



First Lutheran Church

August 2025

MESSENGER

*At First Lutheran, Our God-given mission is to **Gather** in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
Grow in faith and love, and **Go** out to serve and invite others to faith in Christ.*



Pictures of the Denver Gang! So thankful for their safe arrival back home! Thank you for your support!

Sunday Services at 9am— Holy Communion Every Sunday

10:10am Sunday School (Through May) Or Join Us At: WOMT1240 womtradio.com Youtube Facebook Live

Highlights From FLC's May 20th, 2025 Council Meeting



We have a number, unfortunately, of people who need care these days: Bill Pohlmann, Bob Larson, George Grinde (passed 6-13-25), Don Markwardt, Shirley Moen, Doris Hartman, and Karen Kinyon. May we hold these people in prayer.

Financial Report: Regular Giving is behind by 6,091.16. YTD we are ahead by 1,254.22. Balancing the annual budget is based on Lent/Easter cash money which is going this year toward the warming shelter.

Old Business: The First Lutheran Family Reunion service was great fun. Several former Pastors were in attendance and made some re-connecting possible. The organ recital in the afternoon was well attended by non-members and members alike. Dr. Freese was an outstanding performer and a great person to work with. Our October 12 celebration at the Franciscan Center is in the early stages of coordinating two choral/brass ensemble pieces that have been chosen and we are working to get players to fill the needed spots. A committee is looking at ways to make our church space more welcoming for our neighbors/visitors. They are looking at making a bathroom wheel chair accessible by adding a push button and adding changing tables to men's and women's bathrooms, having consistent signage, switching outdoor knobs to be able to lock some doors with the same key for safety, possibly changing the location of the AED and perhaps acquiring another one, and installing cameras on each floor, especially in areas not always in use.

New Business: The chimney 20 ft above the sanctuary roof has twisted and cracked around grout lines and bricks causing bricks to fall off. Multiple masons (3 or 4) were contacted and no one wanted to touch it. We should have a quote from Schaus this week to remove the bricks to the roofline, put a sleeve in and replace the chimney with a 20 ft metal tube from the roofline back to the current height. We will need financial approval from the Congregation and plan a Congregational meeting on June 8th. The Leadership Development committee and the council members are reading a book "Canoeing the Mountains" about Christian leadership in uncharted territory. It looks at what effective leadership looks like in our rapidly changing world.

Please Note: All are welcome to listen in at the church council meetings which are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30, except in July. If you have concerns, questions and comments, please reach out to our council president, Landie Van Haren, Pastor Andy or other council members. A complete copy of the minutes, once approved at the following month's meeting, will be available on the bulletin board in the Fireside Room or in the church office.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Laham, Council Secretary

ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED

If you, or someone you know, wants to learn more about FLC, please reach out to Pastor Andy or call him at 920-682-7742. We will be formally welcoming New Members this fall!

WHO'S WHO

THE STAFF

Pastor Andy Wendle

Pastor Brian Staude

Visitation Pastor

Connie Dorner

Faith Formation Director

Stephanie Bowman

Contemporary Music Coordinator

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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ANDY

Grace and Peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ!

"On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken." Isaiah 25:6-9

I remember during my time at Wartburg Seminary that we had a program where you could sign up and supply preach at local area churches that didn't have a pastor for a Sunday service. It was a valuable resource for area churches, but also for us as students. We would travel to area churches and try our best to perfect our craft while they taught us about faithfulness in the world today. Some of the churches were just like First Lutheran, while others were very rural congregations that were quite small. I remember, in some of those places, pausing to think about the generations of faithful people – lay people and Pastors – who had once sat in those pews, stood in the pulpit, played at the organ or piano, and listened to passages like the one above. It all made me pause ...

