First Evangelical Lutheran Church and School		This Week at First Lutheran		
 Lutheran Church Missouri Synod ~ "Sharing Christ, Changing Lives" AS WE GATHER The Lord Jesus crushes Satan and his wily deceptions. The demise of Adam and Eve shrouds creation with turmoil, sin, and death. One man's disobedience wrought destruction. Christ's obedience reaps justification. His sole abundant grace obliterates the gruesome consequence of one man's trespass. In all things, Jesus contends against Satan and triumphs. Jesus combats countless temptations and strips evil deception of its sway. Jesus casts out Satan completely, remaining steadfast as our Lord, God, and Savior. 		Sun. March 1 Mon. March 2	FLS SILENT AUCTION & LUNCHEON 8:00 AM – Divine Service w/ Communion 9:00 AM – Fellowship: Day School Board 9:15 AM – Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Divine Service (FLS All School Choir) 6:30-8:00 PM – I.M.P.A.C.T 1:00 PM – Quilt Tying 1:30 PM – LWML 6:30 PM – Trustees FLS No School	COMMUNION POLICY: We believe that the Lord's Supper is a Sacrament in which Christ's Body and Blood are given in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 26:26-28). When we receive Holy Communion at a church, we show that we agree with the faith that is taught there (1 Cor. 10:14- 18). St. Paul cautions us about receiving the Body and Blood of Christ
Visitors, thank you for being here today and please fill out a welcome card found in the cardholder slot in your pew. You may tear off the top portion to keep, and place the bottom in the offering plate. Please stop by the welcome center as you depart today and pick up a gift as our token of appreciation for worshipping with us! Members, please use these cards only to notify the Church Office of any changes or needs. Thank you. Blue Beders in the pews are for signing in for Communion only.		Tues. March 3	in an unw NO Bible Study 3:00-5:00 PM – TWEENS 6:30 PM – Evangelism instruction	in an unworthy manner (1 Cor. 11:27- 29). Therefore, we invite to Holy Communion those who have received instruction in the teachings of the Lutheran Church and who agree with
Sunday, March 1st, 2020 ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service, Setting 1, Page 151 J HYMNS 8:00 AM #418, 656, 744, [527, 746, 424], 727 SPECIAL MUSIC 10:30 AM – FLS All School Choir "Alabaré a Mi Señor" (I W	ORGANIST: Rick Grieger 10:30 AM #418, 656, 744, 727	Wed. March 4	7:00 PM – Men's Network (Plato)the confession of faith as taught in the LCMS. If you are not a member of an	the confession of faith as taught in the LCMS. If you are not a member of an LCMS church, we kindly ask that you
BIBLE READINGS Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 3:1-21 Epistle Lesson: Romans 5:12-19 Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11	SERMON "Clearing up the Confusion" Romans 5:12-19 ~ Pastor Dan Welch	Thurs. March 5 Fri. March 6	8:10 AM – FLS Chapel (Pastor Welch) 1:00 PM – Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – Deacons 5:00 PM – Wedding Rehearsal (Dustin Voigt & Ashle	ey Elliott)
ACOLYTES 8:00 AM – Jaxon Edwards / Katlyn Hanson 10:30 AM – Zachary Templin / Dylen Terlinden CABLE TV, CHANNEL 10: Wednesdays 6:30 PM Frida INCLUDED IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: Virginia Adams, Vernetta Brinkmann, Adele Suttles, Roger Mor Johnson (Daughter of Lester & Linda Ranzau)		Sat. March 7 Sun. March 8	 3:00 PM – Wedding (Dustin Voigt & Ashley Elliott) Mr. Scheele "Polar Plunge" Daylight Savings Time Begins 8:00 AM – Divine Service 9:00 AM – Fellowship: Endowment 9:15 AM – Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Divine Service w/ Communion 	
 Ashley Elliott & Dustin Voigt wedding as they are united in marriage on Saturday, March 7th. We pray God's richest blessings upon their marriage! <u>FELLOWSHIP TIME:</u> There are still dates available for serving fellowship time. Contact the church office if you are interested! March 1 – Day School Board March 15 – Thrivent March 8 – Endowment March 22 – Elders 		COMMUNION NOTE: If you would like to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew, please inform an on-duty Deacon, Elder, or Greeter before service so that they may let one of the Pastors know your wishes. HOLY COMMUNION: GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available at all services of Holy Communion for those in need of them. Please see a Pastor or a Deacon before the service to let them know of your request. "NON-ALCOHOLIC" WINE is available at all services of Holy Communion. These are the lighter colored cups in the center of the communion tray.		

