The monthly newsletter of First United Lutheran Church Sheboygan, Wisconsin



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Sharing God's Word * Strengthening Faith * Serving Community

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

From the moment of Jesus' ascension and the birth of the Church at Pentecost, God's mission to the whole world has been at the center of our life. While congregations exist at the local level and participate in God's mission in their surrounding neighbors and communities, they are part of a much larger Church and mission. Through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America we get to participate in God's mission all around the globe. And now First United Lutheran Church in Sheboygan has been given an opportunity to participate in that mission in a very personal way.

By action of the Church Congregation Council in March, First United has become a Sponsoring Congregation for Rev. Carolyn Schneider, an ELCA Missionary serving with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Guyana. You can read about Rev. Schneider's work in her April letter included in this mailing.

You will also have an opportunity later this summer (August 4) to meet her in person and hear her speak in more depth about her work. Pastor Schneider is the sister of Steve (Debbie) Schneider, will be here on a family visit in August, and will speak in Church that Sunday.

Missionaries serve two or more years at the invitation of the partner Church. The cost of supporting a missionary generally exceeds \$100,000 annually. Because of God's generosity to us, we get to share out of our abundance and join others in supporting Rev. Schneider in her work. I invite and encourage you to support this work above and beyond your regular contributions. My hope is the people of First United Lutheran Church will contribute \$1,000 and more on a monthly basis to support the work of this missionary in Guyana. Offering envelopes for this purpose are available in the pews or you may send a check marked for "Missionary Sponsorship."

Easter peace and joy to all, Pastor Jerry Mansholt

FULC HAPPENINGS

May Worship Schedule

Thursday, May 2 6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, May 5 **CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

8:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM - Sunday School 9:40 AM - Adult Ed.

10:30 AM -Traditional Worship Service & Confirmation

Thursday, May 9

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, May 12

8:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM - Sunday School 9:40 AM - Adult Ed. 10:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, May 16

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, May 19 GREAT BEGINNINGS SUNDAY/ASP MINI GOLF

8:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM - Adult Ed.-Love INC 10:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, May 23

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, May 26

9:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, May 30

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service









Our Staff

Senior Interim Pastor • Gerald Mansholt Transition Pastor • Heidi Borkenhagen Director of Music Ministries • Matthew Thorne Children & Family/Great Beginnings Preschool Administrator • Mary Gorges

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Let us know how we can help you.

FULC NEWS

Confirmation Sunday

May 5

10:30 a.m.

Join us as we celebrate our

Confirmands

Great Beginnings Sunday

Sunday, May 19 at the 8:30 a.m. worship service



Graduation to follow at 9:40 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall



Join us on this fun Sunday as we lift up our preschool children.

ATTENTION 2024 GRADUATES

PLEASE SEND A DIGITAL COPY OF YOUR SENIOR PHOTO TO THOM NICLA BY MAY 29

TEXT TO 920-946-1465

or email: thom@firstunitedelca.org

GRADUATION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 2 9:30 A.M.

GRAUDUATES PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9:00 A.M. IN YOUR CAP AND GOWN FOR A GROUP PICTURE

In Observance of Memorial Day the Church Office will be Closed Monday, May 27

OUR 2024 CONFIRMANDS

<u>Sydney Blaha</u> - 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Love is patient; Love is kind; Love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

Mentor: Sherry Duff

<u>Carter Gannaway</u> - Hebrews 11:1 Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Mentor: Dale Ullestad-Heneke

<u>Brynn Gierke</u> - Titus 2:11-12 For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "no" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age.

Mentor: Sue Ader

<u>Kameryn Gierke</u> - Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

Mentor: Bridget Boy

<u>Lauren Jackson Neils</u> - Joshua 1:9 Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Mentor: Michelle Johnson

<u>Ethan Klitzke</u> - Matthew 28:20 And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Mentor: James McGowan

<u>Olivia Knowles</u> - Jeremiah 29:11 For surely I know the plans I have for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Mentor: Krysta Berger

Aiden Oldenhoff - John 1:12 But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God.

Mentor: Willie Torrison

<u>Samuel Olsen</u> - Luke 1:37 For nothing will be impossible with God.

Mentor: Mark Duff

Emjay Ortlieb - Thessalonians 5:16 Rejoice always.

Mentor: Scott Mellesmoen

<u>Mitchell Ryan</u> - 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.

Mentor: Pete Southwick

Addison Stoeckigt – Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

Mentor: Sarah Gannaway

Robert Tock - Hebrews 6:18-20 So that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God would prove false, we who have taken refuge might be strongly encouraged to seize the hope set before us. We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus, a forerunner on our behalf, has entered, having become a high priest for ever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mentor: Mike Johnson

<u>Keegan Williams</u> – Romans 2:1 Therefore you have no excuse, whoever you are, when you judge others; for in passing judgement on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, are doing the very same things.

