



Announcements

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Being called by God through Baptism and strengthened by the Word and Sacrament of our Lord's Table, God guides First Lutheran Church to teach, preach, live, and spread the Word of God.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE: If you are visiting our congregation, please sign the guest book and introduce yourself to the pastors.

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of James Ellison by Erik and Jami Anderson.

PRAYERS FOR: Rolf & Jean Blaser, Kerri Dvorak, Howard Ness, Bruce Johnson (nephew of Joyce Delegard), Clif Hansen, Luella Amundson, Jolene Lansin, RJ Silveria, Pat Knapp (Howard Ness' niece), Rod Shipley, Paul Schmitz, Robin Strenke, Natalie Bales, Donna Toomey, Isaiah Kahn (grandson of Al and Judi Kohl), Debora Stoeberl, Sarah Bertholde (niece of Betty Dodge), Pastor Wayne Espeseth, Grace Dahl, Cindy Otto, Robert Lipke, Eleanor Hanson, Virgil Coleman, Belva Floan, Lorraine Haugen and Mary Shearer.

MILITARY: We are currently praying for our military people who are in "harm's way." We will gladly remember in prayers our military personnel serving in this country and in other "safer" settings. Please let us know who they are.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

COUNCIL MEETING: Please note that the council will meet on **Tuesday, February 22nd**, instead of Tuesday, February 15th.

MINISTRY SITE PROFILE COMMITTEE MEETING: The meeting for the Ministry Site Profile Committee has been changed to **Sunday, February 14th, at 6:30pm.**

HARMONY CIRCLE: Please note that Harmony Circle will be meeting on **Wednesday, February 10th at 1:30pm.**

ATTENTION SWYG AND SHYG: This month's SWYG and SHYG meeting will take place at the Barron Area Community Center on **Wednesday, February 10, from 6pm—7:30pm** (please note the time change). Please bring food for the Cupboard (food pantry). Come to meet Pastor Bolstad. Bring your swimsuit and tennis shoes as you may play basketball, volleyball, and swimming. We will be having devotions and a meal. Be sure to bring your friends, too! We will meet at the Barron Area Community Center, and you should plan to be picked up from there as well. If you have any questions, please call Robin Hanson at 458-2213.

ANNUAL MEETING: The Annual Meeting of the congregation was held Sunday, January 31. The budget for 2010 was passed, and the following people were elected to leadership positions within the congregation: First Term Council Members (first term is two years): Carrie Amundson, Laretta Peterson, Jean Wick, Andrew Harrington; Second Term Council Members (second term is two years) Rod Wieneri, Gayle Larson, Barb Swant; Trust Fund Committee (three-year term) June Rockman and Bob Misssling; Cemetery Board (two-year term) Allen Anderson, Richard Schultz, Norman Thompson, Sharon Nelsen; and to the Nominating Committee: Kolleen Felber, Tammy Severude, and Emily Jackson. If you would like a copy of the Annual Report, you may pick one up in the church office.

NEEDLE NIGHT IN FEBRUARY: February's "Needle Night" will be held on **Tuesday, February 23rd, 6:30pm—8:30pm** in the Centennial Room. Fight those winter blues with an evening of visiting and a stitchery project—one you've already started or a brand new project. Treats will be served, but everyone brings their own beverage. Bring a friend. Everyone is invited; folks need NOT be members of First Lutheran.

REGARDING OUR PIANO: We are enjoying the great sound of our new balcony piano. Thank you to those of you who have contributed to its funding! We are making progress and continue to work toward our final goal of \$2,900.00. Some time ago this fund was established for the purchase of this instrument. It is not a part of our general fund. Contributions in memory or in honor of someone are greatly appreciated. Please make you check out to First Lutheran and on the memo line please put *Piano Fund*. Thank you for your support and help.

WEB SITE MANAGER NEEDED: For the website management you must have the ability to work with website utilizing FrontPage 2003 to update website pages (excluding Sunday School and VBS) as necessary, approximately 2-3 hours per week. End of month duties necessitate more time for upload of newsletter and sending of newsletter emailing. Any questions can be directed to Michelle at michelle@firstlutheran-barron.org or 931.8580 (cell).

THE CUPBOARD: February is **canned vegetables month at The Cupboard (food pantry)**. Please donate to the Cupboard whenever possible. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

YOUTH ON A ROLL

HELEN GOOSBY

MISS CONGENIALITY – That’s Helen. Her name is written all over the title. Some quotes: “always very pleasant.” Says a teacher: “She is wonderful to have in the building...very respectful, polite...discrete.” And another: “her list of positive works is astounding!..so involved in the community...great student and nice person.” But get this from still another: “Helen is fabulous and a complete joy to be around!! Her impression of *Screaming Yellow Zonkers* is fantastic. Ask her about this...” (I intend to. I suggest you do, too.)

At school she stays involved: FFA, NHS, Band & Pep Band. Church, too.

We can’t have too many Miss Congenialities. If you roam the halls of BHS, you’ll find them crowded with Miss Congenialities. And not just a few “Misters.” Support our kids. Support our schools. Support our future.

