

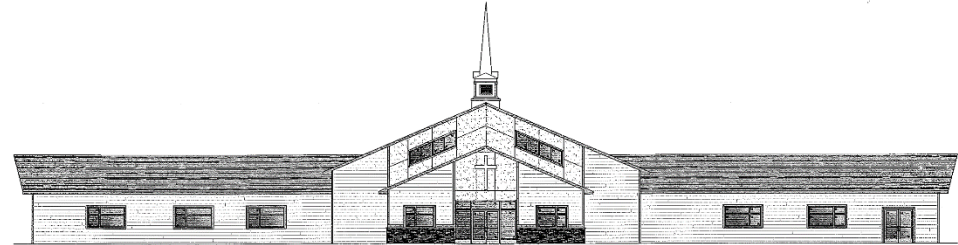
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# First Edition

*“Growing God’s Family by Serving”*



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**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**MARCH 6**

5-6:45 p.m. – Spaghetti Supper  
sponsored by Youth Group (Free-will Donation)  
7:00 p.m. – Imposition of Ashes & Holy Communion



**LENTEN THEME: “Water and the Word”**

6:00 p.m. – Soup  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service

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**March 2019**

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## Building the Kingdom

We are Kingdom builders. Jesus called us to make disciples. As the Father sent him, so he sends us. This work is about people. It may involve buildings but it is primarily about souls. Jesus wants none lost. Therefore, we don't want any lost either. We must keep this always at the front of our mind when we consider any activity of the church. This is all the more important to remember as we consider our sanctuary building project.

Why the delay? That is a good question. The bid we received for the project was considerably higher than original estimates. Your building committee has been working diligently to maintain the quality and serviceability of the addition while also seeking to cut costs down to a manageable level. This has taken some time as schedules are busy and questions can be complex. Things are being finalized, however. A summer build is projected.

The new sanctuary will have room to seat just over 300 people. It will have two projection areas for better visibility. The beautiful stain glassed windows from our old sanctuary will be incorporated on the sides and up front. You can see conceptual pictures posted in the fellowship hall. The current fellowship space will relocate to the worship area. A glass and wood frame will transition into the new sanctuary. We are very pleased with the work of our architect, Cory Scheidler of Cedar Corporation, Menomonie.

The new sanctuary is not our end goal. It is a means to a much more important goal as I shared earlier. Lost souls are perishing without Jesus. We need to keep reaching out in the highways and byways of life. Let's start in our homes. From there we all have a sphere of influence. This would include those with whom we work as well as neighbors. There are lots of hurts that need tending. The biggest need is filling empty lives with the love of Christ.

Our beautiful new sanctuary will surely serve as an excellent worship space. Our school for faith will surely benefit from this new resource. Yet we must not forget if we only use it to serve ourselves all will be lost. Indeed, our efforts are to be undertaken for the benefit of those not yet present. We should be glad to have more space but that space ought to be filled. And the plan for filling it is you. Witness and invite your neighbors. Let the word of Christ dwell in you and be on your lips friends.

For in the final analysis, we are not building another structure — we are building the Kingdom. Glad to be building with you.

In Christ,  
Pastor Bryan

## Lent Schedule



### Lenten Theme: “Water and the Word”

#### **Ash Wednesday – March 6<sup>th</sup>**

5-6:45 p.m. – Spaghetti Supper  
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7:00 p.m. – Imposition of Ashes & Holy Communion

#### **Week 1 – March 13<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Soup (Serving Group 2)  
Eva Wilson & Patti Wyss Co-Chairpersons  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service: “Woman at the Well”  
Pastor Glenn Sokolowski-St. John Lutheran, Phillips

#### **Week 2 – March 20<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Soup (Serving Group 3)  
Gloria Hedquist & Chris Wood – Co-Chairpersons  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service: “Crossing the Red Sea”  
Pastor Bryan Anderson-First Lutheran, Clear Lake

#### **Week 3 – March 27<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Soup (Serving Group 1)  
Doris Buhr & Kathy Eggert – Co-Chairpersons  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service: “Pentecost”  
Pastor Bryan Anderson-First Lutheran, Clear Lake

#### **Week 4 – April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Soup (Serving Group 4)  
Jo Nilssen – Chairperson  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service: “The Healing of Naaman the Syrian”  
Pastor Jack Jorgensen-Trinity Lutheran, Birchwood

#### **Week 5 – April 10<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Soup (Youth Group)  
7:00 p.m. – Lenten Service: “Walking on Water”  
Pastor Bert Schultz-Bethel Lutheran, Hawkins

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS



- 2: Marrietta Schuğ
- 3: Judy Measner  
Adam Campion
- 4: Sarah Hillstead  
Kelli Niles
- 5: Liam Strobach
- 7: JoAnne Nilssen  
Jeff Rundquist, Jr.
- 8: Jason Monson  
Whitney Hansen  
Julie Fehlen
- 9: Eva Wilson  
Thomas Marğ
- 10: Diane Paulson  
Kiley Munson  
Dennis Nelson
- 11: Wayne Sullwold  
Linda Tronrud  
Nevaeh Klinğer
- 12: Joanne Hemauer  
Kaitlyn Emerson
- 13: Dawn Peterson
- 14: Samantha Sloan
- 15: Landon Arcand  
Ashton Mante  
John Robers
- 16: Mary Anderson  
Alexa Emerson

