



Social Ministry

Community Dinner

Sit down with a stranger ... leave with a friend

Community Dinner Help
Needed for September 3!

Yes, that's Labor Day Weekend! Please sign the sheet near the Lincoln Street doors to help with serving, drinks, clean-up, and food donations. We will need helpers for all areas. Thanks!



We Are Helping
Build Another Home

First Lutheran, Findlay, and Trinity Lutheran, Arcadia, are working together on a "Habitat for Humanity" house on Wednesday, Sept. 27. We need 10 crew members for each of the 2 shifts...8-12am and 1-5pm. Call Mike Thompson at 419-422-2832. We are also assisting with food for the day. A contact name and number will be forthcoming. Thanks for considering this ministry. We have done this before and it is always a fulfilling experience.



Project ♥ Linus

Calling All

Project Linus Blanketeers!

I have placed 130 Project Linus blankets in the last 4 weeks...some to Fremont Memorial, WIC, Women's Resource Center, and Open Arms! Woohoo! However, I just took delivery on 50 or more from 4-H groups, which need to have labels sewn on them before I can place them. Plus our closet is pretty full! So, if you are able to hand or machine stitch labels, please let me know. You need to be in a smoke-free and relatively pet-free environment since I never know into what kind of sterile place each blanket may go. You can call me at [419-422-9640](tel:419-422-9640) or [419-957-9442](tel:419-957-9442) or email me at kjebersole@aol.com.

Food Cart Requests

No collections will be made for the month August. Please feel free to deliver any donations directly to St. John's Lutheran Church on Tiffin Ave. (near the mall)

All donations will benefit
Lutheran Social Services



Update!

The zucchinis, cucumbers, and tomatoes are starting to arrive...look for them at a Community Dinner near you! If you would be interested in harvesting and cooking the zucchinis and tomatoes for a soup in October, call Jerry Bryant ([419-422-0015](tel:419-422-0015)) or Jane Ebersole ([419-422-9640](tel:419-422-9640)). Thanks so much:)

The August Noisy Offering
will benefit:

HOPE HOUSE

HOUSING SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS

"Eliminate homelessness and alleviate poverty in Hancock County through individual and community education, affordable housing, and advocacy".



Vacation Bible School 2017





Good News

Woooooooo! The building permit has been approved and our renovation is back on track. The steel support

beam and concrete supports for the collapsible panels have been set. We are now waiting the 14 days needed to let the concrete cure. You may peek at the work in progress but please do not walk around the construction area. We appreciate your patience.



Flood Relief

Thank you to **EVERYONE** who helped during our recent flood. We ended up having 4" of water in Fellowship Hall. The pumps just could not keep up with the flash flood.

With everyone's help we were able to move everything out of Fellowship Hall just in case we got more water. We did not get more water.....so again, with everyone's help, we moved items back. What a team and what proof that our congregation loves their church. Our response plan works!



This fall we will be assembling school kits to send to Lutheran World Relief to give to those affected by natural disasters and poverty.

Every two weeks we will feature two items from the list below, but if you see school supplies on sale, pick up anything from the list at any time. You can place items in the designated box in the narthex. Thank you for helping those less fortunate.

Women of the **ELCA**

Aug. 16, 10:00am
Board meeting to
proofread booklet
Sep. 13—6:30pm
Salad Smorgasbord

Tori Cox has been awarded a \$600 scholarship by the Northwest Synodical Women of the ELCA to continue her studies at Capital University. Tori has a double major in Communications and Public Relations, and is minoring in Graphic Design. Congratulations, Tori!



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(The church does need your email address
on file for you to have access)

- 4 70 sheet notebooks with wide or college ruled paper about 8X10" (no loose leaf paper)
- 1 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side; inches on the other
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 blunt scissors (example: safety scissors with embedded steel blades)
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- 1 box of 24 Crayola crayons
- 1 2 1/2" pin eraser
- 1 sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag about 14X17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)



Sunday Night:
EPIC 6-8pm (New 6th graders are welcome!)

Generation 4:12 - Will resume in September

Wednesday Night: Confirmation - Keep an eye out for P. Bob's Letter

Thursday Night: Re-Fuel @ Panera 4-6pm

EPICMENTORS

Please check your email for Fall Sign up sheet! Info Meeting Coming in September

NO EPIC : SEPT 3RD—Labor Day

E.P.I.C. MONTHLY

CULTURE KEEPER



Our monthly culture keeper is Jessica Bl! Jessica is very active in our youth programs. She regularly attends EPIC, retreats and coffee shop hours. As a recent confirmand Jessica loves to learn more about how to deepen her relationship with God. She is a great remodel for both younger and older youth!