NORTHWEST SYNOD ASSISTS CONGREGATIONS IN CALL PROCESS:

The Northwest Synod of Wisconsin assists about 20 parishes every year as they go through the call process. The synod office also works with about 30 pastors every year from throughout the ELCA as they seek calls in our synod.

COMPANION SYNOD NEWS: People are afraid in Karonga. People are afraid to go to Karonga. Daily activity has stopped, as people are afraid to do anything – even to go to work or school, fearing another earthquake. Misery is on everyone's face. Bishop Joseph Bvumbwe and other staff members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malawi (ELCM) brought a message of comfort and hope that is found in Jesus. He said that, if people are suffering, we have to suffer with them also. He also presented funds raised by ELCM congregations and the support of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. He assured them of the synod's prayers and support in this difficult time.

SYNOD CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCE EVENT: This event is to be offered March 20th in Chippewa Falls. The former Council Leadership Training is being replaced with a new event called "Walking Together: A Congregational Resource Event: to be held at the Chippewa Falls Middle School on **Saturday, March 20th, at 8:30am to 3:15pm** and promises to be a day filled with mission and ministry information you won't want to miss. This is a valuable learning opportunity to strengthen skills, gather resources, network with others, discover new ways to enhance congregational and individual ministries, and for leaders across the synod to learn by sharing and share by learning. It is designed to share best practices and resources among pastors, church council members, teachers, musicians, staff, volunteers, and leaders. This event is for just about everyone in a congregation. Mark your calendars, save the date, and watch for more details as they become available. Registration forms are not located on the bulletin board across from the church office.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING: Need Your Blood Pressure Checked?

Our First Lutheran health care workers will graciously provide their expertise so you may have your blood pressure checked between services on the **second Sunday of each month** and some Saturdays. If there are any other health care workers who would like to help with this service, please contact Linda Beyer at 537-3480. February's blood pressure screening will take place between services on Sunday, **February 14th**. Screenings will take place in Pastor Beyer's office.

“Foundations of our Faith”
**Lenten services begin Ash Wednesday
on February 17th, at noon and 6:15 pm**

During the time of the early Christian church, the forty days of Lent were a time of preparation for the candidates preparing to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. People new to the faith would spend those forty days fasting, praying, and studying in anticipation of their baptism. With that tradition in mind, we use the midweek Lenten services to focus on the foundations of our faith. Each worshiper will be given a cut-out of a classical Christian symbol to eventually make a hanging mobile appropriate for the home. (The symbol for Ash Wednesday will be the cross.) Other symbols will be the following: two tablets – Ten Commandments; fish – Jesus Christ, God’s Son, Savior; triangle – Trinity; shell – Baptism; chalice – Lord’s Supper. Services will be offered at noon and at 6:15 pm. Plan to build on the foundations of our faith by attending Lenten services!

Ash Wednesday, February 17: noon & 6:15pm.

Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion

Cross “Marked with the Cross”

Wednesday, February 24: noon & 6:15pm.

Ten Commandments “Ten Words of Freedom”

Wednesday, March 3: noon & 6:15pm.

Trinity “All for One, and One for All”

Wednesday, March 10: noon & 6:15 pm.

Jesus Christ, God’s Son, Savior “Jesus is Lord”

Wednesday, March 17: noon & 6:15pm.

Baptism “Washing in the Word”

Wednesday, March 24: noon & 6:15pm.

Lord’s Supper “Eating and Drinking in the Word”

Mauddy Thursday, April 1: noon & 6:15pm.

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Sunrise worship at 6:30am

Easter worship services at 8:30am and 10:45am

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This week at First Lutheran

Sunday, FEB 7: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30am Worship with Holy Communion
9:40am Sunday School, 4th grade Baptism Class
Adult Bible Study

10:45am Worship with Holy Communion

Monday, FEB 8: Psalm 115; Judges 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 14:26-40

5:00pm Wolf Den Pack Meeting
6:00pm Worship and Music Committee Meeting
7:00pm Most Committees Meet

Tuesday, FEB 9: Psalm 115; 1 Samuel 9:15-20:1b; 1 Timothy 3:1-9

7:00am Men's Breakfast Bible Study
9:30am AA Meeting
6:30pm Jail Ministry
8:00pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, FEB 10: Psalm 115; Isaiah 8:1-15; Luke 5:27-32

1:30pm Harmony Circle
6:00pm SWYG and SHYG at Barron Area Community Center
7:00pm Senior Choir

Thursday, FEB 11: Psalm 1; Jeremiah 13:12-19; Acts 13:26-34

9:30am AA Meeting
1:00pm Quilting

Friday, FEB 12: Psalm 1; Jeremiah 13:20-27; 1 Peter 1:17-21

9:00am Bulletins Assembled

Saturday, FEB 13: Psalm 1; Jeremiah 17:1-4; Luke 11:24-28

9:30am AA Meeting
5:30pm Worship and Holy Communion

Sunday, FEB 14: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30am Worship
9:40am Sunday School, 4th grade Baptism Class
Adult Bible Study
10:45am Worship
6:30pm Ministry Site Profile Committee Meeting



GATHERED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

Worship Attendance as of January 31, 2010: Last Weekend: 188 Weekend Average: 177

God's work. Our hands.