



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

***My Life Is in Your Hands***

*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 Marilynn Dunn in loving memory of her grandmothers, Elizabeth Francis and Mary Gnew.

**BAPTISED THIS MORNING** (10:45) is Madison Elizabeth Kutschbach, daughter of Elizabeth and Joshua Kutschbach, and granddaughter of Jeff and Barb Howard.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for Loni Seemann, Ed, Jerry, Autumn, Brad, Sam Blosser, Lucas, Luann, Beth Hardesty, Lori Miller, Roger Siler, Larry Deal, Larry Hall, Laura Cavitt, Jane Wobser, Voleta Willford, Ryan Nunn, Madison Kirk, Sally Robinson, Shirley Ruehle, Kathy Kapostasy, Family & Loved Ones of Dick Baker, Family of Jerrilyn Hughes, Keith Weldy, Ron Johnson, Lil Slusher, Family of Sally Robinson, Marlene Rose, Jonathan Thomson, Amy & Britt Gibson, Larry McKanna & Michelle, Andy Hoke, Vanessa Vandale & Doug, Tyler, Jack Core, George, Fred, Brady, Family of Paula Spoon, Sharon Waller, Mary, Diane, Rose, Kate Ros, Brittany, Chance, Whitely, Renee, Rob, Mary Lyn Basinger, Rose, David, and Pr. Bob. Please pray for those who serve in our military: Sean Napier, Drew Weissling, Matthew Price, Austin Brown, Brandon Shanahan, Corey Spoon, Thomas Leonard, Caleb, Jake Hardesty, Eric Lemire, Josh Rowan, Mitchell & Jackson Gardiner, Ian Roberts, Chris Wolfe, Barry Boutwall, and Brandon Haffelder.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO SEE PICTURES OF NORWAY** on September 26<sup>th</sup>, when Carol Bridinger will present a program on "THE WORLDS MOST BEAUTIFUL VOYAGE" for the OWLs at 6:00, following a potluck supper at 5:00. Please bring a covered dish to share and your own table service. If you need a ride, call Carol Bridinger (419-425-9104) by the 25<sup>th</sup>.

**HURRICANE HARVEY, AND HURRICANE IRMA,** have caused insurmountable damage that will take years to repair. Please consider donating to the recovery efforts. You may make a check out to First Lutheran Church and earmark it for **Lutheran Disaster Response.** We will forward it. You may also donate directly to Lutheran Disaster Response, c/o Northwestern Ohio Synod, Box 981, Findlay OH 45839, or at **www.elca.org.** 100% of your donation goes directly to your designated request.

**COOKIE SUNDAY** will resume in October. Please watch for a hosting schedule.

**EPIC IS EVERY SUNDAY FROM 6:00 – 7:30.** All 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade youth are invited to join the fun. For more information, contact Sam Ried at samried112@gmail.com or Jennifer Treece at jennifertreece@yahoo.com

**RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE** will be here at First on Thurs. Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> from 12-6pm. Look for a sign-up sheet to bring brownies, cheese or cookies. Encourage anyone to be a blood donor. The need is always there. An appointment can be made online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). We will feed you and thank you for your donation.

**LUNCH WITH PASTOR BOB** is Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:30. All are invited to Café Marie's to share in the fun and conversation.

**THE FOOD FOR THOUGHT AND ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY** information has returned to the kitchenette.

**RENOVATION NEWS.** We can see the light at the end of the tunnel. The offices have returned to the main floor; please continue to use the Lincoln Street entrance until we have the stair treads in place.

**STRONG BACKS AND ENTHUSIASM ARE NEEDED.** On Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00, we will move office furniture out so new carpet can be put in. We will move the furniture back into the lounge and clear all tables and chairs from Fellowship Hall. **Fellowship Hall will be closed** the week of **Oct. 2 – 9** to strip and wax the floor that was damaged during our recent flood. All hands on deck.

**IT HAS BEEN DISCOVERED** that the 1950's horse hair pad to the nave carpet has deteriorated. It is now time to replace the carpet and pad. On October 9<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00—7:30, carpet samples will be available for your consideration. All interested in assisting with the carpet selection are invited. This is your opportunity to share your thoughts.

**THE RUMMAGE SALE** is October 27 & 28<sup>th</sup>. Set-up begins on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. You may bring in your "gently used" items and place them in the rummage sale room. For more information, please contact Mary Lou McCann.

Financials	Thru August
General Fund Receipts	\$248,227
Actual Expenses	<u>\$253,634</u>
<b>Year to Date Difference</b>	<b>(\$5,407)</b>