



Be Thou My Vision

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 narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God by Craig and Beth Meier in honor of their 24th wedding anniversary on September 3rd.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES are extended to the family of Mary Schaffer Clayton, who entered into the Church Triumphant on August 23rd. Pastor Bob presided over her funeral last Wednesday

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for Ed, Autumn, Brad, Gary, Diana, Sam Blosser, Lucas, Luann, Eileen, Beth Hardesty, Lori Miller, Jane Wobser, Voleta Willford, Ryan Nunn, Madison Kirk, Larry McKanna, Katie Otte, Whitley, Dawn Arvy, Mike Myers, Rose Barbosa, Marisa Rose Sanders, Family of Mary Clayton, Matthew Martin, Dick Larick, Family of Todd Garlock, Family of Virginia Weber, Cheryl Gallant, Ella Yoder, Sharon Langford, Kelsey Geyson, Randy, Mark, Maurice, Katie, Donald, Renee, Andy & Ron Hoke and Kailea Altman. Please pray for those serving in the military: Sean Napier, Drew Weissling, Matthew Price, Austin Brown, Brandon Shanahan, Corey Spoon, Thomas Leonard, Caleb Ekin, Jake Hardesty, Eric Lemire, Josh Rowan, Mitchell Gardiner, Ian Roberts, Chris Wolfe, Barry Boutwall, and Chris Dierking.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed tomorrow in recognition of Labor Day.

THE SENIOR CHOIR will begin rehearsals this week on Thursday, September 6th at 7:00. All are invited to join every Thursday evening throughout the school year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS on September 9th at 9:30 AM. We are in need of one or two teachers for the 6th through 12th grade class. All are invited, ages 4 through adults. Please pray about this opportunity to help them strengthen their faith through their studies and fellowship.

SECOND GRADE STUDENTS will be presented with a bible on September 9th. If you have a 2nd grader, please contact the church office to insure we have your child in the correct grade.

EPIC YOUTH begins September 9th from 6:00 – 7:30. For more information, please contact Jenny Welte, Jennifer Treece or Dawn Franks.

ATTENTION ALL 7TH AND 8TH GRADERS. Confirmation will begin on Wednesday, September 12th with a parent/student orientation at 7:00 in the nave. If you have a 7th or 8th grader and did not receive an informational letter, please join us. This meeting will set expectations for our upcoming confirmands. Questions???? Feel free to contact Pastor Bob.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL. *The Story* video curriculum will open your eyes to God's master-plan unfolding in the lives of the Bible's characters - and in your own life. Discover the heart of God's Upper Story, and the joy that comes as you align your story with God's. Please join Pastor Bob for our Adult Sunday School class beginning on September 9th at 9:30am.

DEACONS, a communion deacon schedule is being composed for October through May. Please sign up for your preferred time no later than September 16 on the sign-up sheet posted by Pastor Bob's office. Contact Tad Schell if you have questions or concerns.

NEXT WEEK'S NOISY OFFERING will benefit Clothe-a-Child.....*to provide clothing for underprivileged children primarily located in Northwest Ohio.*

OUR SECOND TAIZE SERVICE will be Tuesday, September 18th at 7 p.m. in the nave. If you missed the August service, take time to join us in this quiet worship hour. It will be filled with candlelight, music, scripture, and time for your prayers.

WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST HABITAT FOR HUMANITY in making housing affordable in our community. Work shifts are either or both of the following days: Monday, Sept. 24 and Tuesday, Sept. 25. Two shifts each day...8am-Noon and 1pm-5pm are available. Hammers and instructions will be provided. If you can help with light breakfast and/or lunch each day, call Mary Lou McCann at 419-348-6164. To volunteer for the construction, call Mike Thompson at 419-422-2832 or sign the volunteer form on the church hallway bulletin board. Thanks for your prayerful consideration of this ministry opportunity.

Financials	Thru July
Year to Date Receipts	\$216,199
Actual Expenses	<u>210,663</u>
Year to Date Difference	\$5,536