and other leaders will introduce spiritual practices and then invite you to try them out. Please come for these engaging and inspiring topics:

March 3: What Worship Sounds Like: Music and Proclamation of the Word

March 10: Introduction to Spiritual Practices with Pastor Gwen

March 17: Breathing Meditation with Pat Friert

March 24: Big Questions, Deep Listening with Chris Johnson

March 31: Lectio Divina with Chuck Christensen

April 7: Metta (Loving-kindness) Meditation with Will Friert

April 14: Praying the Stations of the Cross with Pastor Gwen

Service Project on Wednesday, March 20

Youth will be assembling Personal Care Kits which will be taken to Lutheran World Relief and Birthday Party Kits that will go to the St. Peter Area Food Shelf. We ask for donations of any of the following items: cake mixes, frosting tubs, birthday candles, paper products for children's birthdays, new children's books (for ages 4-10), nail clippers, toothbrushes, combs, individually wrapped bar soap, light-weight dark-colored bath-size towels (20x40 and 27x52). All items can be placed in a tub in the vestibule by the canopy entrance. Thank you!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
<p>3. Transfiguration of Our Lord 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Education 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:40 a.m. Bonse Aba Singers 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Painting Party</p>	<p>4. 9:15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Chapel 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>5.</p>	<p>6. Ash We 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.</p>
<p>10. First Sunday in Lent Daylight Savings Ends (shift clocks forward) 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Education 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:45 a.m. Youth Leadership Team</p>	<p>11. 9:15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Chapel 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Christian Education Cmte. 3:30 p.m. Executive Committee</p>	<p>12. 6:00 p.m. Building and Grounds</p>	<p>13. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. Education 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m.</p>
<p>17. Second Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Education 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:40 a.m. Bonse Aba Singers 7:30 p.m. Backpack Meeting</p>	<p>18. 9:15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Chapel 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>19. 1:00 p.m. Cemetery Committee 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting</p>	<p>20. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m. Funds Ma 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m.</p>
<p>24. Third Sunday in Lent / Pack the Pews 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Education 10:30 a.m. Worship Rocks of Ages on Location!</p> <hr/> <p>31. Fourth Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Education 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:40 a.m. Bonse Aba Singers</p>	<p>25. 9:15 a.m. Morning Prayer in Chapel 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>26.</p>	<p>27. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m. and Worsh 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m.</p>

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Wednesday Men's Conversation (GAC) Staff Meeting Handbells Worship (Sanctuary)	7.	8.	9. 9:00 a.m. Kitchen Cleaning
Men's Conversation (GAC) Staff Meeting Worship & Arts Committee Lent Soup Supper (Christian Ministry, Staff Support, and YLT) Handbells Adult Education Fellowship Committee Meeting Faith Formation (Gr 5-6) Confirmation (Gr 7-9) Worship (Sanctuary)	14. 8:00 a.m. Finance 9:00 a.m. Stewardship	15.	16.
Men's Conversation (GAC) Staff Meeting Lent Soup Supper (Finance, Management, and Stewardship) Handbells Adult Education Faith Formation (Gr 5-6) Confirmation (Gr 7-9) Worship (Sanctuary)	21. 	22.	23. 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters
Men's Conversation (GAC) Staff Meeting Lent Soup Supper (Altar Guild, Worship & Arts) Handbells Adult Education Faith Formation (Gr 5-6) Confirmation (Gr 7-9) Worship (Sanctuary)	28.	29.	30. 5:30 p.m. Youth Fundraiser Diner

Social Ministry Committee

The March Drive

Once again, Minnesota Food Share has reminded us that the annual March Campaign is upon us. That means that all food items and donations gathered in the month of March for the St. Peter Area Food Shelf will be matched with an allotment. Every year, First Lutheran has contributed greatly to this cause. This not only takes place in St. Peter but throughout the entire state with churches, businesses, and individuals contributing to their local food shelves.

In the past year, St. Peter Area Food Shelf gave out over 281,000 pounds of food to the needy in the area. That means over 8,000 people received food that would have gone without if it weren't for the offerings from people in our community. It is a project that First Lutheran can well be proud of by your contributions.

Currently, there is a statewide effort to improve the nutrition of our offerings to include more fresh fruits and vegetables. While a great deal of the money goes to provide the fresh food items, some is used to provide storage for fresh food. The fresh supplies of food keep people healthier, and we are pleased to have you as a partner in that effort.

The dates for this year's campaign go from Sunday, February 25, 2019, until Sunday, April 7. On one Sunday, March 24, we will have our annual "Pack the Pew" event when we fill the back pews of the church with donations. The pews will be marked so it will be hard to miss where the donations are to be placed. The usual grocery cart will have a donation box in it if you prefer to give a monetary donation or clearly mark a check and place it in the offering plate. You can be a part of this year's campaign by remembering this date and bringing your offerings to the pew for collection. All contributions on any Sunday during the drive will be accepted and counted toward our 2019 allotment.

