



First Evangelical Lutheran Church and School

~ Lutheran Church Missouri Synod ~
"Sharing Christ, Changing Lives"

AS WE GATHER

The Church longs to be in the real presence of Jesus. And we are. Through Word and Sacraments, Christ's presence is made known. We stand in the lineage of saints who have beheld the glory of God: Moses at the burning bush and Elijah swept away into heaven. Later, these two join Peter, James and John in witnessing the radiance of Jesus, transfigured on a high mountain. All people are changed when they can truly see Jesus.

Visitors, thank you for being here today and please fill out a welcome card found in the cardholder slot in your pew. You may tear off the top portion to keep, and place the bottom in the offering plate.

Members, please use these cards only to notify the Church Office of any changes or needs. Thank you. **Blue Binders in the pews** are for signing in for Communion only.

Sunday, February 11th, 2018 | The Transfiguration of Our Lord

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ORGANIST: Luke Dahl

HYMNS

8:00 AM #537, 415, 414, 417

10:30 AM #537, 415, 414, [821, 680, 631, 636], 417

SERMON

"Peaks and Valleys"

Mark 9:2-9 ~Pastor Daniel Welch

BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament Lesson – 2 Kings 2:1-12

Epistle Lesson – 2 Corinthians 3:12-13, 4:1-6

Gospel Lesson – Mark 9:2-9

DEACONS

8:00 AM – Joe Streufert, Tim Halligan

10:30 AM – Don Hepner, Dave Sell

ACOLYTES

8:00 AM – Elijah Liestman, Mason Petron

10:30 AM – Lauren Bernstein, Elise Betcher

SPECIAL MUSIC

10:30 AM – Kings Kids "Alleluia"

CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10:

Wednesdays 6:30 PM | Fridays 5:30 PM

INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

-- Donna Schade, Bob Schuetz, Victor Ide, Dorothy Herbst

-- Alan Rolf who is currently hospitalized.

-- Bruce Donnay who is undergoing surgery on Tuesday, February 13th.

-- The friends and family of Alice Bandemer whose funeral was here on Friday. Blessed are those that die in the Lord! Flowers are placed in her memory.

-- The youth and their chaperones who will be traveling to the winter retreat taking place at Cragun's Resort near Brainerd.

-- Rebecca Wagner, a National domestic missionary working with the University Lutheran Chapel "Together in Missions"

FELLOWSHIP TIME: There are still dates available for serving fellowship time. Contact the church office if you are interested!

Feb. 11 – Stewardship

Feb 25 – Youth Board

Feb. 18 – Deacons

March 4 – Day School

HOLY COMMUNION: GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available at all services of Holy Communion for those in need of them. Please see a Pastor or a Deacon before the service to let them know of your request.

"NON-ALCOHOLIC" WINE is available at all services of Holy Communion in the center of each communion tray.

This Week at First Lutheran

Sun. Feb. 11 8:00 AM – Divine Service
9:00 AM – Fellowship: Stewardship
9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:30 AM – Divine Service with Communion (King's Kids)
NO NYG Meeting

Mon. Feb. 12 7:00 PM – Men's Club
7:00 PM – Altar Guild

Tues. Feb. 13 NO Bible Study
9:30 AM – GRHS with Communion
1:00 PM – Staff Meeting
1:30 PM – Millie Beneke with Communion
6:30 PM – Financial Peace
7:00 PM – Youth Board
7:00 PM – Men's Network

Wed. Feb. 14 **Ash Wednesday**
2:00 PM – Lent Worship
3:15 PM – Christ Chimes
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM – Public School Catechism
6:15 PM – Senior Choir
6:00 PM – Gospel Ringers
7:00 PM – Lent Worship

Thurs. Feb. 15 8:10 AM – FLS Chapel (Mrs. Welch)
6:30 PM – Church Council

Sun. Feb. 18 8:00 AM – Divine Service with Communion
9:00 AM – Fellowship: Deacons
9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:30 AM – Divine Service
NO I.M.P.A.C.T.

Youth Winter Retreat at Cragun's Resort (Friday, February 16th – Sunday, February 18th)



COMMUNION POLICY: We believe that the Lord's Supper is a Sacrament in which Christ's Body and Blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 26:26-28). When we receive Holy Communion at a church, we show that we agree with the faith that is taught there (1 Cor. 10:14-18). St. Paul cautions us about receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in an unworthy manner (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, we invite to Holy Communion those who have received instruction in the teachings of the Lutheran Church and who agree with the confession of faith as taught in the LCMS. If you are not a member of an LCMS church, we kindly ask that you speak to one of the pastors.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Mark 9:6 – "For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified." Soon enough, the disciples' terror turned into joy for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity – for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

NEW SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Begins today Sunday, February 11th. Please join us at 9:15 AM in the Fellowship Center as we begin our study on the important subject of prayer.

"What is prayer?" That's a simple enough question and a natural place to start our 12-week journey. Maybe just as good a question is "What isn't prayer?" This, too, we will investigate in the sessions ahead. Very simply, prayer is speaking to God what is in our hearts. Prayer is not a means through which God speaks to us; God speaks to us through His Word. In prayer, then, we have the privilege of striking up a conversation with our Creator. He speaks to us through His Word, and we respond to Him through prayer.

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AGENDAS: for Church Council have been emailed. Please contact the church office if you'd like a copy.

ALTAR GUILD: will meet on Monday, February 12th at 7:00 PM.

