

# THE VISITOR



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Isaiah 53:4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. <sup>6</sup> We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

***The Suffering Servant Song of Isaiah 53:4***

Dear Friends In Christ,

The final week of Jesus' life is so important, that fully 40 % of the verses in the four Gospel accounts (Matthew, Mark , Luke, and John) focus on "the Week that Changed the World!" Ultimately, all of Scripture points to this most Holy Week. Indeed, it is the very center of human history. On Palm Sunday, Jesus enters Jerusalem, hailed as 'King and Liberator' to the triumphant cries of the crowd: "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" But within days, this "Messiah-King" will experience arrest, the most brutal of scourgings, mockery, ridicule, and horrific death by crucifixion - executed as a criminal. He will be betrayed by Judas - his disciple; denied by Peter - one from his inner circle; and eventually abandoned by all - except his mother, some brave women, and the beloved disciple, John.

And in His death, mysteriously, wondrously --- He will fulfill more Old Testament prophecies than He did in His entire lifetime. Judas betrays him for 30 pieces of silver (Matthew 27:6-8) fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah 11:12-13. He is beaten, mocked and spit upon -- all fulfillments of Isaiah 50:6. Archaeologists and historians can now tell us that the very place, the rock upon which He was crucified is even a fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy. We now know that Golgotha was a great out-cropping of rock that the stone masons of a quarry had literally rejected. "The Stone that the builders rejected has become the capstone." (Matthew 21:42; Ps 118:22). His crucifixion is powerfully foretold by the Isaiah 53 and Deuteronomy 21:23 (See also Galatians 3:13) and Psalm 22:16. As is befitting of the Passover Lamb (Exodus 12:46; Numbers 9:12), not one of his bones is broken (John 19:36) fulfilling Psalm 34:20. The soldiers cast lots for his clothing (John 19:24) fulfilling Psalm 34:20. After his death, they pierce his side with a spear (John 19:34) fulfilling Zechariah 12:10. He is given a royal burial (John 19:39) fulfilling Isaiah 53:9.

The American theologian Dr. Wilbur M. Smith, said: "The ancient world had many different devices for determining the future, known as divination, but not in the entire gamut of Greek and Latin literature, even though they used the words prophet and prophecy, can we find any real specific prophecy of a Savior to arrive in the human race ... Mohammedanism cannot point to any prophecies of the coming of Mohammed uttered hundreds of years before his birth. Neither can the

founders of any cult in this country rightly identify any ancient text specifically foretelling their appearance.”

Yet, in the case of Jesus, He fulfilled over 300 prophecies (spoken by different voices over five hundred years), including 29 major prophecies fulfilled in a single day → the day he died. Only GOD could accomplish this!

It was John the Baptist who had declared of Jesus: “Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the Sin of the world.” And at the moment of Jesus’ death, the great veil in the Temple - separating the people from God’s Presence in the Holy of Holies was split from top to bottom. The ancient Jewish historian Josephus tells us that the veil that separated the Holy of Holies from the rest of the Temple was four inches thick. In rending asunder this great veil of separation, God declares that through JESUS (His own holy, sinless Son → the perfect sacrifice for our Sins), GOD has now given us access into His Holy Presence. Through faith in JESUS His Son, God now gives the miracle of the Forgiveness of Sins, LIFE and Salvation. Through Cross & Resurrection God does for us, what we could never do for ourselves.

You may know all the FACTS about this awesome “Week that Changed the World.” But is your awareness of Jesus still only head knowledge? Yes, He has changed the World, but have you invited Him to change Your Life? Merely knowing lots of FACTS isn’t a living Faith. There is an eternal Difference between mere head knowledge and heart knowledge. The Question of EASTER is: “Does He Live in Your Heart!” YES! Christ is Risen, and He longs for you to have a living relationship with Him. He wants to walk with you in the realities of your daily life. He wants to lead you; guide you; give you His Love and His Peace and His Strength. Is Jesus still outside the door of your heart, knocking, waiting to come in? If so, why not right now invite Him into your life and have the Best Easter Ever! He died for your sins and rose from the dead → ALL for You! ALL, so that today you might know the fullness of His EASTER JOY! Jesus says: “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door I will come in to him...” Your Savior & Lord, your Master & Friend, your God & King is waiting ... He is only your invitation away!

**Have the Best Easter Ever!**

**In Christ’s Love,**  
Pastor Paul

## **What is the North American Lutheran Church?**

**Background:** When First English Evangelical Lutheran Church had its 2<sup>nd</sup> vote to leave the ELCA on April 18, 2010, our congregation voted to become part of Lutheran Congregations In Mission for Christ (LCMC). To smoothly leave the ELCA without any legitimate challenges to our church's ownership of our property, our constitution states that we needed to be joining another officially recognized Lutheran church body. At the time of our 2<sup>nd</sup> vote, LCMC was the best fit for our congregation. The new North American Lutheran Church (NALC) had not yet been formed. The NALC was officially formed in late August of 2010. Since then, in just 6 months, more than 110 Lutheran congregations have already joined the new NALC. In our immediate area, Holy Trinity Lutheran of Mansfield, and Oakland Lutheran of Mansfield have both joined the NALC. Trinity Lutheran in Ashland has already had their 2<sup>nd</sup> vote to leave the ELCA and is in the process of joining the new NALC. Locally, there are 3 churches that are part of LCMC. They are: our congregation - FELC of Mansfield, Oakland Lutheran of Mansfield, and Trinity Lutheran of Crestline.

**The QUESTION:** Would FELC be wise to also join the new North American Lutheran Church? This is the question that is before us. The Council has asked that there be a special Informational Forum on Sunday, May 1, 2011. This Informational Forum on the NALC will be offered at both 9:00am and at 11:15am. Everyone is invited to participate and choose the time that works best for them. It should be noted that congregations can easily be part of both LCMC and the NALC – thus easily expanding their resource network. The Council plans to ask the Congregation to vote on whether FELC should join the NALC at our regular annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 22, 2011 at 11:15am.

### **Key Attributes of the NALC:**

#### **Christ-Centered**

We confess the apostolic faith in Jesus Christ according to the Holy Scriptures. We affirm the authority of the Scriptures as the authoritative source and norm, “according to which all doctrines should and must be judged” (Formula of Concord). We accept the ecumenical creeds and the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses to the Word of God.

### **Mission-Driven**

We believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples — in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world — must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

### **Traditionally-Grounded**

We affirm the ecumenical creeds and the faithful witness of the Church across time and space. We endorse the form and practices of the universal Church that are consistent with Scripture, particularly the office of the ministry and the tradition of worship under Word and Sacrament. We seek dialogue and fellowship with other Lutheran churches and with faithful Christians of other confessions.

