

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

MINISTRY PARTNER VISIT: SHEPHERD'S TABLE

Special guest Pastor Sawyer Vanden Heuvel is joining us today to preach and share about our Ministry Partner: Shepherd's Table. Join him for a forum at 9:35am between worship services 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.



Support our Ministry Partner Shepherd's Table as they extend the table of God's love to all! You can give a special offering for the sake of their ministry on our behalf online by following the QR code, or leave your gift in the baskets at the sanctuary entrances today only. Thank you!

DEEPENING OUR FAITH TOGETHER: LUTHERAN 101

You are invited to join us for a 5-week Bible Study beginning Wednesday, September 17, 6:15-7:15pm. Whether you are a lifelong Lutheran, interested in becoming a Lutheran, or just want to dive more into the Lutheran theology, come join us. Let's explore what it means to be a Lutheran Christian and where is God in all this? "Come let us reason together..." (Isaiah 1:18). As always, ALL are welcome. This 5-week class will focus on what we believe about God, humanity, forgiveness of sins, the Sacraments, and the Church, among other topics. All resources are provided. Interested? Sign up in the church office or contact Intern Hannah at hannah@firstlutheranbrookings.org.

DONATE BLOOD – SAVE A LIFE

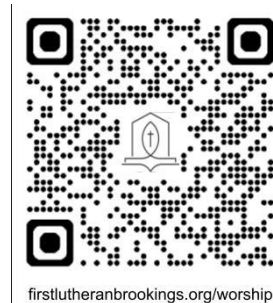
The next blood drive at FLC will be held on September 11th from 10am – 4pm in the Activity Center. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Debbie Pederson at 605-691-1803 or email her at lolaruby1977@gmail.com.

WELCA BIBLE STUDY

Money, stewardship and generosity Session one Money: What do we treasure? WELCA Bible Study meets on September 18 in the FLC Parlor at 10:00 am. Session one can be found in GatherMagazine.org. It is free to download.

VOLUNTEER ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Worship services are a great opportunity to share in ministry together! We're looking for new voices and hands to join our First Lutheran Readers and Ushers. Whether you want to proclaim God's Word, be the first friendly face to greet people, or help members and guests participate in worship together, your gifts are needed. Please sign up in the church office or scan here to learn more.



SANCTUARY CHOIR SETS 1ST PRACTICE

There will be a Sanctuary Choir organizational meeting and short rehearsal Sept. 10th at 7:00 pm. The choir will be singing Sunday, Sept. 14th. The choir schedules through December will be available. New members ALWAYS welcome.

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. Return the wish list item to the same spot. For monetary items, please bring or mail to the church office. Thanks for your continued support!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PERSONAL CARE KIT COLLECTION

We're collecting personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. You can help by donating a full kit, individual items, or a monetary donation to cover shipping costs (checks can be made out to First Lutheran Church with "care kits" in the memo line). Each kit should include new items only and be wrapped in the towel and tied with ribbon or yarn. Items for each kit: 1 dark, lightweight bath towel (20"x40" to 52"x27"); 2-3 bars of unopened bath-size soap (8-9 oz.); 1 unopened adult toothbrush; 1 sturdy comb; 1 set of nail-clippers. Collection boxes are in the Mission Coffeehouse and in the Church Narthex.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, Sept. 28th between services in the gym.

**Mission of the month for September is
Brookings School District Child Wellness Fund**

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER 7 - SEPTEMBER 14
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Sunday, September 7

8:30 am	Traditional Worship Service
9:30 am	Journey (meet with parents) Shepherd's Table Mission Moment – MCH Meeting Room
10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Service
11:30 am	Kindergarten Steppingstone – Learning to Pray Class

Monday, September 8

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

Tuesday, September 9

8:30 am	Quilters
9:00 am	Medary Conference Pastor's Meeting
2:00 pm	Bible Study in Mission Coffeehouse

Wednesday, September 10

5:00 pm	Meal
5:45 pm	Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm	Journey
7:00 pm	Confirmation, Youth Group, 9 th grade meeting w/parents Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 11 - Oct/Nov Newsletter deadline

10:00 – 4:00	Blood Drive
11:30 am	Brookings Ministerial Association Meeting
6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting

Friday, September 12**Saturday, September 13****Sunday, September 14 – Kindergarten Steppingstone Blessing @ both services**

8:30 am	Traditional Worship Service
9:30 am	Journey
10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Service

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

2026 SUMMER YOUTH TRIP INTEREST MEETING

Wanting to find more information about next summer's trip? Youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us on September 17th at 7pm in the Youth Room to learn more about our trip scheduled for summer 2026! If you can't attend, please email Rose and she would love to tell you more about it. Youth in 8th grade who are interested will find out more at confirmation that same night.

1ST GRADE STEPPINGSTONE – LEARNING TO SHARE

Parents of 1st graders: Mark your calendars for October 1st at 6pm for our 1st Grade Steppingstone - Learning to Share. Be on the look out for more information!



UPCOMING CYF EVENTS

- Sunday September 7th: 9:30am: Journey (with Parents); 11:30am: Kindergarten Learning to Pray Steppingstone
- Wednesday September 10th: 7:00pm: 9th Grade Night (with Parents)
- Sunday September 14th: Kindergarten Learning to Pray Blessing - both services
- Wednesday September 17th: 7:00pm: 2026 Summer trip interest meeting
- Wednesday October 1st: 6:00pm: 1st Grade Steppingstone class - Learning to Share
- Sunday October 5th: 1st Grade Learning to Share Blessing - both services
- Wednesday October 8th: Harvestfest
- Sunday October 12th: Journey Together (All ages meet together in the Fellowship Hall)

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL MENUS

September 10th: Sloppy Joes, Chips, Corn, Fruit and Pudding

September 17th: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans and Fruit

September 24th: Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Bread Stick, Carrot & Celery Stick, Fruit