

Handclasp



Monthly Newsletter | First Lutheran Church | October 2018
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October Sermon Series: *“Live Well Together”*

Relationships are everything. Jesus takes us on a series of teachings on the important ingredients to live well in our relationship with God and one another.

- October 7 Commitment
- October 14 Give Your All
- October 21 Servant Power

Ministry Spotlight: *Hope Project*

The Hope Project is a group of people who help a family during the time of a lost loved one. We offer to provide either a lunch or coffee time for the family either before or after the funeral. Some people prefer a lunch or others like to have coffee and a dessert or breakfast breads if in the morning. This will be held in the Church Fellowship Hall. We cook most of the food necessary, but do ask other members of the congregation to help by providing a dessert for the get together. If you are interested in helping, please contact Sarah Cotton or Ann Newman.



A Time to See Red

Wear your favorite shade of RED to worship on Reformation Sunday, October 28th

“Celebrating the Gifts of Word and Sacrament”





Johnson, Floreen	10/1
Farrell, Jim	10/3
Trease, Macy	10/4
Kunz, Debbie	10/8
Belville, Amy	10/9
Harmsen, Janice	10/12
Gunderson, Robert	10/14
Myers, Mitchell	10/14
Johnson, Kathy	10/22
Taylor, Caleb	10/22
Wall, Irene	10/22
Archer, Stephen	10/25
Lickenbrock, Eugene	10/25
Kinney, Bill	10/28
Roever, Carol	10/29
Heeler, Phil	10/31

David & Brenda Bezona 10/11/2003 15 years
 David & Ann Newman 10/25/1980 38 years

Treasurer's Report August 2018

Cyndee Simpson, Treasurer

August Income	\$16, 267.00
August Expenses	\$17, 028.75
Year to Date Income	\$136, 118.00
Year to Date Expenses	\$138, 897.52

Prayer for Reformation Sunday

Our heavenly Father,
 do not let us bury ourselves
 into the bunkers of this-is-how-it-always-has-been.

Father, give us courage to look for reformation
 when we've become too set in our ways.
 Do not let us be too afraid of change.
 Father, please give us courage and faith
 to give room for your Spirit in our lives,
 in the lives of our families and, ultimately, in the life
 of our Church.

And as you do that, please fill us with your love and
 joy, so that we could be the salt of the Earth and the
 light of the World. Amen!

In the name of your Son,
 our loving Saviour,
 Amen.

— written by Mia-pappi, and posted on the [Kaikesta huolimatta/ No matter what blog](#).

Roundtable

Dwelling in the Word

Phoebe Circle - Tuesday, Oct. 9th, 7:00 pm,
Pam Farrell - Hostess / Cyndee Simpson - Dessert
Pam Farrell - Lesson

Thursday Morning Bible Study - Thursdays at 10 am
at church

Online Bible Study - Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Confirmation - Sundays at 10:30 am

Fellowship

Early Morning Breakfast - Tuesday, Oct. 16th,
6:30 am, at Le Peep

Wednesday With Friends - Wednesday, Oct. 10th,
12:00 pm, at Cracker Barrel

Wednesday Cafe - Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm,
"Where People Come to Gather"

Halftime Event "Re-Imagining the Next Half of Life"
Theme: "The Bucket List"

Thursday, October 25th · 10 am – 3 pm
Remington Nature Center

Event is free and includes lunch and refreshments.
Register by calling church office, 232-8378 or completing
registration form. Event is limited to 100 participants.

Service

Chancel Choir - Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm

Archive Committee - Wednesdays, at 9:00 am

Community Dinner - Sunday, Oct. 28th, 4:00 pm

Leadership

Church Council - Thursday, Oct. 11th, 6:30 pm

Altar Guild - Thursday, Oct. 11th, 10:00 am,
Kathy Chladek - Hostess



Ye Shall Have a Song

The Music of American Composers
Sunday, October 21, 2018 – 3 p.m.
MWSU Fulkerson Center
4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph, MO

Emergency Shelter Opens in October

A community Emergency Shelter for women and men will open in October at The Crossing, 8th and Locust. It will provide shelter from 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. 7 days a week. Volunteers will provide hospitality from 4-7 p.m. each day. Open Door Food Kitchen will provide meals as needed. Learn how to get involved by contacting Pastor Lenander.



First Lutheran Safety Protocols October, 2018

Beginning October 7th the Church Council will implement the Church Safety Committee Protocols for the entrances to the church during worship on Sunday or any day of the week that it may fall on, during other celebrations through the year.

- Before a service the following doors will be unlocked:
- South lower level door (parking lot by elevator)
- North lower level door (Charles street door)
- East landing door (10th street by mail box)
- Two east sanctuary double doors (10th street side only)

Fifteen (15) minutes after worship starts, all panic bars will be released which will stop entrance, but allow exit from those doors.

The Southeast sanctuary doors (by the sound board) will be the only doors that will remain unlocked. Persons arriving more than 15 minutes after the service starts will need to come to these doors to enter. Notification of this change will be posted at appropriate entrances.

Persons needing the elevator who arrive after the doors are locked will need to go to the South parking lot and ring the doorbell. An Usher or person monitoring the ring application will come down and open the door.

Persons who leave the building during worship will need to re-enter through the southeast sanctuary door, or arrange for an usher or family member to wait and let them back in the same door where they exit.

After the service ends, the southeast sanctuary doors will also be locked. Once you leave, you will not be able to get back in, unless you have a key. Have someone wait to let you back in, or ring the doorbell.

We are not trying to keep anyone from attending worship at First Lutheran nor do we want to limit the hospitality that our church is known for. This change is for the continued safety of everyone that enters our doors.

In all the Sunday bulletins through September please put in this shorter version:

Please NOTE- our new Safety Protocol will be implemented Sunday, October 7, 2018. Fifteen (15) minutes after the service starts all doors except the Southeast Sanctuary doors (by sound board) will be locked. For more information check the October Handclasp, website: www.flcsj.org, or pick up a copy of the emergency action plan.

Thank You for your cooperation,
Church Safety Committee

First Lutheran Church Council

Online Offering
Scan to give!

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