### **Congregationally-Focused**

We strive to be a church body that is organized to facilitate the ministries of local congregations in a posture of servanthood and a spirit of partnership, through the provision of resources, connections and information.

### **Common Questions:**

#### **What is the difference between the NALC and Lutheran CORE?**

The NALC is a church body. Lutheran CORE is not a church body. Lutheran CORE is a confessional and confessing unity movement for Lutherans regardless of their church body affiliation. Lutheran CORE is a way for traditional Lutherans in North America to work together in mission. The NALC is a member of Lutheran CORE.

#### **How does the NALC relate to LCMC?**

The NALC and Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC) are committed to working in close partnership. Some have called the two church bodies fraternal twins. LCMC is a vibrant and faithful association of congregations, rather than a denominational church body. Like LCMC, the NALC will be focused on and do its ministry through congregations, but it will have more of a traditional denominational structure to assist congregations in their mission and ministry and in calling pastoral leadership. Congregations can be members of both NALC and LCMC.

**Will the NALC work in partnership with Lutherans around the world?**

Yes. The NALC is committed to working in partnership with faithful Lutherans in other parts of the world. The NALC will also encourage congregations to enter into partnership relationships with other congregations in North America and around the world and will help to facilitate those relationships.

**Does the NALC have a bishop?**

Yes. The NALC is led by a bishop, whose role is pastoral and theological rather than administrative. The bishop conducts a ministry of visitation throughout the NALC and promotes the mission of the church. The bishop will also lead NALC inter-Lutheran and ecumenical dialogues. Regional Deans, who may also serve as pastors of local congregations, work with the bishop to provide oversight and pastoral care to pastors and congregations in their area. A General Secretary handles NALC administrative and operational functions.

**Will the NALC have a large structure and a large national headquarters?**

No. The NALC is very lean structurally, but there is enough structure to help congregations with their ministries. The NALC's focus is on assisting the ministry of congregations, not on congregations assisting the ministry of the national church body.

**How does NALC handle benevolence giving from congregations?**

Congregations decide which ministries to support with their benevolence giving. The NALC will help congregations find the best ways to support Christ's mission in the world. NALC congregations are encouraged to support ministries and mission congregations directly. The NALC needs direct support, especially during its formative years, but ongoing administrative costs will be limited because of the NALC's commitment to a lean structure.

**How does the NALC handle the adoption of teaching statements?**

Members and congregations of the NALC have direct involvement in the decisions and life of the NALC. All teaching statements must be endorsed by the bishop, approved by a two-thirds majority vote at a Convocation comprised of representatives from each NALC congregation, and ratified by two-thirds of NALC congregations.

More information about the NALC is available online at [www.thenalc.org](http://www.thenalc.org).

## DAVID: A Life Redeemed!

Come and join us this month as we continue this year's 2011 Lenten Mid-Week Bible Studies Series on *The Story of DAVID – The Story of a Life Redeemed!* Come at 6:00pm (March 16 – April 13) for a great time of food & fellowship with our Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers in the undercroft. Then join us at 7:00pm for our Bible Study Series in the main sanctuary.

Bring your Bible!

April 6	DAVID & ABSALOM
April 13	DAVID & SOLOMON



## **Our Deepest Sympathy**

We remember the families and friends of those who died January 18-February 18, 2011:

<b>Ed Holmen</b>	<b>February 11</b>	<i>Uncle of Pastor Paul Larson</i>
<b>Peggy Lintern</b>	<b>February 20</b>	
<b>Martha Dye</b>	<b>February 20</b>	
<b>Fred Hink</b>	<b>February 23</b>	<i>Brother of Mary Schwartz</i>
<b>Glenn Roderick</b>	<b>March 4</b>	<i>Uncle of Jim Scheiber</i>
<b>Marian Albright</b>	<b>March 8</b>	<i>Mother of Carol Lauthers</i>
<b>Florence Beer</b>	<b>March 12</b>	<i>Sister of Eugene Luedy</i>

We pray for Christ's gifts of healing and peace to touch their lives during this time of loss and sorrow that they may be comforted with the promise of the Resurrection through faith in Christ our Savior.

# The Padded Cross

Well, here I am, Lord. You said, “Take up your cross,” and I’m here to do it. It’s not easy, You know, this self-denial thing. But, I mean to go through with it. Will I follow? ... Oh Yes, Lord! ... I’ll bet You wish more people were willing to be disciples like me. I’ve counted the cost and surrendered my life, and it’s not an easy road.

You mind if I look around over the crosses? I’d kind of like a new one. I’m not fussy, You understand, but a disciple has to be relevant these days.

I was wondering – are there any that are vinyl padded? I’m thinking of attracting others – see? And if I could show them a comfortable cross, I’m sure I could win a lot more people.

And I need something durable -- so I can treasure it always. Oh, is there one that’s sort of flat so it would fit under my coat? One shouldn’t be too obvious.

Funny, there doesn’t seem to be much choice here – just that coarse rough wood. ... I mean, that would hurt! Don’t You have something more distinctive, Lord?

I can tell You right now, none of my friends are going to be impressed by this shoddy workmanship. They’ll think I’m a nut or something. And my family will be just mortified. ... What’s that? It’s either one of these or forget the whole thing? But, Lord, I want to be Your disciple. I mean, just being with You, that’s all that counts; but life has to have a balance, too,... But You don’t understand – nobody lives that way today! Who’s going to be attracted by this self-denial bit? ... I mean, I want to, but let’s not over do it. Start getting radical like this, and they’ll have me off to the funny farm, ... know what I mean?

I mean, being a disciple is challenging and exciting and I want to do it’ but I have some rights, You know. Now let’s see – no blood, okay? I just can’t stand the thought of that, Lord...Lord?

Jesus? ... Now, where do you suppose He went?

Quoted in “The Sword of the Lord”, January, 1976 from Carlyle Saylor in  
“Christian Deaf Fellowship”

## **Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:**

I am pleased to invite you to a special **Global Missions Festival** that we are honored to host here at First English Lutheran. The date is **Saturday, April 9, 2011**. This is a great opportunity for us to reach-out to our neighboring Lutheran congregations and for all of us to learn more about three very different global mission settings - from South America, to Africa, to India.

At First English Lutheran, we have found that our connection with our global mission partners truly enriches our lives and deepens our understanding of what it means to be Christ's Church in the world. This Missions Festival will be designed so that everyone will be able to learn more about different global mission's opportunities in which we as individuals and as congregations can become directly involved.