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Matt. 4:7 – Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.' " Jesus defeats Satan in our place – not by using His power as God but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan – not by miracles but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory – on the Word of God alone.

NEXT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join us this morning at 9:15 AM in the sanctuary for Sunday Morning Bible Study! We will be exploring and expanding upon the theme of our midweek worship services based on Isaiah 40-55. Today's session is called "God Has a Word for That" and is centered on Isaiah 41:14-16. See the March newsletter article for more information!

This Week at First Lutheran

<u>13th</u> ANNUAL FLS SILENT AUCTION & LUNCHEON is taking place today! Treat yourself to a day off from cooking and enjoy a delicious pulled pork meal while placing your bid on the various items up for grabs. Thank you for your continued support! <u>FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING LENTEN SERVICES</u>: Members and guests are invited to stay for fellowship and desserts immediately following the Lenten services. A special THANK YOU to the LWML, Thrivent Financial, and FLC Youth attending upcoming mission trips for their willingness to serve.

<u>LWML</u>: Join us on Monday, March 2nd at 1:30 PM. Pastor Welch will lead the LWML Prayer Service "LIVING IN LOVE, BEARING FRUIT". Bring a donation for the McLeod County Food Shelf. Volunteers and guests, this prayer service is always meaningful and spiritually uplifting. We hope you join us. Refreshments will be served.

May I have your attention please?

2020 MINNESOTA FOODSHARE MARCH CAMPAIGN: The Board of Evangelism will be collecting canned goods and nonperishable items for the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf during the month of March and first part of April to "Pack the Baskets". Baskets will be placed at all church entrances. If you prefer to donate cash instead, cash donations greatly multiply the Food Shelf's ability to purchase healthier fresh, frozen and perishable foods. Cash donations can be made utilizing your offering envelope noting "Food Shelf" on the "other" line.

<u>3M MATCHING GIFTS</u>: Are you currently employed at 3M? Have you retired from 3M? If you answered YES to either of those questions, First Lutheran School can receive \$500 when you serve a minimum of 25 hours per calendar year. Stop by the church office or visit https://www.3m.com/3M/en_US/gives-us/employee-and-retiree-matching-gifts/ for more information!

<u>CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY</u>: The directories have arrived! If you participated by having your photo taken for the directory or submitted payment, stop by the church office to pick yours up!

EASTER LILLIES: The Mary Martha Altar Guild will again order lilies for the Easter worship service. Would you like to purchase a lily in memory or in honor of a loved one, person, or group? Acknowledgements of these donations will be made in the Easter bulletin notes. Sign-up tables for the lilies will be available before & after services beginning Wednesday, March 4th. Members will be available to assist with sign up. The cost will be \$9 per lily.

FLS POPCORN SALES: Please help by participating in the 2020 Popcorn Fundraiser. This is an excellent way to support our school! Sales will begin on Friday, March 6th and continue through Friday, March 20th. Popcorn orders can be placed with a FLS student or in the church office. Thank you for your support and continuing to make this fundraiser a success!

STREET ASSESSMENT CAMPAIGN: THANK YOU to all who have contributed funds so far...To date; we have received roughly \$56,863. Please prayerfully consider contributing. Be sure to watch the displays at each entrance as they are updated weekly to reflect contributions received!