Thank you Jessica for your beautiful soul and wonderful talent!



Wondering how to serve in our community?



- Volunteer at the City Mission
- Mow a neighbor's lawn
- Go through your closet and toys (donate or host garage sale)
- Wash all the windows in your house
- Learn a new skill
- Limit your screen time
- GO OUTSIDE!**
- Make a new friend



Most importantly: Read your Bible, pray and attend youth group!

Rent-A-Youth

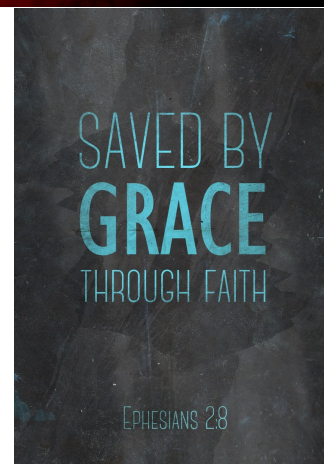
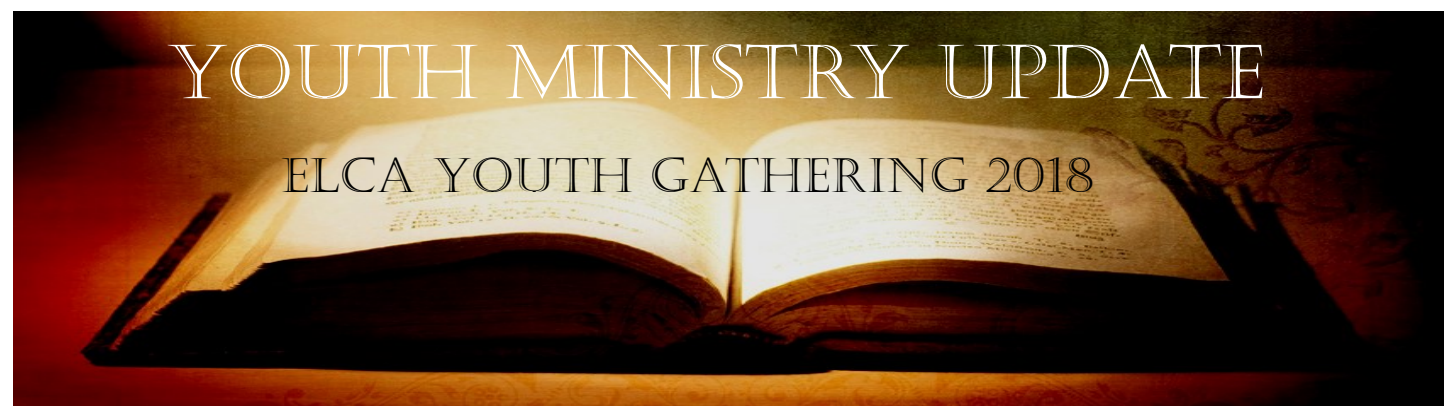
Need help mowing your lawn? Cleaning out the attic? Planting flowers? Washing the car?

Help our youth get to HOUSTON by contacting Amy to make a donation in exchange for some service from our youth.

419-422-2638 or 1stlcyouth@gmail.com

*Not all projects will be approved (Please make sure they are appropriate for ages 11-18)





**Countdown to Youth
Gathering 2018! Houston! Here we come!**

Info Meeting August 9th, 2017

Adult Leader Application deadline August 20th, 2017

Youth Registration September 10th, 2017

Need 4 more fundraisers!



Whoa! Happy Summer. I can't believe how beautiful today has been. The right temp, the right breeze, the peonies are beautiful. To quote Robert Browning, "God's in His heaven, all's right with the world!"

