

November Bell Newsletter

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"It will snow twice this November!"

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6-month, green season of Pentecost. November 3rd will be "All Saints Sunday", November 24th culminates with "Christ the King Sunday," and then we will have a special "Thanksgiving Eve" Service.

| November 3 rd | All Saints Sunday | "See how He loved him." | John 11: 32-44 |
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| November 10 th | Widow's mite | "She gave it her all!" | Mark 12: 38-44 |
| November 17 th | Tumbling Temple | "All will be thrown down!" | Mark 13: 1-8 |
| November 24 th | Christ the King Sunday | """""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""" | John 18: 33-37 |
| November 27 th | Thanksgiving Eve | "Do not worry about your life!" | Matt: 6: 25-33 |

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Pastor's report continued

Quotes from scripture come as sermon titles for this month of November. And you can quote scripture on that! The Bible Project will be starting up this month for 6 weeks. The videos will begin at 6:00 p.m. and are much shorter in length... like 10-20 minutes. So, bring your Bibles, and bring your open hearts and questions as we will have much time for discussion. Now back to the opening question, "Do I actually think it will snow twice in November?" Hmmmm. "Sure!" And, you can quote me on that!

See you in church!

Pastor Hans

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The First Lutheran Church directories are complete!!!! Thank

you to everyone who put forth effort to have their picture included. Colleen Moser and Val Johnson provided excellent organizational skills and planning to complete the project. Our congregation is thankful and appreciative of their hours of dedication to provide a directory to help us connect names with faces!!



Thank you to everyone who provided food for the Teen Challenge meal and attended the evening concert. The \$431 offering and a \$500 donation from the First Lutheran Mission Find was given to Teen Challenge to support their recovery program.



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FLCW Notes

November 17, 2024 is Thankoffering Sunday. This is the time to give thanks for all the blessings we have received as individuals, as families and as a nation. The Women of First Lutheran will be participating in the church service on this day. <u>This is also an opportunity to give a new blanket, that will go with the quilts made by Dorcas Sewing Circle, to **Lutheran World Relief**. The blanket you bring can be put in the front of the church by the altar. <u>There will be Thankoffering envelopes in the pews so you can make a special donation to FLCW missions</u>.</u>





Our next "Out to Lunch Bunch" will be going to Charlie's in Walker on November 19. We will meet in the parking lot at church at 11:00 am to carpool. ALL ARE WELCOME

FLCW Cookie Sale– Saturday December 7, 2024

9:00 am to noon

A HOMEMADE PREPACKAGED FANCY COOKIES,

LEFSE and CANDY SALE!







Holly Knutson and Annette Newton are co-coordinators of this FLCW fundraiser.

All women of First Lutheran are asked to bring their favorite cookies or candies to the church anytime between 8 am and 11:00 AM on Friday, December 6.





December 1, 2024. The stockings, made by women of First

Lutheran are available on the table in the Narthex. There are RED STOCKING envelopes available in each pew. <u>This special</u>

offering is given to the Pine River Backus Family Center for women and children in our community. Each stocking

includes a poem to encourage the use of the red stocking throughout the year.

FLCW Notes-part 3

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm, ALL women of First Lutheran Church are invited to attend the FLCW Advent Dinner at Bites Pub N Grub in Pine River.

We will order from the menu and enjoy the blessing of being together.

First Lutheran Church Women is providing a financial donation to support the November monthly birthday party at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Pine River.

November Circle Meetings

Dorcas Sewing Circle

Meetings are the first and third Thursdays of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the lower-level Quilting Room in the church.

Dorcas is quilting and fellowship; no Bible study.

November meeting dates are November 7th and 21st

Naomi Circle

We will be meeting Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 1:30 PM . Cleone Hoplin and Rhonda Wippler are hosting, at the church

Kitchen Committee will meet on

Monday, December 2nd at 4:00 pm.

(Note change of date)



First Lutheran Church Council Minutes 10/20/2024

Members Present:

Denice Smith, Penny Siewert, Art Schmidt, Anne Holm, Jan Brasel, Gloria Johnson, Melanie Lindquist, Cora Hohnstadt

Members Absent:

Camden Zinda, Kayci Finley, Pastor Hans Anderson, Barb Richards, Val Johnson Call to Order:

Denice Smith called the meeting to order at 10:11 am.

Pastor's Report:

Anne Holm motioned to approve the Pastor's report, seconded by Art Schmidt. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Anne Holm to approve the minutes, seconded by Art Schmidt. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report :

Motion by Anne Holm to approve treasurer's report. Seconded by Jan Brasel. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Teen Challenge donation from the Mission Trust Fund of \$500.00 plus offering of \$431.00 from the service. Total of \$931.00.