STRONGHOLD CAMBODIA: Please continue to remember Samantha Welch in Your Prayers. She is currently serving in a twoyear program of mission work at "Stronghold Cambodia" in Kampot, Cambodia. For more information, please visit: missionofchrist.org/samanthawelch and the display located at the south entrance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT: The 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Sunday School class is working on two service projects to benefit the McLeod County Food Shelf, and we need your help! We will be collecting items to fill "Birthday Blessing Boxes" and "Toiletry Bags" now through Sunday, March 22nd. You may bring donations and place them in the box in the entry area of church. Items needed for the "Birthday Blessings Boxes" include: Cake mixes, frosting, cupcake liners, balloons, candles, party favors, etc. Anything you can think of that can help make a birthday a little brighter. "Toiletry bag" items needed include: full size shampoo/conditioner, toothbrush, toothpaste, new hand towels/washcloths, etc. Thank you for your help in supporting the Sunday School class, and the McLeod County Food Shelf. A Thrivent Action Team will help supplement needed items.

THRIVENT CHOICE PROGRAM: In 2019, FL received \$17,055 thru Thrivent's Choice \$ program! If you are a Thrivent member with 2019 Choice \$, you must designate them prior to March 31. It's fast and easy to do. Have your Thrivent ID# handy and do one of the following: Visit the Thrivent website – www.thrivent.com/choice, Phone Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836 and say "Choice Dollars", Contact your Thrivent Financial Representative, or Contact the church office and someone will get back to you to assist. TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: During the Lenten season, Tuesday morning Bible study will be postponed until after Easter. WHOLE KIDS FOUNDATION GARDEN GRANT: We are thrilled to announce that First Lutheran School has been chosen as a recipient of a 2020 Garden Grant from Whole Kids Foundation! This will provide us with a \$3000 monetary grant to support our edible educational garden. A sincere thank you to Michelle Alsleben and Cindy Eggersgluess for helping make this happen!

Thank you!

<u>KITCHEN CLEANING</u>: Our sincere thanks to those who helped thoroughly clean the kitchen and the pantry on Saturday, February 15th. We appreciate your hard work and dedication to keep FLC looking top notch!

SPECIAL MUSIC: We would like to thank the FLS All School Choir for providing special music at the 10:30 AM worship service this morning. We appreciate you sharing your time and talents with us here at FIRST!

EGIVING: Members and Visitors – We thank all givers for supporting our mission with your

gifts. For those who choose to give electronically, in just seconds you can make a weekly offering or pay for events/activities. e-Giving allows you to give anytime and anywhere, donate



 \lesssim to your favorite funds, and make your gifts recurring. You can give via a smartphone app, texting, or online. \sim

GivePlus Church – Mobile App Text \$ (your \$ amount) to 855-976-9619 Give online via www.firstglencoe.org

Measure of Our Stewardship:

Budgetary Needs = Total budget divided by 52. The General Fund Receipts include Sunday through Friday receipts. These amounts are <u>not</u> reconciled to any bank statement at the time of this publication.

GENERAL FUND INCOME	02/23/20-02/29/20	<u> Attendance 02/23/20 – 02/29/20</u>	
General Fund Receipts	\$ 29,965	Sunday Worship Total:	323
Weekly Budgetary Needs	<u>\$ 21,061</u>	Communed:	100
	\$ 8,904	Visitors:	7
		Ash Wednesday Worship Total:	305
2019-2020 YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS		Communed:	248
Receipts = \$ 787,518.79***	Disbursements = \$ 803,342.32	Visitors:	11
Total Indebtedness as of 2-27	-20 (including prior years) \$(278,284.98)	Sunday School Total:	70
*** (includes a \$25,209.75 Line	e of Credit Loan)***	Adults:	40
		Children:	30

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Train up a child in the way he should go: even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6