We live in a world that wants to look at things in linear ways. We like to believe that we move from one moment to the next on a steady slope of progress. We like to believe that we are gradually, if but slowly, progressing toward a better and brighter day. The only problem with this belief is that time and time again it has been proved to be largely false. Instead, we have found out that many of the things we count on as progress usually wind up having some sort of unintended consequences over time. These unintended consequences (and even the intended ones) set us back, and we again find ourselves in a place where we need to once more get out of the miry mess we've placed ourselves in and find a new day. Basically, the truth is that instead of living in a linear sort of way, we are much more cyclical in our living than we would like to acknowledge. The ups and downs of our lives repeat themselves, and at each new stage, we aren't progressing as much as we are adapting and moving forward in a new way.

I thought of things like this sitting in those old, small churches, and I still think of them from time to time hearing that passage from Isaiah. There, in those pews, pulpits, pianos, and in ours too, are the visible marks of people who knew that the feast Isaiah mentions has occurred, does occur, and will occur again and again. God had wiped away all their tears once before and, we pray, may it happen once more.

We have those "marks of faithfulness" all around us here at First Lutheran. We've been in a place before of being on the verge of doing something new. Sometimes those "new" things have worked, sometimes they haven't. And yet here we are again, on our knees, praying that God will again do a new thing here in our midst.

We are living in an unknown time. The marks and works of faithfulness of past, bygone eras doesn't quite translate in the same way to the new generations of people outside our doors. And we are turning to God, once again, seeking the source of our life for what will be, rather than just building off of what we have known. It is hard to do this. But it has been the faithful journey of people from the time of Jesus to today. We need a level of experimentation in this time and ability to trust that the One who attended to those who have left all their visible marks of faithfulness all around us will again be faithful in our time today. May we trust in the promise Isaiah articulated so long ago as we ever seek to move forward in our time like faithful people did in his.

In Peace,
Pastor Andy



Living by Faith



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

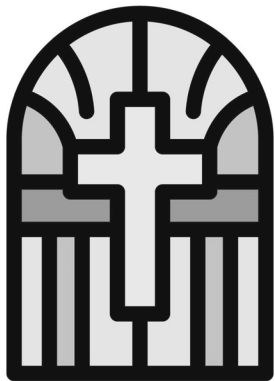
THANK YOU to Harry and Sandee O'Connell for being **exemplary** volunteers not only here at First Lutheran, but within the Manitowoc Community. No job too big or too small, Harry and Sandee are always ready to jump in to help with a grateful heart and a smile.

Your constant kindness, generosity and enthusiasm are a blessing to us all. A very sincere thank you to you both!

WE CAN EASEL-Y DO THIS!

Calling all wood workers! Do you like to work with wood? Do you like a project or two? We have noticed that some of our easels could use replacing and Pastor Andy (an amateur wood worker himself), saw some beautiful ones at Harrigan Parkside that he thought a team of people could replicate. (Our easels get used a lot when we have funerals and for other display purposes and it would be nice to have some that are a little more functional.) Talk to Pastor Andy if this might interest you and together, we can create some beautiful new functional works of art. Thank you.

Adult Study Class



Starting on September 14th, Pastor Andy will begin leading an adult study class looking at the Bible stories of stained-glass windows. "While in Scotland this past summer we toured the famous St. Giles church in Edinburgh and I was moved by their stained-glass windows. Together, I thought we could consider the biblical stories shared within those windows and in ours here at First and thus hopefully deepen our appreciation for the art that so beautifully surrounds us each Sunday." Look for more information to come about this adult education opportunity beginning in September!

Scripture Reading for August

Sun. Aug. 3 First	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23
Psalm	Psalm 49:1-12
Second	Colossians 3:1-11
Gospel	Luke 12:13-21
Sun. Aug. 10 First	Genesis 15:1-6
Psalm	Psalm 33:12-22
Second	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Gospel	Luke 12:32-40
Sun. Aug. 17 First	Jeremiah 23:23-29
Psalm	Psalm 82
Second	Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Gospel	Luke 12:49-56
Sun. Aug. 24 First	Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm	Psalm 103:1-8
Second	Hebrews 12:18-29
Gospel	Luke 13:10-17
Sun. Aug. 31 First	Proverbs 25:6-7
Psalm	Psalm 112
Second	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Gospel	Luke 14:1, 7-14

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Our Fellowship Coffee Hour

Everyone is welcome to join in the Fellowship Coffee Hour after the Sunday service in the Fireside Room! See you there!!!