## **Our Presenters:**

Brian and Barb Sorge

-World Mission Prayer League Missionaries (WMPL) to India

Henrik and Patty Christopherson

-World Mission Prayer League Missionaries (WMPL) to Peru

Pastor Andrew W. Jones

-Kanyenyeva Orphan Care Ministries of Malawi

The conference is from 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. (Registration begins at 9:00 am.) The women of our church will be providing a delicious lunch. To help cover the cost of the Break Time Snacks and your Lunch we are asking for \$5 per person. There will also be a Freewill Offering received to help cover the travel costs of our missionaries.

**PLEASE → RSVP to the Church Office by MONDAY, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

***Working Together for Christ's Kingdom – So That ALL May Know!***

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Paul

## Making Christ Known

**Discovering Your Global Connection**

**Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**

**A GLOBAL MISSIONS FESTIVAL**

**Hosted By:**

**First English Evangelical Lutheran Church  
53 Park Avenue West Mansfield, OH 44902**

### SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am **Registration**
- 9:30 am **Opening Worship**
- 10:00 am **"Loving Muslims and Responding to Islam"**  
-Brian Sorge
- 11:00 am **"Behind the Veil - Touching the Hearts of Muslim Women"**  
-Barb Sorge
- 12:00 noon **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 pm **"Mission Teams 101 - Equipping a Fantastic Team in Your Church"** -Henrik Christopherson
- 2:00 pm **"Developing Mission Partnerships: Malawi Orphan Care Ministries"** -Pastor Andrew W. Jones
- 3:00 pm **"Taking Missions Home - Sharing God's Global Story from the Sunday School to the Dinner Table"**  
-Patty Christopherson

Cost: \$5.00 per Person - for Lunch and Breaks

A Freewill Offering will be received to help cover the travel expenses of our  
Missionaries

**PLEASE → RSVP to the Church Office by MONDAY, April 4, 2011**

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**Bring Your Friends!**

## ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1**

Attention committee chairs and organization leaders! Your annual report for May 2010 through April 2011 is due in the church office on Friday, April 1. Be sure to include a list of your committee members. Reports submitted by e-mail are greatly appreciated ([cstewart@felc-mansfield.org](mailto:cstewart@felc-mansfield.org)).

### **KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS**

It is time to **re-enroll** in Kroger Community Rewards for the coming year. Starting **April 1 EVERYONE** must re-enroll at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com). This re-enrollment will help ensure that First English Lutheran receives the greatest rewards possible. We also want to invite any members who have not participated in the past to enroll! How much we earn depends on how much members spend compared to other organizations' spending. Don't forget you must have a valid Kroger.com account and a Kroger Plus card.

### **† Holy Week & Easter Worship 2011 †**

#### **Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday ~ April 17**

10:00 AM Festival Worship  
10:00 AM Proclaim! Contemporary

#### **Wednesday in Holy Week ~ April 20**

12:05 PM Holy Communion (chapel)  
12:40 PM Lunch (undercroft)

#### **Maundy Thursday ~ April 21**

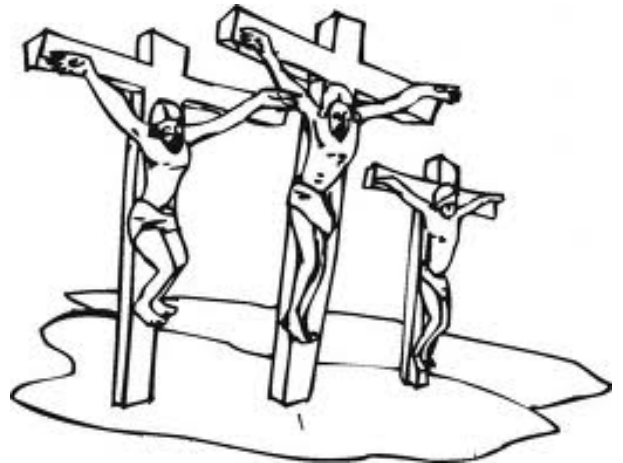
7:00 PM Holy Communion (nave)

#### **Good Friday ~ April 22**

12:05 PM Inter-Church Council Ecumenical Good Friday Worship at St. Peter's Catholic Church  
7:00 PM Tenebrae Service (nave)

#### **Holy Saturday ~ April 23**

8:00 PM Easter Vigil and Eucharist



## **Easter Day ~ Sunday, April 24**

Festival Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 AM Traditional

10:00 AM Proclaim! Contemporary worship

### **TRIDUUM**

— **The Three Holy Days** —

### **Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday Easter Vigil**

Our celebration of the **Three Holy Days** begins with the **Maundy Thursday** evening communion service held at **7:00 P.M. on April 21** in the nave. The service begins with an expanded rite of confession and absolution, which is followed by the usual lessons and sermon. Scripture readings focus on the institution of the sacrament of Holy Communion at the Last Supper of Christ and his disciples. Confession and forgiveness are an especially important part of this service, as we finally receive the absolution which was intentionally left out of the Ash Wednesday services. The service concludes with the dramatic stripping of the Altar in preparation for the Good Friday observance. There is no benediction at the close of the service, since this is only the first part of the Triduum observance.

The second segment of the Three Holy Days continues with the **Good Friday Tenebrae** service at **7:00 P.M. on April 22**. The service is based on the biblical account of Christ's Passion According to St. John. The reading is interspersed with hymn singing and the extinguishing of seven candles. The Christ candle is extinguished and removed from the sanctuary. A rough wooden cross is carried in procession. There is a time of reflection and adoration of the crucified Christ when any may come forward to pray at the kneeling rail. Once again there is no benediction; the service continues on Saturday evening.

The **Great Vigil of Easter** on Saturday, **April 23 at 8:00 P.M.** is both the conclusion of our observance of the Three Holy Days, and the first service in celebration of the Resurrection. This service reverses the events of Good Friday, and moves us from darkness into light. We will begin the service by gathering in the middle of Mulberry Street to join with the congregation of St. Peter's Catholic Church as we kindle the fire, light our Paschal Candles and process to our respective parishes. Hand candles are lit as we enter the church, and are held for the singing of the Easter Proclamation. They are extinguished, and we hear a series of readings tracing the biblical history of our salvation from Creation, through the

Exodus, promises of our salvation, and the three young men in the fiery furnace. We celebrate Holy Baptism and/or the renewal of our baptismal vows as a final cleansing in preparation for the celebration of Easter. The lights are raised, and the full Easter celebration begins with a service of Holy Communion, breaking the Lenten fast by receiving Christ's body and blood.

