**Sympathy Prayers**

To the family and friends of Lorna Larson who died on August 15th, 2022, especially to her sister Dee Kooban.

To the friends and family of Carolyn Webster who died August 18, 2022, especially her sister and brother-in-law Bea & Bernie Roscoe and cousin Mary Webster.

To the family and friends of Wilber Nelson who died August 29, 2022, especially his wife Karleen and brothers and sister in laws Bob & Judy Nelson, Jim & Rikki Nelson, and nephew Shawn & Shelly Nelson.

**Nursing Home Residents**

Sonja Hagstuen
Carl Kent
Claire Hill

**Assisted Living Residents**

Carol Proctor; Joanne Hagan;
Marlene Tholen; Ken & Shirley Hakes; John Fossen

**Next Week’s Readings**

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

**Serving in the Military:**

Silas Berg, Nicholas Brushewitz, Austin Burton, Preston Carlson, Andrew Carlstrom, Nathan Hagstuen, Justin Henline, Joe Johnson, Dan Nordean, Luke Odds, Sebastian Packer, Nick Smith, Logan Lueck, Kurt Hagstuen, Wyatt Carlson

**Volunteers Needed!!!!!**

**Community Food Shelf:** Must be willing to work with others and independently. (Able to lift 20 lbs., stock & organize shelf’s, assist neighbors/clients with food, assist with intake, and willing to clean up). Shift hours are 9am—1pm & 1pm—4pm on the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

Please contact Laura Smith with the Community Food Shelf if you are interested at 218-821-7159 or lbs4484@gmail.com.

**Tiny Tots Registration**

TINY TOTS Registration is now open for the 2022-23 school year. Register HERE: https://forms.gle/hwPKfih9DBeEvyH9

For more information visit: https://sites.google.com/view/fcyouplanning/prok-4th/tiny-tots?fbclid=IwAR0fVGVbqSG3tq-FYv51wDMXBMnbFUBwOT1JmqavixM4FdhfhvnwJkZv

Or contact Lisa Buisman: lbusisman12@gmail.com

**First Lutheran Church of Aitkin**

Announcements

107 Second Street SE, Aitkin, MN 56431

www.flc-aitkin.com 218-927-2028

Pastor Reggie Denton

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM-4:00 PM; Fridays 7:30 AM-12:00 Noon

**Weekly Worship Schedule:**

Sunday 9:00 am & Wednesday 5:45 pm

**Mission Statement:** With God’s love we embrace one another, our neighbors and all creation.

Welcome! If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about First Lutheran, please stop by the church office, call, or visit our website.

“We are glad you are here!” We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, filthy rich, black and proud, y na habla ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are new borns, poor as dirt, skinny as a rail, got a hitch in their git-along, or just plain can’t sing. You’re welcome here if you’re “just browsing,” just woke up, or just got out of jail. We don’t care if you’re more Lutheran than Luther, or more Catholic than the pope, or haven’t been to church since little Maria’s confirmation. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 40 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters, and people who stay up too late at night. If you’re having problems, or you’re down in the dumps, or you don’t like “organized religion,” we’ve been there, too. We offer a special welcome to those who could lose a few pounds, think the earth is flat, work too hard, can’t spell, or came because grandma’s in town and wanted to go to church. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, are three-times divorced, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid, or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers, doubters, bleeding hearts... and you!

“You do not need to be a member of first to receive Communion. All who believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome. We believe it is our Lord’s invitation to which we respond, our Lord’s meal at which we gather, our Lord’s gifts which we receive. Children not yet communing are welcome – they may come forward for a goldfish and a blessing, but we do ask parents to have them keep their hands down, so that the communion assistant knows. All those who are communing are asked to extend both hands to receive. If you would like to receive communion but are not able to come forward, please let an usher know so that communion can be brought to you.

“Parents with Young Children: When you are here, the church is filled with a joyful noise. When you are here, the Body of Christ is more fully present. When you are here, we are reminded that this worship thing we do isn’t just about Bible Study or personal, quiet contemplation, but about coming together to worship as a community where all are welcome, where all share Word and Sacrament together. When you are here, we know that your little ones are learning how and why we worship.

“Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!”

*Nursery is available during the 9:00 AM service on Sunday mornings (8:45-10:15). The nursery is located off of the Fellowship Hall. An usher will be happy to assist you in finding the nursery. Parents who need to leave the service with children can still see the Sunday service on a TV in the nursery.

*Children are always welcome in worship. “Busy bags” with activities, a book, crayons and scratch paper are available on the wall across from the sanctuary. There is also a pray ground at the front of the sanctuary.

*You’re invited to coffee & goodies on Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM.

