

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

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God in celebration of the Reformation.

<u>IT IS TIME TO FALL BACK.</u> Remember to change your clocks back one hour next Saturday night (Nov. 3).

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED Ed, Autumn, Brad, Gary, Diana, Sam Blosser, Lucas, Luann, Eileen, Beth Hardesty, Lori Miller, Voleta Willford, Ryan Nunn, Madison Kirk, Larry McKanna, Katie Otte, Whitley, Chance, Brittany, Dawn Arvy, Mike Myers, Rose Barbosa, Marisa Rose Sanders, Kim Carty, Jean, Brad May, Andy & Ron Hoke, Chance & Jenny Collins, Jane Rettig, Virginia Jensen, Nick's Brothers, Jeff, Jerry & Angie, Terry, Tyler Flickinger, Hallie Van Atta, Marlene Rose, Dick Larick, Shane Scott, Linda, Cheryl Crossman, Sharon Langford, Betty Johnson, and Mark. Please pray for family and friends serving in our military: Sean Napier, Drew Weissling, Matthew Price, Austin Brown, Brandon Shanahan, Corey Spoon, Thomas, Caleb Ekin, Jake Hardesty, Eric Lemire, Josh Rowan, Mitchell Gardiner, Ian Roberts, Chris Wolfe, Barry Boutwall, and Chris Dierking.

GOD SIGHTINGS REVISITED. If you were inspired by Pr. Bob's recent sermon on thank, burnt, and peace offerings and Christ's place in the Old Testament, join us for a study of Isaiah. "For unto us a Child is born," "the government will be upon His shoulders," "He has born the iniquity of us all." All from Isaiah with parallels in our Gospel. Come see what the Old Testament story has to offer in its insight to our lives. We begin on Sunday November 4 upstairs in the room next to the choir room across from Pr. Bob's class.

**NEW PRAYER STUDY.** Grounded in Prayer by Brent Dahlseng is a 7-week small group training guide for congregational prayer. For those of us who have gone through the initial session, we found an enriching and spiritual addition to our prayer lives. Another group is beginning on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in the Church Library on Tuesday October 30. We will meet each Tuesday for ways to apply various prayer techniques to our lives, our families, and our church home. It will be a great way to head into Advent.... listening to God's voice and waiting for our Light. We hope you will join us. Any questions? You can ask Sue DeMoss, Jane Ebersole, or Miriam Gibson.

NEW MEMBER CLASS. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our faith family, a new member class will be held on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and 14th at 8:00 in the Open Tomb downstairs. If you would like more information, please contact Pastor Bob.

DON'T FORGET THE FOOD CART. We continue to donate paper products and food items to Lutheran Social Services. Please check out the November newsletter (mailed next week) for a list of needed items.

CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. If you or someone you know could use a little assistance this Christmas season, the Angle Tree, and Friends of Santa are accepting applications for those in need. Angel Tree applications are due by Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and Friends of Santa applications are due by October 31<sup>st</sup>. More details are listed on the bulletin board next to the church office.

SOCIAL MINISTRY will be collecting Coats for Christmas again this holiday season. Check your closets for any unused coats and bring them to the church to then be taken to City Laundry for cleaning and later distribution. Watch for a final collection date and the big blue box for your donations.