

Missions

Global Health Ministries has need of two kinds of kits. To assemble them we need help from our congregation.

AIDS/Hospice Kits: washcloths, regular size towels, 'bath size' of any kind of bath soap, toothpaste (medium or large), wide-tooth 'pick' combs, nail clippers, jars or tubes of petroleum jelly, heavy duty household gloves (kitchen type) size medium, and 2-gallon Ziploc plastic bags. HINT--check with a dentist for tooth brushes; look for gloves, combs, nail clippers, petroleum jelly and soap at "Dollar Stores". We include copies of a devotional booklet to provide comfort and hope; the rest provides cleanliness and comfort. Funds are needed to purchase pain medications and vitamins in the country of destination, so a suggested donation of \$5 for each kit will really help!
Midwife Kits: wash cloths, 'bath size' IVORY soap, receiving blankets and 2-gallon Ziploc bags. Thanks in advance for your generosity and for continuing Christ's ministry of healing. **Please place donations in labeled tubs under the coat rack outside the office. Thanks!**

The Mercy Circle is collecting items for Health Kits and School Kits. Lutheran World Relief is always in need of these, and the need will only grow as they continue their work in Haiti, Chile, and elsewhere. Please consider donating the following items over the summer months.

Health Kits: washcloths and hand towels in dark colors, 4.5 oz. 'bath size' bars of soap in original packaging, adult toothbrushes in original packaging, sturdy combs, fingernail clippers, and 1/2"-3/4" Band-Aids. **School Kits:** 70 sheet 8"x10-1/2" notebooks - wide or college ruled, blunt school scissors, 30 cm. rulers, pencil sharpeners. **Please place your donated items in the collection area at the bottom of the staircase near the elevator. Thank you!**

The Faith Circle will be packing Layette Kits for Lutheran World Relief this summer. We are in need of additional items, such as receiving blankets (a bolt of flannel would be great because we can cut the size we need and get quite a large number of diapers), 'bath size' Ivory soap in original wrapper, washcloths, and cloth diapers or large t-shirts (50% to 100% cotton) new or used as we can make diapers.

The Miracle Sale Is Set for October 9, 10, and 11 of 2010: Proceeds from the fall sale will benefit Community Table, Chippewa Valley Free Clinic, and Feed My People Food Bank. All of these recipients make a tremendous difference in the lives of our fellow Chippewa Valley citizens. Thanks to all of you who have donated this summer. Remind your neighbors, friends, and anyone you know who is able to donate good, gently used items. Join us each Monday from 9:00 a.m. until Noon to help prepare for the October sale. God's Work, Our Hands!

First Lutheran Preschool Is Now Accepting Registrations for the 2010-2011 School Year! We are offering classes for 2 1/2 year olds, 3 year olds, and 4 & 5 year olds. To set up a tour or to receive information, please contact the church office at 715-832-8321.

Summer Office Hours: First Lutheran's Church Office will be closed on Fridays this summer through August 20th. Regular office hours will be kept Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thank You! Our extraordinary July 4th free will offering raised \$824 for the B-Side Community to support their important downtown ministries. Your generosity is greatly appreciated as we work to reach out, touching the lives of those in greatest need.

Let's capture First Lutheran in action! Please consider sharing photos and video involving First Lutheran events or mission activity. We'll use them to produce a DVD for our Stewardship program and want to include all aspects of our faith community *reaching out in the name of Jesus Christ.* This DVD may further be used for outreach to future members or individuals unable to attend services on a regular basis.

1. If you have still photos, please leave them in the manila envelopes marked "Photos for Stewardship" by the mail boxes in the Lounge. If you bring them on a Sunday, we assure you they will be gently scanned and returned to you the following Sunday in the same envelope.
2. If you want to forward photos electronically, please e-mail them to Don Hodgins at dsh1008@aol.com.
3. If you have video format, please email Don Hodgins at dsh1008@aol.com or call him at 715-456-5185.

If you have questions regarding how to share your photos/videos please direct them to Don Hodgins.

Friday Facts . . . Best Care Chats: Sponsored by the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eau Claire County and Dove Healthcare - South, this six month series is aimed at connecting older adults and family caregivers with area resources and education on a variety of topics. Sessions are held every other Friday at Dove Healthcare - South, 3656 Mall Drive Eau Claire, from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Upcoming sessions include:

July 30 21st Century Health and Fitness
August 13 Diagnosing and Treating Alzheimer's and Other Brain Diseases

August 27 Options for Paying for Care
September 10 Depression in Older Adults
For more information and additional session topics, call 839-4735 or visit <http://west.dovehealthcare.com/events.phtml>.

