



Calling A Youth Pastor

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

Vote Result:

Motion: First Lutheran Church, Findlay will commit to a Youth Pastor Compensation Package of at least \$63,400 per year, which will incorporate the Youth Director, Christian Education Director, and Visitation Pastor budget lines of \$25,652, for a yearly increase of \$37,748

Yes 128

No 5

Out of our deep concern for our youth and the future of our ministry, the leadership of First Lutheran went out on a limb to propose a budget increase that would allow us to call a Youth Pastor, and we are all humbled by this show of support. It is a great honor to serve a congregation that hears the call and says, "Here I am, Lord. Send me."

What's Next?

Now we get busy...and wait.

Get Busy...

- 1) The Council's Youth Pastor Exploratory Committee will send the call papers they've prepared to the Synod so the search can begin.
- 2) An official Call Committee will be formed (If you are interested in being a member of this committee, contact Cindy Fitzpatrick or Pastor Bob soon.).
- 3) Giving in excess of our current budget can be set aside for our new Youth Pastor.

...and Wait

Waiting can be frustrating, but in this case, we're waiting on the Lord to find us the perfect candidate. All of this is in God's Hands, and there are simply no better hands for such a task. We are looking for the right person at the right time in his/her life: I think we'd better let God handle this!

We have taken the crucial first step, a step of faith and commitment. Now, we pray and watch for the Spirit. Is there anything more exciting than that?



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So Many Ways to Serve God at First

We feel God has answered prayers for another pastor for our congregation! Now, we need to be praying for good and giving hearts to make up the difference in the budget. If you haven't heard Pr. Bob's sermon on the 10 dimes, here's a recap. You have 10 dimes. One you put in savings, one goes to God...actually, Biblically, the first dime goes to God, then you have 8 dimes for yourself. So, for an additional \$5 dollars on the \$50 you give per month (and I know that number may be more or less), we could afford to hire an ordained, young pastor to add an additional 30% to our church's life and well-being....not to mention Pr. Bob's! Again, no matter what your giving to the church, just 10 % more would cover the need. So, please prayerfully consider ways to add that 10%.

church choir. So many ways to serve God and First. Consider being a part of our Prayer Ministry; take an additional few minutes to join a Bible study or prayer study. There will be chances all summer and this coming fall.

Create that intimacy with God....He wants to hear from you and speak to you. It just takes a little quiet time...begin with the Jesus Prayer, "Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me!" (Mark 10:44-48). Pray without ceasing! (1Thessalonians 5:17) Currently, the Prayer Study Group (phase 1) has picked up some others to study Nehemiah, a poison taster/cupbearer, engineer, but most of all a simple man of PRAYER. Begin or Renew/ Revive your life of prayer today!

"The greatest transmission of God's power takes place through the believer's prayers and intercessions." O. Hallesby

If you can't swing the dollars, maybe helping with a Sunday School class in the fall, VBS in the summer, serve on a committee, help with the Community Dinner, in the nursery, in the



Social Ministry

We send good wishes for a safe summer to everyone. The ministry of the church continues even when school is out and families like to go on vacations.

Please remember those in need as we continue to help stock the Choice Food Pantry at Lutheran Social Services, serve

our Community Dinners the first Sunday of the month and many other opportunities to help in the community.

We will be helping to "Stuff the Bus" in August with school supplies, helping with a Habitat build in September, and will continue to gather the Labels for Education for Lincoln School.

As a committee we will continue to bring awareness of needs to help persons locally, nationally and globally. Thank you for all the help given when needs arise,



Rain, Rain, Go away....come back when we have tilled and filled! We are waiting, at the writing of this article, for the ground to dry in The Good News Garden before we can plant. We will be doing a few less vegetables (tomatoes and zucchini) this year, but we will add bulbs, some perennials and annuals to decorate

the altar and use on the tables for the Community Dinner. So, watch for a sign-up sheet for weeding and watering. If you would like to donate plants or seedlings, contact Jerry Bryant (419-422-0015). Thanks for being a part of this ministry!



