



FIRST EDITION JUNE 2019

We worship, welcome, witness, teach and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
21 SOUTH BEDFORD STREET, CARLISLE, PA 17013

Building to Serve All God's Children



We are heading into the final stretch of our project! Thanks to all for your patience as the duration of construction has lengthened. Even in the midst of all that has been going on in various locations of the building over the past eight months, we've continued to worship, nurture the faith of children and adults, offer Fine Arts at First concerts, host Head Start, and (mostly!) maintain our sense of humor.

Important upcoming milestones:

Windows installed in addition - week of June 3 (once the atrium is fully enclosed, interior drywall and other work can progress quickly)

Air conditioning installation in office suite - week of June 10 (office may be closed at times)

Air conditioning working in the sanctuary - expected by Sunday, June 16 (dress comfortably until then!)

Upper level restrooms back in service - mid-June

Work on doorway between atrium (upper level) and sanctuary begins - mid-June

Final painting, carpeting, drop ceiling installation - last two weeks of July



Yes, that is our new elevator!

We will have lots of cleaning, fine-tuning and inspections to manage in early August. Assuming all of that goes well, we could have a certificate of occupancy and be able to offer our first elevator rides in mid-August!

*More pictures
on page 2*



Rooftop A/C units being placed - May 29



*A view from the inside out -
center window opening, upper level*



Ductwork - upper level ceiling



Recent construction team meeting

Building to Serve All God's Children **Capital Campaign Update (as of May 20)**



Total pledges/gifts from 117* households: \$648,346

(consists of \$607,415 in three-year pledges/one-time gifts and \$40,931 unpledged/"as able" gifts given)

Total pledged and unpledged campaign contributions paid: \$390,989

**Includes nine (9) non-member households, which made one-time memorial gifts to the campaign.*



Youth End-of-Year Picnic at Lake Meade

Sunday, June 30, 2-? p.m.

All children and youth and their families are invited to bring your swimsuits, towels and fishing gear for a fun afternoon at Lake Meade on Sunday, June 30! Those over the age of 16 who plan on fishing **MUST** have their fishing license with them. Also within walking distance are a playground and tennis courts.

You are welcome to arrive any time after 2 p.m. with a meal being served around 5:30 p.m. Hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, plates and utensils will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

We thank the Mancke family for graciously hosting us at their lakeside property! Directions to their property will be made available later. **Please RSVP to Robin in the church office by Sunday, June 23.**

Join us for good food, fellowship and fun!!

Don't forget First!

Thank you on behalf of the Stewardship Committee for all the time, talents and treasures you give to First Lutheran. As summer approaches and we plan fun activities, as a friendly reminder, please don't forget your monetary giving to First Lutheran. While our members may be vacationing, our church continues to have expenses throughout the year. One convenient way to ensure continued giving while elsewhere is to contribute electronically. Please contact the church office if you are interested in becoming an e-giver! Have an enjoyable and safe summer!

Congratulations to the following members of First Lutheran Church who are graduating with the Class of 2019!

**Class of
2019**

MaryGrace Harty

daughter of Stephanie Koplitz-Harty

graduating from Carlisle High School; plans to attend St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia this fall to begin her studies in pre-med

Madelynn Staley

daughter of Michael and Alecia Staley

graduated from Bloomsburg University with a bachelor of arts degree in English; she will be doing a year of service work with Mission Year in either Chicago or Philadelphia



Help us celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit by wearing red to worship on **Sunday, June 9**, the Day of Pentecost!

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

May 2019 Meeting



+Galbraith/Pre-Design gave an update on *Building to Serve All God's Children*.

+Council approved an increase in the salary of our part-time cantor upon a motion by the Personnel Committee.

+Council approved a reallocation of Capital Projects budget for stained glass window restoration as requested by the Property Committee.

Sunday	Attendance	Offering
April 7	139	\$7,127.90
April 14	187	\$2,930.70
April 21	291	\$8,211.76
April 28	147	\$2,756.80

Lemonade on the Plaza

The 2019 season of Lemonade on the Plaza (our weekly summer fellowship held after 10:30 a.m. worship) begins Sunday, June 2. Volunteer hosts are needed each Sunday through the end of September. Hosts are responsible for providing and setting up treats and drinks by the end of worship and for cleanup. Our sexton, John, will set a table and a few chairs up out on the plaza which hosts will need to return to the narthex.

During inclement weather, Lemonade on the Plaza will be held in the Martin Luther Room or, when our project is finished, on the upper level of the atrium. Sign up on the sheet in the High Street narthex or by calling the church office. Thank you for helping us continue this summer tradition!

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Roger Williams at 717-245-9043 or by email at rogwilliams@comcast.net.

Will you help us feed our neighbors?

First Lutheran is providing the evening meal at My Brother's Table (a ministry of the Salvation Army) on **Sunday, July 14**. We will need both meal and dessert items and volunteers to help serve them!