Motion by Denice Smith, seconded by Penny Siewart to allow Sandy Gilbertson to carry over 32 hours of vacation earned in 2024 to be used in 2025. Motion carried.

New Business:

• Penny Siewart made the motion to donate \$500.00 to the Pine Ridge Cemetery for perpetual care. Funds will be used from Benevolence - other. Seconded by Anne Holm. Motion carried.

Motion made by Anne Holm, seconded by Jan Brasel to have the carpets cleaned by Northland Steam Cleaners. Scheduled for December 30, 2024. Cost of approximately \$2,000.00. (Maintenance/Repair fund) Motion carried.

Next council meeting will be Sunday, November 17, 2024, 10:00 am in person. Devotions will be provided by Barb Richards.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Brasel, Secretary

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The first 6 weeks of WOW have been an absolutely amazing experience. The first two weeks we learned about the feeding of the 5,000. The next two weeks were about the wedding at Cana. The third two weeks, we will learn about the Burning Bush.



The next four weeks, November 20, November 27, December 4, and December 11, we will be learning about the Christmas Story.

FINANCIAL DATA SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 - October 18, 2024

| Budgeted Income (all areas) | \$22,162.75 |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Actual Income (all areas) | 22,266.22 |
| Difference (BELOW BUDGET) | \$ 103.47 |
| Budgeted Expenses | \$21,978.26 |
| Actual Expenses | <u>18,361.82</u> |
| Difference (OVER BUDGET) | \$ 3,616.44 |
| Actual Income (all areas) | \$22,266.22 |
| Actual Expenses | <u>18,361.82</u> |
| Difference | \$ 3,904.40 |

ACTUAL PREVIOUS MONTH CHECKING: Sept. 30 Ending Balance \$53,276.31 Sept. 1 Beginning Balance 49,063.97 Difference (loss) 4,212.34

| Sept. | Income | \$15,440.41 |
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| Sept. | Expenditures | 11,228.07 |
| Differ | cence (loss) | 4,212.34 |

Because there are some changes in income and expenses after this report is written, you will see the bottom portion of the report giving the actual previous month's numbers.

November's Noisy Offering on November 24th will be going to the Tiger Den at Pine River Backus Schools.



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Worship Volunteers

Penny Siewert

Sandy Gilbertson

Cora Hohnstadt

Val Johnson

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Chuck Brasel

Denice Smith

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November 3, 2024 All Saint's Sunday Reader: **Communion Assistants:** Sound: Zoom: November 10, 2024 25th Sunday of Pentecost Reader: **Communion Assistants:** Sound: Zoom: November 17, 2024 **26th Sunday of Pentecost** Reader: **Communion Assistant:** Sound: Zoom: November 24, 2024 Christ the King Sunday Noisy Offering Reader: **Communion Assistant:** Sound: Zoom: Ushers: Paul Pearson & Roger Hoplin ll Neil Smith Counter: Altar Guild:

Penny Siewert, JoAnn Nelson and Irene Gearey Sunday Fellowship & Coffee: Patty Sweeny, Chair

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Thanksgiving Eve Service November 27, 2024 6:00 PM



We will be serving pie and ice cream following the service.

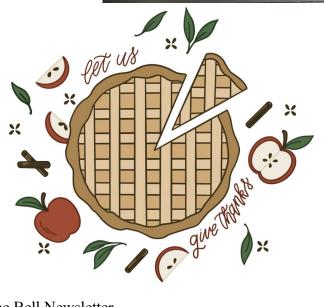
ALL ARE WELCOME

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| | FRIDAY | All Saints' Day | cO | | 15 | | 22 | | 29 | Church Office Closed |
| \sim | THURSDAY | | 7 | 9:00 AM Dorcas Circle | 14 | | 21 | 9:00 AM Dorcas Circle 1:30 PM Noami Circle | 28 | Church Office Closed Thanksgiving |
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| | MONDAY | | 4 | | , | Veterans Day | 18 | | 25 | |
| | SUNDAY | | All Saints Sunday Daylight-Saving Time Ends 3 | iip Ib 45 ee | 10 | 9:00 AM Worship 9:45 AM B&B, Club 45 10:00 AM Coffee | Thankoffering Sunday 17 | 9:00 AM Worship 9:45 AM B&B, Club 45 10:00 AM Coffee 10:00 AM Church Council | Christ the King Sunday24 | 9:00 AM Worship 9:45 AM B&B, Club 45 10:00 AM Coffee |

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| Pastor:Hans Anderson Website: www.1stluth.org | | | | | | |
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| Sunday Worship : | | | | | | |
| Worship & Communion | 9:00 AM | | | | | |
| Coffee & Fellowship 10:00AM | | | | | | |

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