

The First Word

LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE IN LOVE
1 CORINTHIANS 16:14

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First Lutheran Church
Hayward, Wisconsin

From the Pastor's Desk

January 2023



As I write this I am still not quite ready for Christmas but my mind must be in the new year. It is an interesting term "New Year." It is a term that holds the promise that this year can be different or better.

When Garfield was a daily strip in my local paper one of the comics showed up on January 1st and it showed Garfield as a lump under a blanket with the thought balloon above him. Garfield said, "I guess it is a new year." The next panel showed Garfield sticking his paw out from under the blanket. The paw is quickly pulled in and he says, "Brrrrr! Feels just like the old one!"

That is the tug of life: this idea that life can be new and the feeling of same-old-same-old. Can I make things different this year? Can my luck change? Can I develop good habits? Can my car make it just one more year? There are so many factors. I do not control the weather. I do not control the actions of others. I can only really control my actions. It means that if my happiness is dependent on a bunch of factors and people I don't control then I will probably be a very frustrated person.

I was with a group of clergy leaders, a diverse group from various expressions. The conversation had descended into a culture war as members of the group complained about the War on Christmas. Evidently, 'Happy Holidays' on signs and coffee cups with Menorahs and Kwanzaa symbols sharing space with Wreathes and Evergreens (which were/are pagan) and a Star and a Manger was too much for them. They were all commiserating about how it was the government and the culture trying to make life difficult for Christians. I said the wrong thing: "I don't expect my government or my coffee shop or my gas station to say Merry Christmas. I expect me to say it. And I won't say it as an attack in some phony culture war. I will say Merry Christmas because I mean it." They didn't appreciate my take - that if we are waiting for the world to bend itself to our petty wills we will probably be terribly unhappy.

The concept of a new year has two elements. Firstly, we are earnestly hoping that the random things that can and do happen to us are beneficial - that the things that happen that are out of our control are good things. And second, we are hoping we have the willpower and skills to change the immediate world around us with our own changed behavior. I think our happiness depends on our ability to balance those two things.

So, HAPPY NEW YEAR! May your To-Do lists be reasonably attainable. May you have good luck. And may you be the world you want to live in.

In Christ,

Operation Christmas Thank You!

Thank you to the entire congregations of First Lutheran, Hayward United Methodist, and the Ascension Episcopal Churches for their wonderful responses to the 2022 Operation Christmas. You provided Christmas to 210 area families in need: food baskets, pies, candy, fruit, hamburger, ham, potatoes, and carrots were distributed; along with gifts to over 500 children. Along with hats and mittens for area schools to distribute to children as needed and holiday cheer with cookies for area shut-ins. In reflection, I, along with many others, have a renewed faith in people and God. We are all a blessing from God, and Operation Christmas allowed us to provide a blessing to others through our faith.

I would also like to thank:

- All who made generous donations to purchase food.
- The tree takers who purchased and wrapped gifts for children.
- Volunteers, who took the phone calls, packed the boxes, wrapped and coordinated the gift distribution, unloaded the food truck, working on distribution, and coordinated and tracked requests along with mailing confirmations. An army of volunteers made this operation work. Thank you!
- Norske Nook – Kim and her crew for the wonderful pies
- Salvation Army for Hams. Linda Graham - Hamburger
- Kwik Trip, Walmart, Marketplace, Thrivent, H&R Block, Back Roads Coffee and Tea, New Moon Ski & Bike, Hayward & Chequamegon Lions, 1st Lutheran Memorial & Endowment Fund, and 1st Lutheran Card Ladies for their contributions.
- First Lutheran men and youth groups who helped make a difference.
- The staff of First Lutheran assisted us every step of the way.



A huge thank you to everyone who included this Outreach Project in their prayers, brought gifts, made donations, brought mittens and hats, and baked cookies.

Because of this congregation, Hayward United Methodist Church, and Ascension Episcopal Church, 210 families in our community experienced Christ's love this Christmas.

We are small, but we are powerful with God.