Calling all Crafters



The Synod has asked for knitted or crocheted squares to make Project Linus blankets during the upcoming Assembly. We will be collecting those June 3rd so our synod representatives can take them to the Assembly to be blessed and assembled. Look for a basket

in the Narthex May 27 and June 3 for your donation. Thanks for being a part of Synod Assembly in this way! If you cannot be in church either of those Sundays, call Jane Ebersole (419-422-9640), and she will pick them up for delivery.

Women of the ELCA

A gigantic thank you to all the volunteers who gave generously of their time and energy for setting up the Spring Rummage Sale, worked during the sale, and the final cleanup. Another thank you to all those who contributed so generously with their donations to the rummage sale. We cleared \$1,100.

The \$1,100 will be divided and sent to the Hancock School "Boot" Project, WELCA Scholarships, and solar-powered lanterns for Sub-Saharan Africa households. Seed money for the rummage sale was provided through Thrivent Action Teams.

- June 12 Martha Circle, brunch out
- June 24 Cookie Sunday Rachel Circle
- July 8 Program Book information to office
- July 29 Cookie Sunday Martha Circle



There are still Sundays left that you can choose to place flowers on the altar. This is the perfect reflection for you to honor, remember, or give thanks for those people and events in your life. The flower chart is in the hallway, across from the church office, where you can make your selection.

First News



Sue and I would like to thank you for all your mighty prayers, cards, and phone calls that we received during my recent illness. You all mean so much to us and, believe me, I could feel your prayers surrounding us and lifting us up. As Bishop Daniel said, "Surrounding us with the loving hands of Jesus". When I went into surgery I knew I was in the Lord's hands and the light of Christ was in that room surrounding all of us. The doctors, nurses, and all those that took care of us were wonderful and uplifting. Several Lutherans attended me and of course I had the opportunity to share my faith journey with them. Again, the card from the church with all your names mean so much to my recovery.

May the Lord bless you. Pastor Paul and Sue

It has been a very trying month for my family. First, I must thank all of you who sent cards, texts, phone calls, letter and prayers while my sisters and I struggled through the death of yet another sister. Our oldest sister, Joann, died on May 1st after a long bout with the effects of Type II Diabetes. At this point in the trials of my family, we await news that Joann's second oldest son, Mark, will soon be strong enough for bone marrow transplant after intensive chemotherapy. Thank you for your continued prayers.

Kathy Brooks.

My mom, Shirley Ruehle, wanted to let you know that she appreciates all of the cards and visits she has received. She was moved from Findlay to the Hospice Care Center, 1069 Klotz Rd, Room 307, Bowling Green, OH 43402. Her phone number is 419-728-0107. She is currently still able to enjoy visitors.

Thanks again,
The Family of Shirley Reuhle



Starting June 3rd
Worship at
9:00 & 11:00

Our Christian Sympathies to...

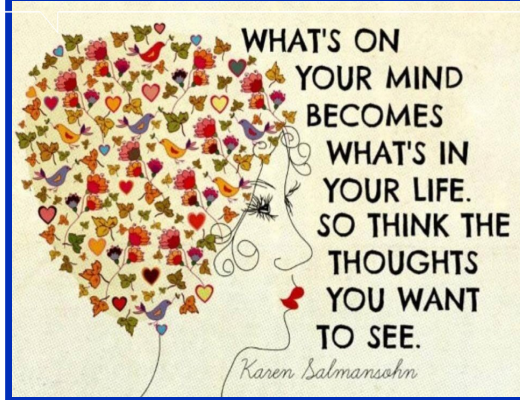
The families who have had loved ones pass into the Church Triumphant:

- May 4, —Mary E. Hawkins (Husband Jerry Hawkins and grandson Evan Pitt)
- May 13, —Donald Cox (Father of Casey and Tricia Cox, and grandfather to many)

May 14, —Shirley Peters, (Husband of Blaine Peters)

May God grant you comfort and peace.

What's on your mind?



Personal Choices

- When I can't see that I have choices, it is an indication that I am stuck and have set up a dualism. It helps me to look at a third option. From my "Busy Women's Calendar".
- When I find myself procrastinating, I need to stop. go inside, and see what is really going on. From my "Busy Women's Calendar".
- You know all the things you've always wanted to do? You should do them.

