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# First Edition

*“Growing God’s Family by Serving”*



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## First Lutheran Church Un-Smorgasbord



**November 11, 2020**

**11:00 am to 7:00 pm**

The First Lutheran Church traditional  
Smorgasbord dinner will not take place this year.

**BUT... WHAT WE WILL HAVE!!!!**

A bake sale (limited quantities).

Our popular basket raffle.

**Sneak Peek-Sun., Nov. 8, 2020 11am-1pm (tickets available)**

General Raffle (You decide which prizes you want a chance on.)

Scandinavian Treats & Coffee. (free-will)

*State Mandate Safety Precautions will be followed.*

\*Check our Facebook page for updates.

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## November 2020

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## Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Those are the opening words to a well known praise song. They capture well my sentiments at this time. I am thankful we have been able to be open for worship. I am thankful for all the little ones in Sunday school and our older youth in Confirmation classes and youth group. I am thankful for our spacious and well appointed new sanctuary. I am thankful for our four Bible study fellowships, especially our new high school youth study – First Brew. I am thankful to be in service with you to the people of Clear Lake and beyond. I am thankful to God who makes it all possible. He has given us Jesus Christ!

The month of November gets us thinking about giving thanks. What do you have to be thankful for in your life? Everyone will have something of course. Even if only Jesus Christ. But I am sure there is much to appreciate. And it is important to stop and take stock. It is so very important to count our blessings as they say. When we do that we put everything in its proper perspective. Problems and hardships that feel like mountains become much smaller and much more manageable. Try it and see for yourself.

You will have opportunity to join with the community in an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service, Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Your congregation will be hosting the service. We will have to scale back some of the singing but we won't cut back any of our thanks. I do hope you can join together with fellow Christians from other area congregations. Let us show our unity of faith and love as we give thanks and praise to God.

We have so much to be thankful for!

In Christ,  
Pastor Bryan



*Community Thanksgiving Eve Service*

**Wednesday, November 25, 2020**

**7:00 p.m. – at First Lutheran Church**

An offering will be taken and is designated that 90% goes to Lifeline Food Pantry and the remainder to the Clear Lake Area Ministerial Association.

## CHILDREN & PARENTS



Christmas program practice will begin on **Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**. Each child will not have their very own memorized part this year, but all children will be involved in the program. The Christmas program is scheduled for **Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**. Help your child attend all rehearsals during the regular Sunday School time at 9:40am each Sunday. Please contact Theresa Anderson at 715-263-2848 if you have any questions or if you know your child will NOT be participating in the program so changes can be made. We will be excited to see your child at church! Thanks!

A colorful promotional graphic for a youth event. The background features a geometric pattern of triangles in shades of blue, green, and yellow. Silhouettes of people with their arms raised are visible in the lower half. The text is centered and reads:

**Youth  
Game Night & Tacos**

**Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>  
4:00-6:00 PM**

**Friends most welcome.**

**Please respond to the email/text invite if you plan to attend.**

# Un-Smorgasbord Raffle

**Raffle tickets, we have raffle tickets!** Tickets are now available for the general raffle. All raffle items are now on display. It is time to return the favor to all your family, friends & co-workers who sell you stuff all year long! Please help by buying or selling raffle tickets to support our church mortgage. Due to no dinner this year, we NEED everyone's help in selling raffle tickets! Tickets are available in the church office or from Kathy Wick.

## General Raffle - Tickets: \$1 each or 6/\$5

- 50# farm fresh hamburger
- Garden wagon/shepherd's hook
- Handmade oak trash bin
- Norwex gift basket
- Handmade 40" high wood/metal cross
- \$100 Nilssen gift card
- \$100 Walmart gift card
- \$100 cash



Drawing to be held at church November 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.  
Need not be present to win. License #R0002228A-75105



We will also be having our popular basket raffle with over 75 beautiful baskets. Come join the fun! Sneak peek of the basket raffle will be on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale then. Please have baskets at the church by Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.



## Silent Quilt Auction

A beautiful queen size quilt made by Nancy Luehman is now on display. Silent raffle bids are now being taken.