Mentor: Fred Prueter

Birthdays & Other News



First United FOOD PANTRY

If you or anyone you know needs food, please check out our Food Pantry located in the Serenity Room. We have everything from canned goods to baking supplies to household items. The front office can assist you if you need help. 2nd & 4th Weeks of the Month Mondays 9AM - 12PM Wednesdays 1PM - 4:00PM

Great Beginnings

We started the month of April with a camping and cookout play area and learning about birds. Snack time even included s'mores! We got to go on another field trip to the JMK Arts Center where we created birds and bird nests. Did you know we have a bird nest by our doors to the preschool? We've been checking on them. Watch out for those dragons as we built a castle and played kings and queens, princesses and princes, and knights and dragons! We also had a puppet theater, a creative art realm, where anything was possible, and a music studio. It has been so much fun learning, playing, and growing with our friends this year!

- 1 Sing Huai Vung Trent Rammer Elijah Wagner Estella Wick
- 2 Mollie Bergsbaken Keri Prueter Brandon Schwarz Michael Speckman
- Eliza Knowles Fliiah Ortlieh Karen Raffel Tyson Roth Erin Spaeth
- Cole Gierke Alice Homstad Quinton Schulz Zach Trescher Scott Winkler
- Hudson Hein Nem Sian Muang Peyton Roth
- 6 Jen Eggers Cynthia Zimmermann
- Stacie Nicla Ellie Schaefer **Gunner Thomas** Mark Vincent
- 8 Alexa Butler Brad Hoffmann Sue Pantel Peter Reinke Teri Schwensow Paige Thede
- 9 Josh Batzner Austin Campbell Jun Jie Jiang Chauvin Kamana Christopher Krause
- 10 George Menart Brayden Saeger Linda Schulz
- 11 Pat Eirich Christine Garnett Jessica Meade
- 12 Mardi Clarke
- 13 Tommy Moore Shirley Peterson Debra Wachholz Glenn Zeinemann
- 14 Daniel Daun Benjamin De Pagter Shelley Dierkes Tom Frick Caley Hildebrand Owen Ramos Matthew Stanford Anthony Stanford
- 15 Max Krueger Steven Stockdale Jeremy Tock
- 16 Styer Cvetan Jackson Harmelink Joan King Madeline Kovacic Marisol Lucatero

- Gavin Saxe Gail Showerman Margaret Voorhans
- 17 Fred Gould Alvssa Hoffmann Ashlev Horst Emma Tipple Renee Wilke Donna Willman Karen Wodach
- 18 Terri Jeske Kenlyn Schmidt Christopher Weeden
- 19 James Aldag Anna Fogle Flise Johnson Kate Kellner Beate Lucynski
- 20 Rick Curtiss Judy Farwig Cin Pum Judy Rammer
- 21 Ben Batzner **Austin Chambers** Veronica Jackson Christopher Roth
- 22 Cing Dim Cing Lau Dim Mung Keri Oldenhoff Soren Pelzel
- 23 Dennis Guetschow Lori Hamilton Jake Kuhfuss **Emjay Ortlieb** William Zamora
- 24 Tyler Chambers Brian Dierksheide Jared Martin Paige Mikkelson Gregory Pittner Syd Smith
- 25 Sylvia Green Ralph Puffpaff Patricia Rammer
- 26 Lloyd Bleuel Mady Blonigen Brian Freund Charlie Kolb
- 27 Phoebe Rudlaff Sarah Sonnentag
- 28 Jackson Hogle Scott Mellesmoen Cheryl Tank
- 30 Caitlynn Acy Judi Jackson Pete Olsen
- 31 Amanda Evraets Lisa Horst Bryson Klahn Chloe Lang John Shaefer Gregory Weeden





























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Calendar of Event			s May			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5 CONFIRMATION SUNDAY 10:30 AM 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM Adult Ed 9:40 AM Sunday School 9:40 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service Confirmation	6 6:30 PM Scouts	7 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts	8 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys	9 9:00 AM Prayer Group 9:00 AM North Conf. Gathering 6:00 PM Handbell Choir 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service	10	11
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19 ASP MINI GOLF/ GREAT BEGINNINGS SUNDAY 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM Adult Ed Love INC 9:40 AM Sunday School 9:40 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service	20 6:30 PM Congregation Council 6:30 PM Scouts 7:00 PM SSC Auditions	21 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts	9:00 AM Wednesday Guys	23 LAST DAY OF GREAT BEGINNINGS 9:00 AM Prayer Group 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service	24	25
26 9:30 AM Traditional Worship Service	27 MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED FOOD PANTRY CLOSED 6:30 PM Scouts	28 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts	29 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Food Panty	30 9:00 AM Prayer Group 5:00 PM Grief Warriors 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service	31	

Coming Soon.

M A Y You are invited to join us for in-person and online Worship Services:

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Sunday, June 2:



GRADUATION SUNDAY

Sunday, June 9:



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