FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
BROOKINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS
November 15, 2026

NOISY OFFERING: TODAY
First Lutheran is caring for neighbors in need as we partner with Feeding Brookings for their annual Thanksgiving meal distribution. Today at the end of the Children's Sermon, we will "noisily" collect your offerings to help us support this vital community feeding ministry.

2027 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL UPDATE
As of Monday morning 11/9, we have received a 2027 statement of intent from 90 households! We are well on our way to our goal of 165, which will unlock a generous $20,000 challenge gift. The response is inspiring: 89% of households are maintaining or increasing their support, with 68% choosing to step up their giving. These increases represent over $60,000 in additional pledged support so far!

If you haven't submitted your form yet, extra copies are at the Sanctuary entrances, or you can submit it online at firstlutheranbrookings.org/give.
Thank you for making ministry possible at First Lutheran!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FLC?
We would love to have you join our community of faith as an official member.
Fall New Member events are coming up!

*New Member Dinner & Class: **Thursday, November 19th** 6-7:30pm in the Mission Coffeehouse. Childcare available.

*Welcome Sunday: **Sunday, November 22nd** - at both services with a reception between services.

For more information or to sign up contact Pastor Jess at pastorjess@firstlutheranbrookings.org.

WELCA NOVEMBER GATHERING
Thursday, November 19, please join us to study the Bold Faith of Mary Magdalene. We will use session three of the Fall issue of Gather Magazine. Please join us in the Parlor at 10:00 am. All women are welcome.

2026 ADVENT FEST – December 16th

Come celebrate Advent with the beautiful sound of music! Join us on **Wednesday, December 16th** for a special evening of music, fellowship, and food as we welcome Larry Olson and Karol Baer from Dakota Road for a wonderful Advent concert.

MEAL | 5:00–6:00 PM

Free-will donation meal featuring: Chili, Chicken & Wild Rice Soup, or Gluten-Free/Dairy-Free Tomato Soup, served with bread, fruit, and a cookie

ADVENT CONCERT | 6:00–7:30 PM

Bring your family and friends and join us as we prepare our hearts for the Advent season through beautiful music, good food, and fellowship.

Everyone is welcome! We hope to see you there!

THIS DECEMBER: ALL OF FIRST LUTHERAN, ON THE SAME PAGE

Comfort and Joy · A free devotional for Advent and Christmas

This December, First Lutheran is spending time together with a shared devotional. Pick up a free copy of *Comfort and Joy,* devotions for Advent and Christmas. Each day includes a short reading, devotion, and prayer. Read it over morning coffee, at the supper table, or by the glow of an Advent wreath.

Free copies are at worship entrances starting this morning. Take one home for you and your family. Visit firstlutheranbrookings.org/comfort for large print and digital editions, as well as opportunities for online evening worship gatherings, music for the season, video greetings from around the Church, and more.

Same pages. Same prayers. One First Lutheran.

COME AND GROW WITH FIRST LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

There is a special place waiting for the little one in your life in our First Lutheran Preschool classes. We offer preschool classes for children that are 3, 4 and 5 years old, including half day, full day and Junior Kindergarten. We also now offer a 7:45am drop off option. Call or email to tour our bright and engaging classrooms and meet our compassionate and expert staff. For more information or to get started, call the Preschool Office at 605-697-2756, email kami@firstlutheranbrookings.org, check our Facebook page, or visit the FLC website, www.firstlutheranbrookings.org/preschool

Mission of the month for November is Project Joy

All "Tip Jar" donations in the Mission Coffeehouse go to the Mission of the Month

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER 15 – NOVEMBER 22

Sunday, November 15
8:30 am Traditional Worship w/Holy Communion
9:40 am Journey
10:30 am Contemporary Worship w/Holy Communion

Monday, November 16
9:30 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Sew What
6;00 pm Church Council - Parlor

Tuesday, November 17
8:30 am Quilters
1:30 pm Bible Study

Wednesday, November 18
5:00 pm Meal
5:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Journey; 3rd Grade "Holy Communion" Steppingstone Class #2
7:00 pm Confirmation; Youth Group; Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 19
10:00 am WELCA
6:00 pm New member welcome class - MCH

Friday, November 20

Saturday, November 21

Sunday, November 22
3rd Grade Steppingstone Blessing; New Member Installation
8:30 am Traditional Worship w/Holy Communion
9:40 am Journey
10:30 am Contemporary Worship w/Holy Communion

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

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS
All are welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings from 5-6pm in the MCH for a freewill offering supper before Wednesday night activities begin.

MENUS:

November 18th – Sloppy Joes, Chips, Fruit, Cookie and Milk
December 2nd - Chicken Nuggets, Smiley Fries, Corn, Fruit, Pudding and Milk
December 9th – Spaghetti, Garlic Bread Stick, Green Beans, Fruit and Milk

UPCOMING CYF EVENTS

Journey: Pre-k thru 5th grade; Confirmation: 6th thru 8th grade;
Youth Group: 9th thru 12th grade

- **November 13, 14 & 15:** Retreat for MS & HS Youth at NeSoDak
- **November 15** (Sunday)
  9:30am – Journey
- **November 18** (Wednesday)
  5:00pm - Supper (freewill offering, open to all)
  6:00pm – Journey; 3rd Grade "Holy Communion" Steppingstone Class #2
  7:00pm - Confirmation; Youth Group
- **November 22** (Sunday) **3rd Grade "Holy Communion" Steppingstone Blessing at both services**
  9:30am – Journey
- **November 25** (Wednesday) NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING
- **November 29** (Sunday) NO JOURNEY
- **December 2** (Wednesday)
  5:00pm - Supper (freewill offering, open to all)
  6:00pm – Journey
  7:00pm - Confirmation; Youth Group; 9th Grade Night