LENT WORSHIP: This year's midweek Lenten theme is "Psalms of the Penitent". Join us on Ash Wednesday, Wednesday, February 14th for services at 2 PM or 7 PM as we focus on Psalm 6 "What It Is to Be Penitent".



Upcoming Events at First Lutheran

11th ANNUAL FLS SILENT AUCTION & LUNCHEON: is scheduled for Sunday, March 4, 2018. Take the day off from cooking and enjoy a delicious pulled pork meal while placing your bid on the various items up for grabs. Mark your calendar & come support FLS!

FIRST EDITION BOOK CLUB: is now reading Karen Kingsbury's Love Story. We will meet on Tuesday, February 20th, at 7 pm at Linda Donnan's home. Contact the church office with questions or for more information.

FLS OPEN HOUSE/PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: is Thursday, February 22nd from 6:30-7:30 PM. All interested families are encouraged to attend and see first-hand how God's love is shared with students as they learn about His wonderful world! Registration for preschool and kindergarten will take place as well as open house for all grades. INVITE others!

Fundraisers

FLS POPCORN SALES: Now through Wednesday, February 21st orders can be placed with any FLS student or in the church office for popcorn. Please make checks payable to FLS. Thank you for your support!

Opportunities to Share Your Time, Talent, and Treasures

2018 RADIO BROADCASTS: Sponsorships are available for the months of March-December. Broadcasts are \$185 each if purchased before April 1st. Please contact the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast during 2018.

DONATE TO THE 11TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION & LUNCHEON: Donations are being accepted for this year's FLS Silent Auction & Luncheon. To make a donation or volunteer, please contact the church office or a Flames Booster member: Jen Goff, Becky Edwards, or Alissa Hanson. If you plan to leave a donation in the workroom, please include a note with the value of the item as well as the name of the donor. We want to extend our gratitude to those who donate and support FLS!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECTS: Help the 7th and 8th grade Sunday School class reach our goal of making 50 "Birthday Blessing Bags" for the Food Shelf by continuing to bring your donations until February 25th. Items needed include: Cake mixes, frostings, party favors, party bags, etc. (See box in Entry area for complete list, or the February Newsletter). We are also still collecting toiletry items. We want to thank everyone who has donated to this project so far. We are excited to complete this service project and thank you for your support!

May I have your attention please?

ANGEL SEEDS: for the first quarter (January, February, and March) have been designated to support the Idaho Servant Adventures Mission Trip. Please consider supporting the youth from FLC attending the 2018 mission trip!

GIFT CERTIFICATES: for the FLS Silent Auction are available for purchase in any amount you wish. Stop in the school or church office to purchase. Give them to your friends and family. Encourage them to be a part of this FUN event!

HANDBELLS: During the season of Lent, hand bell practice will take place in the church basement.

OFFERING STATEMENTS: In an effort to reduce the cost of postage, offering statements ARE AVAILABLE for pick up outside the church office. Stop by the table near the south entrance on your way home and collect your statement today! Feel free to help your family and friends by grabbing theirs as well and dropping it off for them. We appreciate your help!

SUPPORT FLS WHEN YOU SHOP: Whether you're buying gifts or every day essentials, shop for everything on your list at smile.amazon.com/ch/41-0724073 and Amazon donates to FLS! You **SHOP**. Amazon **DONATES**. It all adds up!

Thank you

FLAMES OF FAITH: would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to our program. We appreciate your generosity and continued support!

MCLEOD EMERGENCY FOOD SHELF: would like to THANK all those who contribute to their mission during 2017. A total of 1395 pounds (1 pound is equivalent to \$1.00) and \$275 was collected for the food shelf on behalf of FLS and FLC. Without YOU, none of this would be possible!

MEN'S CLUB: The Men's Club wishes to thank all who attended the 67th Annual Men's Club Potato Pancake & Sausage Dinner on February 4. A special thanks to all of the workers for their hard work and help. Thank you again for your help, attendance, and support! There are **LEFTOVER SAUSAGES** available for purchase in the fellowship center today following worship services.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL CONGRATULATES US: Through our member recommendations, our Church received \$8,020 and our School \$8,851 in 2017! Many thanks to our faithful members. We are blessed in so many ways by your generosity.

Reminder: The 2017 Choice Dollars expire on March 31, 2018.

VALENTINE'S DINNER: A very big Thank You to all of those involved with preparing and attending the annual Valentine's dinner, especially Mark & Sheila Schmitz for cooking, Gabby Fountain for decorating, the youth and parents that volunteered, as well as all of those in attendance.



Measure of Our Stewardship: These amounts are posted and non-posted sums as of the date provided. They are not reconciled to any bank statement at the time of this publication.

FISCAL YEAR: Jul 1, 2017 – Feb 10, 2018 (33 of 52 weeks)
Receipts *General Fund* (only): \$ 680,004.92
Expenses (*General Fund* only): \$ 735,308.29
Abundance or (Shortfall) to Date (\$ 55,303.37)

DEBT REDUCTION Receipts: Jul. 1, 2017 – Feb 10, 2018
Total Receipts to Date: \$ 20,480

Boiler Donations: 57,398.55

Attendance 02/04/18 – 02/10/18

<u>Worship Total:</u>	340
8:00 AM Service:	169
10:30 AM Service:	171
Communed:	140
Visitors:	7
<u>Sunday School Total:</u>	56
Adult:	25
Children:	31

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