Throughout the year First Lutheran is involved in so many different ways in assisting the Food Shelf with its goals of providing food for the insecure in the community, and for your generosity we are very grateful. Thank you for thinking of the less fortunate and sharing with them so that they have a more adequate food supply.

Resurrection Cemetery Committee

First Lutheran Resurrection Cemetery Committee is pleased to inform the congregation that on January 22, 2019 a parcel of land located just west of the cemetery entrance was transferred by Quit Claim Deed from the State of Minnesota Highway Department to First Lutheran Church at no cost.



In March 2016, Barbara Haack, a member of the cemetery committee, contacted the State of Minnesota questioning how to obtain ownership of the above described parcel. Originally the state requested \$5,000 purchase price plus all legal and recording expenses to be paid by the church. Over the years, patience and perseverance brought the above transaction to a welcomed close. The cemetery committee wishes to thank both Barbara and the State of Minnesota for the final outcome.

Green Committee

Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light

Learn about Clean Energy Options available in St. Peter
Monday, April 1, 6:30-8:00 p.m. First Lutheran Church

Learn about clean energy options available to you in St. Peter.
Join Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light for a night of good clean fun, refreshments, music by the Lost Walleye Orchestra, and information about St. Peter's Solar Choice program. Solar Choice is available to St. Peter residential electric customers who want to support solar energy without installing their own solar array. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend.



Climate Church, Climate World

This year's Every Member Reads, sponsored by FLC Greens, is tentatively scheduled for Fall 2019. Our book is, *Climate Church, Climate World: How People of Faith Must Work for Change* (2018). Public theologian and national spokesperson Jim Antal presents the argument that climate change is the greatest moral challenge that humanity has ever faced. Climate change multiplies all forms of global social injustice including hunger, refugees, poverty, inequality, deadly viruses and war.

Antal believes that people of faith are uniquely equipped to accept the challenge, through preaching, witnessing, worship and other spiritual practices. Archbishop Desmond Tutu writes, "Jim Antal's book will inspire people of faith to provide the leadership necessary to realize God's dream of a just world in which humanity is reconciled to all of creation."

We anticipate circulating copies of key chapters in Fall 2019, for FLC members to read. We will discuss Antal's ideas and suggestions during First Forum in the Fall.

Watch for further information and dates!

Stewardship Committee

Joyful and Generous Living! By Bob Stenson

When I was in the seminary, a professor said this about money. "Make all you can. Save all you can. Give away all you can." I have since forgotten the name of the professor, but I remember his words. His words have helped me live a joyful and generous life.

I recognize more and more that God uses money as a discipling influence in my life. Perhaps he does in yours as well. I have come to know that money is stored energy and how I use it or invest it releases that energy.

Think about this: you work hard and you are compensated for your time, energy, and effort. Now, as a steward of that money you are able to direct its influence, using it wisely for the world in which you live including the work of God's Kingdom in and through your congregation at First Lutheran Church.

News and Notes

Update on Intern

We have been approved as an internship site! Pastor Gwen went up to Luther Seminary on Monday, February 18 to interview six potential interns. Pastor will give the seminary her input and they will match interns with churches during the month of March. Placements will be announced in the beginning of April. So far, we have raised \$26,000 to support having an intern here at First, beginning this summer or fall. Thank you to all who have contributed to making this a possibility. The goal is to raise \$40,000, which would cover their stipend, fees, and housing. Do you want to support this educational and inspirational program? Please contact Pastor Gwen or Karen with the amount you'd like to pledge. If you know of a place we could rent for the intern, please let the church office know.

Update on Director of Lifelong Learning

Our search committee has been formed and met to review all 14 resumes that we received. We have some great candidates! Our next step is phone interviews, which will be happening in the next couple weeks. We then plan on another round of interviews. Members of the Director of Lifelong Learning search committee include: Tami Aune (from Staff Support), Laura Boomgaarden (from Christian Education), Megan Berglund (from Youth Leadership Team), Josh Drinkall (from Council), Jaden Neubauer (Youth), Anja Dulin (Youth), and Pastor Gwen Hermanson. Please keep this group in your prayers as we seek a good match for First Lutheran.

Looking for a Photographer: Do you have a cellphone that takes photos? Do you come to church regularly? If both are true, would you be interested in taking photos of our worship services? We'd like to post more photos on Facebook so that those who are not able to attend worship in person can still feel connected. You don't have to commit to taking photos every week. Contact the office if interested.

Looking for a Bulletin Board Photo Person: Perhaps you've lingered at the bulletin board near the Education Center to look at the photos of First members from the area newspapers. We are looking for someone who would like to keep that bulletin board updated. Ideally, it would be someone who gets the area newspaper and knows the members of First well enough to spot them in photos. Contact the office if interested.

Lenten Soup Suppers

As in previous years, we will have our soup suppers on Wednesday evenings during Lent. This starts on Ash Wednesday (March 6) this year. Every year, the committees get together to provide the soups, and the schedule this year is as below:

March 13: Christian Education, Staff Support, and YLT

March 20: Finance, Funds Management, and Stewardship

March 27: Altar Guild and Worship & Arts

April 3: Building & Grounds, Fellowship, and Welcoming

April 10: Greens, Social Ministry, Resurrection Cemetery

News and Notes

Correction to Benevolence destinations in 2018:

In the February Heartbeat we listed Benevolence destinations for 2018, however we failed to mention \$500 to the Minnesota Interfaith Power & Light.