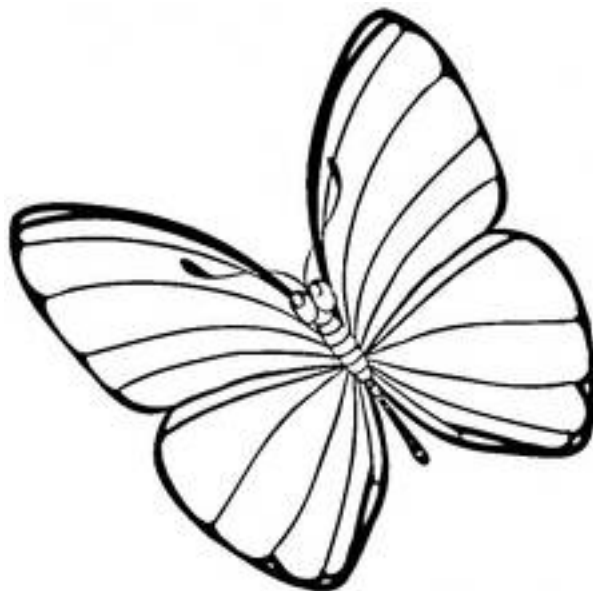
### **PARKING FOR HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

**Luther Hall door will NOT be open for the 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday or the 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Tenebrae services.** Please park in the Mulberry Street lot and use the Narthex entrance; the lift is available for those who find stairs difficult.

**Luther Hall door will NOT be open Saturday, April 23, since the 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil** begins outside on Mulberry Street. Please park in the Mulberry Street lot.

### **GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL COMMUNITY WORSHIP, APRIL 22**

The Inter-Church Council Ecumenical Good Friday service will be held at St. Peter's Catholic Church 104 West First Street at 12:05 p.m. Pastor Andrew Jones will be the homilist. The Good Friday offering will be used to assist local agencies that provide food and support to the needy of our community.



He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!! Alleluia!

## **LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA**

We have another great opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of the orphans in Malawi. Jan Fisher has become aware of a program that makes dresses for orphans in Malawi. We have contacted the Kanyenyeva Orphan Care Ministries to see if they would be interested in having us bring dresses to them this summer. They are very interested in being able to give the girls of the orphan project some new dresses.

Currently, we are in conversation with Shadreck and Yamikani to develop a pattern that will be acceptable in their culture. The pattern from the organization that Jan is aware of is similar to a sun dress; however, showing their shoulders is not culturally acceptable in Malawi. The pattern that Shadreck and Yamikani are looking at seems very easy to make. There are many ways that you can help to make the dresses for the girls at the orphan project a reality. We are also looking at the possibility of making shorts for boys, too. Please see Jan's article for more information.

### **More about "Little Dresses for Africa" .....**

An exciting opportunity has been put before us! We have the opportunity to get our members sewing "Little Dresses for Africa." As the story goes a woman in Michigan made a life changing trip to Africa a few years ago. She wanted to bring hope to the little girls there, who have such tattered and worn clothes. She got her church women sewing, the media told her story and before long people began shipping cartons of dresses to her home address! They came from all over our country! It has grown and grown. To read more, go to:

[www.littledressesforafrica.org](http://www.littledressesforafrica.org)

Now comes First English Malawi Mission Team. They have been there and will be going again in June. We can start sewing now and have dresses ready for them to take over to Africa in extra pieces of luggage. What an outreach – what a gift this will be for the orphanage!

The patterns are very simple and basic. In fact the dresses are sometimes called "pillow case dresses" because they can be fashioned out of a pillow case.

### **Little Dresses for Africa Instructions:**

These instructions include making dresses from new or gently used pillowcases and making them from fabric. I will start with the pillowcase dresses which are good for beginners to experienced- level seamstresses. The arm hole pattern can be found at

the end of these instructions. I encourage you to be as creative with trim, pockets, and fancy or colorful buttons or items you feel comfortable adding.

**Materials needed:**

A pillowcase ( Standard size will make the smaller 3-5 sizes, Queen will make sizes 7-9, and the King will make sizes 10-12) Because of climate concerns 75%- 100% cotton is recommended.

(2) each 38” lengths AND (2) ea. 6” lengths of double fold bias tape to match or compliment the pillowcase for size 3-5; (2) each 38” lengths AND (2) ea. 7” lengths of double fold bias tape for 6-9; (2) each 38” lengths AND (2) ea. 8” lengths of double fold bias tape for 10-12.

**WE DO NOT RECOMMEND USING ANY ELASTIC IN THE CASING. ELASTIC DETERIORATES QUICKLY IN THE HOT HUMID CLIMATE OF MILAWI.**

Thread in a matching or complimenting color.

Optional trims such as rick rack, eyelet, durable lace, appliqués, fancy or colorful buttons, contrasting or matching pocket (s), ribbon sown across the casing and or hem or whatever you think the girls would like. Use your imagination!!!

**To create a dress from a pillowcase:**

**Trace the armhole patterns** on tissue paper or tag board as desired. Put aside for later use.

**Cut (open) the closed end of the pillowcase .** This will be the top of the dress and



the pillowcase hem will be the hem of the dress. You may even be able to use this left over fabric for your binding.

Orient the side seam of the pillowcase so it will be in the center back of the dress. If your pillowcase has 2 seams leave them as side seams.

Measure the length of the pillowcase and **decide what size dress** you will be making. (use the chart below)

### Sizing Chart

For a size: the cut length: For a finished length: For fabric method the **fabric width** should be:

Size	Cut Length	Finished Length	Fabric Width
3	22"	19"	36-42"
4	25"	22"	36-42"
5	27"	24"	42"
6	29"	26"	42"
7	31"	28"	42"
8	33"	30"	42"
9	35"	32"	42"
10	37"	34"	42"-48"
11	39"	36"	42"-48"
12	41"	38"	42"-48"

Once you have decided on the size, you need to **select the armhole pattern** for that size. (example dress size 4 use the pattern marked 3-5).

You may choose to mark and cut each side individually or (I prefer to fold the dress in half length wise matching the sides), place the flat side of the pattern on the side and trace and then cut out the armhole(s).

The **casings** is next. Fold under the casings at the front and back top edges by first folding over 1/4" of the edge toward the inside of fabric and pressing. Next fold 1/2" to 3/4" (depending on width of your bias binding,) press and/or pin. Then stitch along the lower edge.

At this time, if you choose to add trim to the lower edge of the casing do that.

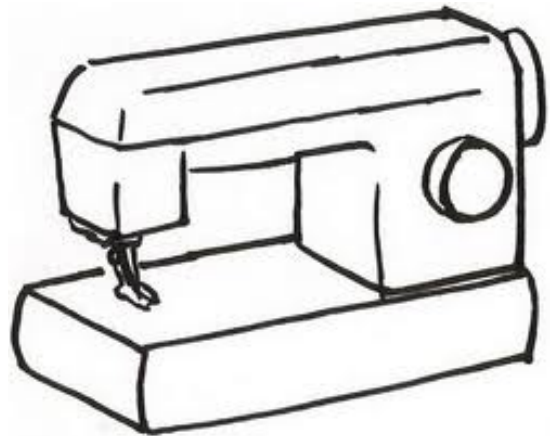
**Next you put your short length** of stitched bias binding through the casing, anchoring down each end. Do this on both front and back of dress.

