

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

## Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

*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.

<u>THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR</u> are given to the glory of God by Jerry and Carolyn Bryant in thankfulness for nature's beauty.

TODAY'S NOISY OFFERING will benefit Clothea-Child.....to provide clothing for underprivileged children primarily located in Northwest Ohio.

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, Kim Carty, Betty Ashley, Dan Hollingdale, Ken, Diane Spears, Colleen Smith, Phyllis, Family of Mary Clayton, Dick Larick, Family of Todd, Matthew Martin, Family of Virginia Weber, Cheryl Gallant, Ella Yoder, Sharon Langford, Kelsey Geyson, Randy Anderson, Mark, Maurice, Katie, Donald, Renee, Rob, and Andy & 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 Gardiner, Ian Roberts, Chris Wolfe, Barry Boutwall, and Chris Dierking.

<u>OUR SECOND GRADERS</u> will be recognized today. It is First Lutheran's tradition to present them with a personal bible to guide them through their walk with God. / have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth. 3 John 1:4

**SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS** today at 9:30 AM. All are invited, ages 4 through adults. Please pray about this opportunity to help them strengthen their faith through their studies and fellowship. **EPIC YOUTH** begins today for all 6-12<sup>th</sup> graders from 6:00 – 7:30. For more information, please contact Jennifer Treece, Jenny Welte, Dawn Franks, or check out the fall schedule at www.1stLutheranChurch.org, under the "Youth" tab.

**ATTENTION ALL**  $7^{TH}$  **AND**  $8^{TH}$  **GRADERS**. Confirmation will begin on Wednesday, September  $12^{th}$  with a parent/student orientation at 7:00 in the nave. If you have a  $7^{th}$  or  $8^{th}$  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.

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> begins today. *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 at 9:30am.

ATTENTION DEACONS. A communion deacon schedule is being composed for October through May. Please sign up for your preferred time no later than September 16<sup>th</sup> on the sign-up sheet posted by Pastor Bob's office. Contact Tad Schell if you have guestions or concerns. **OUR SECOND TAIZE SERVICE** will be Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

**REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY.** 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. To volunteer for the construction, call Mike Thompson at 419-422-2832 or sign the volunteer form on the church hallway bulletin board

If you can help with a light breakfast and/or lunch each day, call Mary Lou McCann at 419-348-6164. Thanks for your prayerful consideration of this ministry opportunity.

Financials	Thru July
Year to Date Receipts	\$243,553
Actual Expenses	<u>\$244,510</u>
Year to Date Difference	\$957