

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Today November 12
Parish Nurse Here today
9:30am – Sunday school & Worship – Sanctuary
10:45am – Confirmation Reception – Community Room
12:00pm – Wildfire Women’s Lunch – Fellowship Hall
3:45pm – Bonfire Grief Support “Surviving the Holidays” @ STJ

Monday November 13
9:00am – Counters – Conference Room
1:00pm – Visitation Team – Conference Room
6:30pm - Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
6:30pm – Executive Team – Conference Room
7:30pm - B.P. STEP Group – Conference Room

Tuesday November 14
9:00am – Parish Nurse @ FLCC - Office
10:00am – Bonfire Health & Wellness Team – Community Room
10:00am – Study Buddy – Conference Room
1:00pm – Staff Meeting – Conference Room
6:30pm – Council Meeting – Community Room
7:00pm – Gospel Christmas Rehearsal @ FLW
7:00pm – Investment Club – Conference Room

Wednesday November 15 DAYD
Newsletter Deadline
1:00pm – O.A. Group – Community Room
6:00pm – Bell Choir – Chapel & Music Room
7:00pm – Chancel Choir – Music Room

Thursday November 16
9:30am – THUMBS - Community Room
11:00am – Parish Nurse @ HOH
4:00pm – Global Missions – Conference Room
7:00pm – KidPack Board – Conference Room

Friday November 17
9:30am – Bible Study – Community Room
5:00pm - 9:00pm – SDA

Saturday November 18
9:00am – SDA

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

Please pray for:

Bea Tamminen	Barb Babine	Gus Horbal	Leo Alexander
Don Bakke	Don Carlson	Janice Webinger	Marie Weaver
Julie Rice	Ron Townsend	Helen Nelson	Marvin Temple
Juanita Hanson			

Please pray for the grieving family of:

Nancy O'Brien, mother of Todd Adams

**Have you remembered First Lutheran Church in your will? Do you have living will or health care directive?
Consider discussing these questions with your family and family attorney.**



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF CRYSTAL

7708 – 62nd Ave. N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55428

November 12, 2017 9:30 a.m.

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

A NOTE OF WELCOME TO VISITORS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Visitors, we are happy you are here today!
If you are a first time visitor, please visit the Welcome Center in the entry way of the church. Pastor Folkerts or another member would be happy to follow-up with you on any questions you have about First Lutheran Church of Crystal. You may also find us on the web at: **www.firstlcc.org**

ASL (American Sign Language) translation is available two Sundays each month. Please call the church office for more information.

Today's theme:

Today we welcome Dr. Pat Taylor Ellison to our pulpit. Pat is with us today as part of a series on re-imagining the church in mission. She is with us today as a veteran staff member of Church Innovations, a non-profit organization devoted to renewing the Church's focus on God's mission in the world. She brings a life time of experience as an educator and worker for the people of God in the name of Jesus. Welcome Pat!

PRELUDE

Dr. Klempay

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Faith First Men

A READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

pg. 960 pew Bible

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(right column)*

pg. 94

GATHERING SONG “Come, All You People”

ELW # 819

GREETING AND KYRIE

pg. 184

HYMN OF PRAISE “Glory to God” *(Use Hymn of Praise from setting 9)*

pg.195

PRAYER OF THE DAY “The Lord be with you” “**And also with you.**”

Let us pray, God of the journey, Lord of the destination,

Come O God and walk with us on the journey of this day, this life that we may no longer wander in fear or without hope. Sustain us with your love for the days we hunger for meaning. Support us by your grace when we stumble on difficult paths, and guide us through the choices we must make to reach your goal. In Christ we ask it, Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE “We Are Marching in the Light”

ELW # 866

(We sing vs.1 before the message and vs.3 after the message)

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THE WORD

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Listen, God Is Calling” ELW # 513
(We sing vs.1 before the Gospel reading and vs.3 after the Gospel reading)