## 2020 Bake Sale Price List

Rye Bread .....	3.00 (small) – 4.00 (large)
White Bread .....	2.50 (small) – 3.50 (large)
Dinner Rolls .....	6 for 2.50-3.00 (dep. on size)
Sweet Rolls .....	(1/2 dozen) 3.00 - (4.50 large), .....(\$0.50 each, dep. on size)
Carmel Rolls .....	6 for 3.00-3.50 (dep. on size)
Tea Ring (Large) .....	5.00 – 6.00
Nut Bread .....	2.50 (small), 3.00 (large), 4.00 (x-large)
Plain Donuts .....	4.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each)
Buns .....	3.00-3.50 (dozen) dep. on size
Raised Donuts .....	4.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each)
Coffee Cake .....	3.50-4.00 dep. on size
Cup Cakes .....	3.00-3.50 (dozen)
Cookies .....	3.00-3.50 (dozen), (\$0.25 each)
Bars .....	4.50 (dozen), 3.00 ( 1/2 dozen), (\$0.50 each)
Pies .....	6.00-8.00 (dep. on size)
Rosettes .....	5.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each) 6 for 3.00
Fattigman .....	5.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each) 6 for 3.00
Krumkaka .....	5.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each) 6 for 3.00
Sandbakkles .....	5.00 (dozen), (\$0.50 each) 6 for 3.00
Jam .....	3.00 (small), 4.00 (large)
Pickles .....	2.50 (pt.) 3.50 (qt.)
Beet Pickles .....	3.00 (pt.) 5.00 (qt.)
Danish .....	7.00
Flat Bread .....	2.00-2.50
Cookie Mix .....	4.00
Jelly Roll .....	6.00-6.50 (dep. on size)



**Please price your items before you bring them to church.**



## Giving Options

Your church continues its operations and the mortgage cannot be ignored. Consider how you may contribute, especially if you are financially stable at this time. At the present time, giving has been enough to service our debt load and we pray that will continue. Thank you for your generosity. We have four giving options:

1. Mail or bring your offering envelope to church. That may be the simplest solution for many of us.
2. Use the online link to donate electronically via our website at [www.firstluthclearlake.com](http://www.firstluthclearlake.com).
3. Sunday worship bulletins now have a QR code that can be read by Smartphones to give electronically as well.
4. You can always call the office to set-up electronic giving or receive information on how to download a Smartphone giving App.



### Memorials Given to Memorial Fund

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Asha Nagy	Lois Campion
Asha Nagy	Bob & Brenda Campion
Grace Moore	Brad & Jo Nilssen
LeRoy Knutson	Brad & Jo Nilssen
Asha Nagy	Brad & Jo Nilssen
Dar Lundeen	Brad & Jo Nilssen

### Memorials Given to Building Fund

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Bonnie Johnson	Derry & Janet Monson
Ben Frank	Derry & Janet Monson

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS




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|---|---|
| 1: Alexis Buhr<br>Lane Prusak<br>Lyle Prusak<br>Curtis Glaesemann | 11: Janet Logan<br>Tanner Goodmanson                |
| 2: Jeff Paulson<br>Lori Levendoski<br>Larry Lien                  | 12: Roxanne Anderson                                |
| 3: Evan Cain  | 13: Wayne Logan                                     |
| 4: Wayne Alvermann  | 16: Darin Anderson<br>Brennon Colbeth               |
| 5: Miles Johnson<br>Greyson Buhr                                  | 19: Bennett Colbeth<br>Travis Anderson              |
| 7: Olivia Buhr  | 20: John Buhr<br>Sherry Anderson<br>Kathleen Barney |
| 9: Hunter Gilbertson  | 21: Carol Anderson                                  |
| 10: Leah Isakson<br>Linnea Fouks                                  | 22: Alexis Sloan<br>Karter Kuhl                     |
|   | 23: Michael Lund                                    |
|   | 25: Linda Marg                                      |
|   | 26: Michael Barfknecht                              |
|   | 27: James Anderson                                  |
|   | 28: Alex Cain<br>Tristan Barney                     |
|   | 30: Hunter Strenke                                  |

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ?

After Jesus healed 10 men at one time, how many returned to thank him? What had been their ailment?

A. five; blindness  
B. all 10; deafness  
C. one; possession by demons  
D. one; leprosy



Answer: D (See Luke 17:11-19.)