Blessings,
Kathy McCoy



Cookies for Shut-Ins 2022: I want to thank all those who baked cookies for those who are homebound or in a care center. You are all so faithful in this Christmas gift to them. It is much appreciated, and it is our way of saying, "You are remembered this Christmas." The boxes looked pretty with all the varieties. God bless you and your kindness.

Linda Gordon and Operation Christmas





FLC Altar Guild



FLC Altar Guild is welcoming new members with a short meeting on Saturday, January 14 at 9:30. The Altar Guild is a lay ministry serving God by preparing the Sanctuary for worship, and maintaining and caring for the sacred vessels. We change the paraments and set up the altar for worship, funerals, weddings, and baptisms. Although the Altar Guild is part of the worship service every weekend, our work is done 'behind the scenes', so to speak.

On Saturday mornings we set-up for the worship services which includes checking the candles for oil, light dusting, vacuuming around the altar, and getting the communion vessels set up. Depending on the liturgical calendar, the paraments may need to be changed. Prior to, and immediately following each service, we have a few duties to complete none of which takes very much time, especially since there are usually other Altar Guild members to help with this. Every month an email is circulated asking for volunteers, at least one person for the weekly set-up and for each service. No one is required to do ALL of these things, however. You can volunteer for whichever task(s) you are interested in doing throughout the year, and as often as you want.

We invite you to join us by attending the meeting on Saturday, January 14 at 9:30 to learn more about this vital ministry of our church. Please contact Sue Reinardy at 715-699-3451 (call or text) with any questions.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

This fall, Outreach asked the congregation to donate outerwear for people of all ages. On November 13, our committee counted, sorted, and delivered these items to Hayward schools 13 men's jackets, 11 men's hats, 1 pair of shoes, 4 pairs of men's gloves, 1 women's coat, 2 scarves, 6 pairs of women's gloves, 3 women's jackets, 6 boys briefs, 1 pair snow pants, 6 boys jackets, 10 pairs boys gloves/mitts, 12 boys hats, 9 girls jackets, 10 pairs girls gloves/mitts, 3 little kids mitts, 3 headbands, and 1 backpack to distribute to those in need. Later we received more clothing for adults and that was given to the Free Store. Thanks to the congregation for all your giving.

The Outreach project is Operation Christmas.

The **January/February** project will be paper and personal hygiene products to be donated to the Hayward Food Shelf. The Food Shelf cannot purchase anything that cannot be eaten. The items we would like to collect starting January 1 and ending February 19 are paper towels, Kleenex, napkins, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry products, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, etc. These items need to be new and sealed. The Food Shelf is always in need of food items as well. There is a cart in the Narthex for donations.

We're looking for new members to help with our projects. Please consider joining us. If you have any questions please contact Pat Olson at 715-634-8253.

Memorial & Endowment Notes:

Plant your seeds now and trust in the Lord that these seeds will bear fruit even when you are gone.



Our winter grant cycle is available. Please complete the online form for consideration by February 1st or if you prefer, you can download the form and drop it off or mail it in to be included in the discussion at the committee meeting scheduled for February 8th. Thank you to Sue Reinardy for customizing the new forms and making them available electronically, and refreshing our web page.

At our November meeting the committee approved the recommended changes to the by-laws and awarded the following grants:

Operation Christmas funding
Lac Courte Oreilles Emergency Women's Shelter
Student college scholarship

Contact Kris Ireland-Neumann (chair), Trisha Brassill, Jim Schreiber, Terri Lundeen, Laurie Jacobs, Dave Napieralski, or Sherry Beckman with any questions you may have regarding making a request from either the Memorial or Endowment funds.

The online form link info is: <https://firstlutheranhaywardwi.org/general-request-form/>

The Power of the Endowment

LOVE GIFTS

What are Love Gifts?? I wondered what Love Gifts were when we first joined First Lutheran. I found out there is quite a history.

The Scandinavian Dinner, with craft and bake sale, was started back in 1996 at the suggestion of Barbara Klippel and Dolores Marquardt. Ardala Littlefield was the first chairman. The profits from the first dinner were around \$2700. It was decided to help various nonprofit organizations – the beginning of Love Gifts!!

Without the many volunteers who make the Scandinavian Dinner and Bake Sale possible, we would not have Love Gifts.

