

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN

Today **September 10**
9:30am – Parish Nurse Here today
9:30am –Worship & Sunday School - Sanctuary
3:45pm – Bonfire Grief Support @ STJ

Monday **September 11**
9:00am – Counters – Conference Room
9:30am – Quilters – Community Room
1:00pm – Visitation Team – Conference Room
3:00pm – Global Missions – Conference Room
6:30pm – Executive Team – Conference Room
6:30pm - Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
7:30pm - B.P. STEP Group – Conference Room

Tuesday **September 12**
9:00am – Parish Nurse Here – Office
10:00am – Bonfire Health & Wellness – Community 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 **September 13**
9:30am – Senior Ministry Steering Committee – Conference Room
10:00am – Loose Threads Retreat – Youth Room
1:00pm – O.A. Group – Community Room
12:00pm – Pr.'s Text Study – Courtyard / Conference Room
6:00pm – Bell Choir – Chapel & Music Room
7:00pm – Chancel Choir – Music Room

Thursday **September 14**
9:30am – THUMBS – Community Room
10:00am – Loose Threads Retreat – Youth Room
11:00am – Parish Nurse @ HOH
4:00pm – FLCC / SDA Discussions – Conference Room

Friday **September 15** **Newsletter Articles Due**
5:00pm - 9:00pm – SDA

Saturday **September 16**
9:00am – SDA

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

Please pray for:

Linda Van Ryn	Myrtle Keniston	Bruce Vratisovsky
Don Bakke	Lauretta Welter	Barb Babine
Rennel Rice	Bernie Swanson	Jared Kubly
Kay Fuglie	Juanita Hanson	Ron Townsend

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

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

September 10, 2017 9:30 a.m.

Fourteenth 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.firstlcoc.org

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

Today's theme:

Have you ever held a job with great responsibility? Hopefully you were well paid, but good pay has its own price; do the right thing. Sometimes that can mean pressure and stress on you. Today, Jesus gives us the job of being 'our brother's keeper'. That is, he asks us to take care of each other even if that is a burden. God believes that humanity can nurture itself into well-being. It isn't easy, but he has given us the guidance to bring about a gracious world.

PRELUDE "Open Our Eyes, Lord" *by Bob Cull* Choir

WELCOME / CALL TO WORSHIP

A READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

Romans 13:8-14 pg. 923 pew Bible

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*right column*) p. 94

GATHERING SONG "All Are Welcome" (*Vs. 1, 4, 5*) ELW # 641

GREETING AND KYRIE p. 184

HYMN OF PRAISE "Glory to God" pg. 195

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

Let us pray, God of wisdom, Lord of Grace,

Grant us faith enough to be gracious to our neighbor in the face of our own worries and cares. Give us strength to stand for what is healthy and holy before the temptations of greed and vanity. Open the hearts of those we seek to help and soothe the wounds of those we have not yet helped. In Christ we ask it. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "We Are Marching in the Light" ELW # 866
(*We sing vs. 1 & 2 before the message and vs. 3 & 4 after the message*)

MISSION MINUTE

THE WORD

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

pg. 188

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

pgs. 799, 800 pew Bible

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come Down, O Love Divine”

ELW # 804

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS AND SHARING THE PEACE

WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING

“To You Who Bow” by Rory Cooney

Choir

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (Vs. 1 & 3)

ELW # 807

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SENDING

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG

“We Are Called”

ELW # 720

DISMISSAL

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Thank you to Today's Worship Assistants

Music Director	Martha Otto Honer, M.S.
Organist	Dr. Desiderius Klempay
Lector	Bea Tamminen
Ushers	Bob Johnson, Cindy Oswald Mark & Pat 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 Gloria Kubly in loving memory of her father, Marvin Kubly.

A REMINDER

WE NEED YOU! Please sign up to help with the Fall Festival. There are many areas to volunteer. Sign-up sheets are on the large bulletin board in the Narthex.

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 4th Annual “Fall Festival Classic” golf tournament is at the New Hope Golf Course on **Saturday, September 30, 2017**. Raffle tickets for this event are \$5 each. Proceeds 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. Thanks.

SENIOR MINISTRY

The Senior Ministry will be going to the Plymouth Playhouse on **Wednesday, October 11th** to see “The Looney Lutherans in: Livin’ La Vida Lutheran!” We will meet at FLCC at 11:00am to carpool. Cost is \$31.00 per person and includes lunch and play. Make checks payable to House of Hope. Payment and sign-up is **due by September 18th**. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

A SPECIAL FUNDRAISER

As most of you know, Bruce Vratisovsky (*a member of our church family*) has been ill for quite some time and is unable to work and do daily tasks we all take for granted. A fundraiser for Bruce will be held on **September 17th from 1:00pm to 6:00pm** at the Crystal VFW on Bass Lake Road. Stop in for a meal & beverage. A portion of the funds collected will help with Bruce’s medical expenses. Thank you.

FALL FESTIVAL – Pie and Lefse Bakers needed!

We are looking for volunteers to sign up to bake, sell, or bake & sell pies for the Fall Festival on Sunday, September 24th. (Please, NO Cream Pies) Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.

We will also be baking lefse to sell at the Fall Festival on **Wednesday, September 13th** and **Friday, September 22nd from 1-5 pm** here in the church kitchen. Please sign up to help with this project. Thank you.

YOU ARE INVITED

Our friends at House of Hope Lutheran Church are inviting us to their 9th Annual Oktoberfest on **Saturday, September 16th from 3-8pm**. There will be music and activities for all. House of Hope is located at 4800 Boone Ave. N., in New Hope.

ADULT FORUM

Please join us next Sunday after worship in the Fellowship Hall for an adult forum round-table discussion on the vision and future of First Lutheran and our relationship with the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

CINNAMON ROLL FELLOWSHIP – Next Sunday, Sept. 17th

Next Sunday is Cinnamon Roll Fellowship hosted by Global Missions. Rolls will be served in the Community Room and in the Fellowship Hall for those who are attending the adult forum.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION BEGINS TODAY!

Remember to register your children for Sunday school this morning. Please see Carrie Adams for details or to get a registration form.