Book Club

Third Wednesday of every month at 1pm.

Bible Study

Wednesdays with Pastor Andy 9:30-11am in the Fireside Room beginning September 10th.

Grief Group

First and third Friday of every month 9:00am.

Zoom Bible Study

First and third Thursday of each month from 9:00-10:30am beginning again on September 4th. Email blitzfarmers@charter.net for more information.

First Lutheran Prayer Chain

To join prayer chain or leave a prayer request please call Mary Gammelin (920-682-2250) or email mgammelin@lsol.net. You may also leave a prayer request by email to Betsie Auchter eauchter@comcast.net.

Holy Communion Delivery

Members that are homebound or unable to drive to church, may receive communion in their homes once a month. We deliver communion on a short term basis for those unable to attend services. 920.682.7742

THE HAUGIANS OF ST. PAUL LUTHERAN AND SCHISM AT FIRST

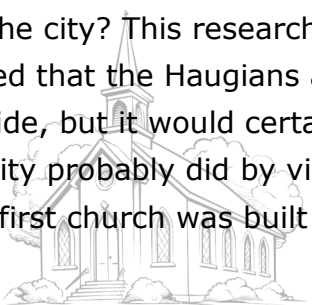
(Part One)

The Manitowoc Tribune reported on July 13, 1871, that "quite a large group of Norwegians arrived during the past week," and editorialized that "they make as good of citizens as any nationality from the old country, and we cannot have too many of them at any time."

Who were these Norwegians? The time frame of the article corresponds with the arrival of a group of Haugian Lutherans. These were Norwegian Christians who were followers of Hans Nielsen Hauge.

Hauge, a peasant farmer and a man of deep religious faith, challenged the well-established Church of Norway by becoming a popular lay preacher, though he had no formal theological training. His popularity grew because he mingled and preached among the common folk of Norway and espoused democracy, the equality of the sexes, and the right of parishioners to meet and discuss the Bible in their own homes without an ordained pastor present. This was certainly different from what the peasant population was accustomed to, since the ordained clergy of the Church of Norway was considered part of the upper class and, except for preaching and the administration of church rites, had little direct contact with the poorer elements of the population.

Why didn't these Norwegians settle on the south side of the city? This researcher has never confirmed that the Haugians all settled on the north side, but it would certainly seem that the majority probably did by virtue of the fact that their first church was built north of the river.



Additionally, just like today, new immigrants seek out their own kind. They want to live among those who speak their native language and share cultural similarities. This communication allows them the support needed to adjust to their new homeland and gradually meld into American society.

Why didn't they just become members of First Lutheran? Reverend Ludvig Bjørn of First Lutheran very much wanted to bring these new Norwegians under his fold, but there was resistance on both sides. Rev. Bjørn even traveled to Norway to speak with church officials there about the situation, and they encouraged him to do all in his power to affect a union of all the north-side Norwegians at First Lutheran. But when he approached the new Norwegian Synod in this country, the answer was in the negative. The main sticking point was that the Haugians wished to meet in each other's homes for additional worship or Bible study without an ordained clergyman present, and they were unwilling to give up this practice in order to become members of the First Lutheran congregation. The Haugians also wanted regular Sunday services, but First Lutheran could not provide that since Rev. Bjørn served three different congregations, meaning services were held only once every three weeks at these respective churches.

Thank you to Karyl Rommelfanger for this excerpt.



FAITH FORMATION UPDATE

Sunday School, Confirmation and High School Faith Formation

Connie Dorner, Faith Formation Director

Exodus 15:2 - "The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him."

Greetings First Lutheran Family!

Today I am writing to you in mid-July as I will miss the deadline for the Messenger next week. We are headed off to Denver in 3 short days! Our Servant Learning Trip is finally here! As you read this message, this exciting high school youth trip will have already taken place. But as of now, I am busy with last minute preparations for our teens and Pastor and me as we head west to the mountains. I am anticipating the wonderful experience of learning more about the Denver community through hands-on participation with the Denver Urban Servant Corp. Our time at Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp will be enriching as well, as we are surrounded by God's majesty while growing deeper in our personal faith. I look forward to sharing pictures, and stories of our learning and adventures upon our return.