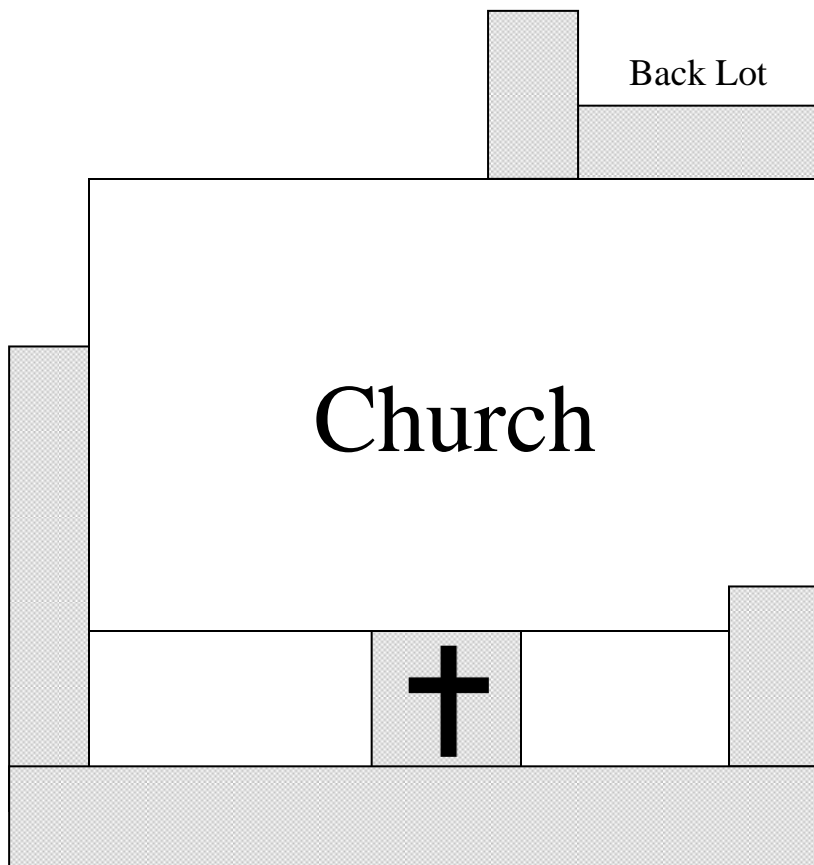
## PLEASE HELP!

Snow shoveling volunteers are needed by the week throughout the winter. A sign-up sheet is posted on a clipboard in the entry. Thank you for your service.

### Snow Shoveling Volunteer Map

Volunteers will clear all sidewalks and entrances as shaded below. All auto parking is cleared by a hired plow.

The church supplies shovels, ice chippers, salt or you may bring your own.



## NEWS & NOTES



Bob Larson and Bonnie Klick (niece of Jerry & Gloria Thompson). *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

### Baptisms

- Klara Nicole Tomesh & Hallie Rae Tomesh, daughters of Colin & Madeline Tomesh
- Rowan Nicholas Ruble, son of Ian & Alissa Ruble.

**PLEASE NOTE!** Because of our simplified worship services, we will not be needing worship assistants for November. The Council will take care of it.

**Thank You:** We recognize the following individuals who signed up to mow the grounds this past summer: Bob Croes, Gene Kuhl, Todd Lillie, Phil Rogers, Dean Scholz, Greg Warner and Dale Wirth. Thanks to all of you who made sure our grounds were well kept.

**New Member Class:** There is sufficient interest to receive another group of new members into the congregation. An informational class will be held after the 10:00 a.m. worship service Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Those interested should notify the church office (263-2846) so adequate supplies can be on hand. New members will be officially received into the congregation on Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**First Communion:** The following youth received their First Communion on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>:

Devin Alvermann	Jerret Case	Benjamin LaBeree
Andrew Buhr	Brennon Colbeth	Natalie Petersen
Seth Cain	Max Everts	

## FINANCES

### General Fund Update

Total offering as of Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> (\$15,090 needed monthly) \$11,367.28

### Mortgage Fund Update

Total offering as of Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> (\$4,620.86 needed monthly) \$3,465.00

Bremer Mortgage Remaining Balance \$786,989.34