Maxine Poppe, the treasurer of the FLCW, recently added up the total Love Gifts that have been given from 1996-2022.

First Lutheran projects - \$22,664.47, Hayward/Sawyer County - \$27,950, Northwest Synod - \$17,150, The World - \$39,316. **TOTAL - \$107,080.47**

What an amazing accomplishment!!

This year the Scandinavian Dinner and Bake Sale's net income totaled \$5,532.90!

The Women of First Lutheran will have their annual meeting on Saturday, January 21 at 10 am to discuss how to distribute these Love Gifts, general funds, and election of officers. We hope you can attend this meeting and gathering that we are calling Coffee, Cookies, and Crafts.

We would like you to bring a sample of a hobby or craft that you enjoy doing (totally volunteer – not required)! Maybe you enjoy quilting, stitching, knitting, card making, scrapbooking, sewing, gardening, geocaching, photography, reading, music– whatever makes you happy! We will have tables to display so others can browse and enjoy each other's fellowship.

Coffee Cookies and Crafts

Annual FLCW Meeting - Love Gifts, General Fund, and Election of Officers

Saturday, January 21, 2023t at 10 am

Fellowship Hall

Put the date on your calendar and plan on attending –

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Christmas has come and gone for another year. The children and youth of First Lutheran were excited to tell you the story of God coming to earth as Baby Jesus through their Christmas Pageant on Dec. 11th. They pray the story of Emmanuel - God with us - will stay in your heart and bless you throughout the whole year.



Dads & Kids

On Dec. 13th, Tom Jolivette and Dave Van Landschoot helped provide a faith experience that is sure to positively impact our 3rd-5th grade Terrific Tuesday Kids and their dads. These pictures of them building nativity stables in the heated church garage will speak for themselves -



CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Oral Tradition

Our Confirmation Students learned about “oral tradition” as we approached the holidays. The stories recorded in the Bible started by people telling their stories of God’s love and faithfulness to next generations who shared them with next generations and so on. This tradition is still important today. Our students were encouraged to interview someone they admired for their faith and then come back and share what they learned with the class. The stories about the lives of those interviewed were real, and they touched our hearts and encouraged our own faith. Most of the students learned things from their loved ones they had never known before. Would those interviewed have shared in this way if they hadn’t been specifically asked? What holds us back from telling these important stories without being asked? I invite you to join me in a New Year’s Resolution to start telling our personal stories of God’s love and faithfulness to our families, friends, and those God puts in our paths.

Service & Outreach

Service and outreach are super important in our goal of “cultivating faith experiences that positively impact & sustain for a lifetime”. Confirmation and Youth Group did a great job helping with the Children’s Christmas Pageant (backdrop) and Operation Christmas.



Confirmation Mentors Needed

Are you passionate about the faith development of the next generations? Will you be around during Lent (February 22 - March 29, 2023) and be able to be at church from 6-7:30 pm each Wednesday? If interested and/or have questions, please contact Julie Jolivette asap. Training will be provided.

Columbarium/Memorial Wall Update:

There are two things in life that we have no choice about. One is when we are born and the other is when we die. When a baby is expected, much preparation is made, and how much easier it is for the parents when the baby arrives.

So many times there is a very short time, or no time, to prepare for death. Have you made preparations for your death? How much easier for your family if preparations are made before your death, and while you are still healthy? This would let your family know what your wishes are and also give you peace of mind. Buying a niche in First Lutheran Church will take care of where you want your remains to be placed.

Any member of the Memory Garden would be happy to meet with you to begin some of the preparations. Members are: Jerry and Kathy Rasmussen, Bob Badel , Betty Beckman, and John and Carole Rusch.

"Attention First Lutheran Family - Watch for the Church Directory coming in January!"