A few weeks ago, eight of our middle school students and I attended confirmation camp at Imago Dei Village. There were approximately 95 other teens, Pastors and leaders from throughout our synod in attendance.



BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Blessings to the following babies, Sunday school students & youth who are celebrating their baptismal birthdays in AUGUST!

Alexis Denk	8-05-12
Theo Jacobson	8-09-09
Jimmy Gordon	8-26-12
Nicholas Kohler	8-17-14



Our Bible studies and activities for the week focused on how God's word comes near through trusting, blessing, listening, serving, and following. Though it was quite a rainy week, I was impressed by our students' perseverance, kindness and their full participation in our studies and team-building activities. They are a lovely crew!

I am also looking forward to spending time with our younger children and their families in late July and August in our *Summer, Faith and Fun* series as we dive into the Lord's Prayer and have fun and fellowship with one another in our activities throughout the community.

Lastly, fall will be here before we know it. Families, please watch for letters and schedules to come in mid-August about Sunday school, confirmation classes, as well as Spark and Youth Group times.

I close with gratitude for our church family - your support of our young people is truly humbling. God's richest blessings to all of you throughout the rest of this summer!

Cheerfully in Christ,

Connie

*GOD IS GOOD
all the time*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Congratulations to these young people who celebrate their birthdays in AUGUST!

Jimmy Gordon	Aug. 2
Evan Denk	Aug. 3
Charis Wendle	Aug. 4
William Wendle	Aug. 4
Johnathan Check	Aug. 6
Samuel Ellison	Aug. 10
Kenington Rosenow	Aug. 12
Mason Zipperer	Aug. 15
Mark Ellison	Aug. 23
Eve Ellison	Aug. 24



*happy
birthday*

Faith Formation cont. & Coming Soon

SUMMER, FAITH AND FUN!

Preschool students through teens are invited to join our summer sessions for, *On Earth as in*



Heaven. Each of the five days of our summer program focuses on a different petition of the Lord's prayer and a related Bible verse. We will also learn about connections between the prayer and

service in the world. Our time together will include a short lesson, snacks, games and crafts. Following each lesson, we will have a fun outing in the community!

Here are the remaining summer dates:

******Kindly RVSP to Connie by text, phone or email if you and your family will be participating by the Friday before each event.**

SESSION 3 Wednesday, August 6
4:00-6:30 pm

Focus Prayer: "Your kingdom come." Picnic and play at **Neshotah Park!**

SESSION 4 Wednesday, August 13
3:00-5:30 pm

Focus Prayer: "Hallowed be your name."
Art projects at **Glaze and Paint!**

SESSION 5 Sunday, August 17
10:30 am-1 pm

Focus Prayer: "For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen." Picnic and Outdoor games at **Union Park!**

*on earth as it is
in heaven*

SPECIAL MUSIC



Come join us in sharing your musical talent!

We are once again looking for 'Summer Musical Talent' to share with our First Lutheran Family. Please consider sharing your musical gifts (instrumental or vocal) on Sunday during the Special Music time in worship. Children, teens, families – solos, duets, small groups – all are welcome!

If you can share in worship in this way, please contact Connie Dorner at 920-682-7742 or 920-901-2584 to schedule a date. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP / SPARK TIMES

Our Spark schedule will remain the same, meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 4-5 pm and will be for students in grades 4 – 6.

Youth group will continue to meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 pm but will generally also meet the 2nd Sunday evening immediately after confirmation classes from 5:30-6:30 pm.

Here is our September schedule for Spark and Youth Groups. I will mail a schedule for the entire year in the fall.