Easter Worship Schedule

- **Sunday, April 14: Palm Sunday**
Worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- **Thursday, April 18: Maundy Thursday**
Worship at 7:00 p.m.
- **Friday, April 19: Good Friday**
Piano recital at 12:00 p.m.
Worship at 7:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 20: Easter Vigil**
Worship at 8:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, April 21: Easter**
Worship at 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. with breakfast between services

Financial Notes:

Through January 31, 2019

Income \$27,175

Expenses \$38,968

Balance (\$11,793)



2019 Congregational Council

President: Shanon Nowell

Past President: Paul Haukoos

Vice President: Dave Ribar

Treasurer: Ken Westphal

Secretary: Cheryl Kautt

Other Members:

Carla Demers, Josh Drinkall, Tyler Erickson, Mary Gaebler

Gordon Long, Cindy Nadeau, Mary Thompson, Carolyn Trnka

Easter Flowers

It's time to order Easter Flowers again! You can use the below form (just cut it out and submit it to the church office), or blank forms will be handed out in the bulletin. We ask for all flower orders to be submitted by Sunday, March 31. Please be sure to check whether you would like to take the flowers home or have them donated!

Easter Flowers Order Form

A variety of flowers will be used as a part of our Easter festival worship. The choices of flowers available are listed below. **Please fill out and return the order form via the offering or to the church office by Sunday, March 31.**

Be sure to check whether you'd like to take the flowers home or have them donated!

Thank You!

Please make checks payable to First Lutheran Church.

Given by:

in Memory of: OR in Honor of OR in Celebration of:

Please enter a quantity (number) in front of the plant you would like to order.

Calendiva \$10

Yellow
 Pink

Begonias \$10

Red
 Yellow

Daffodils \$10

Yellow

Cyclamen \$15

Pink
 Lavender

Hydrangeas \$20

Blue

Kalanchoes \$10

Orange
 Red

Tulips \$10

Red
 Pink



Please check one:

- I will take the plants home
- Social Ministry will take to a home-bound member.
- The Altar Guild may use this donation for whatever flowers may be needed.

Donation amount:

\$ _____

The Building Fund...from Stem to Stern

The Building Renovation Fund

	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
Activity 2009 to 2018			
Chapel Fund - Transfer in	\$50,843	\$40,327	
Receipts / Donations	\$2,157,987		
Lloyd Elton Bequest	\$20,000		
Construction Costs Paid		\$709,502	
Interest Expense during Construction		\$64,560	
Interest Expense on Mortgage		\$586,042	
Principal paid on Mortgage		\$736,406	
Total from 2009 to 2018 Balance 12-31-18	\$2,228,830	\$2,136,837	\$91,993
Activity in 2019			
Receipts / Donations	\$6,413		
Interest Expense - Mortgage		\$9,586	
Principal paid on Mortgage		\$10,572	
Construction/Refinance Costs Paid		\$0	
Total for 2019 / Balance 2/8/19	\$6,413	\$20,158	\$78,248

Mortgage Summary (Monthly Payment is \$12,730)

Original Mortgage on 3-12-12		\$2,180,215
Principal Paid 2012 / Balance 12-31-12	\$73,505	\$2,106,710
Principal Paid 2013 / Balance 12-31-13	\$155,037	\$1,951,673
Principal Paid 2014/Balance 12-31-14	\$86,482	\$1,865,191
Principal Paid 2015/Balance 12-31-15	\$108,048	\$1,757,143
Principal Paid 2016/Balance 12/31/16	\$86,956	\$1,670,187
Principal Paid 2017/Balance 12/31/17	\$63,792	\$1,606,395
Principle Paid 2018/Balance 12/31/18	\$162,586	\$1,443,809
Principle Paid 2019/Balance 2/8/19	\$10,572	\$1,433,237

Building Improvements Summary

Costs Paid by Chapel Fund	\$40,327
Costs Paid 2009 to 2017	\$735,444
Interest Expense during Construction	\$38,618
Costs Paid by the Mortgage	\$2,180,215
Costs Paid in 2018	\$0
Total Building Improvements Cost 2/8/19	\$2,994,604

(Additional principal payments to date--\$312,017)

Renewed by Christ in Word, water, bread and wine, we serve the community and the world

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Welcome to First Lutheran Church

**Public Access Channel 7
TV broadcast**

6:00 p.m. Monday
8:00 a.m. Tuesday
11:30 a.m. Sunday
3:00 p.m. Sunday

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:15 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Fellowship
9:30 a.m. Education
10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday Morning Prayer

9:15 a.m. (Chapel)

Wednesday Worship

5:15 p.m. Soup Supper
6:15 p.m. Education
7.15 p.m. (Sanctuary)