

## **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

The flowers on the altar this morning were given in celebration of Randal Hanson & Angela Olson's wedding.

## **LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE TO MEET**

Just a reminder to our Long Range Planning Committee members that we will meet on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.

## **OFFICES CLOSED/NO SCHOOL**

Our offices and school will be closed tomorrow in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Holiday. Our offices will also be running with limited staff on Tuesday morning to allow staff members to attend the adoption of Steven to Tim & Tracy Worley!

## **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Please remember the deadline for getting articles into the February newsletter is this Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **LWML NEWS**

- Altar Circle will meet at church this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- Mary-Martha will meet at Jetta Moon's this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- Youth & Cradle Roll will meet at Kathy Bousfield's this Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.
- The ladies will meet for lunch on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. at the Montana Club at 2620 Brooks Street.
- Remember your mites next week for Mite Box Sunday (January 27<sup>th</sup>).

## **VOTERS' MEETING NEXT WEEK**

Please remember that our January Voters' Meeting will be next Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, following the 11:00 service. Please note that our youth will also be providing a Baked Potato Bar before the meeting for those who would like to attend. A free will offering will be taken to support their trip to the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this summer.

## **NEW MEMBER RECEPTION**

We praise and thank God for all our new members to the First family. They will be introduced at a special reception during the fellowship time on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30 a.m. If you would be willing to bring something to share for the brunch, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Plan now to join in this special time of fellowship to welcome our newest members.

## **FEBRUARY 2019 MEXICO MISSION TRIP**

The next trip to Kid's Kingdom orphanage is February 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>. Please consider joining us as we create happy childhood memories for the children, do maintenance projects in Imuris and spend time in Benjamin Hill at the new orphanage for developmentally disabled children and orphans. To reserve your spot or for more information, contact Deaconess Sonja Reeves or Pastor Mark at [pastormarkchristensen@gmail.com](mailto:pastormarkchristensen@gmail.com) or 406-239-7642. The cost for this trip is \$375 plus the cost of your plane tickets (right now they are less than \$200 roundtrip.)

## **OUR YOUTH INVITE YOU TO A SUPER BOWL PARTY!!**

Mark your calendar now for Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our youth invite you to a Super Bowl Party that day beginning at 3:30 p.m. The game will be projected on the big screen in the Fellowship Hall and snacks will be provided. All you need to bring is some comfortable chairs if you would like! A free-will offering will be taken to support our youth's trip to the National Youth Gathering this summer.

## **"BEING YOUR BROTHER'S KEEPER"**

Our neighbor, The Tom Roy Youth Guidance Home, is so appreciative for the First Family's support during the Christmas Season, especially the "stocking stuffer" drive the Youth coordinated. Their current needs are for haircuts for the teens and for "waterproof" winter gloves. You may pick up an information sheet that shares their mission or refer to their website at [www.youthhomesmt.org](http://www.youthhomesmt.org). Please continue to pray for these young people, sign up to prepare a meal for the Home, and/or place your contributions in the box provided on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for supporting this mission of the LWML.

## **GRACENOTES NEWS**

We miss our bells. This past week they began working on the bells and will let us know the progress soon. We appreciate all the loving support given to our music ministry. Thanks to you we will be able to have them returned. Donations to the First Lutheran-Special Fund Handbell account are appreciated! Thank you!

## **"MAGNETIC" NAME TAGS**

It's so great seeing members wearing their "magnetic" name tags. Have you noticed it is easier to read the names of people you shake hands with if they are wearing the name tag on their right side? Our engraver continues to make more as he receives our orders. If you don't have a name tag and would like one, there is a sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board in the narthex. Also, if you recently requested a name tag, please check the table in the narthex for your new tag.

## **DO YOU HAVE ANY LITTLE CONTAINERS?**

We're collecting little gift boxes, zip bags, large Altoid containers, anything you can fit a needle and thread in to make sewing kits for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The collection box is in the narthex. Thank you!!

## **DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY (FPU)**

Dave Ramsey's FPU is being offered again. It is a 9-week course designed to help people put Biblically based money and financial principles into action. FPU teaches about paying off debt, saving money, insurance management, retirement/college planning, real estate and mortgages, credit reports, and giving. FPU is a proven, effective program that gets results.

Classes begin Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. here at First. It will be facilitated by Dudley & Joyce Anderson. To register call Dudley at 531-8420 or talk to him at church. Order materials from Financial Peace University at this website:

<http://www.fpu.com/1083219>. (Materials are \$109 through this class registration which is \$20 less than ordering at the general site.) Registrants with teenagers are encouraged to bring them as there is no additional cost to do so.

## **A Measure of Our Stewardship**

Last Sunday

8:30 a.m. - 119

11:00 a.m. - 90

Adult Bible Class - 105

Middle School/High School Class - 6

Sunday School - 7

Offerings for the month

Monthly Need: \$37,236.75

Contributions for January: \$16,526.10

# WEEK OF

## January 20, 2019

Today- 8:30 a.m.- Worship Service - Communion  
9:45 a.m.- Sunday School & Bible Class  
11:00 a.m.- Blended Worship Service - Communion

Monday- OFFICES CLOSED/NO SCHOOL  
5:30 p.m.- GraceNotes  
6:00 p.m.- Long Range Planning Meeting  
6:00 p.m.- Praise Team  
7:00 p.m.- Choir

Tuesday- NEWSLETTER DEADLINE  
6:30 a.m.- Women's Bible Study at Paul's Pancakes  
9:00 a.m.- Chapel  
9:30 a.m.- Office Devotions  
7:00 p.m.- Altar & Mary Martha

Wednesday- 7:00 a.m.- Men's Bible Breakfast – Paradise Falls  
8:00 a.m.- Miller Boys – Paradise Falls  
9:00 a.m.- Preschool Chapel  
1:00 p.m.- Youth & Cradle Roll  
6:00 p.m.- Confirmation

Thursday- 6:30 a.m.- Walking in the Word  
9:00 a.m.- Preschool Chapel  
9:30 a.m.- Women in the Word  
11:00 a.m.- Women's Study - Stevensville  
11:30 a.m.- Prayer Time  
4:00 p.m.- Confirmation

Friday- 10:00 a.m.- Brookdale Bible Study

Saturday-

Next Sunday- 8:30 a.m.- Worship Service  
9:30 a.m.- New Member Welcome  
9:45 a.m.- Sunday School & Bible Class  
11:00 a.m.- Blended Worship Service  
12:00 p.m.- Voters' Meeting