SPARK GROUP

Wednesday, Sept. 10 4-5 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 24 4-5 pm

YOUTH GROUP Wednesday, September 3
6:30-7:30 pm

Sunday, Sept. 14
5:30-6:30 pm

Wednesday, Sept. 17
6:30-7:30 pm



Faith Formation cont. & Coming Soon

SUNDAY SCHOOL

I'm looking forward to seeing our children for a new year of Sunday school this fall! Our Sunday school is for children in 3-K through 6th grade. We meet most Sundays from 10:10 – 10:55 am beginning our time together in the chapel before hearing our lesson for the day. Parents, I will be mailing the Sunday school calendar soon. Meanwhile, here are some dates to put on your calendars:

Sunday, September 7: Our pre-k and grade school children are welcome to bring their backpacks to service to receive a special blessing for the school year! Please note, this is also "God's Work Our Hands" day so the children are invited to join us in the Fireside and Fellowship Halls after service to help with special projects! **Sunday, September 14:** **Regular Sunday school classes begin at 10:10 am.**

SAILING CLUB

"Come sail away, come sail away, come sail away with me..." Blue waves, wind in your hair, looking out at the horizon, all aboard a lovely sailboat! Doesn't that sound a little bit like heaven to you? Ned Jerabek is kindly offering to run his sailing club again this summer for all kids in middle school and high school.

The Sailing Club meets on scheduled days in the summer beginning at 2 pm for a one-to-two-hour sailboat excursion on Lake Michigan. We meet at the Manitowoc Marina to begin our time together. Mr. Jerabek and either Nichole Rabitz or I will be on board, and we'd love to have kids and/or their parents or grandparents join us. The boat can hold up to six riders. All riders (13 years and older) will have to sign a waiver form and wear proper lifesaving gear. If you are interested in learning more about sailing or would like to join us, please contact Mr. Jerabek or Connie. Parents, if your children would like to participate but you don't have transportation to or from the marina, please let me know and we can work something out. We hope to have many young people join us for this amazing opportunity this summer!



CONFIRMATION CLASSES



Our confirmation classes will begin in September for students in grades 7 – 9. We will once again meet from 4 – 5:30 pm on Sunday afternoons. Other than the beginning of the year, we will meet three Sundays a month and take a break on the fourth Sunday. The one Sunday off every month is hopefully a good thing for you and it will be good for the teachers too.

Sunday afternoons allow a longer time together and enables us to build strong connections with one another. They also allow us to teach our confirmation curriculum – the Old and New Testament, the Ten Commandments, the Luther Catechism and the Lord's Prayer – in a two-year rotation. This schedule avoids conflict with any Wednesday evening activities here at church (Advent, Lent, etc.). In addition to our confirmation lessons, Pastor and I will also plan some activities for our time together – service projects, topical field trips and focus times and whatever might arise. We will confirm our ninth graders this fall when we celebrate Reformation Sunday. Parents of 9th graders, please note this day when you receive your information in August.

We will have a "Back to Confirmation" BBQ for parents and students in grades 7 – 9 on **Sunday, September 7 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm.** We'll share information for the year and enjoy some fellowship time together. Our regular classes will begin on **Sunday, September 14 from 4:00 to 5:30pm.**

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

"God's Work. Our Hands," Sunday is an annual day of service celebrated by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on Sunday, September 7, 2025. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the ELCA – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. Please mark your calendars to join us after service on September 7th to work on projects sponsored by each of our Boards to benefit those in our community. What a beautiful opportunity for servanthood!

\$20 for 20 years of Hope



Hope House offers various Life Skills programs to help our residents understand how to rent, budget, and connect with community resources. Our case managers conduct weekly Life Skills classes for adult residents.



Additional Services Provided:

Saving 101
Rent smart tips
Basic budget counseling
Overnight accommodations (up to 90 days)
Weekly case management
Referrals to community agencies
Supportive listening
Job search assistance if needed
Life skills education
Assistance with completion of GED/HSED

FLC has a dedicated team of volunteers but we are looking to increase our numbers. Couples, a parent and child, friends or individuals can all serve. We would love to have you join us.

