

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Today **July 30**
Youth Mission Trip
9:30am – Worship - Sanctuary

Monday **July 31**
Youth Mission Trip
9:00am – Counters – Conference Room
6:30pm – Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
7:30pm – B.P. STEP Group – Conference Room

Tuesday **August 1**
Youth Mission Trip
10:00am – Caregiver Support/Respite @ HOH
1:00pm – Staff Meeting – Conference Room
7:00pm – Gospel Christmas Rehearsal @ FLW
7:00pm – Investment Club – Conference Room

Wednesday **August 2**
Youth Mission Trip
1:00pm – O.A. Group – Community Room
5:00pm – 7:00pm – Rummage Sale Preview & Bake Sale

Thursday **August 3**
Youth Mission Trip
8:00am – 7:00pm – Rummage Sale & Bake Sale
11:00am – Parish Nurse @ HOH

Friday **August 4** **DAYD**
Youth Mission Trip
8:00am – 5:00pm – Rummage Sale
5:00pm - 9:00pm – SDA

Saturday **August 5**
Youth Mission Trip
9:00am – SDA

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

Please pray for:

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| Linda Van Ryn | Myrtle Keniston | Bruce VratISOVSKY | Don Bakke |
| Lauretta Welter | Bea Tamminen | Carol Pettis | Rennel Rice |
| Mary Fickling | Jan Johnson | | |

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

July 30, 2017 9:30 a.m.
Eighth 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.firstlccoc.org

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

Today's theme:

A lot of the very best of being alive is 'hidden'. This means that the very things that make life wonderful are so small or brief that we don't notice them. We take these constant blessings for granted until they disappear. Jesus calls us to seek out the blessings of God all around us and to do all we can to celebrate those 'hidden' gems of God's creativity.

PRELUDE

Dr. Klempay

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

A READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

Romans 8:26-39

pgs. 919, 920 pew Bible

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION

on screen

OPENING HYMN "Canticle of the Sun" (vs. 1, 3, 5)

Gather # 496

GREETING AND KYRIE

booklet pages 2, 3

HYMN OF PRAISE "Glory To God"

booklet pages 5 - 7

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

Let us pray, God of heaven and earth, Lord of all that has been and shall be,

Open our souls to the sights and scents and sounds of your creation that we may behold your glory in every moment of living. Lift our hearts to the rhythm of life all around us so we may become part of the music of the world being made new. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" ELW # 789
(We sing vs. 1 before and vs. 2 after)

MISSION MINUTE

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GOSPEL VERSE

booklet page 8

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

pg. 795 pew Bible

SERMON**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Will You Come and Follow Me"
(Vs. 1 & 4)

ELW # 798

APOSTLES' CREED**PRAYERS AND SHARING THE PEACE****OFFERING** "On Eagle's Wings"

Mike Hazledine

SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"
(Vs. 1 & 2)

ELW # 864

THE LORD'S PRAYER**BENEDICTION****ANNOUNCEMENTS****CLOSING HYMN** "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Gather # 487

DISMISSAL**POSTLUDE**

Dr. Klempay

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Thank you to Today's Worship Assistants

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|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Deacon | Kirsten Kessel |
| Music Director | Martha Otto Honer, M.S. |
| Organist | Dr. Desiderius Klempay |
| Cantors | Mike Hazledine |
| Lector | Alison Glover |
| Ushers | Rick & Pat Arthur Tim Johnson |
| Sound | Paul Brannick |
| Projectionist | Jean Brannick |
| Announcer | Alison Glover |

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 Mike & Linda Sullivan in joyful celebration of step-granddaughter, Nova's 3rd birthday.

Altar flowers are also given today by Duane & Donna Gass in loving memory of their son Rick on his birthday.

RUMMAGE SALE – We Still Need Helpers!

Volunteers are needed to help with the Rummage Sale this year. Tasks include receiving items, sorting, tagging, set-up, as well as working during the sale and clean-up after the sale. The sale will be **August 2nd through August 4th**. If you can help in one or more of these areas, please fill out the form located at the Welcome Desk and turn it in to Jackie Mortenson or Rick Burton or the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Jackie at 763-535-2797.

BAKE SALE DURING RUMMAGE SALE

There will be a Bake Sale on Wednesday, August 2nd from 5:00pm – 7:00pm and on Thursday, August 3rd all day during the rummage sale. Please consider donating home-baked goods for the sale. The proceeds will go to the Lake Wapo Scholarship Fund for First Lutheran's campers.

Cookies, bars, quick breads, yeast breads, fruit pies, caramel corn, bundt cakes, and coffee cakes are good sellers. Package cookies and bars, 6 or 12 pieces, seal well.

NO cream pies or cupcakes, please. Bring baked goods to the kitchen in the church basement before 4 p.m. on Wednesday, 8/2. Thank you.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR NEAR FOOD SHELF

It is time to help get NEAR Food Shelf students ready for the start of the upcoming school year. Many school supplies are needed. Most stores will be having sales of school supplies soon, so it is a great time to take advantage of the savings.

Supplies most needed include: Backpacks, 2-pocket folders (red, yellow, green, blue), loose-leaf (wide-lined) paper, pencils, erasers, pencil boxes, highlighters, markers (bold and fine tip) and blunt-tip scissors.

Last year, over 350 local area students received much needed supplies. Thank you for your continued support of the NEAR Food Shelf.

NOTARY PUBLIC

We would like to know if any of our members are a notary public and would be willing to assist other members with notarizing important documents periodically. If you are a notary public and can help, please call the church office and let us know.

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

First Lutheran Church of Crystal will have its 4rd Annual "Fall Festival Classic" golf tournament at the New Hope Golf Course on **Saturday, September 30, 2017**. Sign-ups to play golf have started! Singles or teams, with two different Tee Times, 10:00am & 12:30pm. \$30 per golfer/\$120 per team of four. We also encourage everyone to sell raffle tickets for this event. Tickets are \$5 each. Proceeds from the tournament will support missions of the church. Please email Alida Adams at alida_adams@rdale.org or call Barry Dickson at 763-442-7362 for details. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The 2017 Fall Festival Fund Raiser will be on **Sunday, September 24, 2017**. Watch for details in upcoming bulletins. Lots of fun for everyone! Hope to see you there.