THANK YOU ALL, adults and young people, for volunteering your time to help at worship services this past year. God Bless you! It is an important part here at First Lutheran Church and it is much appreciated. We always need more people. If you are interested, or need more information, contact the office personnel, contact me, or just sign up at the Welcome Center. Look for the clipboard that says WORSHIP SERVICES. There are good people who will help you through your first time. People are needed for assisting the minister, communion assistants, greeters, videotaping, projectionists, lots of ushers, and the coffee hour host after the 9:30 Sunday church service. It is another way to meet and get to know other members. Again, feel free to call me for questions or to sign up for a position. Jane Wikum can help those who would like to be assisting ministers. God Bless those who give their time and talents. I wish you a new year full of good health, happiness, and lots of love.

Patty Treland, Volunteer Coordinator, 715-634-3527.

Thank you so much to Julie Jolivette, Youth and Family Coordinator, for doing such a great job with our Christmas Pageant. It was wonderful to hear the story of the birth of Jesus. It was enjoyed by all who attended, helped and participated. We are blessed to have you at First Lutheran. God Bless You.



FINANCIAL FOCUS

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL
GIVING TO THE LORD'S WORK THROUGH
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Tanya Ullom
Business Manager

W E D N E S D A Y N I G H T S U P P E R

December Weekly Meal Sponsors:

December 7th: Ascension Episcopal Church
December 14th: Hayward Lions
December 21st: Cheryl Treland
December 28th: Treland Family



Monthly Overseer:

Cheryl Treland

Thank you!!!

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Semi-Annual Budget Meeting

Sunday, January 22nd following the 9:30 am worship service.

Budget Hearings:

Sunday, January 15th after the 9:30 am service

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Wednesday, January 18th at 4 pm

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Reminder--ALL
confirmed members

(youth - adults) are eligible to attend.

High School students--this is you too!



FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Skiing

The group will meet every Monday.

The group meets at random locations at 5 pm.
Please contact Jim Schreiber



TABLE TALK

Tuesday, January 10th @ 6:30 pm

Where: Church Fellowship Hall

Potluck dinner starts at 6:30. Discussion to follow (about 7:15)



Purls of Prayer

Meeting jointly with the Women of First Lutheran
Annual FLCW Meeting for deciding on Love Gifts
Coffee, Cookies & Craft
Saturday, January 21 @ 10:00
Fellowship Hall
Bring your knitting or crocheting or other crafts

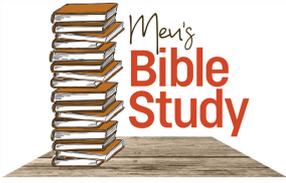


Card Ladies



Card Ladies will
not meeting until
Spring. Stay
tuned.

SMALL GROUPS & STUDIES



Men's Bible Study
Every Tuesday at 8 am in Fellowship Hall.
Snacks and beverages are provided.
All men are welcome.



Koinonia: A fellowship and community of women.
Topic: DVD & Discussion
Every Tuesday at 8 am in the Church Library.
Bible studies ~ Conversations ~ Connections
All women are welcome.



Adult Faith Forum
10:45 am in Fellowship Hall on Sundays
All are welcome. This year's study will be the scripture readings for the upcoming week's worship.



Online Bible Study is available via Zoom. All are welcome to attend. We will be having a study on Wednesday mornings at 10 am. Explore the Bible in a fun and laid-back way. It will be led by Pastor Joel, with a fantastic discussion. Zoom link: [Click Here to Join](#) or on our website at – First Lutheran Church www.firstlutheranhaywardwi.org/outreach/virtually



Jubilee meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. January we will be meeting on Tuesday, January 17th. All are welcome - bring your own beverage.
If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Passolt at 715-563-2502 or 715-634-1062 or email Rhonda at passolt0826@yahoo.com.



Peace Circle will meet on Tuesday, January 10th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will be using the January "Gather" magazine as our Bible study on the Ten Commandments, exploring old and new interpretations of God's law. All are welcome to join.
Hostess – Janet Rivard and Bible study leader - Kathy Rasmussen



Faith Hope and Love Circle will meet on Tuesday, January 10th at 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. We will be using the "Gather" magazine as our Bible study this month and next. All are welcome to join. Hostess - Maxine Poppe and Bible study leader – Liz Dokkestul

Women of First Lutheran

Reflection

I know Advent was a time of reflection and preparation and hope but I can remember Advent time as being quite busy with school concerts, Christmas programs, and services at church, shopping for gifts and food for family get-togethers. There just seemed to be very little time for reflection and mostly preparation and a lot of hope!!

