

OFFICE CLOSED/NO SCHOOL

Our offices will be closed and there will be no school tomorrow in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for getting articles into the February newsletter will be this Tuesday, January 19th.

BOARD & PPC MEETINGS

Our Boards and PPC will meet this Tuesday, January 19th. The Board meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m., and the PPC meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

LWML TOPIC LEADERS TO MEET

LWML Topic Leaders will meet at 12:00 Noon this Tuesday, January 19th. The topic is "Gold, Frankincense, and ME!" on pages 16-17, Winter 2020 Quarterly.

THURSDAY PRAYER TIME CONTINUES

We continue to have the sanctuary open on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for those who wish to join us for this time of both private and corporate prayer.

VOTERS' MEETING COMING UP

Mark your calendar now for Sunday, January 31st, following the 11:00 service as our next Voters' meeting. All communicant members who are 18 years or older are voting members of our congregation and encouraged to join us as we plan our ministries here at First.

WEARING A FACE MASK... In case you've forgotten your face mask, both cloth and paper masks are available at the main entrance.

SUPPORTING LIFE ... OUR MOUNTAIN HOME DRIVE

In an effort to show our support for life, our Boards of Stewardship and Evangelism and our Lay Ministers are looking to support the ministry at Mountain Home, a shelter for young mothers just down the street from us. There are several types of donations that can be made:

shower gifts such as swaddles, newborn diapers, wipes, bottles, pacifiers, burp cloths, onesies, socks, gender neutral outfits, diaper rash cream, baby body wash, lotions, baby monitor, etc.

gifts for the moms such as candles, face masks, nail polish, bubble bath or bath salts.

Or you could donate to the layettes we send to the mission field. The most needed items are long or short sleeved gowns, soap (Dove or Ivory), hand towels, and socks. Laura Johnson will do the shopping for you if you want to give her a monetary donation.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS DAILY BIBLE READING GUIDE

Lutheran Bible Translators has published a Daily Bible Reading Guide for 2021. There are copies available next to the Portals of Prayer in the Narthex. Please feel free to pick one up to use in your daily devotions.

SHARE JESUS

Matthew 2:1-12: The star of the Epiphany story is actually the star itself! God used the star to lead the Magi to the Savior of the world that they might worship Him. As God's faithful witness, you may be the "star" that God uses to lead someone in your life to worship the Lord and Savior of the world, Jesus Christ! Shine bright!

SERVING CHRIST ... SERVING AT TOM ROY HOME

Please consider volunteering to prepare a meal for the Tom Roy Youth Home in 2021. Perhaps you and a friend would be willing to do this service project together.

A sign-up sheet for the months of January to July 2021 is on the table in the Narthex. It's simple: Prepare a meal for 10-12 and deliver it to the Home at 2834 W. Central between 5:00 & 6:00 pm (or at your convenience) on the last Thursday of the month. Please call the Home in advance at 728-8127 to let them know when you will be bringing the meal. This has been a great experience for those who have participated so far, and the youth love a home-cooked meal! Thanks for reaching out.

WHAT IS SCRIP?

GIFT CARDS ... Shop with gift cards in everyday categories including groceries, gas, restaurants and more.

EARNINGS THAT ADD UP ... A percentage of each gift card purchased goes directly to First Lutheran Classical School.

FUNDRAISING MADE EASY ... Raise money for our scholarship program with no soliciting or selling.

"WE CARE"

Members may pick up a copy of the "We Care" column each week from the Sunday Missoulian to help meet the needs of people in our community. With the cold weather many are currently asking for warm coats, mittens/gloves and quilts. Their needs may simply be met by responding as indicated in the news column. Thank you for caring in Jesus' name for those in need in our community.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES

We have a number of hearing assist devices available. If you have trouble hearing at our worship services, please contact one of the ushers who will help you get one of our hearing assist devices to use.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

Do you know that we have large print copies of our bulletins? If this would help you in following along in worship services, please contact one of the ushers to receive one.

CARE NET LOOKING FOR WOMEN TO VOLUNTEER

Care Net is looking for more volunteers for their Life Steps education program that is for pregnant clients seeking to learn more about pregnancy, childbirth and parenting. They have fewer volunteers to pair with the clients interested in this. They are often alone in their pregnancy and need encouragement and love. They are looking for women who have a heart for connecting with other women ... mothers, grandmothers or women who have never parented who can learn right along with the client. They provide training and then the volunteer can connect virtually with the client at a mutually convenient time. If anyone is interested, they can call Jennifer Hungerford at Care Net at 406-549-0406.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE - AMAZON SMILE

If you do shopping on Amazon, consider shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1374293 or turning on Amazon Smile in your Amazon app and picking Lutherans for Life as the recipient of a 0.5% donation from Amazon of your eligible purchases.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

The 2020 Contribution Statements are in your mailboxes in the hallway. Please be sure to pick yours up!

A Measure of Our Stewardship

Last Sunday

8:30 a.m. - 73

11:00 a.m. - 50

Adult Bible Class - 34

Middle School/High School Class - 9

Sunday School - 3

Offerings for the month

Monthly Need: \$39,768.58

Contributions for January: \$17,305.00

