

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Activity	Location
<b>Sunday 9/3/2023</b>	
10:00 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary & Online
12:00 p.m. Faith Formation Training	Gallery
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
<b>Monday 9/4/2023 Office Closed All Day—Labor Day</b>	
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
<b>Tuesday 9/5/2023 Bulletin Deadline</b>	
9:00 a.m. SHOP Group	Gallery
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
11:30 a.m. MARSP Meeting	Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. Sons of Norway Board Meeting	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Lion's Club Meeting	Fellowship Hall
9:30 p.m. Compline	Facebook
<b>Wednesday 9/6/2023</b>	
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	Gallery
4:00 p.m. Grief Group Reunion Potluck	Policka's House
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Parent Meeting	Gallery
<b>Thursday 9/7/2023</b>	
12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Zoom
6:00 p.m. Worship	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drumming	Outside
<b>Friday 9/8/2023</b>	
4:00 p.m. Lion's Club	Library
5:30 p.m. Bunco	Gallery
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
<b>Saturday 9/9/2023</b>	
10:00 a.m. Lion's Club	Library

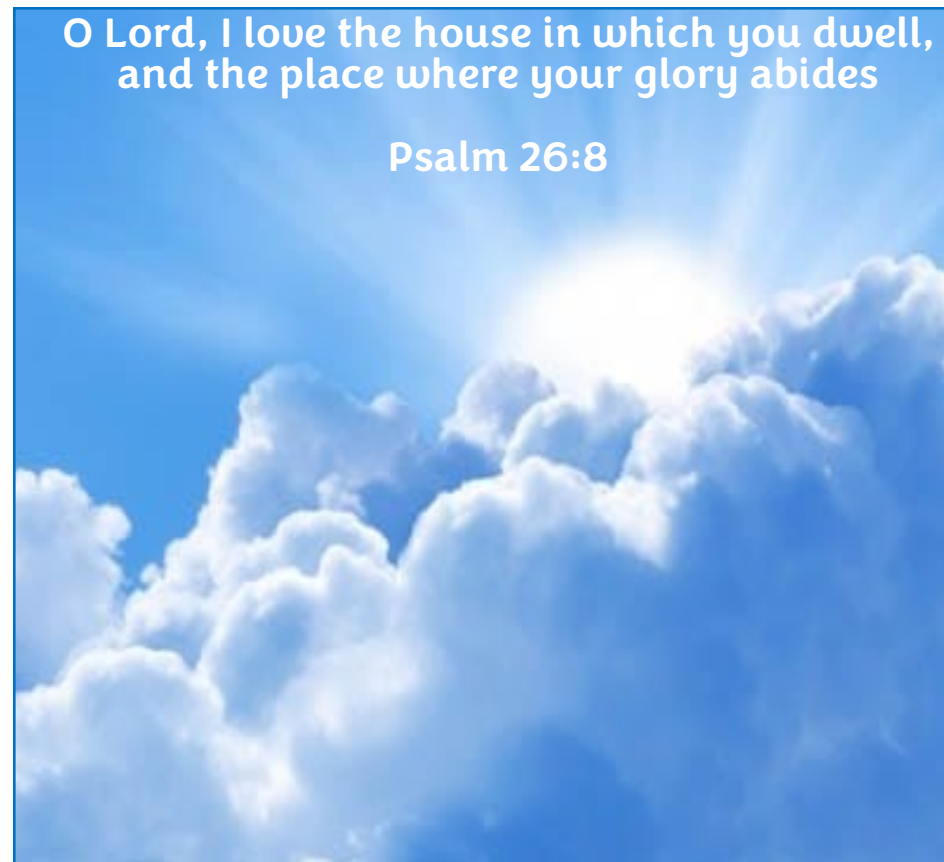
## MORE EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

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.

O Lord, I love the house in which you dwell,  
and the place where your glory abides

Psalm 26:8



**14 Pentecost**

**Thursday, August 31, 2023**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, September 3, 2023**

**10:00 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 were given last week by Ruth Basch in memory of her husband Larry. This week, 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 9/3**

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Paula Dusseljee
<b>Lector</b> Sun 10:00 a.m.	Diane Kroll
<b>Servers</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Erin Schmitz, Lori Archer
<b>Acolytes</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Rileigh & Addison Schmitz
<b>Ushers</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Bill & Jan Naymick
	Joe Labiak
<b>Bible Adventure</b>	Mary Beth Liskey
<b>Song Leaders</b>	Phil Sielski, Joel Westerholm
<b>Sound System</b>	Karl Ziemelis
<b>Information Station</b>	Stan Daszko, Lisa Le
<b>Counters</b>	Val Barnes, Sandy Hutchins
<b>Communion Bread</b>	Jean Boxer
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Jean Boxer
<b>Clean-Up</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Pat Westjohn
<b>Coffee Hour Host</b>	Susan and Sofia Besteman

## **THOSE WHO SERVE 9/10**

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Paula Dusseljee
<b>Lector</b> Sun 10:00 a.m.	Laura Lucht
<b>Servers</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Steve Byrd, Open
<b>Acolytes</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Elizabeth & Emily Lucht
<b>Ushers</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Ben & Donn Werling
	Open
<b>Junior Church</b>	Emma Johnston
<b>Song Leaders</b>	Emily Traub, Mary Schoonover
<b>Sound System</b>	Karl Ziemelis
<b>Information Station</b>	Bev Uetrict, Ruth Basch
<b>Counters</b>	Diane Kroll, Jenny Lindell
<b>Communion Bread</b>	Bert Goodman
<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Bert Goodman
<b>Clean-Up</b> Sun.10:00 a.m.	Bert Goodman
<b>Coffee Hour Host</b>	Carol Parker & Barb Bonifield

## **Readings for Next Weekend**

First Reading	Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalms	Psalms 119:33-40
Second Reading	Romans 13:8-14
Gospel Reading	Matthew 18:15-20

## "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** service will begin at 10:30 a.m. starting September 10. This change will last until Memorial Day in 2024.

Our **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", the class will explore the "Living Word" not for answers, but for a deeper look at life and faith.

We'd love to have you as part of our **teaching teams for kids' Faith Formation** from 9:30-10:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. These teams will be on a rotation with the goal of one team serving every three months. Lessons and materials are provided. Sign-up sheets are at both information stations. Questions? Contact Emma Johnston at [emma@firstlutheranmuskegon.org](mailto: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 gym 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.** Please contact Paula to inform her what meeting you will be attending.

Our **Tuesday Adult Class** (online and in-person) will meet on Tuesday September 19 at 11:00 and 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."

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

There will be a **Grief Support Group reunion potluck** on Wednesday, September 6 at 4:00 at the Policka home. Call Robin Policka at 231-638-3055 with questions.

# Order of Service

“Must Suffer?”

Prelude

Hymn “Sometimes Our Only Song is Weeping” (screen)

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 “He Giveth More Grace”  
Phil Sielski, Joel Westerholm

First Reading Jeremiah 15:15-21

Second Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Gospel Verse (screen)

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:21-28

Children’s Message/Dollar-A-Day

*Dollar-A-Day monies will be used to update our church sign.*

Summer Bible Adventure

Song “Guide My Feet” (screen)

Sermon

Hymn “Will You Come and Follow Me” #798 (red)  
(vv.1-4)  
(screen)

Apostles’ Creed

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)

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” #773 (red)

“Give Me Jesus” #770 (red)

“Let Us Talents and Tongues” #674 (red)

Blessing/Post-Communion Prayer

Song “Ten Thousand Reasons” (insert)

Benediction/Dismissal

Postlude