January seems to be an easier time for us to reflect and decide what gives us peace of mind. What do you hope to do during the coming year that will open your mind and heart? Maybe it is visiting others and spending more time with those you love. Maybe it is volunteering where you can make someone happy or help someone. Sometimes I think God "talks" to us during those times of reflection and urges us into a project we would normally not do.

Years ago our previous church sponsored a Hmong family. I had two small children at the time but I "heard" that voice telling me to volunteer to help coordinate the housing, clothing, food, medical, etc. for a family when they arrived. As it turned out, we received a family of 8 – parents and six children to sponsor!! It was a little bigger job than I was anticipating but as it turned out, one of the most rewarding things I have helped to do. It certainly opened my mind and heart to those who have had to start all over.

May you be able to take the time to reflect during these snowy days of January and listen to that "still small voice" for your life.

Carol Schmidt



AN EVANGELICAL MINUTE *More Than Just A Few Words*

We all have heard "God's Work, Our Hands", especially over the past few years, in regard to the efforts of our congregations, synods, and church-wide organizations coming together to do God's work in the world. In fact, September 11th was, "God's work, our hands" Sunday.

Over the years, and with some moves, I have belonged to a few different churches in various states. I can say, though all had various ways in which they were serving others and engaged in doing God's work. None reached out in so many ways to do "God's work, our hands", as First Lutheran.

Think about that for a few moments, most of us, though involved in helping, are not able to help with everything. I won't be able to list everything as this is an Evangelical Minute, not an Evangelical Saga! Think of the Wednesday Night Suppers that began in 1992. They have been available to all, without fail, since then. Helping kick off the school year with school supplies for youngsters. Helping the school year for youngsters kick off with free items needed. Every Christmas, gathering gifts and food for families in need. Helping in the local cemetery occasionally, and with our own grounds care. You get the idea. The main thing is there are bigger and smaller needs listed regularly for you to sign up for "adding your hands". All are welcome and "together we do His Work"

In Christ,
Amen

The Love of Our Altar

Eternal Candle Sponsors for January

Lori & Colin Laberee
Chris Somerville Family
Chris Somerville Family
Will & Sandy Ferris

New Beginnings
In memory of Robert Somerville
In memory of Dana Somerville-Schwartz
In memory of John Wittmus

Please sign up on the Eternal Flame clipboard if you wish to be a sponsor.
Please give Tanya the sponsor funds when you sign up.

There is room for more Eternal Candle Sponsors, please sign up and let the office know. Thank you!!!



Music Ministry.

The Spirit Within

Worships:
Sunday, January 8th, 9:30 am
Saturday, January 22nd at 5 pm
Sunday, January 23rd, 9:30 am

Special thanks to Scott Gordon who has joined Spirit Within as our keyboard player. We welcome you with open arms. God Bless You!

Practices: Thursdays at 5 pm

Choir:

Worships:
Sunday, January 15th at 9:30 am
Sunday, January 29th at 9:30 am

Rehearsals: Every Wednesday at 6:05 pm.

Chimes:

Worship:
Sunday, January 1st at 9:30 am



January Communion Bread Bakers:

January 7/8: Pam Swanson
January 14/15: Nancy Woodbeck
January 21/22: Amy McDonald
January 28/29: Pam McClelland
Sandy Ferris



Lectionary Readings

January 1, 2023: Name of Jesus

Preface: Christmas Color: White

Prayer of the Day: Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth. Alleluia. (Phil. 2:10)

Readings and Psalm

Numbers 6:22-27 (The Aaronic blessing)

Psalm 8 (How majestic is your name in all the earth! (Ps. 8:1))

Galatians 4:4-7 (We are no longer slaves, but children)

Philippians 2:5-11 (alternate) (God takes on human form)

Luke 2:15-21 (The child is circumcised and named Jesus)



January 8, 2023: First Sunday after Epiphany

Preface: Baptism of Our Lord Color: White

Prayer of the Day: O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." Alleluia. (Matt. 3:17)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 42:1-9 (The servant of the Lord brings justice)