- What makes a day awesome? It is being fully present for the many amazing moments each day has to offer. Slow down. Connect with everyone in your life today. Spread kindness. Make today awesome, yesterday gets jealous.
- Smile, be thankful. Eat your vegetables. Choose kindness. Move your body. Inspire goodness, Hydrate, See possibilities. Sleep more, stress less. Love with your whole heart. Never give up. Be the change.
- Listen to the lyrics of Luke Bryan's song "Most People Are Good".

Books

Now for STUFF I have found on my way to thousands of other places:

- Books go out into the world, travel mysteriously from hand to hand, and somehow find their way to the people who need them at the times when they need them....Cosmic forces guide such passings-along.
- PBS is promoting a discussion about good books. On May 22, PBS Launched The Great American Read Series, inviting Americans to vote for their favorite book or books from the list of 100 finalists. Check it out.....at pbs.org/greatamericanread, and on Facebook and Instagram using #GreatReadPBS. The best-loved book will be revealed October 23rd.



peace, love, and joy

- Next time you receive a gift, a paycheck, or some other blessing, ask Jesus to show you a way to pass that blessing along to someone else.
- When we deny those fleeting moments of happiness that each day brings, we are denying ourselves our very life...the sight of a soaring bird, the scent of fresh air, a lost item found. Rejoice!
- Knock on the sky and listen to the sound. *Zen saying*
- Find a sunny spot. Close your eyes and quietly receive the love of Jesus. Then watch for the opportunity to send it on.
- It takes more energy to worry than to pray.....worry is wasted energy. Pay attention to where you are investing your energy today....worry or prayer?
- In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O Lord, make me rest secure. *Psalm 4:8*

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me:

Let there be peace on earth, a peace that is meant to be.

Keep reading

Kathy



Youth



Our Graduating

Seniors:

Emily Betts

Lisa Cox

Michael Leonard

Audrey Leopold

Adrienne

Masterlasco

Cynthia Napier

John Ried

Jaden Tabler



The Endowment Committee would like to recognize our recipients from the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Tori Cox received the distribution from the General Scholarship Fund to continue her education at Capital University in Public Relations and Communication and Madison Kirk received the distribution from the DeMoss Scholarship Fund as she continues her education at Ohio State University in Nursing.

We wish them both our best in pursuit of higher education and are pleased to be able to help with the financial needs of our students.





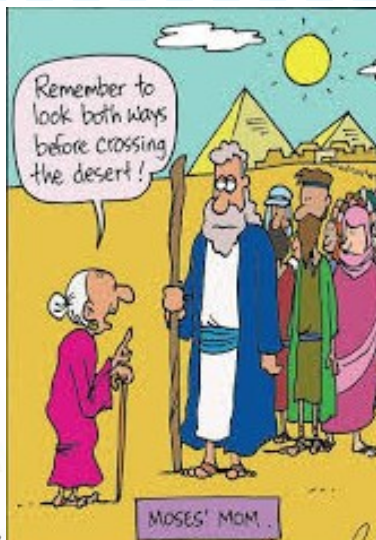
July 23, 24, & 25

6:00 - 8:30 pm



At Polar Blast VBS, kids will go on an icy cool adventure where they'll discover that Jesus will always love them! This VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear and touch. Team-building games, cool Bible songs and multisensory Bible adventures are just a few of the activities that help faith flow into real life.

Register online at www.1stLutheranChurch.org
Youth/VBS tab



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Food Cart Requests



Shampoo, cereal, cleaning products

All donations benefit

Lutheran Social Services.

June's Noisy Offering will benefit:



Formerly known as Lutheran Homes Society

Food Cart Requests

Laundry detergent, toothbrushes & toothpaste, food condiments



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July's Noisy Offering will benefit:



Newsletter DEADLINE

Monday,

July 23rd

June Celebrations

Birthdays

Kristi Gerdeman	6/1		
Crystal Clark	6/2		
Mildred Thomas	6/4	Kyle Nunn	6/15
Dalton Blunk	6/5	John Dale	6/16
Beverly Pardee	6/5	Greg Johnson	6/16
Megan Peplinski	6/6	Jennifer Treece	6/16
Philip Roos	6/6	Beverly Yammine	6/16
Gwen Wynkoop	6/6	Morgan Kirk	6/17
Jim Buckingham	6/8	Carie Eakin	6/18
Mike Tabler	6/8	Kim Blunk	6/19
Randall Eakin	6/9	Virginia Borger	6/20
Matt Shanahan	6/9	Elaine Leonard	6/20
Phil Burson	6/11	Sue Stevens	6/22
Noah Routson	6/11	Joanne Connor	6/23
Amy Bowser	6/12	Kris Thomas	6/23
Zarina Dillon	6/12	John Ried	6/25
Lexi Staschiak	6/13	Nolan Edward VanAtta	6/26
Nora Cochran	6/14	MaryAnn Chubb	6/27
		Kelsey Dudics	6/27
		Zachary Short	6/30

Anniversaries

Jack & Nancy Meek	6/3/1955	63
Richard & Susie Polder	6/3/1989	29
Eric & Elaine Timbrook	6/8/2002	16
Jason & Crystal Clark	6/10/2000	18
Thomas & Pamela Basinger	6/14/1980	38
David & Shirley Gerber	6/14/1958	60
Steven & Sally Rice	6/15/1969	49
Jon & Sandra Burnside	6/19/1981	37
Kurt & Jane Ebersole	6/19/1976	42
Robert & Sara Cleary	6/20/2009	9
Clyde & Linda Mitchell	6/21/1974	44
Cloyce & Janet Baker	6/22/1958	60
Mark & Karen Rose	6/22/1985	33
William & MaryAnn Chubb	6/23/1951	67
James & Judy Routson	6/27/1992	26
Mike & Amy Tabler	6/28/1997	21
John & Diane Adler	6/29/1974	44

Birthdays

Paul DeMoss	7/3	Kirsten Stevens	7/16
Anthony Masterlasco	7/3	Kenneth Otte	7/17
Carol Ruehle	7/6	Joseph Breen	7/18
Micah Stevens	7/6	Tom Dillon	7/18
Evan Clark	7/8	Adam August	7/19
Mary Kondik	7/8	Andy Hartzell	7/19
Jerold Bosse	7/9	Falkyn Roth	7/19
Brooke Peplinski	7/9	Diane Adler	7/20
Richard Schweitzer	7/9	James Denney	7/20
Michael August	7/10	Jessica Spoon	7/20
Jennifer Kamm	7/10	Eric Timbrook	7/21
Brittany Schell	7/12	Kathryn Otte	7/22
Ryan Schell	7/12	Milton Peters	7/22
Ella Zawisza	7/12	Thomas Leonard	7/24
Adelyn Thorbahn	7/13	Grant Welte	7/24
Kristan Napier	7/14	Abigail Ruehle	7/27
Toni Poling	7/14	Steven Treece	7/27
James Staschiak	7/14	Sue DeMoss	7/28
Elsie Helfrick	7/15	Nina Dukes	7/28
Samuel Ried	7/15	Rick Howard	7/29

July Celebrations

Anniversaries

Jim & Kimberly Fultz	7/1/2000	18
Glen & Mary Lou McCann	7/3/1965	53
Arthur & Carolyn Wilde	7/5/1969	49
Fred & Karon Makrancy	7/7/1974	44
James & Beth Vaughn	7/11/2009	9
Micah & Sue Stevens	7/16/2000	18
Gregory & Sandra Rakestraw	7/17/1971	47
Paul & Donna Brockman	7/23/1988	30
Thomas & Cynthia Fitzpatrick	7/24/1971	47

June Volunteers

August Newsletter Deadline
Monday, July 23,
Weekly Bulletin Deadline
Wednesday Mornings

LECTORS

June 3	9:00 - Marilyn Dunn
June 10	9:00 - Shirley Gerber
June 17	9:00 - Tad Schell
June 24	9:00 - Jenny Welte

GREETERS

June 3	9:00 - Cloyce & Janet Baker
June 10	9:00 - Dave & Shirley Gerber
June 17	9:00 - MaryLou McCann & Carole Wittenberg
June 24	9:00 - Bart & Jenny Welte

