

Pastor Jess Daum & Pastor Trey Daum November 28, 2021 First Sunday of Advent

November 28 Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36 December 5 Readings: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

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.



PROJECT JOY DONATIONS Christmas is a time of year when family needs are intensified and many families are not able to provide toys for their children. Project Joy ensures that children in Brookings County have the opportunity to receive holiday gifts. Please help Project Joy provide gifts by donating new, unused toys for children up to 12 years of age. There will be a bin in the Narthex and one in the coffee shop if you would like to drop off gifts. Thank you for helping provide children a happier Christmas.

PURSES FOR A POWERFUL PURPOSE Join us on Friday, December 10 at 11:30 for the salad and dessert luncheon! Tickets are 20.00 and can be purchased through Diane at the Welcome Desk or calling Virginia Heesch at 605-695-0045. You can shop the event December 10-12. We are still accepting gently used purses, jewelry and Christmas décor.

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY

• Did you know that our app has changed? Children's Ministry uses the App to provide updates. You need to download the new app to get notifications. Directions can be found on the Children, Youth, & Family Ministry HUB (CYF HUB).

• We are looking for more volunteers to help with the Sunday JTD program which runs from 9:40 am – 10:25 am. Please contact Kari if interested.

November 28th NO JOURNEY due to Thanksgiving Holiday

• Wednesday, December 8 Journey will include the Christmas Program practice – Sunday students are encouraged to attend

 Saturday, December 11 Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal (Please notify Kari York if your child/children will NOT be participating in the Christmas Program – <u>faithformations@firstlutheranbrookings.org</u>)

• Sunday, December 12 Christmas Program at 10:30 am worship service

• Watch out for information on Journey training to be held **mid December**!





Wednesday, December 1, 2021

First Lutheran Church will be hosting an Advent Fest filled with singing songs of the season, a craft, and fellowship. (NO JOURNEY!) A good will offering meal will be served from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm. At 6:00 – 6:30 there will be a Christmas sing a long in the sanctuary, followed by activities in the Mission Coffee House. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors! We look forward to celebrating with you!

FIRST LUTHERAN HOLY HUDDLES Our new pastors would love to get together with you to listen and learn about our congregation and community! We hope **you** will host or attend a Holy Huddle. For more info or get set up to host a Holy Huddle, visit the online sign up or call or email the church office. www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AAA92FA2FCC61-holy

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY AT 2:00 PM – Bible Study has resumed in the church parlor. ALL are welcome! Please contact Mary Moeller at 605-690-8862 if you prefer a Zoom link to attend virtually.

INTERESTED IN BEING ON THE FLC AUDIT COMMITTEE? Current members Judy Odegaard and Deb Pederson would love to add you to their group! Please contact <u>council@firstlutheranbrookings.org</u> if you are interested.

BELIZE MISSION TRIP DATES are set for Feb. 19 - 27, 2022. The team will be serving at a camp for children and families with special needs. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Dee Shanley through FB or Mary Moeller at 605-690-8862.

CAN YOU HELP? Please call Mary at 690-8862 if you have any time to help with displays on Thursday, Dec. 9. This will be a big day for the Belize Mission team as we are laying out hundreds of purses, pieces of jewelry, scarves, and Christmas decor in the MCHS gym. We are grateful for the donations and excited about the quantity and quality of these gently used pieces. Our sale starts Friday, Dec. 10 at 9 A.M. with proceeds supporting the Belize ministry and Dee Shanley's work there.

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY! On Tuesday, November 16th, we began a new six-week study focusing on advent and getting ready for Christmas. We are going to be using the book "Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent" by Amy-Jill Levine. We would love to have YOU join us in person in the MCH Meeting Room or via Zoom! Please contact Tiff Lewis if you have any questions (605-690-8111 or tifflewis6411@gmail.com).