GOSPEL
Luke 10:1-12 pg. 844 pew Bible

SERMON Dr. Pat Taylor Ellison

HYMN OF THE DAY “Here I Am, Lord” ELW # 574

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYERS AND SHARING THE PEACE

WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING “Love Is the Golden Rule” Faith First Men

SONG OF THANKSGIVING “You Servants of God” (vs. 1 & 4) ELW # 825

LORD’S PRAYER

THE SENDING

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” ELW # 674

DISMISSAL

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Thank you to Today’s Worship Assistants

Guest Preacher	Dr. Pat Taylor Ellison
Music Director	Martha Otto Honer, M.S.
Organist	Dr. Desiderius Klempay
Faith First Men & Director	Mariana Duffney
Faith First Accompanist	Judy Bakke
Lector	Gayle Teskey
Ushers	Bob Johnson, Cindy Oswald Pat & Mark Beltz
Sound	Chip Taft
Projectionist	Karen Hogenson
Announcer	Debbie Haney

First Lutheran Church of Crystal and the Minneapolis Area Synod
work together so that all experience:
Gracious invitation into life-giving Christian community
and live in just and healthy neighborhoods.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are given today by Rich & Kay Magon in loving memory of Rich’s father, Archie Magon.

A WARM WELCOME

We welcome Dr. Pat Taylor Ellison as our guest preacher this morning. We also welcome the Faith First Men, Judy Bakke & Mariana Duffney who are providing special music for us today. It is a pleasure to have you all here.

WILDFIRE WOMEN’S EVENT

Just a reminder: Today is the first annual Wildfire Women’s Lunch **from noon to 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall** for those who have signed up. The guest speaker for this event is Bishop Ann Svennungsen who will talk with us about Women In Leadership.

BONFIRE MINISTRY GRIEF SUPPORT

There will be a special grief support meeting **today at 3:45pm** at St. James Lutheran Church. We will be talking about “Surviving the Holidays”. Grief support is open to anyone experiencing grief. For details, please speak with Parish Nurse, Debbie Haney this morning in the Narthex.

HOMEMADE THANKSGIVING PIES

The Youth of FLCC will be making homemade pies for Thanksgiving as a fundraiser for their 2018 Mission Trip to Nashville, TN. Please stop by the narthex this morning or the church office during business hours to place your orders. **Deadline to order is next Sunday, November 19th**. Thank you for supporting our Youth.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

We will be ordering poinsettia plants to decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas this year. They are \$10 each. Order forms are in your bulletin. Please fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate or give to an usher. Plants may be taken home after Christmas.

NEAR FOOD SHELF NEWS

NEAR Food Shelf needs donations of Christmas gifts for the children of their clients. There are lists in the narthex of items needed. NEAR will distribute the Christmas gifts at the Crystal Community Center on **Sat., Dec. 16, 2017. Volunteers are needed** to help on this day. Please see NEAR reps Larry Hanson or Rick Burton for details.

KID PACK DISTRIBUTION - Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to help with Kid Pack Distribution **every Friday** at the following schools: Meadow Lake Elementary in New Hope, Forrest Elementary in Crystal and Lakeview Elementary in Robbinsdale. If you can help, please call Al Anderson (763) 537-1876 or Deacon Kirsten in the church office. Thank you .

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY – Help Wanted!

We need volunteers to help with church clean-up **next Sunday** after worship. We will meet downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. For details, please speak with Jackie Mortenson.

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

Volunteers are needed following worship on **Sunday, November 26th** to help decorate the church for Christmas. Lunch will be provided for the workers. Please see Jackie Mortenson for details.

FUNDRAISER FOR KID PACK

Mark your calendars. Cooper High School Marching Band and members of the U of M Marching Band are teaming up for a Kid Pack fundraiser concert on **Sunday, December 3rd from 7:00pm – 8:30pm** at Cooper High School. Please see Al Anderson for details.