

Sunday Worship 8:15 and 10:45 Sunday School 9:30

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Welcome to First Lutheran Church. We ask everyone to complete the "Footprints" listing if you are a visitor, communing, or have a prayer request. All baptized Christians who understand that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome to join us for Holy Communion. Wheat/gluten-free communion wafers are available on the baptismal font during communion. Grape juice is available on both sides. We ask that you "think green" and place blank "Footprints" forms in the narthex to be reused. There are several large print bulletins available in the Please ask an usher for narthex. assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God by by Tad and Maria Schell, in honor of Brittany Schell and Ryan Loughlin's wedding on April 28th.

DO YOU HAVE A GRADUATIONG SENIOR in your home? Senior Recognition Day is Sunday, May 20th. If you did not receive a Graduation Appreciation letter, please contact the church office to make sure your special graduate is on our list.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for Ed, Jerry, Autumn, Brad, Gary, Diana Mitchell, Sam Blosser, Lucas, Luann, Eileen, Beth Hardesty, Lori Miller, Larry Deal, Larry Hall, Laura Cavitt, Jane Wobser, Voleta Willford, Ryan Nunn, Madison Kirk, Tyler F., Larry McKanna, Katie Otte, Whitley, Chance, Brittany, Shirley Ruehle, Karen Smith, Margie Closson, Phil Bash, Dr. Rick & Cheri Mann, Libby Hendricks, Sue Schrader, Mary, Dave Gray, Kevin, Brian & Shirley Williams, Barry Turner Family, Gabriella Mathews, Lil Slusher, Jean, Marissa Sanders, Margie Closson, Pastor Paul DeMoss, Jerry, Mark, Rose Barbosa, Amy Crawford, Betty Ashley, Alex, Sue & Gwen Oliver, Ronnie, Pastor Christian Dittmar and Ron Hoke. Please pray for those serving in the Armed Forces: Sean Napier, Drew Weissling, Matthew Price, Austin Brown, Brandon Shanahan, Corey Spoon, Thomas Leonard, Caleb Ekin, Jake Hardesty, Eric Lemire, Josh Rowan, Mitchell & Jackson Gardiner, Ian Roberts, Chris Wolfe, Barry Boutwall, and Chris Dierking.

A NEW MEMBER CLASS will be offered on May, 13th at 9:30 in the church library. New members who choose to join our church family will be received and introduced to the congregation in worship on Sunday, May 20th. For more information you may call Pastor Bob at 419-788-0803. Or email him at *flcPastor@Hotmail.com*.

DREAMING OF A YOUTH PASTOR. The First Lutheran Church Council has a dream for this congregation, but it can only come true if the congregation shares in it. We have a dream that we could hire a Youth Pastor, someone who would be fully engaged (not needing to take on extra jobs outside of the church) and stay with our youth beyond a few years.

We have a dream that we could once again have a 2nd pastor in the building during the week and at worship every Sunday. We have a dream that a full-time professional could look at our Sunday School program and work on ways to make the Sunday School wing come alive again with the voices of children. We have a dream that someone with a new vision and fresh perspective could help us put more feet on our new carpeting and fill the new gathering space we just created.

We need to hear all voices, dreamers and pragmatists, on this one. So we will hold an **Open Forum** in which everyone will have a chance to speak and ask questions on **today at 9:30 a.m.** in our worship space. If this time did not work for you, let us know so we can set up a second forum.

We will then hold a vote on whether to increase the budget at a *Special Congregational Meeting* on <u>May 20th</u> for all voting members at 9:30 a.m.; we will recess the meeting and reconvene it at 12:00 noon to give everyone the opportunity to conveniently participate. Mostly, though, we need everyone to pray for God's guidance.

which lists member's phone numbers and addresses. Please call the office for more information on how to download the app to your phone or check out the instructions on our webpage under the Forms/Gift tab. The church office needs to have your current email address for you to be able to download the app. There have been a few updates; if you have trouble reading the app you may need to reenter your login and password.

THE OLD MILLSTREAM RINGERS handbell group is coming back to First Lutheran Church this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. (See the poster on the hallway bulletin board.) Come join us as we play some of our favorite songs.