Well, the fall that dislocated my shoulder caused just a bit more damage than we had anticipated. An MRI showed several tears in my rotator cuff. Oops. Now surgery was in my near future, as in Tuesday June 6. So...I spent the better part of two weeks back and forth with the doctors, the hospital, the physical therapist. I guess this is the new normal when one has surgery. 25 years ago, no one cared. Surgery would be scheduled, then performed. :) The right hand movement is still very limited so I have elected to type your greetings. My left hand and arm are getting much more adept at daily activities. !!!!! (After surgery report...I also tore my bicep muscle so the sling and I are new BFF's)

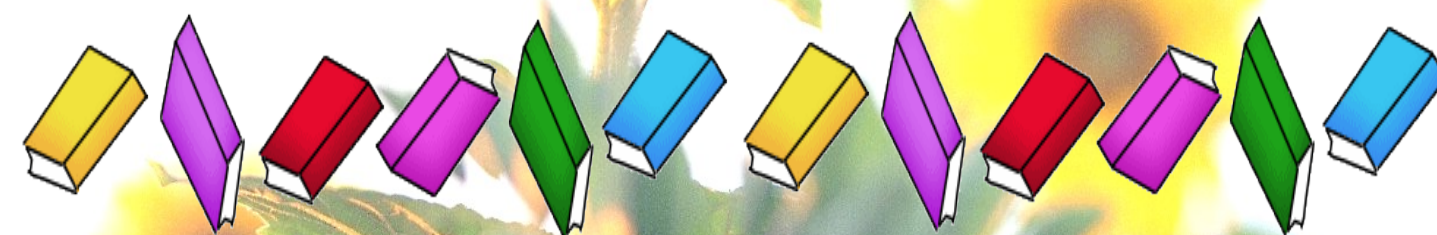
Our church book club read A Tree Grows in Brooklyn for June discussion. I know I read it many years ago (like in High School) but I did not remember much. A pretty good read for a classic. Hahahahaha. For my other book club we are reading non-fiction October...the history of the Russian revolution shortly after the turn of the century. That one has been a tough read for me. I read the other side of the story...Nicholas and Alexandra...no one mentions these two in the October book at all. Strange read. What have you been reading?

Anyway...I planted the rest of my garden one handed while Paul was at work, roofing. Then one day, his crew replaced our roof taken by the wind in March or was it April. Who can remember all those little details? Hahahahaha. But we are dry again. Yippee.

Meanwhile we are fairly boring this week. Sticking close to home and enjoying the weather. Nothing wrong with that.

I pray you are feeling good and not having any major issues. Have a great month and remember: God loves you and so do I.

Kathy



Fall is soon approaching and First Lutheran will need lector(s) and greeter(s) for the 10:45 service. Every volunteer is greatly appreciated. Whether you have volunteered in the past or new to the idea, please be aware that although phone calls help, we also have a sign-up sheet that makes it easier for you to volunteer. If you put your name on the Timely Gifts sheet and have not been contacted, please accept my

apology as like so many others, life gets busy, ergo the sign-up sheet. If there is an upcoming lector and greeter date for the 10:45 service you would like to volunteer for, and the date not listed on the sign-up sheet, please give me a call at 567-525-4289. Thank you to those who have given their time to volunteer. You are all greatly appreciated! —Carie Eakin



Tuesday, August 8th,

11:30 at Café Marie's

All are invited to join the fun!

*Faith is not about
everything turning
out OK.*

*Faith is about being OK
no matter how
things turn out.*

FALL
INTO CHURCH
you belong here

September 3rd
8:15 & 10:45 Worship

Sunday School begins
September 10th at 9:30



Our thoughts and
prayers are with the
following families as their
loved one has entered the
Church Triumphant.

David Fleming (Husband of Mary)

Jim Brand (Son of Doris Brand)

Ron Schrinier (Father of Bob Schrinier)

Fred Willford (Husband of Voleta)



Mary Fleming would like to thank
her First Lutheran Church family for all
the cards and prayers recently received
during Dave's illness and passing. She
would also like to thank the Martha Circle
for providing the funeral dinner for Dave.

Dear 1st Lutheran,

Thank you for my Bible and also for
letting me grow my faith in this great
church.

Love,
Kyle Nunn

A Big Thank You goes out to all the people
involved in getting the Fellowship Hall
ready for the luncheon after Fred
Wilford's funeral. Pastor Chris who kept
me in the loop telling me that all was "GO",
and of course the ladies that always do
such a great job preparing the meal along
with those who supplied food. We are so
grateful for all your efforts. Thankyou
from the bottom of our hearts. God bless
you all for your efforts.

