

ANNOUNCEMENTS AUGUST 10, 2025

CYF VOLUNTEER TRAINING 25-26 HAS MOVED ONLINE!

We will **not** gather for in-person training today. Instead, look at your email inbox for a training kit of videos, readings, and check-in quizzes. Please complete these items when it works in your schedule before <u>Rally Sunday Aug 24th!</u> Look for an invitation to a Leader Huddle on the first day of Journey or Confirmation.

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF CYF VOLUNTEERS!

If you are interested please scan the QR code or contact Rose or Emily. If you might be interested, but are hesitant or have questions and would like to chat about it, please contact Rose or Pastor Jess to set up a time to visit.



MINISTRY PARTNER VISIT – UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CENTER

Pastor Cassandra Lamb will preach and share about our Ministry Partner University Lutheran Center on August 17th. You're invited to join her for a forum after worship (10:10am) in the MCH Meeting Room to learn more about the ministry we share. Getting to know our ELCA Ministry Partners expands our view of the Body of Christ and how we can be church together. Coffee and treats will be provided.

HELP SUPPORT THE ULC STUDENTS

Help the ULC Kick Off the new school year! Choose a tag from the display near the Welcome Center in the Coffeehouse representing the most desired items for our campus ministry partner just down the road. Return the wish list item to the same spot. For monetary items, please bring or mail to the church office. Thanks for your continued partnership!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, September 28th between services in the activity center.

DOWNSIZING? CLEANING CLOSETS? PFPP NEEDS DONATIONS

Purses for a Powerful Purpose is again taking donations of used and in good condition purses, jewelry and Christmas decorations. Donations can be brought to the Welcome Center desk Monday – Thursday from 8am-2pm or on Sunday mornings. If you need to make other arrangements or have any questions, please contact Mary Moeller at 605-690-8862.

FREEZER MEALS AVAILABLE

Women of First Lutheran Church, (WELCA) have prepared frozen crock pot meals for anyone going through a rough patch or perhaps a trying time in their life. You can pick up a meal or two for delivery to a friend from the freezer in the Fellowship Hall kitchen (FLC basement, middle room). WELCA has prepared crock pot chicken pot pie stew and beef stew. Instructions for cooking in a crock pot are available on the freezer. Funds for these meals were provided by Thrivent and FLC Mission Quilters.

PRESCHOOOL OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE

First Lutheran Preschool still has a few openings available for the 2025/2026 school year. If you would like to register a child you may print off a Registration Form located on the church website (firstlutheranbrookings.org) under preschool, or you may email sueann@firstlutheranbrookings.org or call the Preschool Office at 605-697-2756, or for more information. We offer preschool classes to children that are 3, 4 and 5 years old. We also offer a Jr K class. Children must be three years old by September 1 and potty trained to attend.

SERVING OPPORTUNITY AT LAUNDRY WITH LOVE

First Lutheran and Lake Whitewood Lutheran Churches are serving our siblings at Laundry with Love, a ministry of the SD ELCA Synod, from 3-7pm on Tuesday, August 26th at 701 Cliff Ave, Sioux Falls South Dakota. You are invited to help serve (welcome guests, prepare a meal, serve the meal, and distribute donations) on that day. We will also be collecting donations of food items to prepare the meal. All are welcome. To sign up and/or donate, check



the QR code or see Intern Hannah or Emily. All non-perishable food donations are due at FLC by 08/17, and perishable food items are due by noon 08/25. Drop off food donations in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.

PLEASE NOTE

We will be going back to two services on Sunday September 7th. Traditional service at 8:30 and Contemporary service at 10:30.

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

The new offering envelopes for September 2025 – August 2026 are now available in the church office and at each Sanctuary entrance. There are 2 versions available: monthly or weekly.

Mission of the month for August is Days For Girls

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 10 - AUGUST 17

Sunday, August 10

9:00 am Worship Service

Monday, August 11

9:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Sew What

Tuesday, August 12

8:30 am Quilters

2:00 pm Bible Study in Mission Coffeehouse

Wednesday, August 13

Thursday, August 14 – deadline for Annual Report submissions

Friday, August 15

Saturday, August 16

Sunday, August 17 – 3 year old Welcome to Worship; Back to School Blessing

9:00 am Worship Service

10:00 am Budget Forum in Mission Coffeehouse meeting room

Only First Lutheran activities are listed on the schedule on the back page. For a complete list of activities held at First Lutheran, please visit the First Lutheran website – www.firstlutheranbrookings.org

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL EDUCATION SIGN UP IS AVAILABLE NOW

Please scan the QR code to register ALL children ages newborn – 12th grade for nursery, Jr. Journey, Journey, confirmation or youth group. Rally Sunday is August 24th and the first full night of Wednesday activities will be August 27th. If you have questions, please see Rose or Emily.



BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

It's that time of year again! In worship on August 17th we will be blessing everyone going back to school! We will have a special gift to share with you to remind you that God's got your back! Can't make it? See Emily for a blessing.

3 YEAR OLD WELCOME TO WORSHIP STEPPNGSTONE

Children are always welcome in worship at FLC. We want to extend a special invitation to all children who will be 3 years old by August 24th to join us in worship on August 17th. They will receive a blessing and their very own worship bag to help them engage their bodies and minds as they worship. Please RSVP to Emily at emily@firstlutheranbrookings.org.

RALLY SUNDAY

Come on down to the FLC Fair to jumpstart the upcoming school year! Rally Sunday will take place on Sunday, August 24th. Games, walking tacos, face painting and more will be happening from 10a – 12p! Come and join the fun as we kick off an amazing year!

1ST CYF GATHERINGS

August 27th will be our first **WEDNESDAY CYF** night! A meal of grilled hot dogs, beans, chips and a cookie will be served from 5pm – 6pm. Following the meal, Journey with a Parent meeting will start at 6pm. Confirmation, with parents, and Youth Group will also start that night at 7pm. The first **SUNDAY JOURNEY** gathering will be Sunday August 31st at 10am following 9am worship. If you have any questions please reach out the Rose or Emily! Can't wait to see you all there!!!