

FIRST LUTHERAN BROOKINGS

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Pastor David B. Zellmer
August 15, 2021
Time after Pentecost

August 15 Readings: *Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58*
August 22 Readings: *Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20;*
John 6:56-69

THE WORSHIP SERVICE OF FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH is broadcast each Sunday morning over KBRK (1430 AM) at 11:00 am. *If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please call or stop in the church office. The cost of a broadcast is \$60.00.*

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE who would be interested in joining the rotation as a baptism representative during Sunday services when we have a baptism! Please call Jo at 692-6251 if you are interested! Thank you!

FUNERAL WORKERS NEEDED! The policy at First Lutheran at this time is that all funeral meals will be catered. However, we still need volunteers (men and women) for set up, serving, and clean up. If you would like to help with this important mission, please contact Judy Alickson at judy.alickson@gmail.com or call 695-6992.

DO YOU HAVE OR WOULD LIKE TO GET A CDL LICENSE? We may have the opportunity to offer rides to our homebound congregational members this Fall and have the use of a BATA bus. That would require drivers with a CDL license. This would be a shared opportunity with Ascension Lutheran, so we would need drivers once or twice a month. If you would be interested in this mission and would like more information, please contact Diane Almos by calling 692-6251 or email at diane@firstlutheranbrookings.org by August 15th. First Lutheran may be able to assist in the cost of obtaining a CDL license if there is interest!

A VERY SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE COUNCIL!

Greeting First Lutheran Family,

On Sunday, August 1st, we held a special congregational meeting to vote on calling Pastors Jess and Trey Daum as Senior and Associate Pastors. Both votes were favorable, with 83% voting to call Pastor Jess as Senior Pastor and 89% voting to call Pastor Trey as Associate Pastor. The Letters of Call and supporting documentation were sent to the SD Synod office, and we are happy to announce that **both Pastor Jess and Pastor Trey have accepted our Letters of Call**. We are beyond excited to have Pastors Jess and Trey join us at First Lutheran! They will bring vibrant ideas and new perspectives. Their first day in the office will be September 27th, and their first Sunday with us will be October 3rd.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our congregation during this time. We ask that you keep Pastor Jess, Pastor Trey, and their family in your prayers as they button up their current calls and make the move to South Dakota. Please also keep Pastor Dave in your prayers as he finishes his time with us. And continue to keep our congregation in your prayers as we transition into a new chapter at First Lutheran.

Pastors Jess and Trey also have a note for us:

Hello Friends in Christ, we are honored and excited to accept the calls you've extended to us to serve as your pastors. We face the days ahead with many emotions and a long to-do list. In the whirlwind of transition, we trust that God is with us and will guide us all into the time ahead. We look forward to calling Brookings home. We await getting to know each of you, hearing how God is active in your lives, and writing the next chapter of our faith stories together. We'd be grateful if you'd pray for our family, including Ruby who will begin first grade and Calvin and August who are 4 years old, as we transition into this new call with you. We will be praying for you as you navigate the weeks ahead. Meanwhile, "be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord" (Psalm 31:24).

In Christ's love,

Pastor Jess and Pastor Trey Daum

Blessings,

Church Council

MISSION TRIP Visit with Dee and others about the possibilities for an upcoming Belize mission trip between and after church services on August 15, 9:30 am or 11:30 am in the Mission Coffee House meeting room. For more information, text or call Dee Shanley at 605-690-8460.

NURSERY COORDINATOR We are looking to fill the open position of nursery coordinator. Duties would include hiring and training staff and creating the staffing schedule. For a more detailed job description, please contact Youth and Family Director Kari York at 692-6251. This is a paid position.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY AT 2:00 PM – Led by Pastor Zellmer, the Gospel of Mark Bible Study on Tuesday, August 17 at 2 PM in the parlor. All are welcome! BYOB (Bible) with no other resources required. The group will NOT meet on August 24 and 31. Watch for more information on the September Bible Study! Please contact Mary Moeller at 605-690-8862 if you prefer a Zoom link.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY TO RESUME ON TUESDAYS IN SEPTEMBER! Please join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Parlor beginning September 21st for bible study, book study and fellowship. Feel free to join us in Zoom if in-person does not work for you! Please contact Tiff Lewis at tifflewis6411@gmail.com if you would like to join us. We hope to see you there!

CALLING ALL JOURNEY TO DISCIPLESHIP VOLUNTEERS! We continue to pray for more Journey to Discipleship (church school) Volunteers. With enough volunteers we can minimize the commitment time of those volunteering. We offer nursery care for children 0-3 during Youth Programming to allow families to be involved in their child's faith formations. Volunteer trainings will be held on Sunday, August 29 @ Noon in the Parlor OR Wednesday, September 1 @ 6:00 pm in the Parlor. (Each training is about 1.5 hours and you only need attend once.) A light meal will be served. After time away in this changing world, volunteer training is more important than ever. If you signed up to or wish to volunteer in the Journey to Discipleship program Wednesdays or Sundays, contact Kari York at faithformations@firstlutheranbrookings.org or 605-692-2751 and indicate August 29, September 1 or other.

STUDENTS, INSTRUCTORS, THOSE WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN... Plan to attend worship on Sunday, August 22 for our back to school blessing where your church family will pray over you, bless you and send you out with a reminder that you are LOVED!!

RSVP FOR THE 3RD GRADE BIBLE STEPPING STONES on Wednesday, September 8 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Participants will be blessed at either service on Sunday, September 12.

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT RALLY DAY??? We are coming back in style. On Sunday, September 12 from 11:30-1:30 we are celebrating our FLC family, upcoming programs, and new beginnings. SDSU ice cream will be served by President & Mrs. Dunn, plus a blow up slide with obstacle course, music, food truck, crafts, basketball competition, ga-ga ball, cake walk, service project, puzzles, sidewalk chalk, picture booth and so much more. Don't miss this, bring your friends, bring your family, bring your neighbors. We can't wait to see you!!!!

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR FALL CHURCH SCHOOL PROGRAMMING? Journey to Discipleship is for children 3-5th grade. We offer a Sunday and Wednesday option. Classes are forming now. Use the QR code to register today:



For more information or to register early, contact Kari York at faithformations@firstlutheranbrookings or 605-692-6251

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PERSONAL CARE KITS

Lutheran World Relief is a ministry serving communities living in poverty around the world. Previously, the FLCW collected and packed personal care kits to be sent to Lutheran World Relief to be distributed around the world. We thank them for their time and devotion. Jayden Almos and Jazlynn Pederson are now looking forward to the opportunity to carry this mission forward, and ask for your help in collecting the required items. Please find the collection box in the Narthex. You can help now by donating a personal care kit or a donation of money to help cover shipping costs. Please make checks out to First Lutheran Church (please write "care kits" on memo line.)

Each kit needs the following items:

- 1 light or medium weight bath-size towel (52" X 27") – dark color.
- 2 bath-size bars (4-5 oz.) soap in original wrapping
- 1 adult size toothbrush in packaging (may be sealed in an envelope)
- 1 sturdy comb (remove packaging)
- 1 metal nail clippers (remove packaging)

All items should be new. Please wrap all the items in the towel and tie with ribbon or yarn OR you can donate individual items and we will assemble the kits.