**Cut your longer lengths** of bias tape (see page one) and open the ends so you can turn and stitch so raw edge will be inside when the bias is folded to original position.

**Pin the bias tape to the armhole** so that the ends are of equal length. (Once you have divided the bias tape in half, start pinning down at the side seem, working up each side of the dress.) Then using a straight, zigzag, or decorative stitch, sew the bias tape to the dress.

At this point you have a dress. If you want to embellish it further by adding trim to the hem or adding pockets or decorative button etc. you may.

Now **Tag the dress** so the girls know who made the dress and the size of the dress. Tags can be fancy or plain and **should at least provide the size of the dress.**



**Using Fabric to make the dresses:** Use fabric with a high cotton content, 100% is best.

Use the length and width measurements on page one.

Sew the back seam.

Follow instructions (above) for armholes, casings, trim and elastic.

Next you will need a hem. A fold of 1/4" and then 2" is recommended.

**PLEASE PICK UP A COPY OF INSTRUCTIONS TO GET THE ARMHOLE PATTERN.**

**Thank You For Sewing!**

The armhole pattern is the correct size. It does not need to be enlarged.

This "sundress style" dress will be worn with a cotton T-shirt, according to Malawi's custom of having the shoulders covered.

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULING CONTACTS

*The monthly volunteers list is published in The Visitor and is posted on the bulletin boards. The following are responsible for scheduling the listed areas of volunteer ministry.*

### Worship Committee

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Assisting Ministers, Cindy Russell  
Lay Readers, Cindy Russell

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Communion Assistants

### Gene Harsch, 419.774.0247

Ushers

### Evangelism Committee

#### Steve Ritz 419-362-6526

Greeters

### Property Committee

#### Gary Lane 419-775-8822

Luther Hall Sunday Door Duty

#### Gary Simmons, 419.529.3396, and

#### Dan Shupp, 419.589.7631

Sound Board/Audio

#### Paul Ward, 419.884.3324

Power Point, Nave

#### Becky Pittman, 419.529.3876

Children's Church Leaders



#### Ruth Sweval, 419-526-5090

8:30 AM Sunday Prayer

Partners

#### Becky Pittman, 419-529-3876

Proclaim! Ushers/Greeters

Proclaim! Communion

Preparers

Proclaim! Communion

Assistants

**Chris Cichanowicz, 419.529.6593**

**Sunday School Superintendent**

**Gene Luedy, 419.526.4304**

Pew Pad Gleaners

**APRIL VOLUNTEERS 10:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**  
**GREETERS NAVE**

April 3&10 Penny & Ken Ekegren

April 17 Linda & Greg Hughes

April 24 Stacey & Tom Crall

**USHERS NAVE**

Dr Eugene Calver      Greg Hughes

Pat Smith              Lana Conry

**8:30 AM SUNDAY PASTORS PRAYER PARTNERS TEAMS**

April 3 Mary Schwartz & Jim Scheiber

April 10 Ken & Karen Frayer

April 17 Lowell Weeks & Chris  
Cichanowicz

April 24 Rob Hogsette & Steve Ritz

**COMMUNION PREPARERS**

April 3 Ken & Penny Ekegren

April 21 Jim & Lolita Scheiber

April 23 Bill & Mary Schwartz

April 24 Wes & Sandie Volz

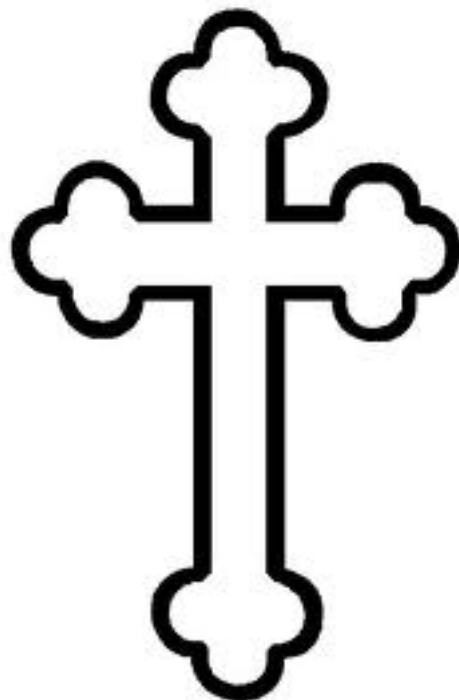
**ASSISTING MINISTERS**

April 3 Alicia Schulz

April 10 Chris Kaschube

April 17 Annette Doklovic

April 24 Stan Cichanowic



## COMMUNION SERVERS

**April 3**

**10:00 am (regular communion)**

Bread Servers Pastor and Assisting Minister  
Wine West Jodi Mumaw  
Cups West Jo Wirstrom  
Wine East Nancy Pasheilich  
Cups East Tom Pasheilich  
Intinction Jane Sprang

**April 21: 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday**

Bread Servers Pastor  
Wine West Donna Rettig  
Cups West LuAnne Trumpower  
Wine East Sherry Winbigler  
Cups East Margaret Runyon  
Intinction Paul Theaker

**April 23: 8:00 pm Easter Vigil**

Bread Servers Pastor  
Wine West Steve Ritz  
Cups West Devera Ritz  
Wine East Wes Volz  
Cups East Mary Hujus  
Intinction Sandie Volz



**April 24: 10:00 am Easter Sunday**

Bread Servers Pastor & Assisting Minister  
Wine West Lana Conry  
Cups West Karen Frayer  
Wine East Greg Hughes  
Cups East Linda Hughes  
Intinction Ken Frayer

## **ACOLYTES**

April 3 Renee Shupp  
April 10 Stephen Ward  
April 17 Paul Hogsette  
April 21 Hannah Skropits  
April 24 Katie Ritz

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH LEADERS**

April 3 Annette Doklovic  
April 10 Ronda Rehm  
April 17 Allison Weeks  
April 24 Courtney Farner

## **ALTAR WORKERS**

Nave: Karen Frayer  
Proclaim!: Jan Fisher

## **LAY READERS: NAVE**

April 3 Chris Kaschube  
April 10 Shirley Lane  
April 17  
April 24 Devera Ritz  
Holy Week: April 20, 21, 22, 23,  
24 TBA

