



### ***Come You Faithful***

***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-free/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 ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Jane & Kurt Ebersole in honor of friends and church family.

**A SECIAL “SHOUT OUT” TO CAROLYN WILDE** for offering her time and talents this morning as our organist. Thank you Carolyn!

**BAPTISED TODAY AT THE 10:45 WORSHIP SERVICE** is Matthew Zane Zeto, son of Katherine and Kelsey Zeto and nephew of Pastor Bob and Pam Cochran. May God’s blessings be with Matthew on this special day and throughout his life.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR** Loni Seemann, Ed, Jerry, Autumn, Sam Blosser, Lucas, Luann, & Clare, Beth Hardesty, Lori Miller, Roger & Virgil Siler, Larry Deal, Larry Hall, Virginia Hackworth, Laura Cavitt, Jane Wobser, Voleta Willford, Ryan Nunn, Madison Kirk, Sally Robinson, Shirley Ruehle, Tyler, Marylin Basinger, Angie, & Thom, Steve, Eileen Maines, Family of Karen McKee, Amy Gibson, Melissa, Steve, and Joyell, Keith, Krista, Mary, David Russell, Cindy Habegger, Rose Barbosa, Daniel Beck, Korin and Shirley. And those serving in our Armed Forces: Sean Napier, Drew Weissling, Matthew Price, Austin Brown, Connor Carson, Brandon Shanahan, Corey Spoon, Thomas Leonard, Phil, Caleb Ekin, Jake Hardesty, Eric Lemire, Josh Rowan, Mitchell & Jackson Gardiner.

**BECOME PART OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY.** Baptisms will be celebrated on May 7<sup>th</sup>. New Member classes will be held at 9:30 on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> with new members being received on May 21<sup>st</sup>. If you or someone you know would like to be received as a member of our church family through Baptism or the New Member Class, please contact the church office or Pastor Bob.

**BABY CARE KITS ARE BEING ASSEMBLED** to send to those affected by natural disasters and poverty. The last two weeks of April we are asking for donations of new long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers without feet, sizes between 6 and 24 months. A collection box for the items is in the hallway.

**THE BGSU A CAPPELLA CHOIR AND THE VAN BUREN VARSITY CHOIR** will present a concert at First Lutheran Church on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. The sacred portion of the BGSU A Cappella Choir program will feature a variety of styles ranging from a seventeenth-century motet to contemporary pieces. The secular half of the program will include a variety of pieces. The Van Buren Varsity Choir, under the direction of First Lutheran Church member James Vaughn, consists of 45 juniors and seniors that hail from Van Buren High School. The choir, singing three selections as part of a joint concert, is the upper level choir at Van Buren. For more information on specific music selections, please see the May newsletter.

**OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE** begins on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Our worship times will change to 9:00 (Liturgical) and 11:00 (contemporary) and will run through August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**LUNCH WITH PASTOR BOB** is Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. All are invited to join at 11:30 at Café Marie’s.

Financials	Thru March.
General Fund Receipts	\$92,211
Actual Expenses	\$98,558
Year to Date Difference	(\$6,347)