

# ANNOUNCEMENTS OCTOBER 12, 2025

**TODAY WE GIVE THANKS** for God's grace in Holy Baptism and for Amita Sophia Evelyn Hertler who will be received into God's family and made a living member of the body of Christ. Amita's parents are Gabriel and Asha Hertler. Her sponsors are Matthew and Jennifer Saari and Anna Hertler. Amita will be baptized at the 8:30 am worship service. Welcome to the First Lutheran family Amita.

#### JOIN THE FALL FOOD SHELF CHALLENGE!

The South Dakota Plains Region Thrivent Network is sponsoring a Fall Food Shelf Challenge. We need your help in collecting 500 food items by October 31st. Upon meeting the food challenge, Thrivent will provide a gift of \$500 to the Brookings Area Food Pantry along with the food items. Be watching for the food collection displays at the entrance to First Lutheran Church. Help us meet our challenge goal!!!

#### OCTOBER WELCA GATHERING

Stewardship: How Do We Tend our Treasure. We meet in the parlor on October 16, at 10:00 am. You can download the study for no cost from Gather Magazine.org. Bible Study for October, 2025.

# **COMING SOON! 2026 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL**

"ON SOLID GROUND" - In the coming weeks, you will hear of our congregation's goals for the year ahead and how your faithful giving can support ministry. We will all be invited to consider our giving and invited to submit our intents on Commitment Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> in worship at both services. Thank you in advance for your intentional reflection on how you might be blessed to be a blessing this year!

### YOUR WILL, YOUR LEGACY

Join us for a lunch and learn experience on October 19 at 11:45am! Kathy McHenry will present simple, no-cost ways to update your will and practical ideas on how new tax laws can affect your generosity. Don't miss this chance to learn how your life's work can make a lasting difference for your loved ones, church, and your favorite ministries! *To help us plan, please sign* 

#### SANCTUARY CHOIR PRACTICE

The Sanctuary Choir holds rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:15 pm in the Mission Coffeehouse meeting room. New members ALWAYS welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Anderson at 605-731-6433.

#### MISSION COFFEEHOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would be interested in occasionally volunteering alongside others during the week or on Sunday mornings, please visit with LaDeane Harrison in the MCH.

#### PURSES FOR A POWERFUL PURPOSE

- \*Has openings for 10 individuals to host and decorate a table.
- \*Tickets will go on sale October 15th. \$25 per person and there is limited seating.
- \*They are still accepting donations for jewelry, purses and Christmas décor. They are not accepting Christmas trees at this time.

Questions? Please contact Deb Pederson @ 605-691-1803 or Mary Moeller @ 605-690-8862

#### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE!

We believe that everyone belongs here, and we want you to feel at home. To make worship more comfortable for you or your family, we have several resources available:

- \*Aides for the senses: Noise-reducing headphones and focus fidgets.
- \*Accessibility: Large print bulletins and hearing assist devices.
- \*For comfort: Individual pew cushions.
- \*For children: Engaging worship bags.
- \*Communion: Gluten-free wafers and communion delivered to your seat. If you would like to use any of these, or have a question, please feel free to ask a greeter or usher. We are happy to help!

Mission of the month for October is Midwest Street Medicine

#### FLC ACTIVITIES FOR OCTOBER 12 – OCTOBER 19

## Sunday, October 12

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service

9:30 am Journey

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service

# Monday, October 13 - CHURCH OFFICES AND MCH CLOSED

5:30 pm Sew What

#### Tuesday, October 14

8:30 am Quilters

9:30 am Staff Meeting

2:00 pm Bible Study in Mission Coffeehouse

## Wednesday, October 15

5:00 pm Meal

5:45 pm Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm Journey

6:15 pm Lutheranism 101 Bible Study - Chapel

7:00 pm Confirmation, Youth Group, 9<sup>th</sup> grade night

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

# Thursday, October 16

10:00 am WELCA bible study

## Friday, October 17

## Saturday, October 18

# Sunday, October 19

8:30 am Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion

9:30 am Journey

10:30 am Contemporary Worship Service with Holy 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 – www.firstlutheranbrookings.org

Please note: if you have an announcement you would like included, please email it to office@firstluitheranbrookings.org by 11am the Monday before it should print

# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> is a big day for our 10<sup>th</sup> Graders. Between services there will be a Faith Forum where the students will showcase their Faith Projects that they have put together in preparation for affirming their baptism which will be at the 10:30am service that morning. Please join us after the 10:30am service for a reception to celebrate our confirmands.



# **UPCOMING CYF EVENTS**

- Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>: 9:30am Faith Forum; 10:30am Affirmation of Baptism
- Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Steppingstone Holy Communion Class #1
- Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Steppingstone Holy Communion Class #2
- November 14, 15 & 16: Ne-So-Dak Youth Retreat
- Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Holy Communion Blessing both services
- Sunday November 23<sup>rd</sup>: Advent Fest
- Wednesday November 26th: No Wednesday Night Programming

#### UPCOMING WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL MENUS

October 15th – Corn dogs, cheesy noodles, celery and carrots and fruit October 22nd – Tater tot hotdish, green beans, fruit and pudding October 29th – Beef and cheddar, chips, fruit and celery and carrots

\*\*PLEASE NOTE: CHURCH OFFICES AND THE MISSION COFFEEHOUSE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY OCTOBER 13TH IN OBSERVANCE OF NATIVE AMERICANS' DAY\*\*