## **POWERPOINT: NAVE**

April 3 Gordon Moxley  
April 10 Jim Scheiber  
April 17 Jeff Kilgore  
April 24 Paul Ward

## **CRUCIFERS**

April 17, 21 & 24 Bryan Eyerly

## **TORCHBEARER**

April 24 Lindsey Brenkus

## **PEW PAD GLEANERS**

April 3 Lana Conry  
April 10 Jane Sprang  
April 17 Sharon Bowden  
April 24 Gene Luedy

## **LUTHER HALL SUNDAY DOOR MONITORS**

**8:40 to 10:05 am**

April 3 Ron Rehm  
April 10 Henry Keultjes  
April 17 Tom Hillman  
April 24 Jodi Mumaw

## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Personnel Committee

### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

- April 3 Annette Doklovic (Sunday School)  
Alicia Keultjes (church)
- April 10 Heather Kraft (Sunday School)  
Teri Brenkus (church)
- April 17 Kellie Ellington (Sunday School)  
Lu Diday (church)
- April 24 *no one scheduled/Easter breakfast*  
Wendy Large and Amy Elgin (church)

## **10:00 A.M. PROCLAIM! CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP** GREETERS/USHERS

- April 3 Haley Pittman &  
Kayla Thatcher
- April 10 Trudy and Brad Watts
- April 17 Cindy Russell & Ted Ellis
- April 24 Ronda and Ashley Rehm

### COMMUNION PREPARER

- April 3 Jan Fisher
- April 24 Karen Ellis

### POWERPOINT ASSISTANTS

- April 3 Jessika Volz
- April 21 Mike Brenkus
- April 23 Haley Pittman
- April 24 Nolan Thatcher

### BEVERAGE

### PREP/CLEAN-UP

- April 3 Ron and Ronda  
Rehm
- April 10 Jan Fisher
- April 17 Lynda Ringold
- April 24 not  
scheduled/Easter breakfast

### COMMUNION SERVERS

- April 3 Ronda & Ashley  
Rehm; Cindy & Robyn  
Russell
- April 24 Tricia Volz &  
Haley Pittman; Donna Rettig  
& Trudy Watts

# **The Truth Project®**

Learning & Living a Christian Worldview!

New Adult Sunday School Series

Starting Sunday, April 17th

In a recent study, the Barna Research Group revealed a stunning statistic that continues to reverberate throughout the evangelical world. Only 9 percent of professing Christians have a biblical worldview.

Because of this, today's believers live very similarly to non-believers. A personal sense of significance is rarely experienced, we spend our money and time on things that fail to satisfy and we begin to wonder what life's ultimate purpose really is. We are, in short, losing our bearings as a people and a nation.

To counter this slide within the Body of Christ, “Focus On the Family” has launched one of the most ambitious and powerful projects in the history of their ministry—**Focus on the Family's The Truth Project.**

We will be previewing this new exciting Small Group Study in our Sunday Adult Sunday School Class in the Emmaus Room → starting Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> promptly at 9:00 am. Everyone who is interested is invited.

The Truth Project is a DVD-based small group curriculum comprised of 13 lessons taught by Dr. Del Tackett. The presentations are comprehensive and dynamic --- challenging us to begin to see our lives and the world in which we live through a Biblical Worldview ... **GOD's View!** Each lesson discusses in great detail the relevance and importance of **living the Christian worldview in daily life.**

We believe this one project represents the possibility for exponential change within the Body of Christ, as we are transformed by the TRUTH of God's Word. As it has been throughout history, God continues to call ordinary people to make an eternal difference in His world. We invite you to be a part of this exciting, life-transforming change by participating. [www.thetruthproject.org](http://www.thetruthproject.org)

**“Do you  
Really Believe  
that what you believe Is Really Real?”**

## Within The Fold

### Thank you to Prayer Shawl ministry members:

On behalf of Harry, I wish to say “thanks” for the beautiful prayer shawl. He broke his right arm and is not able to write. It was a very kind and thoughtful gift. In Christian love,  
Jo Wirstrom

Thank you to your Prayer Shawl Group for the beautiful prayer shawl given to me. I so appreciate all the work and the prayers that have gone into it. I feel it is a very powerful gift. It truly means so much to me. Janice Little

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**THE FEBRUARY FOOD COLLECTION** totaled \$152.22 for our Wednesday Noon Worship and Lunch program. Three bags of grocery items and canned goods were collected Sunday, February 27, which were donated to The Salvation Army. Thank you for your continued support.

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### **From the Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc. ....**

Edited version of their letter: The Domestic Violence Shelter has served victims of domestic violence in Ashland, Huron and Richland Counties for over twenty-five years. We are very grateful for your donation of blankets and lap robes made by your Workday Ladies group. Your contributions help us better serve the women and children who ask for our help. Sincerely,  
Katherine Ezawa, Executive Director

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We also received a very nice Thank You letter from **The Salvation Army in Mansfield**. Our donation of **\$221.62 collected during the Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday** will be used to bless many families in these struggling times. The Salvation Army makes every effort to be good stewards of the donations that they receive. Thanks to all who participated in giving to the “pot bangers”!

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Our FELC Peanut Butter Ministry is very thankful for the donations of peanut butter and jelly received from the sorority members of Ruth Hughes’ and Thelma LeMons sorority. Thank you so much, ladies!

Once again, Thank you from **Catholic Charities** for the generous donations received for our Food Pantry. We appreciate your generosity and faithful friendship toward our agency. Rebecca Owens, Site Mgr./CES Program Coordinator

Dear Pastor, Church Council, and Congregational members,  
Thank you for your 2010 gifts. We appreciate your annual financial and prayerful support for **Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio**. Enclosed is a **“LOMO Thank You Certificate.”** Please take a moment to express our gratitude with your congregation for their stewardship of this ministry. *Our mission is to bring people together to experience Christ through our natural settings and programs.*

Sincerely in Christ, Penny Christensen, Executive Director  
(These letters were all edited to save space.)

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Many thanks for all your kind expressions of sympathy at the death of my mother on March 8th. She was blessed to live for 102(+) years, and we were blessed by her presence and her life in the Lord.  
Shalom, Carol Lauthers

### **First Annual Spring Sing -- Our Youth combined with Christian Day School children**

It's FELC's first annual **"Spring Sing!"** Come join us on Sunday, April 10th at 5:00 for an "early evening" worship event led by our very own CDS children and FELC youth. Come hear the "Fireflies" sing, the "Bell Bangers" ring, the youth band rocking, and the puppets teaching. What a great opportunity to "Dare to Share" the message of Jesus! Bring a friend and be ready for some fun. Stay for a "kid-friendly" dinner immediately following the service, too. See you there!