ACOLYTES

June 3	9:00
June 10	9:00
June 17	9:00
June 24	9:00

Parents: Please email Pastor Bob

SOUND ROOM

June 3	9:00 - Steve Roth
June 10	9:00 - Dave Gerber

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 8:15/10:45

June 3	Daryl Rotman
June 10	Tim Cochran
June 17	Tim Franks
June 24	Traci Roth

ALTAR FLOWERS

June 3	Jon & Sandra Burnside
June 10	Jeff & Angie Nunn
June 17	Baker & Gerber
June 24	Anonymous

Forms for your bulletin announcement are available on the bulletin board and at 1stLutheranChurch.org.
Flowers need to be delivered to the church by noon on Friday.

DEACONS: Jeff Kamm, Eric Timbrook, Bob Schriener, Maria Schell

9:00 USHERS: Nick Thomas, Aaron Ried, Jeff Kamm, Casey Cox, Cloyce Baker, John Adler, Dave Gerber, Dave Wobser

ALTAR GUILD

Tom & Cindy Fitzpatrick

COUNTERS

Ken & Jean Wynkoop

LSS DELIVERY

Jennifer Kamm

FLOWER DELIVERY

Jeff & Angie Nunn

COMMUNION BREAD

June 3 - Cyndy Rotman
June 10 - Arlene Schriener
June 17 - Toni Poling
June 24 - Beth Bonnoront

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

June 3/10 - Alex & Jennifer Treece
June 17/24 - Alan & Sally Hartzell

COOKIE SUNDAY

June 3 - Community Dinner
June 10 - Youth
June 17 - Christian Education
June 24 - Rachel Circle

JULY Volunteers

June Newsletter
Deadline
Monday, May 21st,
Weekly Bulletin Deadline

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Lutheran
109 E. Lincoln Street
Findlay, OH 45840

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LECTORS
July 1
9:00 - Carol Bridinger

July 8
9:00 - Traci Roth

July 15
9:00 - Renee Smith

July 22
9:00 - Cindy Fitzpatrick

July 29
9:00 - Jane Ebersole

GREETERS
July 1
9:00- Erika Cunningham & Carol Bridinger

July 8
9:00 - David & Janet Wobser

July 15
9:00 - Mike & Chris Meyer

July 22
9:00 - Jerry & Carolyn Bryant

July 29
9:00 - Kurt & Jane Ebersole

ACOLYTES
July 1
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July 22
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July 29
9:00

*Parents:
Please email PASTOR*

July 1
9:00 - Tim Roth

July 8
9:00 - Dave Gerber

July 15
9:00 - Sam Ried

July 22
9:00 - Jerry Bryant

July 29
9:00 - Tim Roth

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 8:15/10:45
July 1 - Tim Cochran
July 8 - Tim Cochran
July 15 - Tim Franks
July 22 - Traci Roth
July 29 - Tim Cochran

ALTAR FLOWERS
July 1- Dick & Barb Larick
July 8 - Fred & Karon Makrancy
July 15
July 22
July 29

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DEACONS: Sue DeMoss, Steve Roth, Joe Spoon, Tim Cochran

9:00 USHERS: Nick Thomas, Aaron Ried, Jeff Kamm, Casey Cox, Cloyce Baker, John Adler, Dave Gerber, Dave Wobser

ALTAR GUILD
Bob & Arlene Schriener

COUNTERS
G. Wynkoop & E. Cunningham

LSS DELIVERY
Marty Schmidt

FLOWER DELIVERY
Carrie Howe

COMMUNION BREAD
July 1 - Susan Waltermeyer
July 8 - Karen Rose
July 15 - Amber Leipheimer
July 22 - Jennie Treece
July 29 - Elaine Timbrook

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
July 1- Tim & Nora Cochran
July 8 - Dave & Shirley Gerber
July 15 - Dave & Shirley Gerber
July 22 - Art & Carolyn Wilde
July 29 - Art & Carolyn Wilde

COOKIE SUNDAY
July 1 - Community Dinner
July 8 - Council
July 15 - Endowment/Finance
July 22 - Property
July 29 - Hannah Circle

Current Resident or:



Mailed around
May 30th

First Lutheran Church

Worship

9:00 & 11:00