

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Today February 26 Sharing & Caring Hands

Boy Scout Sunday

Parish Nurse @ STJ

9:30am – Sunday School & Worship– Sanctuary

10:45am – Adult Forum – “Boy Scouts” - Chapel

3:45pm – Bonfire Grief Support @ STJ

Monday February 27

9:00am – Counters – Conference Room

6:30pm - Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

7:30pm - B.P. STEP Group – Conference Room

Tuesday February 28

9:00am – Parish Nurse Here - Office

10:00am – Study Buddy – Conference Room

1:00pm – Staff Meeting – Conference Room

7:00pm – Investment Club – Conference Room

Wednesday March 1 Ash Wednesday

12:00pm - Ash Wed. Service & Soup Lunch – Chapel & Fellowship Hall

1:00pm – O.A. Group – Community Room

6:00pm – Soup Supper – Fellowship Hall

7:00pm – Ash Wed. Service - Sanctuary

7:45pm – Choir Practice – Music Room

Thursday March 2

9:30am – THUMBS – Community Room

11:00am – Parish Nurse @ HOH

7:00pm – Altar Guild – Sacristy & Sanctuary

Friday March 3 DAYD

9:00am – Bible Study – Community Room

5:00pm – 9:00pm – SDA

Saturday March 4

9:00am – SDA

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

Please pray for:

Ken Weis	Nancy Callander	June Ahrens	Carolyn Alm
Dorothy Buystedt	William Babine	Russell Anderson	Michele Holzknecht
Bruce Vratisovsky	Daniel Keniston	Duane Kroseman	Carrie Adams
Kathy (friend of Deacon Kirsten)		Marilyn (Mother of Deacon Kirsten)	

Please pray for the grieving family of:

Diane Brannick, sister-in-law of Paul & Jean Brannick

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.

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FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF CRYSTAL

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February 26, 2017

9:30 a.m.

Transfiguration of our Lord

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.firstlucoc.org

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

Today's theme:

Strong willed children often challenge parental authority by asking, “Why can't I do what I want to do?” The parent will then give a reason that makes 'logical' sense. The child might respond, “So? That's about someone else! What about me? Why can't I do what I want?” After a few rounds of this, the parent often resorts to a final frustrated response, “Because I said so! That's why!” We all want to know where real authority lies. We want some solid ground on which to base our actions and our words. In today's gospel lesson we learn that Jesus' authority comes from the historic figures of the bible. He builds upon their work and it is completed in the lives of those who follow him.

PRELUDE “God Is Here” by David Haas Choir

WELCOME

A READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH:

2 Peter 1:16-21 pg. 988 pew Bible

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (left column) p. 94

GATHERING SONG “Alleluia, Song of Gladness” ELW # 318

GREETING AND KYRIE p. 193

HYMN OF PRAISE “Glory to God” p. 195

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

Let us pray, God of history, Lord of the present, Spirit of the future,

Reveal your glory to us in this day in the words and deeds of your faithful people. Grant us the vision to recognize you in them. Grant us open minds that we may hear your voice in their voices. Grant us the courage of hope t that we may create a future for all your people in love and respect. In Christ we ask it. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE “This Little Light of Mine” ELW # 677

(We sing vs. 1 & 2 before the message and vs. 3 & 1 after the message)

MISSION MINUTE

Boy Scouts of Troop # 3405

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

pg. 198

GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

pg. 798 pew Bible

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Beautiful Savior"

ELW # 838

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

PRAYERS AND SHARING THE PEACE

WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING "Though the Mountains May Fall" *by D. Schutte*

Choir

A SONG OF THANKSGIVING

"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs"

ELW # 847

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG "Arise, Your Light Has Come!"

ELW # 314

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

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Thank you to Today's Worship Assistants

Music Director	Martha Otto Honer, M.S.
Organist	Dr. Desiderius Klempay
Lector	Lucas Dormond of Boy Scout Troop # 3405
Ushers	Al Anderson, Michael LeRoy Pat Mourning, Ed Scharber Boy Scouts of Troop # 3405
Sound	Gene Enfield
Projectionist	Mike Buystedt
Announcer	Marcia Callender

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are given today by Daniel & Sonja Wilson in honor of their parents, Ron and Barb, and Perkins and Elaine.

THOSE SERVING AT SHARING & CARING HANDS

Thank you for serving at Sharing & Caring Hands this month: Anita Anderson, Darrel Bjorge, Cindy Oswald, Dan & Phyllis Reber, Pat & Lisa Beltz and Bette Gustafson.

WELCOME

We welcome the members of Boy Scout Troop # 3405 and thank them for their participation in today's worship service. It is a pleasure to have you here.

ADULT FORUM

The Adult Forum presentation this morning will be given by the Boy Scouts of Troop # 3405. They will tell us more about Scouting and ways they help their community. Please join us in the Chapel after the worship service.

BONFIRE MINISTRY GRIEF SUPPORT

The Bonfire Ministry Grief Support Group is open to anyone who is experiencing grief. They meet on Sundays at St. James Lutheran Church from **3:45pm to 6:00pm**. Upcoming dates & topics are: **February 26th**: "Complicating Factors"; **March 5th**: "Stuck". Each session is "self-contained", so you do not have to attend in sequence.

For more information, please contact our Bonfire Parish Nurse, Debbie Haney at 612-408-2049.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER – PLANT SALE

The Youth are selling plants in the Narthex this morning as a fundraiser for their mission trip to Niagara Falls, NY. There is a wide variety of plants to choose from. Please stop by.

NEAR FOOD SHELF – Empty Bowls Fundraiser

The community is invited to a simple meal of soup and bread all donated by local businesses. This event is on **Tuesday, March 7th from 4:00pm to 7:00pm** at Robbinsdale Cooper High School in New Hope. In exchange for a cash donation, guests are asked to keep a bowl as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. Local entertainment will be provided all evening. Please join us.

FLCW FUNDRAISER

FLCW is selling "Kringles" pastries. They are available for \$10 each. Please make checks payable to FLCW. For details, please see Jackie Mortenson. Thank you.

ASH WEDNESDAY

We will have two services on **Ash Wednesday, (March 1st)**. The first service will be at noon in the Chapel with a soup lunch to follow in the Fellowship Hall. The second service will be at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. Soup Supper will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm. Please join us.

SENIOR MINISTRY BAKE SALE

Senior Ministry will have a bake sale during the 6:00pm soup supper on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. They are in need of donations of baked goods. If you are able to donate baked goods, please see Ruth Modrow. She would like to have them by 5:00pm on Ash Wednesday. Thank you.