—Voleta, Byron, Mark, and their families

August

Worship Disciples

LECTORS 9:00

Aug. 6
Carol Bridinger

Aug. 13
Tricia Cox

Aug. 20
Julie Buck

Aug. 27
Bob Schrinier

ACOLYTES

Aug. 6—Sam Ried
Aug. 13—Emily Meier
Aug. 20—Karissa Welte
Aug. 27—Emily Meier

GREETERS

Aug. 6
9:00—Carol Bridinger
Erika Cunningham
11:00—
Aug. 13
9:00—Cox Family
11:00—
Aug. 20
9:00—Randy & Julie Buck
11:00—
Aug. 27
9:00—Bob & Arlene Schrinier
11:00—

SOUND ROOM

Aug. 6
9:00—Jerry Bryant
11:00—Tim Cochran

Aug. 13
9:00—Dave Gerber
11:00—Tim Cochran

Aug. 20
9:00—James Vaughn
11:00—Tim Cochran

Aug. 27
9:00—Sam Ried
11:00—Tim Cochran

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Aug. 6

Aug. 13—

Aug. 20

Aug. 27

ALTAR GUILD

Tom & Cindy Fitzpatrick
Renee Smith

COUNTERS

Tom & Pam Basinger

LSS DELIVERY

Canceled for August due to
construction

FLOWER DELIVERY

Jean & Ken Wynkoop

COMMUNION BREAD

Aug. 6—Toni Poling
Aug. 13—Beth Bonnoront
Aug. 20—Susan Waltermeyer
Aug. 27—Karen Rose

COOKIE SUNDAY

Canceled for August due to
construction

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Aug. 6—Pat & Heather Westrick
Aug. 13—Pat & Heather Westrick
Aug. 20—Paul & Sue DeMoss
Aug. 27—Paul & Sue DeMoss

ALTAR FLOWERS

Aug. 6—Cam Taylor
Aug. 13—Tad & Maria Schell
Aug. 20—Barb & Dick Larick
Aug. 27—Ken & Jean Wynkoop

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.

9:00 Ushers

Nick Thomas
Jim Schoerger
John Adler
Dave Wobser

DEACONS

Steve Roth
Sue DeMoss
Greg Johnson
Joe Spoon
Maria Schell

Birthdays

Matthew Price	8/1
Bart Welte	8/3
Randy Buck	8/4
Robin Bowman	8/6
Carol Roessing	8/7
Rick Dudics	8/8
William Freemyer	8/8
Gary Kapostasy	8/8
Steven Rice	8/8
SilverLyn Roth	8/8
Riley Biggs	8/9
William Chubb	8/9
Ryan Maas	8/9
Kathy Brooks	8/10
Carson Dale	8/10
Phillip Tuttle	8/10
Anneliese Benjamin	8/11
Vickie Wright	8/12
Judy Routson	8/13
Barbara Larick	8/14
Jim Price	8/14
Robert Beutler	8/15
Alec Bonnoront	8/15
Nancy Meek	8/15
Jason Bower	8/16
Brandon Shanahan	8/16
Elyse Clark	8/18
Emily Clark	8/18
Amy Gibson	8/19
Adrienne Masterlasco	8/19
Jane Eakin	8/20
Philip Maurer	8/20
Clyde (Tom) Mitchell	8/20
Kristina Rodman	8/20
Corey Spoon	8/20
Robert Cochran	8/21
Gregory Rossman	8/22
Lyla Gerdeman	8/25
Fred Makrancy	8/25
Laurel Beutler	8/27
Jeff Howard	8/27
L. Eileen Mains	8/28
Tanner Timbrook	8/29
Jayna Routson	8/30
Kenneth Wynkoop	8/30
Jim Fultz	8/31

August Celebrations

Baptisms

Thomas Basinger	8/1
Cam Taylor	8/1
Jessica Betts	8/3
Michelle Frampton	8/3
Benjamin Kapostasy	8/3
Elle Price	8/3
Kay Flick	8/4
Judith Mains	8/4
Kenneth Otte	8/9
Abigail Leatherman	8/13
Sidney Hoover	8/14
Greg Johnson	8/14
Kathy Brooks	8/15
Erika Cunningham	8/16
Brittany Schell	8/17
Bart Welte	8/18
Morgan Kirk	8/19
Kristan Napier	8/19
Megan Peplinski	8/20
Patricia Stacy	8/20
Randy Waller	8/20
Dee Rossman	8/21
Ryan Schell	8/21
Zachary Short	8/23
Mary Kondik	8/27
Grant Welte	8/27
Richard Ruehle	8/28
Adam August	8/31
Matt Stimmel	8/31

Anniversaries

Kevin & Karen Breen	11/7/1987	22
Jerry & Judith Luth	11/12/1966	43

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Give or take a day

Worship 9:00 & 11:00

Welcome
AUGUST

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