Hope House

Manitowoc County

Hope House 1000 S. 35th St. Manitowoc, WI 54220
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OUR WISH LIST

Laundry detergent (liquid)
Laundry detergent pods
Liquid hand soap
Toilet paper
Paper towels
Hair ties

Diapers/Pull ups
Floor cleaner (smaller than 32oz)
Walmart gift cards
Pick 'n Save gift cards
Kwik Trip gift cards

Desires: (crafting, art, etc., is helpful when recovering from trauma)

*Yarn
*Knitting needles
*Polyfill

Your donations are greatly appreciated!



FIRST SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION

Next collections: Sunday, August 3, 2025

(Always on the First Sunday of the Month)



REQUESTED ITEMS: Juice boxes or pouches (100% fruit juice), beef or chicken jerky pouches, dried fruit packs, no added sugar fruit cups, individual cereal packs, Bumble Bee "Lunch on the Run," chicken salad kits or any on-the-go healthy snacks/meals for kiddos.

Pasta sauces, cereal/oatmeal, pouched meat, all varieties of pasta, coffee in individual portion packets, condiments (including pickles and olives, etc.), bottles of 100% juice, cake/brownie mixes and frostings (can be a nice treat), canned soups, salad dressings, jelly/jam, crackers, rice, pasta and rice "sides" to go along with a meal, canned fruit, canned beans (black, kidney, baked, pinto, etc.)

Stop by and pick up our black cloth bags printed with *First Lutheran Church - Gather, Grow, Go*. The bags are available in the lobby near the office, use them to bring your donations on First Sunday. If you wish to have your donations picked up, call or leave a message for Harry at 920-242-2489.

THANK YOU !!!

JULY'S SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS! WOW!!! THANK YOU EVERYBODY!



PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER

Deuteronomy 6:5-9 NIV "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

Friends, please pray if the Lord is calling you to help lead our children to know and love God. Parents of teens and Sunday school children, will you be willing to serve on our Board of Christian Education? We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. Our meetings are for an hour or less. Our current members have served for many, many years and we strongly desire the input of families who currently have children in our programs. Is now your time? Won't you please consider serving in this way?

NEWS FROM THE BOARD OF OUTREACH AND SERVANTHOOD

It's been a busy summer getting to know our neighbors and developing partnerships with several different non-profit organizations in our community.

Once a month, we are hosting a community meal at Lighthouse Recovery Community Center and helping prepare and serve the community meal at Grow It Forward. Each month, we are also hosting a Laundry Day for our unhoused neighbors in which we provide laundry supplies, bus tokens, shower passes to the Y and a sack lunch. On Friday, August 15th, we will partner with Lighthouse to sponsor a brat fry in conjunction with their annual car wash in our parking lot. If you'd like to bake cookies or grill brats for this event, please let Brooke know in the church office 920-682-7742. It promises to be a fun-filled day!



CHANCEL CHOIR

Come one, come all! Do you enjoy singing? Do you enjoy making music for worship? Consider joining Chancel Choir. We rehearse on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00pm,

usually in the chapel. Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals on August 27th this season. Our first time we sing, will be September 7th for God's Work, Our Hands. Please consider joining us. Thank you, Peter Dörner

SAVE THE DATE

What: Multi-Church Picnic & Meal after 9am regular FLC worship

When: Sunday, August 17th at
10:30am for worship
11:30am for a picnic

Where: Upper Union Park (N. 7th & Park)

More details will follow as they become available. Watch for them in Life@First!

MISSION SCHOOL KITS

Can you believe it? July is already here! That means that school supplies will be going on sale soon. When you are out shopping, please remember school supply needs for mission school kits.