Worship Credits: July 18, 2010

8:30 a.m. Worship:
Cantor: Robbie Joern
Liturgist: Robbie Joern
Communion Assistants: Elaine Berg, Robbie Joern, Matt Wing
Lay Reader: Barb Cizek
Ushers: Loren Bryhn, Marshall Hall, Elton Kelm, Vern Smith
Worship Coordinator: Diane Christenson
Multimedia: Don Hodgins

10:00 a.m. Worship:
Communion Assistants: Jane Johnson, Joe Liesz, Kathy Pederson, Nathan and Amy Ward
Ushers: Dave and Janet Oliver, Joyce and Katie Running
Worship Coordinator: Tom and Mary Jo Hanson
Multimedia: Don Hodgins

11:15 a.m. Worship:
Ushers: Bob and Doris Knott
Worship Coordinators: Bob and Doris Knott



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Welcome to First!

Welcome Visitors! Please sign the guest book at the Welcome Table in the narthex of the church.

All Worshipers, please sign and pass the black Fellowship Pads in your pew each week.

This Week at First

Sunday, July 18

8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

9:30-11:15 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

Traditional Worship

'Called to Serve' Introductory Meeting

Parish Nurse Office Hours

Contemporary Worship

Chapel Worship Gathering

Monday, July 19

9:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

1:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

First Lutheran Serves Community Table

Miracle Sale Work Session

Education and Worship Planning

Staff Meeting

Book Club

'Just Because' . . . Basket Ministry

Tuesday, July 20

7:30 a.m.

Prayer Group

Wednesday, July 21

1:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Sunday's Worship on TV (Cable Channels 96 & 993)

Congregation Budget Information Meeting

Confirmation Faith Project Meeting

Thursday, July 22

6:00 p.m.

'Called to Serve' Leaders Meeting with Staff

Friday, July 23

Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 25

8:30 a.m.

9:30-11:15 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

Traditional Worship

Parish Nurse Office Hours

Contemporary Worship

First's Radio Broadcast on 1150 AM Radio

Chapel Worship Gathering

****Listed Events Are Held at First Lutheran Church****

****Unless Otherwise Noted****

July 18, 2010

*We give thanks for the following gifts
which support our ministry and mission:*

Altar Committee: In memory of Audrey Frandsen from her hairdresser.

Chancel Choir Sunshine Fund: In memory of Margaret Borton Hagen from Bernice Borton; Steve & Ann Robertson.

Dale Rasmussen Youth Fund: In memory of Ed Barber from Wesley & Deloris Paulson. In memory of Diane Roberts from Rose Tomter.

Feed My People Food Bank: In memory of Ed Barber from Arne & Phoebe Peterson.

First Lutheran Church: In memory of Ed Barber from Louis & Kathleen Barber; Diane Campbell; Clifford & Jean Christenson; family & friends; Curtis & Sharyl Miller; Brenda & Rick Miller; Marlys Root; Douglas & Joan Smith; Jan Smith; John & Judith Staszczuk.

First Lutheran Foundation: In memory of Ed Barber from Irma & Ralph Guettinger; Leone Helstrom. In memory of Audrey Frandsen from Gloria & Vicki Ottestad. In honor of Brynna Ward's Baptism from Great Grandparents, Ron & Deloris Huse.

First Lutheran Keenagers: In memory of Ed Barber from James & Lynn Fering.

First Quilters: In memory of Ed Barber from Vern & JoAnn Smith.

Luther Park Bible Camp: In memory of Ed Barber from Millard & Jean Sivertson.

Malawi Pastor Support: In memory of Reverend Verner Granquist and Esther Peterson from Arne & Phoebe Peterson.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Elaine, Barbara, and Kim in memory of Richard Turner.

Altar Flowers: Please note if there are no altar flowers present on any given Sunday it means that no one has signed up to purchase flowers for that particular day. There are a few Sundays remaining in 2010 that are available to provide altar flowers to beautify our sanctuary. The sign-up sheet is on the board outside the Lounge. Thanks for considering this donation to honor loved ones.

Baptized Today at 8:30 a.m. worship is Caleb Paul Hatleli, son of Jeremy and Laura Hatleli. Sponsors are Ben Dittner, Matthew Hatleli, Kelly Olson, Rebecca Small, and Amanda Tschernach. We welcome Caleb to our church family.

Baptized Today at 10:00 a.m. worship is Trevon Michael Sova, son of Devon and Dannile Sova. Sponsors are Jason Chernak and Sabrina Whitmore. We welcome Trevon to our church family.

Those Known To Have Been Hospitalized This Week:

Luther Hospital – Carol Holum

Sacred Heart Hospital – Laura Hatleli, Susan Pinkert

Refreshments Are Served between the 8:30 and 10:00 worship services this morning. The gathering is in the Lounge – across from the elevator on the main floor of the church. Everyone is welcome! Special thanks to Peggy Larson and Joan Smith for serving refreshments today.

Coffee Servers Are Needed for July and August. If you participate, please consider signing up on the board outside the Lounge. Thanks!