## CDS Newsletter April

The tomb is empty. He is risen! (Luke 24:6) is our Bible theme for the month of April. The children will be reading the Easter story as well as dying eggs and having an Easter egg hunt. We will also celebrate Earth Day. The children will be picking up litter and learning about recycling. The Day School will be closed on April 22nd for Good Friday. On April 10<sup>th</sup> the children will be singing at 6:00 pm. It will be a combined concert with the children and youth of the church. We are excited and we hope you are able to attend. Thank you for your continued support.

Terry Bianchi, Director

### **Lenten Challenge (Second Annual Event)**

Most of you will remember that in 2010 we had our first ever Lenten Challenge to bring in **paper goods, toilet paper, cleaning products, bath soap, shampoo, etc.** competing among worship services. Of course this year we have a different dynamic in the worship services, so we will pit the upstairs service against the downstairs service!! The collection boxes will be in the narthex and in the undercroft. Please deposit your donations weekly in the collection boxes. They will be delivered to the Salvation Army for distribution at the end of Lent. God has blessed us richly and we, in turn, need to bless the people who rely on the Salvation Army to supply these needs. And one service or the other is going to be the winner of the “**Golden Toilet Brush**” award!! Consider yourselves challenged!!

### **LENTEN OFFERING FOR LITHUANIAN MINISTRIES**

Our Lenten offerings are designated to support Lithuanian Ministries. A designated envelope was included in the Lenten Calendar of Events mailing in March.

Lenten offerings may be placed in the offering plate at any worship service, or brought to the church office any time before Good Friday, April 22.

## Women's Ministry

Circle/Event	Date	Day of Week	Time	Meeting Place/Topic
Eve	April 5th	Tuesday	7pm	Emmaus Room/Prayer Shawl Ministry
Lydia	April 11th	Monday	11:30 am	Carolyn Week's Home; Kay McNaul will give program.
Sarah	April 11th	Monday	1pm	Emmaus Room/Program by Kay Jewitt
Mary	April 8th	Friday	10am	Home of Virginia Blizzard 175 Lynn Drive, Mansfield
Workday Ladies	First and Third Wednesdays	Wednesday	8:30 am	3rd Floor Luther Hall
Planning Team	April 18th	Monday	1pm	Emmaus Room
CWU	May 6th	Friday	Time??	Ontario UMC

Mark Your Calendars. . . Gathering of Daughters Breakfast:

May 7th 10am -12 noon.

Theme: My Favorite Holiday!

\$8 Adults

\$3 Children 10 and Under



## **Peanut Butter and Jelly Ministry for the needy**

Please remember to pick up one or two jars of peanut butter and/or jelly when you do your grocery shopping. It can be deposited in the boxes in the narthex or in Luther Hall. This is a vital ministry of outreach whereby we provide nonperishable food to folks who very likely have hungry families. Sometimes they tell us this is the only food they have left in their homes! Once a month we distribute the peanut butter and jelly along with loaves of bread, doing this after the Wednesday Noon Lunch. Blessings to you all for caring!

## **WORKDAY LADIES NEED MACHINE SEWERS!**

Patchwork comforter production has gotten behind, and **we could use some help sewing the patches together to make the colorful tops.** We have been able to complete a few lap robes, but full-size comforters for Lutheran World Relief, area agencies in need, and our high school graduates are in short supply.

If someone could help us by doing some machine sewing at home, it would be appreciated! We have plenty of patches ready! Call **Pat Reed at 419-756-1372** if you would like to help.

*Thanks you to those who have already done some sewing and completed quilt tops for us!*

**WORKDAY LADIES HAVE A REAL NEED** for clean, used bed sheets or blankets of any size to use for linings in quilts. They don't have to be perfect, but should be without holes. Thank you for your support of this vital outreach project!

## **Youth News**

In February the Jr. High Youth and the Senior High Youth enjoyed weekends away at youth gatherings for their age groups. They are all so grateful for the support given to them by all of us who “picked an apple” off the tree and offered funding for food, gasoline, etc. Thank you, FELC congregation!

**REMEMBER TO SAVE YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE AUGUST YARD SALE TO BENEFIT YOUTH PROGRAMS!**

## Property Committee Volunteers Needed

We are a downtown church, but that doesn't mean that we have no landscaping and yard maintenance around our property! *This spring there will be a need to do several tasks.*

April or very early May: rake up leaves and clean up debris between the church building and Luther Hall. May: plant about 30 geraniums around the large church signage. Continue through summer to deadhead, weed and water that garden area. Mow the small amount of grassy area around the sign (between the church bldg. and sidewalk.)

Clean up debris in east parking lot and also next to the closed National Graphics Arts building. Dead head any plants along NGA building.

June: remove the large weeds from along the perimeters of the 4 parking lots west of the church. Also remove any vines, bottles, cans, small trees, etc. from the hedge in the "St. Peters" parking lot.

June: trim the bushes in the front of the church as needed.

June, July, August: Depending on the weather and the season, spray the small weeds and grass in the parking lots with Roundup.

July: trim the hedge along the sidewalk in front of the Luther Hall parking lot and trim the bushes along the east side of the Luther Hall parking lot.

July: remove the "dead blooms" from all the hosta plants.

October: Pull up the geraniums, cut off the hostas and the ferns and dispose of them. Rake up the leaves, trim the bushes and cut down all the plants along the east side of the Luther Hall parking lot.

Throughout the year it is always necessary for someone to pick up cans, bottles, paper scraps, etc. from the parking lots. If this is not routinely done the lots will soon look unsightly! Someone could volunteer to handle this task.

A group of 4-6 volunteers could handle these tasks either on a summer evening or on Saturday mornings. *How about doing this as a service project in your small group?*

If any members feel that they can help with these tasks, please contact **Gary Lane, Property Chairman at 419.775.8822.**



**Visitor Newsletter Deadline: Tuesday, April 19th**  
**Assembled and mailed: Thursday April 28, 2011** PLEASE EMAIL  
ALL ARTICLES TO: [newslettereditor53@yahoo.com](mailto:newslettereditor53@yahoo.com) or leave in the  
mail slot at upper left of the slots (marked Visitor Editor and/or  
Connie Stewart. Volunteer editor Jan Fisher can be reached at  
419.589.2820.

### **ALTAR FLOWER OPENINGS FOR 2011**

As of March 15, 2011 the following dates are open for sponsoring altar  
flowers. If you would like to sponsor flowers on a certain date, please call the  
church office at 419-522-0662.

