

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Activity	Location
Sunday 8/27/2023	
10:00 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary & Online
12:00 p.m. Triathlon	14 N. Bear Lake Rd.
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Monday 8/28/2023	
5:45 p.m. Chair Yoga	Upper Education Room
6:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous	Gallery
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drumming	Outside
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Tuesday 8/29/2023	Bulletin Deadline
9:00 a.m. SHOP Group	Gallery
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
5:45 p.m. Gentle Soul Yoga	Upper Education Room
9:30 p.m. Compline	Facebook
Wednesday 8/30/2023	
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	Gallery
6:30 p.m. Worship & Music Ministry Meeting	Gallery
Thursday 8/31/2023	
12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Zoom
6:00 p.m. Worship	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drumming	Outside
Friday 9/1/2023	
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Saturday 9/2/2023	

MORE EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Want to nurture your marriage or other serious relationship? Participate in **our marriage/relationship retreat** that will be held on **October 20-22** at the Drury Inn in Grand Rapids. The hotel charge will be \$135 per night. Sign up at either information station.

We are **in need of additional drivers for our church bus** to pick up some of our members on Sunday mornings. Talk with Annette Jack or call the office if you can help us out.



13 Pentecost
Thursday, August 24, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 27, 2023
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH – Muskegon, Michigan

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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 and the eternal candle are given by Barb Pellerin in memory of what would have been her husband Phil's 84th birthday.

THOSE WHO SERVE 8/27

Assisting Minister	Paula Dusseljee
Lector Sun 10:00 a.m.	Bev Uetracht
Servers Sun.10:00 a.m.	Diane Kroll, Laura Lucht
Acolytes Sun.10:00 a.m.	Open
Ushers Sun.10:00 a.m.	Bonnie Nolan, Phil Sielski
	Larry Bringedahl
	Emma Johnston
Bible Adventure	Eva Backus, Mary Schoonover
Song Leaders	Nate Johnston
Sound System	Jean Boxer, Joanne Johnson
Information Station	Diane Kroll, Open
Counters	Kim Westerholm
Communion Bread	Kim Westerholm
Communion Set-Up	Kim Westerholm
Clean-Up Sun.10:00 a.m.	Kim Westerholm
Coffee Hour Host	Susan & Sofia Besteman

THOSE WHO SERVE 9/3

Assisting Minister	Paula Dusseljee
Lector Sun 10:00 a.m.	Diane Kroll
Servers Sun.10:00 a.m.	Erin Schmitz, Lori Archer
Acolytes Sun.10:00 a.m.	Rleigh & Addison Schmitz
Ushers Sun.10:00 a.m.	Bill & Jan Naymick
	Joe Labiak
	Mary Beth Liskey
Bible Adventure	Phil Sielski, Joel Westerholm
Song Leaders	Karl Ziemelis
Sound System	Stan Daszko, Lisa Le
Information Station	Diane Kroll, Open
Counters	Jean Boxer
Communion Bread	Jean Boxer
Communion Set-Up	Pat Westjohn
Clean-Up Sun.10:00 a.m.	Pat Westjohn
Coffee Hour Host	Carol Parker & Barb Bonifield

Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading	Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm	Psalm 26:1-8
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21
Gospel Reading	Matthew 16:21-28

"Hymn of Praise"

(v.1)

Refrain

[C] We live for the praise of your glo - ry, your glo - ry that fills _
_ ev - ery heav-en - ly place. _ We live for the praise of your
Fine
glo - ry, and sing to your glo - ri - ous grace.

1. God of pow'r and glo - ry, cre - a - tor of all things, so
in - fi-nite your wis - dom and your plan be - yond im - a - gin - ing. Your
pow'r can-not be meas-ured in all of time and space, yet,
you, to us, pro - claimed your peace, the word of truth, a gift of grace.

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Church Picnic

Sunday, September 10 after worship

Fellowship Ministry will provide
hamburgers and hot dogs,
condiments. Tea, lemonade
and water will also be provided.

Please bring a dish to pass as follows:
A - H: Main Dishes or Sides
I - Q: Salads
R - Z: Desserts

Weather permitting, there will be
games outside for all ages.



EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Our **Sunday worship schedule changes** as of September 10. The service will begin at 10:30 a.m. This change will last until Memorial Day in 2024.

Our **Fall Sunday Adult Faith Formation classes** will start on September 10 at 9:30 a.m., focusing on "How Reading the Bible Can Change Your Life". Based on Richard Rohr's book "Things Hidden", we will explore the "Living Word" not for answers, but for a deeper exploration of life and faith.

We're putting together our **teaching teams for kids' Faith Formation** from 9:30-10:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings, and we'd love to have you! Our teaching teams will be on a rotation with the goal of one team every three months, giving teachers flexibility in schedules. Lessons and materials are provided. Sign-up sheets at both information stations. Questions? Contact Emma Johnston at emma@firstlutheranmuskegon.org, or call/text 712-395-0502.

We will be doing a **Blessing of the Backpacks** on September 10! Students and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to the service to receive a blessing as the new school year begins.

Faith Formation begins for kids PreK-8th grade on September 10. Join us in the Upper Room at 9:30 a.m.!

Confirmation classes begin on September 13th at 7:00 p.m. We will meet at the firepit to reunite and welcome the newcomers! There just might be some s'mores available, too! **Parent Information Meetings will be held on Wed., Sept. 6 at 7:00 pm. OR Wed., Sept. 13 at 6:30 pm.** *Note: Please contact Paula to inform her what meeting you will be attending.

Our **Tuesday Adult Class** (online and in-person) will be a study of The Sermon on the Mount with the assistance of Amy-Jill Levine's book "The Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven." The class will begin on Tuesday, September 19 at 11:00 a.m.

Our next **new members' class** will be held on Sundays, September 24, October 1, 8, and 15 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Order of Service

"In Many, One"

Prelude

Hymn "We Are All One in Christ" #643 (red)

Greeting (screen)

Kyrie



[P] God is rich in mercy. So great is God's love for us, that even when we were dead in sin, with Christ, God has made us alive again. By grace you have been saved through faith.



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Hymn of Praise (page 6) ➡

Salutation/Prayer of the Day

Special Music "Life's Railway to Heaven" Tom Freeman

First Reading Isaiah 51:1-6

Second Reading

Romans 12:1-8

Gospel Verse (screen)

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:13-20

Children's Message/Noisy Offering

This month's Noisy Offerings will benefit teachers from our congregation for their classroom expenses.

Summer Bible Adventure

Song "You Are the Rock of My Salvation" #161 (purple)

Sermon

Hymn "Built on a Rock" #652 (red)
(vv.1-3,5)

Announcements/Prayers/Peace

Offering/Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving (screen)

Holy, Holy (screen)

The Lord's Prayer (screen)

Communion

"All Are Welcome" (screen)

"One Bread, One Body" #496 (red)

"Shout to the Lord" #821 (red)

"The Church's One Foundation" #654 (red)

Blessing

Song "We, the Children of Light" (insert)

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction/Dismissal "Go in Peace" (Insert)

Postlude