BROOKINGS COUNTY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS First Lutheran is collecting non-perishable food items for the food pantries in our community. Collection boxes are placed at the entrances to the Sanctuary. Food wish list right now: chili, chili beans, chunky soup, canned carrots, corn, mandarin oranges, pineapple, oatmeal, cereal, pancake mix, pancake syrup, low sugar food items, and gluten free items.

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR NOV.28 – DEC. 5

Sunday, November 28		
8:30 a.m.	I	
10:30 a.m.	Praise Worship Service	
Monday, Nov	ember 29	
9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	
5:30 p.m.	"Sew What" – North Fellowship Hall	
Tuesday, Nov	ember 30	
8:00 a.m.	Mission Quilters – North Fellowship Hall	
2:00 p.m.	Bible Study – Parlor	
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study – Parlor	
Wednesday, I	December 1	
5:00 p.m.	Meal	
6:00 p.m.	Faithful Family Advent Event	
6:15 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Practice - MCH Meeting Room	
7:15 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice	
Thursday, De	cember 2	
Friday, Decen	nber 3	
Saturday, Dec	cember 4	
Sunday, Dece	mber 5	
8:30 a.m.	Festival Worship Service with Holy Communion	
9:40 a.m.	Journey to Discipleship Program Practice	
10.20		

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Only First Lutheran activities are listed on this schedule. For a complete list of activities held at First Lutheran, please view the calendar on the main office bulletin board or the First Lutheran website – <u>www.firstlutheranbrookings.org</u>

MCH MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER: Good Gifts

Honor friends and loved ones with gifts that grow and transform lives. All your donations support long-term sustainable solutions that ensure that people who live in poverty have a chance at new life.

Mini Series on Stewardship: "Living a Legacy"

Stewardship is taking good care of what God has given us. How is God calling you to use what you have faithfully? How is God challenging you to go and grow as a steward?

Your offering to our congregation supports our shared ministries, including:

- Worship Connecting people with God's life-giving Good News through Word, Sacrament, song, and prayer, in person and across distance by radio and online service
- Journey to Discipleship Teaching children and youth ages 3 to 12 about God's love
- **Confirmation Ministry** Helping young people in 6th-10th grade live lives of faith and service
- The Mission Coffee House -Changing the world one cup of coffee at a time
- First Lutheran Preschool Providing children with a fun Christian learning environment

This Week: Personal Planning Worksheet to Start, Continue, or Increase Your Intentional Giving

- 1. How much would you like to give per week as your offering?
- 2. What is your current weekly giving amount?
- 3. Which method of giving works best for you at this time?

□ Give Online

Visit **firstlutheranbrookings.org/give** to set up a one-time or recurring financial gift, Once set up, the process can be used through the church website or mobile app.

□ Give by Automatic Withdrawal

ACH Giving Forms are easy to complete and can be found this week near the offering plate at each Sanctuary entrance. After filling out this form, the church will automatically withdraw the amount you designate as your monthly offering.

□ Give In Person

When you worship you can place your cash or check offering in the plate, or you can drop it off at the church office.

□ Mail A Check

If getting to church is difficult, or you live at a distance, you are invited to send your check by mail to First Lutheran Church, ATTN: Financial Secretary, PO Box 300, Brookings, SD 57006.

4. What step(s) will you take to follow through on your giving intentions?



As we celebrate God's love in the gift of Jesus Christ, our thoughts often turn to other loved ones. The display of poinsettias is one way to remember those special people. From December 24th–26th, we will decorate the Sanctuary with these living reminders of love. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, please fill out this form or a form in the church office along with a check/cash for \$12.00. We will order the poinsettias from one source to insure that all are uniform and of good quality. Poinsettias given in honor of, as a memorial, or for thankfulness will be listed in the announcements on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The list will indicate who has given the poinsettia and for what reason. If you order a poinsettia, you may pick it up after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service on December 26th. Poinsettias that are not picked up by December 28th will be redistributed. **The order deadline is December 6th.**

In memory of:	
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In honor of: ______

In thankfulness for: _____

Given by: _____