- 17: Mitchel Sullwold
- 18: Barton Lund
- 19: Renee Emerson  
Bailey Alvermann  
Lydia Humpal  
Lacey Zemke  
Kadan Brabec
- 22: Trevor Kivi  
Clayton Gilbertson
- 23: Diane Kuhl  
Jason Wood  
Parker Reindahl  
Jackie Kirk  
Thales Kirk, Sr.
- 24: Robert Larson  
Isaac Anderson  
Lily Anderson  
Marğo Rosen
- 26: Toni Lund  
Darlene Junğmann  
Landyn Leslie  
Thaddaeus Monson  
Laura Boche-Case
- 27: Jerry Thompson  
Ryan Anderson
- 28: Brett Moll  
Delaney Johnson  
Bill McIntire
- 30: Nicole Anderson  
Jerret Case
- 31: Matthew Anderson  
Alexander St. John  
Nicholas Sempf

## MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**ALTAR GUILD:** Richard & Teresa Selvig

### **ACOLYTES**

- 3 Blake Harris
- 10 Lyla Jarchow
- 17 Austin Moll
- 24 Andrew Campion
- 31 Sean Hoeggerle

### **READERS**

- 3 Linda McIntire
- 10 Gloria Hedquist
- 17 Jane Scholz
- 24 Bert Petersen
- 31 Jody Hadac

**COUNTERS:** Liane Petersen & TBD

**COMMUNION ASSISTANT:** Linda McIntire

### **USHERS**

- 3 & 10 Todd Lillie & Chris Petersen
- 17, 24 & 31 Tim Wyss & Eric Brihn
- 6 (Ash Wed.) Mike Johnson
- 13 (Midweek) Gary Hanson
- 20 (Midweek) Curtis Glaesemann
- 27 (Midweek) Brent Hansen

### **FELLOWSHIP SERVING**

- 3 Todd Lillie Family
- 10 (Potluck) Dale Wirth/Greg Warner Families
- 17 Eric Brihn Family
- 24 Tim Wyss Family
- 31 Neil Larson Family



### Memorials Given to Building Fund

In Memory of	Given by
John Steel	Larry & Mary Jo Lien
Loni Lien	Larry & Mary Jo Lien

### Memorial Given to First Lutheran Quilters

In Memory of	Given by
John Steel	Lois Campion

### Memorials Given to Sunday School Fund

In Memory of	Given by
Dennis Priebe	Gene & Sharon Kuhl
Barb Elfers	Bob & Barb Anderson

## NEWS & NOTES



We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Levi Ramsey, Nikki St. John, Paul O'Connell, Bob Larson and Dwight Martin. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

**Our sympathy** is extended to Shannon Steel on the death of her brother-in-law, John Steel.

**Baptisms:** Warren & Quinn Funk, children of Rick & Angela Funk

**Bible Camp registration at WAPO in Amery is underway** and runs until March 15. Register at [campwapo.org](http://campwapo.org). First Lutheran has received a customized link for parents, which will direct you to our specific, reserved dates at the camp. That link can be found on the church website, Facebook page, or typed in directly:

<http://lwlbc.com/first-clearlake>

**Thank You:** CLAY, Christ Led Area Youth, would like to thank First Lutheran for opening up the church during our CLAY Valentine's Dinner fundraiser. God bless you all for your prayers, donations and adding to the evening fun.

On behalf of the CLAY Adult and Student Board  
Jim and Cindy Mohrland

### ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (SIGN-UP SHEETS IN ENTRY.)

1. Offering Counters
2. Sunday School Teachers
3. Snow Shoveling Volunteers



### FINANCES

#### General Fund Update

Total offering for February (\$15,090 needed monthly) \$11,619.91

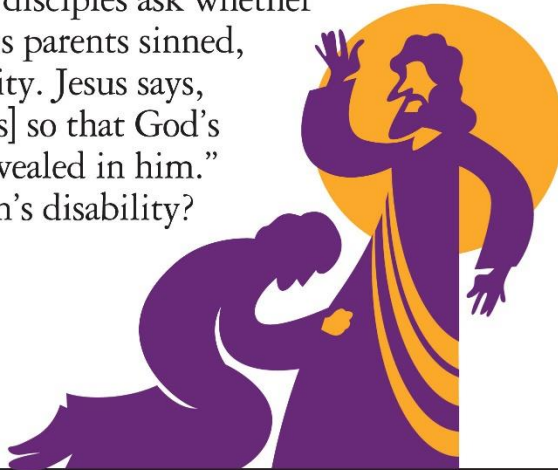
#### Mortgage Fund Update

Total offering for February (\$2,600 needed monthly) \$5,059.50  
Thrivent Mortgage Balance Remaining \$188,568.47

## Bible Quiz

In John 9, Jesus' disciples ask whether a certain man or his parents sinned, causing his disability. Jesus says, "Neither. ... [It was] so that God's works might be revealed in him." What was this man's disability?

- A. Deafness
- B. Lameness
- C. Blindness
- D. Epilepsy



Answer: C (See John 9:1-7.)