*Assisted hearing devices are available. An usher can assist you.
**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, September 18, 2022**

15th Sunday After Pentecost
- 9:00 AM Worship Service w/Communion (Also available via Live stream on YouTube)
- 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 AM Radio broadcast of 9:00 am Worship Service on KKIN 94.3FM
- 10:15 AM 3-Year-Old Bible Milestone
- 10:15 AM 1st day of Sunday School (3-years-old—4th Grade)

**Monday, September 19, 2022**

- 8:30 AM King’s Men
- 3:00 PM Community Meal Board Meeting
- 5:00 PM Community Meal – Take Out Only
- 6:30 PM Mutual Ministry

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

- 9:00 AM Days for Girls Workshop
- 11:00 AM Adult Bible Study
- 11:00 AM Riverwood Auxiliary Meeting
- 12:00 PM Community Lunch—Take Out Only
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, September 21, 2022**

- 8:00 AM Men’s Bible Study & Breakfast
- 3:30 PM Youth Coffee House
- 4:30 PM Wednesday Night Faith (5th & 6th Grade)
- 5:30 PM Community Meal—Take Out Only
- 5:45 PM Family Worship & Small Group Convo.
- 5:45 PM 7th Grade Bible Milestone
- 6:30 PM Affirmation (7th Grade—8th Grade)
- 6:30 PM Cemetery Clean-Up (9th Grade)
- TBD Choir Practice

**Thursday, September 22, 2022**

- 9:00 AM Community Food Shelf
- 12:00 PM Men’s Bible Study
- 5:00 PM Community Meal—Take Out Only

**Friday, September 23, 2022**

- 9:00 AM Quilting Ministry
- 5:00 PM Peterson/Zila Rehearsal

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**Sunday, September 25, 2022**

16th Sunday After Pentecost
- 9:00 AM Worship Service w/Communion (Also available via Live stream on YouTube)
- 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 AM Radio broadcast of 9:00 am Worship Service on KKIN 94.3FM
- 10:15 AM Sunday School (3-years-old—4th Grade)
- 1:00 PM LYO Synod Meeting
- 4:00 PM Affirmation Retreat at Jones’ Residence (10th Grade & Parent)

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**KUWAA Mission** — The KUWAA Mission in Liberia is a mission focus for 2022. Weekly sponsorship is $25. Please consider supporting this important mission for a week or more. Information is in the narthex.

A big thank you to Erik Svenkerud for sponsoring this month in honor of Esther Zawu.

**Flowers on the Altar** — Please consider signing up for the opportunity to enhance our worship of God and our enjoyment of God’s creation. The cost is determined by the type of flowers you order. You’ll find the flower clip board in the narthex.

A big thank you to Jan Gardner, Karen Lueck, & Linda Lueck for sponsoring this week in memory of their parents Ralph & Vivian Gunderson.

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**Radio Ministry** — We invite you to consider sponsoring our weekly Sunday broadcast. FLC’s Sunday worship is aired at 10 am on FM Radio Station 94.3. The cost is $40 per week, but any amount will help. Envelopes are available in the narthex.

A big thank you to the Buisman family for sponsoring two weeks in memory of Truman.

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**HEARTLAND FALL GATHERING**

Light of the Cross Lutheran in Garrison MN.

When: Saturday September 24 Starting at 9:00 AM

Theme: “Nurturing Cultural Diversity Today and Tomorrow.”

Guest Speaker Sarah Lancaster named 2022 Minnesota Teacher of the Year.

REGISTRATION IS $10.00 AND BEGINS NOW! TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th. Special rate for sewers and non-sewers alike, please join us to celebrate this important ministry to prepare reusable feminine hygiene kits for girls and women around the world. If you have questions please contact Eunice Weslander.

**FREE EVENT**

**7th Grade Bible Milestone**

This will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 21st during the evening service. Please RSVP to office@flc-aitkin.com or call the office at 218-927-2028.

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**SEPTMBER EXTRA MILE EMPHASIS:**

**LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY**

If you’d like to donate, please go to our website www.flc-aitkin.com or send a check to the church.

THANK YOU!

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**ATTENDANCE:**

Sunday, 9/11 9:00 am….. 150

**TOTAL OFFERINGS**

Building Fund: $1,495

General Offering: $7,382

Extra Mile (September): $250

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We need people who would like to tie quilts, cut squares, sew bindings, prepare packets for sewing and any other aspects of quilting. You can work at home or at church. No education required. We are a happy group that shares stories, time together and deep friendships! Every Friday! Call Linda Delaney with questions - 218-820-6777.

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**Suicide prevention forum** will be held Sun Oct 16 at 10:15am in the church library. Presented by Arlene Nyström, social worker. Teens, parents, and adults invited. Sponsored by the parish nurses.

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**Questions** ask Rebecca May