

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Activity	Location
Sunday 9/24/2023	
9:30 a.m. Faith Formation	Upstairs and FLC
10:30 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary & Online
11:30 a.m. Lector Training	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. M.S. Youth Hike	Snug Harbor
6:00 p.m. New Members' Class	Gallery
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Monday 9/25/2023	
10:00 a.m. Paula's Book Group	Zoom
12:00 p.m. Quilt Group	Quilt Room
12:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive	Family Life Center
6:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous	Gallery
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drum Class	Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Tuesday 9/26/2023 Bulletin Deadline	
9:00 a.m. SHOP Group	Gallery
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
11:00 a.m. Adult Education Class	Gallery/Zoom
3:00 p.m. Burnished Brass Practice	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Choir	Music Room
7:00 p.m. Ministry Council Meeting	Gallery
7:00 p.m. Band	Music Room
9:30 p.m. Compline	Facebook
Wednesday 9/27/2023	
9:00 a.m. Pickleball	Family Life Center
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	Gallery
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Kids' Music	Music Room
6:05 p.m. Bible Study	Gallery
7:00 p.m. Confirmation	Upper Room
Thursday 9/28/2023	
12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Zoom
6:00 p.m. Worship	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Private Group	Gallery
7:00 p.m. Cardio Drumming	Outside
7:15 p.m. Council Meeting	Upper Room
Friday 9/29/2023	
6:00 p.m. Baton Class	Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting	First Floor Education Room
Saturday 9/30/2023	



17 Pentecost
Thursday, September 21, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 24, 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 were given by Steve and Lisa Ferski in memory of Betty O’Toole.

THOSE WHO SERVE 9/24

Assisting Minister	21st-Steve Smith	24th-Joel Dulyea
Lector	Sun 10:30 a.m.	Laura Lucht
Servers	Sun.10:30 a.m.	Diane Madej, Bert Goodman
Acolytes	Sun.10:30 a.m.	Ryan Legard
Ushers	Sun.10:30 a.m.	Joe Dick, Larry Bringedahl
		Ben Werling
Junior Church		Susan Besteman
Song Leaders		Phil Sielski, Mike Sweet
Sound System		Nate Johnston
Information Station		Robin Policka, Joanne Johnson
Counters		Val Barnes, Sandy Hutchins
Communion Bread		Carl Luther
Communion Set-Up		Mary Will
	Clean-Up Sun.10:30 a.m.	Pat Westjohn
Coffee Hour Host		Bev Uetrict, Liam

THOSE WHO SERVE 10/1

Assisting Minister	Paula Dusseljee
Lector	Sun 10:30 a.m. Pat Westjohn
Servers	Sun.10:30 a.m. Annette Jack, Larry Bringedahl
Acolytes	Sun.10:30 a.m. Chloe and Bridget O’Connor
Ushers	Sun.10:30 a.m. Steve Byrd, Erin Schmitz
	Sharon Genter
Junior Church	Ben Werling
Song Leaders	Sande Borushko, Barb Elliott
Sound System	Mark Besteman
Information Station	Stan Daszko, Ruth Basch
Counters	Diane Kroll, Jenny Lindell
Communion Bread	Connie Larson
Communion Set-Up	Connie Larson
	Clean-Up Sun.10:30 a.m. Connie Larson
Coffee Hour Host	Jerry & Robbin Dibble

The eternal candle was given by Connie Larson in memory of Diane Kadrovich and Ed and Alice Reinertson.

MORE EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Attention Confirmation parents! Please sign your child up to acolyte. You may do so via Google docs, an email or FB message to Paula. The calendar is filling up so make sure you have the dates you need by signing up now.

There will be a **Ministry Council Meeting** next Tuesday, September 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gallery.

