



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

Nearer, My God to Thee

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 Davis and Janet Wobser in honor of their wedding anniversary which is September 16th.

THE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is tomorrow at noon. Assembly will be on Tuesday, September 25th.

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, Chance, Brittany, Dawn Arvy, Mike Myers, Rose Barbosa, Marisa Rose Sanders, Kim Carty, Maurice & Renee, Randy Anderson, John Gauss Family, Spencer Gar, Brantley Green, Betty Ashley, Dan, Ken, Diane Spears, Colleen Smith, Phyllis Handley, Family of Mary Clayton, Maryann, Dick Larick, Family of Todd Garlock, Matthew Martin, Family of Virginia Weber, Cheryl Gallant, Ella Yoder, Sharon Langford, Kelsey Geyson, Randy Anderson, and Andy & Ron Hoke. Please pray for those in our 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.

THIS MORNING WE WELCOME Pastor Mark Rich and Pastor Cynthia Holder Rich. Mark and Cynthia serve as Lecturers in Theology at Tumaini University Makumira, the largest Lutheran theological school on the African continent, preparing leaders at the Bachelor's Master's and Doctoral levels for service in the Church. Pastor Mark is an ELCA clergy [he is a member of First Lutheran!] and Pr. Cynthia is a pastor of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Both serve as missionaries of the ELCA Global Missions.

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.

ATTENTION EPIC YOUTH. EPiC will meet this evening at 6:00 for bible study and games. The youth cookout will be next Sunday at 5:00 at Bart & Jenny Welte's at 12179 CR109, North of Findlay. Questions??? Call Jenny Welte at 419-788-0724. Bring a dish to share and lawn chairs.

THE OWLS invite you to hear and see the pictures of documentary photographer Dave Morrow when he presents his program "HUMANS OF FINDLAY" on Tuesday, September 25th. Morrow has been featured in several articles in "The Courier" and will speak at 6:00, following the 5:00 potluck supper. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service.

PASTOR BOB AND PASTOR CHRIS will be on vacation from September 20th – September 28th. We are grateful that Pastor Art Wilde will provide ministry during their absence. If you have a pastoral need, please call the church office at 419-422-2638 or Pastor Wilde at 419-420-0098.

ATTENTION DEACONS. A communion deacon schedule is being composed for October through May. Please sign up today.

LADIES" THE DEADLINE IS TOMORROW to call in your reservation for the WLCA Central Conference Fall Fellowship Gathering at Trinity Lutheran church in Arcadia on Saturday, September 22nd from 9:00 – 1:00. Pastor David Bliss will speak about his experiences in Africa. Call the Arcadia church office (419-894-6330) to make a lunch reservation. Instead of and in-kind offering, we are asked to give a little more to the offering for Lutheran World Relief Water Resources.

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.

THE FOOD CART DELIVERES FOR LUTHERAN SOCIALS SERVICES has not been overworked recently. The items have been few and far between. LSS needs our help and generosity. Social Ministry lists every month what items are requested, sometimes food, sometimes paper products, sometimes health and hygiene aids. All items are in demand. Let's not forget to include LSS on our monthly shopping list.