



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Watford City

The Clarion

October 2024

First Lutheran Church

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October

Sunday, October 6

9:30 am - Worship/communion

10:30 am - Fellowship

Sunday, October 13

9:30 am - Worship

10:30 am - Fellowship/Sunday School

Sunday, October 20

9:30 am—Worship/communion

10:30 am—Fellowship

Sunday, October 27

9:30 am—Worship

10:30 am—Fellowship/Sunday School

Wednesday, October 30

6:00 PM—Food Faith & Fellowship

(meal & bible study)

A word from the Minister,

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

October is my favorite month of the year. That change from Summer to Fall that brings rich colors to the Earth, is an experience I look forward to year after year. I think of walks with my family in the park as colors change, admiring the beauty in nature. It is in those times of peace I have a great appreciation of the three important health's. First my physical health that allows me to experience this moment with all my senses. Second, my mental health which motivates me to get outside the door. Last is my spiritual health. My ability to acknowledge God because of this moment.

We have many moments in life. Our past Rally Sunday at First Lutheran Church is one of the many perfect times to acknowledging God. Having the realization of how blessed we are to have people in and at the Church. That realization and acknowledgment of God makes our path straight. That path should not be walked alone but with others who all have the love of lord in their hearts. With that love and faith, Mountains are moved and new paths are made for our neighbors.



Noisy buckets are back!

Bring your loose change

The 1st Sunday of each
month.

Sunday School & Youth Schedule 2024 –2025

September

8th - Rally Sunday

15th - Sunday School & Parent Meeting

29th - Sunday School

October

4th - Homecoming Float

13th - Sunday School

26th - Mystery Dinner

27th - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

November

3rd - Sunday School

6th - Christmas Program Practice - 5:30-6:30

17th - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

20th - Christmas Program Practice - 5:30-6:30

December

4th - Christmas Program Practice - 5:30-6:30

8th - Sunday School

11th - Christmas Program Practice - 5:30-6:30

15th - Christmas Program during church

January

12th - Sunday School

26th - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

February

9th - Sunday School

23rd - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

February

9th - Sunday School

23rd - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

March

2nd - Sunday School

23rd - Kids help and sing at church

Sunday School

April

6th - Sunday School

13th - Kids Sing in Church (Palm Sunday)

Sunday School

LYO Upcoming Events

October 4: Homecoming Float

October 17-20: State Convention

October 26: Mystery Dinner

November 24: Lefse Making

upcoming EVENTS

Quilting every Monday at 1:00 pm

Confirmation every Wednesday at 6:00 pm

Cub Scouts every Monday at 6:30 pm

NA every Thursday at 7:30 pm

Oct. 1—Food Pantry 5-7 pm

Oct. 2—Worship Mtg 9:00 am

Oct. 8—Finance Mtg 10:00 am

Raising the Bar Bible Study 1:00pm

Oct 10—Stewardship Mtg @ Teddy's 5:00 pm

Oct. 11—Property Mtg 11:30 am

Oct. 14—Welca 2:30 pm

Oct. 17-20— State LYO Convention in Bismarck

Oct. 19 — Fall Cluster at Epping Bible Camp

Oct. 20— FLC Council Mtg 10:45 am

Oct. 26 — LYO Mystery Dinner 6:00 pm

Oct. 28 — Trust Mtg 5:30 pm

From Riley Faller:

The McKenzie County Ag Expo has a cake walk during the Pumpkin Patch on October 26th. I was wondering if anyone from the local churches would like to donate a cake? If so, let me know approximately how many. I will also pick them up that Wednesday or Thursday at church.

Thank you and if you have questions please reach out!

We will be conducting a Congregational Vitality Survey. What is that you ask? Here is the answer: The Congregational Vitality Survey is a tool provided by the ELCA to help members assess where they see themselves as a congregation. It uses 36 questions to gain insights into the health and effectiveness of congregations. Participants take the survey using an online link. If you would prefer completing the survey on paper, a paper version is available at the office. We feel this will be an important tool & encourage you to take some time to complete the survey. Please complete by November 1. We will connect with the Synod office and have discussion at our annual meeting in January.

Here is the link. There will also be one sent directly to your inbox if we have your email address on file.

<http://tiny.cc/membercvs>



Hi! How are you!

This is often our greeting when we are out & about! As sincere as it may be, our thoughts are often on to whatever else is happening rather than listening for the answer. The automatic answer is often 'good' no matter what is going on in the persons life.

We want to take a moment to find out 'How are WE?' as in First Lutheran Church.

The ELCA has developed a 'Congregation Vitality Survey' for congregations to evaluate 'how we are'

For the month of October we are offering this survey and STRONGLY encourage everyone to participate. This is sent to our synod office where our Director of Evangelical Mission, Rev. Tera Rossow will compile the results. She will come to FLC on Dec 15th & we will all get to meet this delightful new member of the Synod staff. Please take the time to fill out this survey! Thank you!!

Blessings to you! And hope you are 'good'!