Most needed items (in order of need)

70 wide or narrow ruled notebooks

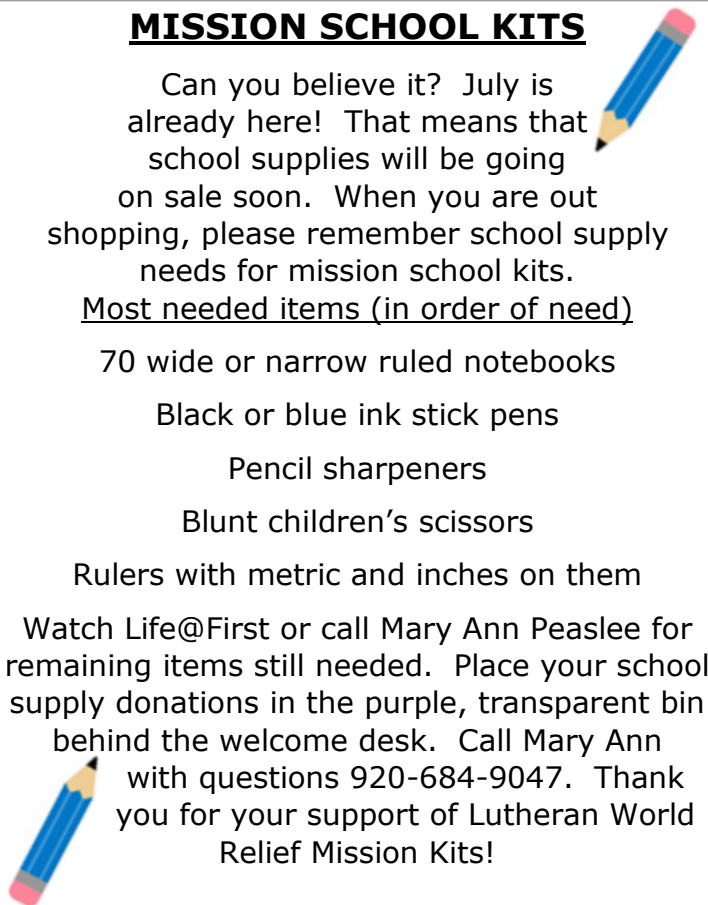
Black or blue ink stick pens

Pencil sharpeners

Blunt children's scissors

Rulers with metric and inches on them

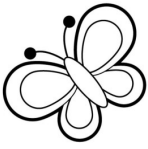




Watch Life@First or call Mary Ann Peaslee for remaining items still needed. Place your school supply donations in the purple, transparent bin behind the welcome desk. Call Mary Ann with questions 920-684-9047. Thank you for your support of Lutheran World Relief Mission Kits!





2025 AUGUST



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Please Note: Meeting dates are subject to change. FLC Hope House Host Week July 27—August 2 					1 9am Grief Support Grp.	2 1pm Bob Matthias Memorial Service
3 9am Worship First Sunday Food Collection 10:10am Fellowship Coffee 6pm NA Mtg.	4 10am Pastor Text Study 1pm Snip 'N Sew	5 9:30am Snip 'N Sew 9:30am Staff Mtg.	6 4—6:30pm Summer, Faith & Fun @ Neshotah Park 6:30pm Cross Current	7	8 National Mochi Day 	9
10 9am Worship CC Wesley Check Baptism 10:10am Fellowship Coffee 6pm NA Mtg.	11 10am Pastor Text Study 1pm Snip 'N Sew	12 9:30am Snip 'N Sew 9:30am Staff Mtg. 6pm Bd of Music & Worship 6pm Bd. of Youth 7pm Bd. Of Property	13 1pm Book Club 3-5:30pm Summer, Faith & Fun @ Glaze and Paint	14	15 9am Grief Support Grp. 10am-5pm Lighthouse Car Wash & Cookout	16
17 9am Worship 10:10am Fellowship Coffee 11:30am Multi-Church Picnic Upper Union Park 10:30am—1pm Summer, Faith & Fun @ Union Park 6pm NA Mtg.	18 10am Pastor Text Study 1pm Snip 'N Sew	19 9:30am Snip 'N Sew 9:30am Staff Mtg. 6:30pm Council Mtg.	20	21 National Senior Citizens Day 	22	23
24 9am Worship Pastor Brian Staude 10:10am Fellowship Coffee 6pm NA Mtg.	25 10am Pastor Text Study 1pm Snip 'N Sew	26 9:30am Snip 'N Sew 5:30pm Bd. Of Outreach	27 5—6pm Chancel Choir	28	29 Forgive Your Foe Friday 	30
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– Galatians 5:13