May 22      June 5      July 10, 17      August 7, 21      Sept. 4, 11  
  
October 16, 23      November 6, 23 (Thanksgiving Eve), 27  
  
Dec. 4, 11, 18

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#### **FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH E-MAIL AND WEB SITE**

Pastor Larson	<a href="mailto:plarson@felc-mansfield.org">plarson@felc-mansfield.org</a>
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Visit our web site at: [www.felc-mansfield.org](http://www.felc-mansfield.org)

*Emergency cell phone numbers if the pastors cannot be contacted at church  
or home:* Pastor Paul Larson, 419-632-1875.

Pastor Andy Jones, 419-989-3715

First English Lutheran Church exists as a visible sign of the continuing presence of Jesus Christ through his body on earth, the Church. Christ's presence is made known through the ministry of this congregation as:

We regularly worship and experience through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit the vitality of the Word, the assurance of God's acceptance through the divine commands and the earthly elements of the Sacraments, and the fellowship of our brother and sisters in the faith.

We invite those unfamiliar with the saving grace extended to all who proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior to unite with us and to join us in continually familiarizing all with the Grace of God through our nurturing and caring efforts.

We reach out to the needs of our community and our world in compassion, generosity, and equity. We practice stewardship of our resources (time, talent, and monetary) as responsive expressions of the blessings we have received from the Lord so that the ministry of this congregation will be assured of continuing viability.

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#### CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Paul L. Larson, Senior Pastor  
The Rev. Andrew W. Jones, Associate Pastor  
Mr. Scott Berry, Organist and Senior Choir Director  
Mrs. Becky Pittman, Coordinator of Music and The Arts  
Mrs. Terry Bianchi, Christian Day School Director  
Karen Frayer, Bookkeeper  
Connie Stewart, Parish Secretary/Printer  
Jan Fisher, The Visitor Editor  
Michelle Myers, Christian Day School Secretary  
John Meyer, Custodial Maintenance  
Dave Carew, Custodial/Maintenance  
Jim Scheiber, Property Manager

#### First Lutheran sponsored missionaries

Bolivia, South America: Rev. Nick and Shannon Kraft, and children Madison, Tanyon, Moises and Tucker: World Mission Prayer League Missionaries to India: Brian and Barbara Sorge and family  
World Mission Prayer League Missionaries to Peru: Henrik and Patty Christopherson

#### CONGREGATION COUNCIL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President Ken Frayer	Personnel Sherry Winbigler
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March 2011

### **THE SEVEN MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP**

To the *Glory of GOD*, I believe that I am called . . . "To the measure of the full stature of Christ." Ephesians 4: 12-13

#### **I WILL STRIVE TO:**

- \* PRAY Daily
- \* STUDY *God's Word* Daily
- \* WORSHIP Weekly
- \* SERVE in Ministry at First Lutheran & Beyond
- \* INVITE Others to Know JESUS
- \* GIVE the Biblical Tithe of 10%
- \* ENCOURAGE Spiritual Growth in Others  
Through Christian Fellowship

## April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> ***ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE*** 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 8:30am Pastors Prayer Partners 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Holy Communion (Nave) 10:00am Proclaim! (UC) 11:00am Fellowship/Coffee 11:30am New Members Class 2 (ER) 5:30pm Confirm Class (ER)	<b>4</b> *CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED* 9:30am Men's Group @ Denry's 7:00pm Property Committee (UC)	<b>5</b> 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm - 1pm Bible Study (ER) 7:00pm Prayer Shawl (ER)	<b>6</b> 8:30am Workday Ladies (3rd fl) 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) 6:00pm Lenten Soup Suppers (ER) 7:00pm Lenten Study (Nave)	<b>7</b> 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) 7:00pm Sr Choir Reh	<b>8</b> 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 10:00am Mary Circle (ER)	<b>9</b> 8:30am Global Mission Festival (Nave/UC)
<b>10</b> 8:30am Pastors Prayer Partners 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship (Nave) 10:00am Proclaim! (UC) 11:00am Fellowship/Coffee 1:30pm Private Party (ER) 5:00pm CDS/FELC Youth Program	<b>11</b> *CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED* 11:30am Lydia Circle @ Weeks' home 1:00pm Sarah Circle (ER) 1:00pm Finance Committee (FR) 6:30pm Small Group (ER)	<b>12</b> 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm - 1pm Bible Study (ER) 7:00pm Council (UC)	<b>13</b> 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) 6:00pm Lenten Soup Suppers (ER) 7:00pm Lenten Study (Nave)	<b>14</b> 9:00am Downtown Mansfield St. Peter's District Meeting (ER) 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) 7:00pm Sr Choir Reh	<b>15</b> 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 10:30am - 2 PM Friendly Friday Srs (ER)	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> ***Palm Sunday** ***Receiving New Members** 8:30am Pastors Prayer Partners 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Proclaim! (UC) 10:00am Worship (Nave) 11:00am Fellowship/Coffee	<b>18</b> *CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED* 1:00pm Women of FELC Planning (ER)	<b>19</b> **Visitor deadline** 9:00am Holy Comm@Elmcroft 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 10:15am Holy Comm@Waterford 12:00pm - 1pm Bible Study (ER)	<b>20</b> 8:30am Workday Ladies (3rd fl) 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:05pm Holy Comm & Lunch (C/UC)	<b>21</b> 9:30am Holy Comm@Sterling 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion (Nave)	<b>22</b> 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL) 12:05pm Inter-Church Council Good Friday Worship @St Peter's 7:00pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service (Nave)	<b>23</b> 8:00pm Easter Vigil (Nave)
<b>24</b> ***Easter day*** ***Food Collection** 8:30am Pastors Prayer Partners 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Festival Worship Holy Comm (Nave) 10:00am Proclaim! (UC) 11:00am Fellowship/Coffee	<b>25</b> *CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED* 6:30pm Small Group (ER)	<b>26</b> 9:30am CDS (Chapel) 12:00pm - 1pm Bible Study (ER) 7:00pm Worship Committee (ER)	<b>27</b> 9:30am CDS Music (UC) 12:10pm Worship & Lunch (C/UC) 1:00pm Mellon Meeting (FR)	<b>28</b> 11:30am Bulletin Assy (3rd fl) 12:30pm Visitor Assy (3rd fl) 2:00pm Staff Meeting (FR) 5:30pm Proclaim Reh (UC) 7:00pm Sr Choir Reh	<b>29</b> 7:00am Prayer Partners (NL)	<b>30</b>

Legend:

- BRC - Blackfork Retreat Center
- C - Chapel in Luther Hall
- CDS - Christian Day School
- Ch Rm - Choir Room
- ER - Emmaus Room
- First Floor, Luther Hall
- FR - Fireside Room
- Second Floor, Luther Hall
- Nave - Main Sanctuary
- UC - Undercroft
- (church basement)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Third Floor, Luther Hall
- NL - Narthex Lounge