

Pastor Jess Daum & Pastor Trey Daum January 28, 2024

Jan 28 Readings: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28 Feb 4 Readings: Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

MEALS ON WHEELS – Sign-Up Today! Still a couple spots left!

First Lutheran is scheduled to deliver Meals-on-Wheels from **January 29 through February 9**. Please sign up for a slot(s) in the church office. It is a great way to care for our community. It is also a wonderful example of caring for others to set for young children - they can ride along and help distribute meals! If you can help with this valuable ministry, please call or sign up in the church office! Thank you!

KID'S NIGHT OUT!

Do you have children between the ages of 0-10? Looking for a time to celebrate Valentine's Day or just want some quiet time to clean the house? **FLC youth are hosting a "Kids Night Out!" a fundraising event on Friday February 9th!** There will be games, movies, crafts, and more! The event will run from 5-8pm. Sign up by February 6th <u>https://forms.gle/o4eQ7dKoGZv4jkGa7</u>

HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT

Do you know a high schooler who would enjoy a restful weekend, connecting with friends, and exploring what it means to be part of the promises of God's love? We are hosting a **High school retreat offsite February 24th-25th**. Please register by February 9th. Register here: <u>https://forms.gle/C7M5fmLhNbFWx7n78</u>

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR JUDY ALICKSON

Make plans to help us celebrate Judy as she heads into retirement after 21 years here at First Lutheran. We are hosting an open house on Thursday, February 1 from 2:30 - 3:30 in the Mission CoffeeHouse. All are welcome.

PLANNING AHEAD FOR VALENTINE'S DAY?

Fun fact for our calendars: this year, Lent begins on 2/14, making it both Ash Wednesday AND Valentine's Day. So make plans to celebrate with your sweethearts AND join us for worship with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion on February 14th at Noon or 7pm.

TAKE A MISSION TRIP TO BELIZE

Are you interested in learning what a mission trip to Belize could look like for you? Members of the Belize team will be hosting an informational interest meeting Sunday, January 28th following the 10:30 service in the MCH Meeting Room.

LAST CALL FOR 4th & 5th GRADE SEMI-LOCK IN

Lock-in to be held February 16 from 6 pm to midnight. Friends are welcome, please RSVP that information. Friends do not need to be from First Lutheran Church. We will eat a meal and a snack. We will have games, an escape room, a make it activity, puzzle time, and more. PLEASE let Kari York know asap if your child/children are attending.

LOOKING FOR LOCK-IN VOLUNTEERS

The 4th & 5th grade lock-in will be held February 16 from 6 pm to midnight and we would love to have volunteers for a shift or the entire event. We will have games, an escape room, a make it activity, puzzle time, and more. Sound like an interesting Friday night? You don't have to be A 4th or 5th grader, volunteer to be a helper. Please let Kari York know if you are interested.

SUNDAY OPEN GYM

Open Gym will be available for all, on February 11th, 18th and 25th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm This will be a relaxed environment for anyone to come and hang out, play catch, let the kids run and play, etc. (The Youth Room will not be available.) We request parents, guardians, and/or responsible adults attend with their kids for supervision. A variety of activities will be available but will be determined on how many people share the space. We just ask everyone to be respectful of each other in attendance and responsible for what they take out. For any questions, please reach out to Ashley Becker - 651-815-2456.

MCH MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUAY WILL BE BROOKINGS HUMANE SOCIETY



MCH FILL THE CUP CAMPAIGN - Thank you for your support! We are very excited to report that we have exceeded our goal of raising \$15,000 to upgrade the MCH Kitchen. Because of the many gifts from individual members of FLC, ministries within FLC and our loyal patrons OUR CUP OVERFLOWS! We are celebrating the completion of this Campaign on January 15, 2024. We are happy to announce that over \$19,000 has been received! Appliances that need to

be replaced have already been ordered! MCH managers have been consulting with a local contractor and the upgrade will soon begin. It is our hope that we will be able to work around the MCH schedule and experience limited disruption of the MCH hours of operation. Thanks be to GOD for the ministry of the Mission Coffeehouse, the support of FLC and our patrons within the community. We will continue the mission of Changing the World - One Cup at a Time!

INFANT ROOM Should your child be experiencing less than a positive worship experience, an infant room is located off of the Sanctuary. Please ask an usher for directions. The nursery is not staffed during the Summer.

NEED A LITTLE MORE COMFORT ON SUNDAY MORNING? We have individual cushions available for your comfort. You can either ask an usher for a cushion, or you can get one as you come in from the gathering space.

LOOKING FOR INFORMATION OR A PLOT IN FIRST LUTHERAN

CEMETERY? Please contact Dan Billett, Sexton, at 605-695-5197.

NEW AROUND FIRST LUTHERAN? LET'S CONNECT!

We'd would love to get to know you better! Fill out a blue 'Connect' card in the pew pocket, or visit the website by scanning the QR code. Regular attenders can use the card to let the church know you'd like someone to contact you as well.

"FIRST THINGS" WEEKLY EMAIL



If you don't yet receive it, you can sign up here: for the "First Things" weekly email. Each week we share a brief story of connection from members of our church community and five quick things to know about upcoming events, news, or information you need to know.

FLC ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 4

Sunday, January 28

8:30 a.m.	Traditional Festival Worship Service
9:40 a.m.	Journey
10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Praise Worship Service
11:30 a.m.	Belize Mission Trip Informational Meeting in MCH Meeting Rm

Monday, January 29

9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m.	"Sew Shat" Quilters

Tuesday, January 30

Quilters
Bible Study in Parlor
Bible Study in MCH

Wednesday, January 31

5:00 p.m.	Meal
5:45 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.	Journey
7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
	9 th Grade Night

Thursday, February 1

2:30 p.m. Retirement Celebration for Judy Alickson in MCH

Friday, February 2

Saturday, February 3

Sunday, February 4

8:30 a.m. Traditional Festival Worship Service with Communion 9:40 a.m. Journey 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise Worship Service with Communion

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 – <u>www.firstlutheranbrookings.org</u>