Psalm 29 (The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3))

Acts 10:34-43 (Jesus' ministry after his baptism)

Matthew 3:13-17 (Revelation of Christ as God's servant)



January 15, 2023: Second Sunday after Epiphany

Preface: Sunday Color: Green

Prayer of the Day: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. In the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people. Alleluia. (John 1:4)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 49:1-7 (The servant brings light to the nations)

Psalm 40:1-11 (I love to do your will, O my God. (Ps. 40:8))

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (Paul's greeting to the church at Corinth)

John 1:29-42 (Revelation of Christ as the Lamb of God)

January 22, 2023: Third Sunday after Epiphany
Preface: Sunday Color: Green

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. Jesus preached the good news of the kingdom and cured every sickness among the people. Alleluia. (Matt. 4:23)

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 9:1-4 (Light shines for those in darkness)

Psalm 27:1, 4-9 (The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Ps. 27:1))

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (Appeal for unity in the gospel)

Matthew 4:12-23 (Revelation of Christ as a prophet)



January 29, 2023: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Preface: Sundays Color: Green

Prayer of the Day: Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia. (Matt. 5:12)

Readings and Psalm

Micah 6:1-8 (The offering of justice, kindness, humility)

Psalm 15 (Lord, who may abide upon your holy hill? (Ps. 15:1))

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (Christ crucified, the wisdom and power of God)

Matthew 5:1-12 (The teaching of Christ: Beatitudes)



Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday
8:30—4:00
Friday
8:30—12:00

Weekly Bulletin:

If you would like to submit information for the weekly bulletin, it is due to the church office by **4:00pm each Tuesday**

First Word:

ALL ARTICLES for the First Word newsletter are to be sent to Tanya Ullom by **4:00pm on January 15th for the February First Word**

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"Day 1" Radio Ministry.

"Day 1", a voice of mainline Christian Churches, presents messages by clergy representing mainline Christian faiths, including those of the ELCA. Peter Wallace, host for each broadcast, facilitates discussion with clergy on timely topics. This radio ministry reaches our shut-ins, visitors to the area, and others for whom regular worship and Church affiliation are not a part of their daily lives. The cost per broadcast is \$30.

We have First Lutheran members sponsor the "Day 1" weekly segments on radio station WRLS-FM (92.3). These segments air at 8:30am every Sunday. The sponsorship of a broadcast may be in honor of a person, or special occasion, or in memory of a loved one and is open to all.



Day 1 Sponsors:

- January 8 in memory of Don Harms by Judy and Family
- January 22 in memory of Doug Wikum and Bill and Diane Weinstock by Jane and Family

Our Caring Prayers:

Care Centers:

Aspen Acres
10214 Rock Creek Rd
Hayward, WI 54843

- *Sharron Probyn*
- *Dorothy Hedman*
- *Darel Roinstad*

Care Partners Assisted Living
15497 Pinewood Drive
Hayward, WI 54843

Hayward Health Center
10775 Nyman Avenue
Hayward, WI 54843

- *Liz Webber*
- *Janis Bergum*

Country Terrace
10260 White Birch Lane
Hayward, WI 54843

Water's Edge
11044 N State Rd 77
Hayward, WI 54843

Care Center:

- *Ralph and Carol Cornell*
- *Colleen Moreland*

Assisted Living:

- *Karen Luebke*
- *Dennis Marquardt*
- *Gene Nelson*
- *Henry Aukee*
- *Palmer and Fern McCoy*
- *Barb Klippel*
- *Jane Wikum*

Chronic & Long-term Illness:

John Jaeckel *Anna Suzan*
Don Sheehan *Dawn Saxum*
Kay Edwards

Please Pray For:

John Schuenzel
Phil Pierce
Rosalie Schreiber
Will Wege
Palmer McCoy
Pastor Mike Pancoast
John Malchow
Terrell Boettcher
The family of Deanna Jaeckel



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF COFFEE

LWR coffee is available for purchase

Coffee choices include:

- Dark Roast - Whole Bean
- Dark Roast - Ground
- Medium Roast - Whole Bean
- Medium Roast - Ground
- Decaffeinated - Ground
- Hazelnut-Ground

Stop by First Lutheran for your coffee fix...anytime during office hours.



JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

Gavin Abric	Bonnie Jacobsen
Janeen Abric	Julie Jolivette
Anya Bacon	Bob Kirk
Joey Bergschnieder	Kym Kirk
Walter Berquist	Betz Latsch
Sadie Chipman	Curtiss Lein
Krista Christenson	Delores Lein
Lori Clifford	Joe Olson
Liz Dokkestul	Karen Peters
Kay Edwards	Gib Purtell
Chris Fredrickson	Arden Rasmussen
Joseph Froemel	Madeline Saporito
Tim Gardner	Joel Saxum
Dick Gillis	Haley St. Catherine
John Hawksford	Linda Swanson
Gayle Huseth	Pamela Swanson
Anne Husa	Harold Treland
	Darrel Vitcenda
	Craig Voight
	Susan Vortanz
	Jane Wikum



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Mark & Sherry Beckman
 Rod & Kay Edwards
 Ronald & Darlene Kirchdoerfer
 Brett & Kelly Poppe
 Harold & Janet Treland



Each month we take a moment to celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our friends at First Lutheran. Let's take this time to pray for joyful birthdays and anniversaries. Please do not call the office for actual dates or ages.

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
1	9:30am Worship 10:45am Adult Forum 7pm NA	2	Office Closed 7:30am Online Devotion 5pm Skiing	3	7:30am Online Devotion 8am Kooinonia 8am Men's Bible Study 9:45am Music & Worship 11am Staff Meeting	4	7:30am Online Devotion 10am Zoom Bible Study 5pm Community Supper 5:15pm Chimes Practice 6:05pm Choir	5	7:30am Online Devotion 9:45am Nursing Home Worships 5pm Spirit Within 7:30pm AA	6	7:30am Online Devotion	7	5pm Worship
8	9:30am Worship 10:45am Adult Forum 7pm NA	9	7:30am Online Devotion 5pm Skiing 5pm CC Exec 5:30pm Council Meeting	10	7:30am Online Devotion 8am Kooinonia 8am Men's Bible Study 10am Peace Circle 11am Staff Meeting 1:30pm Faith, Hope & Love Circle 3pm Terrific Tuesdays 6:30pm Table Talk	11	7:30am Online Devotion 10am Zoom Bible Study 5pm Community Supper 5:15pm Chimes Practice 6:05pm Choir	12	7:30am Online Devotion 9am Cover Girls 1pm Grief Support Monthly 5pm Spirit Within 7:30pm AA	13	7:30am Online Devotion 1pm Pages for Paws	14	9:30am Altar Guild Training 5pm Worship
15	9:30am Worship 10:45am Budget Hearing After Worship 7pm NA	16	7:30am Online Devotion 5pm Skiing 6:30pm Children, Youth and Family Meeting	17	7:30am Online Devotion 8am Kooinonia 8am Men's Bible Study 11am Staff Meeting 3pm Terrific Tuesdays 6pm Jubilee Circle	18	7:30am Online Devotion 10am Zoom Bible Study 4pm Budget Hearing 5pm Community Supper 5:15pm Chimes Practice 6:05pm Choir	19	7:30am Online Devotion 9am Cover Girls 5pm Spirit Within 7:30pm AA	20	7:30am Online Devotion	21	10am Puris of Prayer & FLCW Annual Meeting 5pm Worship
22	9:30am Worship 10:45am Annual Meeting (Budget)-After Worship 7pm NA	23	7:30am Online Devotion 5pm Skiing	24	7:30am Online Devotion 8am Kooinonia 8am Men's Bible Study 11am Staff Meeting 3pm Terrific Tuesdays	25	7:30am Online Devotion 10am Zoom Bible Study 5pm Community Supper 5:15pm Chimes Practice 6:05pm Choir	26	7:30am Online Devotion 8:30am Many Hands Day 5pm Spirit Within 7:30pm AA	27	7:30am Online Devotion	28	5pm Worship
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