Rally Sunday was a huge success again this year! A big shout out to all the volunteers that helped put this event together so that the all the families could have a great time. It was a perfect day.

The LY0 would like to thank all those who got their car washed as well.



French Onion Soup Casserole

1/4 c butter
 5 med vidalia onions, thinly sliced
 2 tsp kosher salt
 1/2 tsp pepper
 3 thyme sprigs
 2 flat leaf parsley sprigs
 2 bay leaves
 1 (16 oz baguette, thinly sliced)
 1/3 c flour
 1/2 c sherry
 8 oz Gruyere cheese
 1 tsp fresh thyme leaves

Directions

Melt butter in a Dutch oven over medium-low; add onions, salt, pepper, thyme and parsley sprigs, and bay leaves; cook, stirring often, until onions are golden brown, about 1 hour. Remove and discard thyme and parsley sprigs and bay leaves from onion mixture. Add flour, and cook, stirring constantly, 2 minutes. Add broth and sherry; bring to a boil over high. Boil, stirring constantly, until slightly thickened, 2 to 3 minutes. Layer half of the toasted baguette slices in a 13- x 9-inch baking dish. Spoon onion mixture evenly over bread. Top evenly with remaining baguette slices. Sprinkle with cheese; cover with aluminum foil. Bake in preheated oven 30 minutes. Increase heat to broil. Remove foil; broil until cheese is bubbly, about 3 minutes. Sprinkle with thyme leaves.

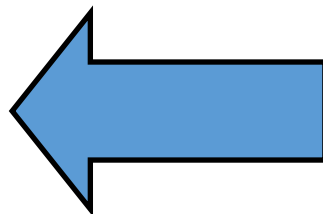


Elizabeth Jones 10/01	Mark Knutson 10/15
Miles Wollan 10/01	Richard (Dick) Jore 10/16
Jackie Sullivan 10/2	Noel Quale 10/17
Warren Renbarger 10/04	David Fredrickson 10/22
Adrock Schwartz 10/05	Allex Chaffee 10/24
Lisa Shipman 10/05	Ryan Chaffee 10/25
Angie Moe 10/06	Dale Patten 10/27
Austin Patten 10/07	Erin Fjeldahl 10/28
Douglas Nordby 10/08	Seth Forbes 10/28
Miles Wollan II 10/09	Brady Leiseth 10/29
Leston Johnson 10/10	Artis Stevens 10/29
Gene Fedorenko 10/12	Cari Forbes 10/30
Birch Tschetter 10/12	Dennis Sanford 10/30
Kylee Pederson 10/13	Carol Dodge 10/31
Olga Hovet 10/14	Elizabeth Holen 10/31
Beverly Leom 10/14	

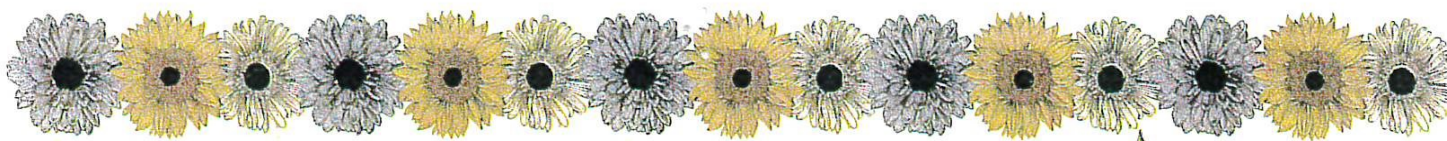
10/6 Calvin & Sharon Brown
 10/17 Lloyd & Ardyce Alvashere
 10/21 Kevin & Jackie Sullivan



Congratulations to Cole & Mariah Nelson
 On their union. May you have many years of
 happiness!



**The sign
Is
Here!!!**



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10/19/24

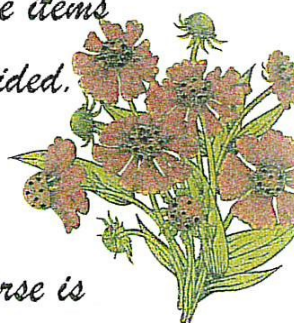
For the Upper Missouri

WELCA Cluster Gathering

*At The Spring Brook Bible Camp. Located at 12601 58th street N W
Epping, ND 58843. Cost is \$12.00. Registration begins at 9:30 am
with At coffee & rolls. Noon meal provided. love offering will be items
for Spring Brook Bible Camp. Special music & speakers provided.*

Event will end at approximately 3pm with communion.

*Theme is freely you have received, freely give. Theme Bible verse is
Matthew 10:8⁸ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have
leprosy,^[a] drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.*





Fall

BAZAAR

POTLUCK LUNCH - CRAFTS - HOMEADE

GOODIES - LEFSE BY THE LYO -

QUILT AUCTION

FEELING CRAFTY? WE ARE LOOKING FOR CRAFT ITEMS AND HOMEADE GOODS
FOR THE BAZAAR

24 NOVEMBER, 2024

10:30 AM

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