	Activity	Location
Sunday 03/17/2024		
10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Worship Listening for the Word AA Meeting	FLC and Upper Rooms Sanctuary & Online Gallery First Floor Education Room
Monday 03/18/2024		
5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilt Group Chair Yoga Overeaters Anonymous Cardio Drum Class AA Meeting Gentle Soul Yoga	Quilt Room Upper Room Gallery Family Life Center First Floor Education Room Upper Room
Tuesday 03/19/2024 Bulletin Deadline		
9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	Muskegon County Garden Club Burnished Brass Rehearsal Lion's Club Choir Band	Gallery Family Life Center Fellowship Hall Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Music Room Music Room Facebook
Wednesday 03/20/2024		
12:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:05 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pickleball Staff Meeting Wednesday Night Dinner Kids' Music Lenten Class Series Lenten Worship Confirmation	Family Life Center Gallery Fellowship Hall Music Room Gallery Sanctuary
Thursday 03/21/2024		
6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Bible Study Worship Restorative Yoga Cardio Drum Class	Gallery Sanctuary Upper Room Family Life Center
Friday 03/22/2024		
	Baton Class AA Meeting	Family Life Center First Floor Education Room



Saturday 03/23/2024



5 Lent
Thursday, March 14, 2024
6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 17, 2024
10:30 a.m.

# WELCOME

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH - Muskegon, Michigan

#### **WELCOME**

Welcome to this time of worship. We are especially grateful for those of you who are visitors. You make us more whole. First Lutheran is a part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, a church body committed to the welcome of the stranger and to the questions and doubts of all seekers.

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The flowers on the altar are given by Jackie Stapel in memory of Mary Ashley.

The eternal candle is given by Barb Pellerin in honor of her grandson Nicholas' birthday.

#### THOSE WHO SERVE 03/17

**Assisting Minister** Bert Goodman Lector Sun 10:30 a.m. Diane Madei Servers Sun.10:30 a.m. Bert Goodman, Lori Archer Greyson Jones, Connor Simerick Acolytes Sun.10:30 a.m. Ushers Sun.10:30 a.m. Bill & Jan Naymick Mark Thogerson Lisa Ziemelis Junior Church Eva Backus. Joel Westerholm Song Leaders **Sound System** Nate Johnston Information Station Lise Le, Bev Uetricht Val Barnes, Sandy Hutchins Counters **Communion Bread** Kim Westerholm Communion Set-Up Kim Westerholm Clean-Up Sun.10:30 a.m. Kim Westerholm **Coffee Hour Host** Carol Parker, Barb Bonifield **Bus Driver** Stan Daszko

## THOSE WHO SERVE 03/24

**Assisting Minister** N/A Lector Sun 10:30 a.m. N/A Servers Sun.10:30 a.m. Ed & Deb Wosinski Acolytes Sun.10:30 a.m. Megan Badley Bonnie Nolan, Phil Sielski Ushers Sun.10:30 a.m. Tara Plekes **Junior Church** Alicia Alger Mary Schoonover, Emily Traub Song Leaders Sound System Jeff Thomas Information Station Gary Hansen, Carol Parker Diane Kroll, Jenny Lindell Counters **Communion Bread** Lisa Le **Communion** Set-Up Lisa Le Clean-Up Sun.10:30 a.m. Lisa Le Jerry & Robbin Dibble **Coffee Hour Host** Bill & Betty Webber **Bus Driver** Jeff Thomas

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# **More Events and Opportunities**

The last **Lenten series class** on March 20 is called "Music and Poetry: Preparing for the Crucifixion", featuring Joel Westerholm. Class starts at 6:05. Join us!

The last **Lenten Worship** takes place on March 20 at 7:00 p.m. and will include a service of lament.

Holy Hilarity will be celebrated on April 11 and April 14. You are encouraged to come dressed in clothing from your favorite decade.

We start a **new faith formation** class on Sunday, march 24 at 9:30 a.m. titled "Why Did Jesus Die?" Join us as we probe this mystery.

# **Holy Week Schedule**

March 28 Maundy Thursday Service

Community United Methodist Church 7:00 p.m.

March 29 Good Friday Service

12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

March 31 Easter

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Worship Service

8:45 a.m. Breakfast

9:30 a.m. Easter Village

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

### **EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**

**This week's Wednesday night dinner** is sponsored by the Worship and Music Ministry. The meal will include meat loaf and baked potatoes. Proceeds will go towards the upgrades that are planned for the Family Life Center.

Join us as we discover more about our **Muslim friends** who meet at the **mosque "Masjid Tawheed"** in Grand Rapids on Saturday, April 13. The bus will leave at 9:15 a.m. The experience will conclude with lunch at the Pita House in G.R.

Our week for **Stony Lake Camp** is planned for July 7 to July 12. Grades 1st through 12th are welcome. **Registration is open**. You can register at: https://www.elcalivingwater.com/campprograms. If you have any questions, contact Emma Johnston at 712-395-0502 or emma@firstlutheranmuskegon.org.

Our **Maundy Thursday** (March 28) **worship** will take place at Community United Methodist Church at 1614 Ruddiman Drive.

This is the last week we will be **collecting items for Hope Project**: Full-sized bottles of shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap or body wash, toothbrushes and toothpaste. The drop-off box is on the information station by the office.

M.S. and H.S. youth: Come and play hide and seek in the dark here at First on Saturday, March 23 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. There will be snacks and other games, also. Interested? Contact Laura Lucht at 616-638-2406, or email her at rocketkeep10@hotmail.com.

M.S. and H.S. youth are needed to help with Easter breakfast on Easter morning, anytime between 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Contact Laura Lucht.

Don't miss the **Women's Retreat** that is planned for Friday, May 17 to Saturday, May 18 at Grace Adventures in Mears, MI. The cost is \$79. For more information see Paula or email her at paula@firstlutheranmuskegon.org.

Note that our **early service** on **Easter** morning will begin at **7:30 a.m.** 

**Order of Service** 

"Necessary Suffering"

**Prelude** 

Hymn "Give Me A Clean Heart" (screen)

Call to Worship (screen)

Confession (screen)

Kyrie (screen)

**Assurance of Pardon** 

**Greeting/Prayer of the Day** 

Special Music "Oh Sacred Head Now Wounded" Bells

First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm (screen)

Second Reading Hebrews 5:5-10

Gospel Verse "Not by Bread" (screen)

Gospel Reading John 12:20-33

Children's Message/Noisy Offering/Junior Church

This month's noisy offering will benefit the Dar Al Kalima School in Bethlehem.

Hymn "Give Me Jesus" #770 (red)

Sermon

Hymn "Now the Green Blade Rises" #379 (red)

**Announcements** 

**Prayers** 

Peace

Offering

**Offertory Prayer** 

Great Thanksgiving (screen)

Holy, Holy (screen)

The Lord's Prayer (screen)

Communion

"All Are Welcome" (screen)
"Here Is Bread" #483 (red)
"Change My Heart" #801 (red)
"As the Grains of Wheat" #465 (red)
"We Come to the Hungry Feast" #479 (red)

**Blessing** 

**Post-Communion Prayer** 

Hymn "What Wondrous Love is This" #666 (red)

Benediction

Dismissal

**Postlude** 

**Readings for Next Weekend** 

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Second Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel Reading Mark 15:1-39 [40-47]