Worship Bulletin Deliverers: We thank the following individuals for their service to our congregation:

Marian Solomakos	Luther Hospital and Dove West
Wes & Deloris Paulson	Sacred Heart Hospital and The Clairemont
Nona Hanson	Syverson Lutheran Home
Emil & Judy Evenson	Oakwood Villa, Oak Gardens, Grace Edgewood, Dove South

Looking Ahead

This Week's Scripture:

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

Next Week's Scripture:

Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

Psalm 138

Luke 11:1-13

Mark Your Calendar for Important Congregation Upcoming Events: As you recall, at our last Congregational Meeting we voted to change our fiscal year from January 1 through December 31 to July 1 through June 30. We are also changing the dates of our Annual Meetings to coincide with the fiscal year. So mark your calendars and relish the idea of coming out for our Annual Meeting on a warm July evening instead of a cold January Sunday!

- Today, Sunday, July 18 – Annual Meeting Agenda Available Outside the Church Office
- Wednesday, July 21 – 6:00 p.m. – Budget Information Meeting
- Wednesday, July 28 – 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Annual Meeting of the Congregation with an Evening Meal (If you plan to attend, please RSVP by calling the church office or by signing up on the bulletin board by the office. Please include the number in your party to help us with food planning.)

First Lutheran Church Women Circles: If you would like "Leader Guides" and or "Companion Bibles" for 2010-11, please sign up and pay for them in the church office by Friday, August 13, 2010. Shipping costs are included.

Leader Guide: \$7.25

Companion Bible: \$4.25

Events

Picnic Lunch On August 5: A picnic lunch will be served in the church assembly at noon on August 5. Menu includes pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, salads, cake and ice cream sundaes. Entertainment will be provided by pianist Kathy Johns. Her music includes ragtime and a sing-a-long. Everyone is welcome. Invite your friends and family to this Keenager sponsored activity. Ticket cost is \$5.00 and will be sold July 25 and August 1 between services.

Fanny Hill Dinner Theater on September 23: The Keenagers are sponsoring an outing to Fanny Hill for the play "On Golden Pond" on September 23. Tickets for dinner and play are \$32.00 and \$22.00 for the play only. These prices are based on a minimum of 20 people. The meal is at noon and the play starts at 1:45. Indicate on the sign-up sheet if you need a ride and we will arrange for someone to pick you up.

More Events

Churches in the Chippewa Valley are coming together to "Pack the Park" on July 28, and you can get in free! There are two ways you can get free tickets:

1. Donate any of the following items to participating churches (below): New or used baseball equipment, other sports equipment, hand tools, power tools, miscellaneous fasteners, sewing machines, miscellaneous sewing items, material, and cash donations. These items will be sent to Escuela san Miguel in Nicaragua, a trade school founded and built by former Regis graduate Dean White and his brothers. Go to www.projectforpeople.org for more information.
2. Bring non-perishable food items to the game to benefit the B-Side Community, helping the less fortunate in downtown Eau Claire.

Join us on July 28 to cheer on the Express and make a difference by helping families in Central America and downtown Eau Claire!

Participating Churches: Peace, Bethesda, Valleybrook, Calvary Baptist, Good Shepherd, St. John's, Grace.

"Just Us for Justice" Walk/Run: Join us as we reach out to our local community to impact the world with God's message of justice. The 3rd annual "Just Us for Justice" run/walk will be held on Wednesday, July 21 at Owen Park, Eau Claire. This event supports International Justice Mission, which fights human trafficking and modern-day slavery around the world. The 5 mile event begins at 6:00 p.m., 2 mile at 7:00p.m., and 1/2 mile kids' race at 7:30 p.m. There will be children's activities and refreshments. Live music and prizes begin at 8:00 p.m. Onsite registration available at 5:00 p.m., but pre-registering by July 7th guarantees your t-shirt! Check www.cvjusticerun.org for more details. If you have questions, contact Jessie Podolak at rpodolak@prodigy.net or 715-271-0388.

"Bridging the Gap from Hospital to Home" This new, community education program will be held monthly at one of three Transitions Rehabilitation locations. The first class is Thursday, July 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon at Dove Healthcare – South. The free program with lunch is intended to help prospective patients and their families plan ahead and prepare for what to expect during an in-patient, short-term rehabilitation stay. Objectives also include explaining the role of therapy, nursing, nutritional and social services as well as providing an overview of Medicare/Medicaid benefits. To register, receive more information or request future class dates, please call 715-225-3496 or email ahite@dovehealthcare.com.

Outdoor Summer Concert Series: The Fireside Bistro at Dove Healthcare – South, 3656 Mall Drive, invites you to attend an Outdoor Summer Concert Series in the courtyard. Rain or shine, the series will run every Wednesday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. beginning June 23 – August 25 (bring your lawn chair). Local jazz, folk, guitar, acoustic and piano musicians will perform. Bring a food donation for Bob's House for Dogs or the St. Francis Food Pantry and receive a free beverage at the Fireside Bistro. Call 552-1035 for more information.

Literacy Volunteers of the Chippewa Valley: Literacy skills affect us daily. Help an adult by becoming a volunteer tutor. Different trainings begin in September and October with registration accepted now through September 8 or October 4. To find the training right for you, call Cheryl at 715-834-0429 or go to www.lvcv.org. Adult students may be English-speaking or those with limited English proficiency. Come experience the joy and meaning tutoring with Literacy Volunteers!