Join Us for God's Work, Our Hands after worship on October 1

Choose a Service Project:

- ♦ Assembling LWR Health Kits
 - ♦ Cleaning up a highway
 - ♦ Working on the Clipper
- ♦ Decorating bags for Kids' Food Basket
- ♦ Making cards for Cardz for Kidz

Sign up at either information station



God's Work
Our Hands

Lunch will be provided

Readings for Next Weekend

First Reading	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Psalm	Psalm 25:1-9
Second Reading	Philippians 2:1-13
Gospel Reading	Matthew 21:23-32

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Our **Tuesday Adult Class** (online and in-person) meets at 11:00 and is 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." Join us!

Want to **do something practical** for your **marriage** or **other serious relationship**? Spend three days and two nights with us in Grand Rapids at the Drury Inn and St. Luke's Lutheran on October 20-22. Cost is \$136 per night (plus tax) for the hotel rooms.

The "**Listening for the Word**" book/Bible study group will meet for their fall get-together on Monday, September 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Judi Dix's home. Please bring an appetizer or dessert. **R.S.V.P. to Judi at 231-463-7886.**

Join us for a New Orleans inspired dinner (red beans and rice, salad and dessert) Wednesday, September 28, at 5:30 pm. This is a joint **youth group fundraiser** with all the churches in the Muskegon area attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering. **Proceeds will support the trip to New Orleans.**

We have a **Red Cross Blood Drive** scheduled here for Monday, from 11:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. Make an appointment by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS, online at www.redcrossblood.org, or calling First's coordinator, Kim Westerholm at 712-539-8536.

The **middle school youth** are going on a **hike after worship today (Sunday)**. Meet by the doors near the office. We will then carpool over to Sung Harbor for a picnic and a hike. We will be back to the church by 3:00 p.m.

Paula's Monday Zoom class begins THIS Monday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. If you would like an invitation to the class, send Paula an email at: paula@firstlutheranmuskegon.org. We will be discussing the book "In the Shelter" by Padraig O Tuama.

The Fellowship Ministry has planned a **fall trip** for Friday, October 13th, which includes lunch and a visit to Robinette's Apple House and Winery. If you are interested, sign up at the information station near the office. Questions? Contact Deb Roest at 231-744-1936 or Diane Kroll at 231-557-4637.

(more announcements on page 6) ➡

Order of Service

“On Keeping Score and Other Useless Things”

Prelude

Order of Confession (screen)

Hymn “Rise Up, O Saints of God!” #669 (red)

Greeting (screen)

Kyrie pp. 147-148

Hymn of Praise pp. 149-150

Salutation/Prayer of the Day

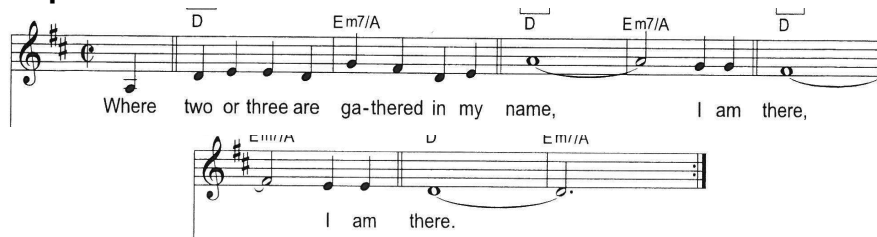
Special Music “Come to the Water” Dulyea Duo

First Reading Jonah 3:10—4:11

Psalm 145 (screen)

Second Reading Philippians 1:21-30

Gospel Verse



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Gospel Reading Matthew 20:1-16

Children’s Message/Noisy Offering/Junior Church

This month’s noisy offering will benefit ELCA Disaster Relief for victims of the wildfires in Maui.

Song “We Rejoice in the Grace of God” #151 (purple)

Sermon

Hymn “Life is Not Fair” (screen)

Apostles’ Creed (screen)

Announcements

Prayers

Peace

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving (screen)

Holy, Holy (screen)

The Lord’s Prayer (screen)

Communion

“All Are Welcome” (screen)

“Come to the Table” #481 (red)

“For the Fruit of All Creation” #679 (red)

“Praise and Thanksgiving” #689 (red)

“Taste and See” #493 (red)

Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

Song “By Grace We Have Been Saved” #25 (purple)
(vv. 1,3-5)

Benediction

Dismissal

Postlude