We currently need:

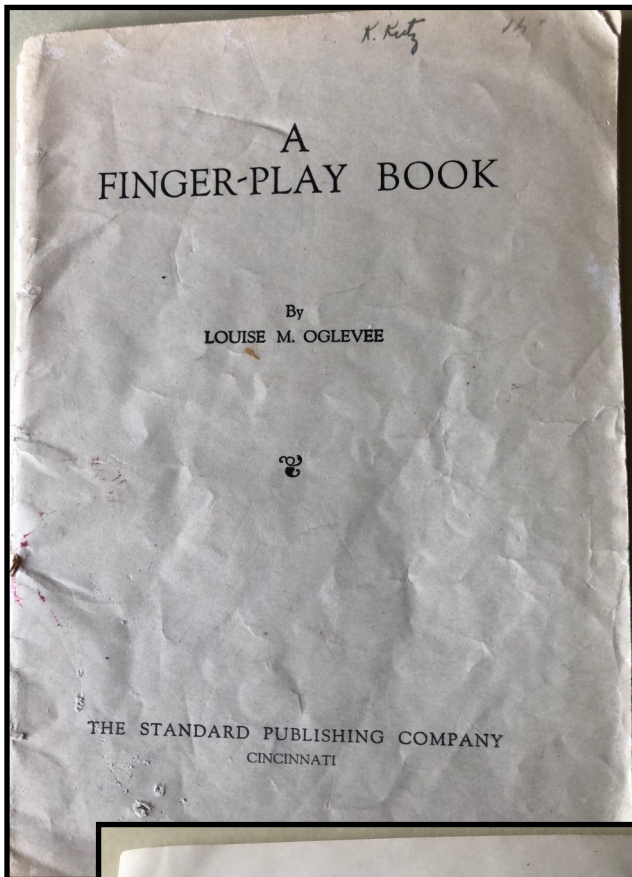
Four #10 cans of baked beans Eight dozen dinner rolls 12 dozen cookies

If you can help provide food and/or help serve, please call the church office to sign up. Items may be brought in any time on or before **Friday, July 11**. Thank you!

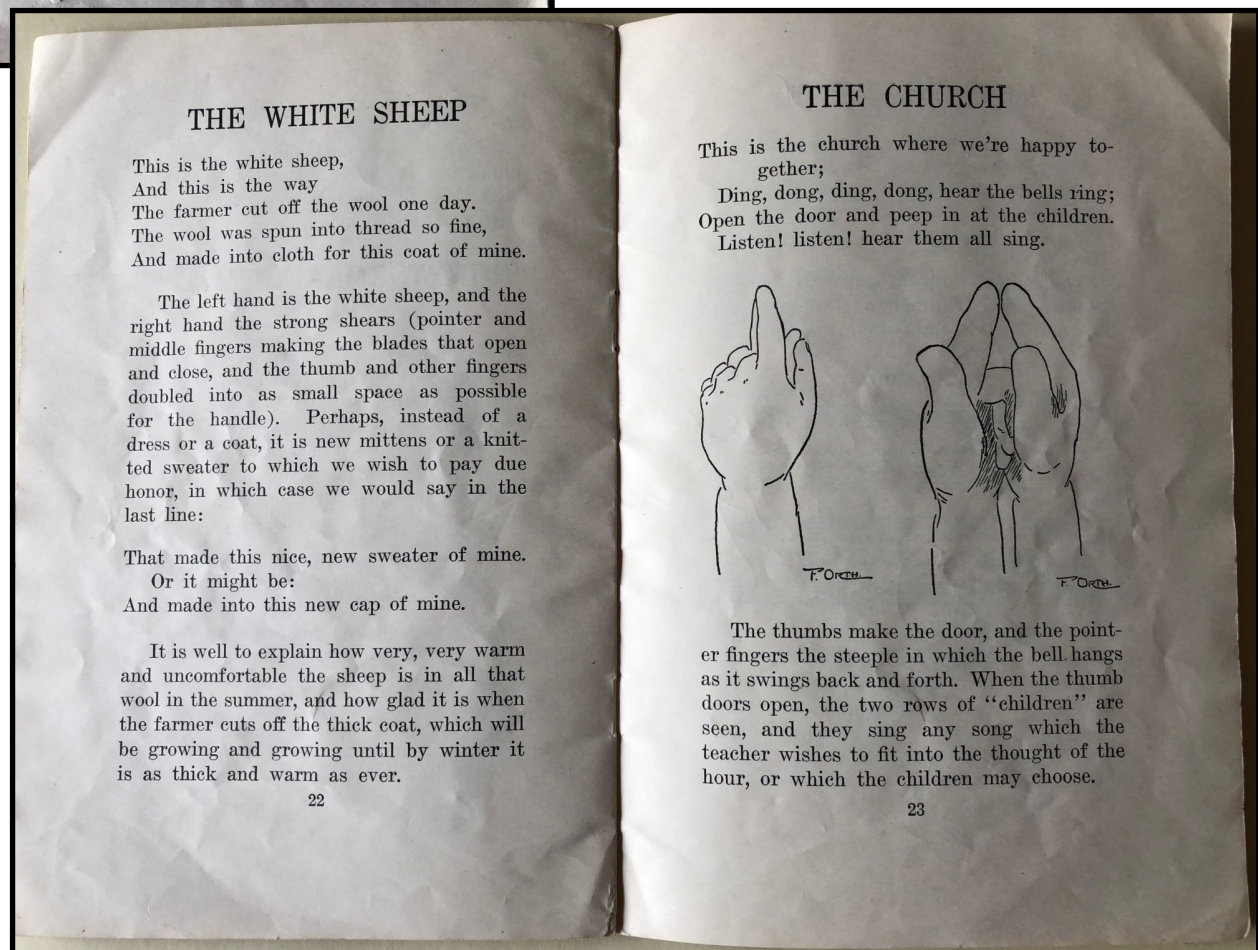
Summer Program for Youth (SPY), an eight-week program of academic and social enrichment for children in our community, is gearing up for its 34th summer at our downtown neighbor church, St. John's on the Square. SPY is currently raising funds for camp supplies through a gift card fundraiser — Individuals complete an order form for a gift card(s) and send it with a check to SPY, SPY will purchase the gift card and use it to purchase supplies. In addition to your donation, SPY receives a percentage of the gift card total purchase! Gift card order forms are available on the kiosk in the narthex and in the church office.

Volunteers are also needed during the camp, which runs from June 10 through August 2. Volunteer opportunities include reading to the children, packing lunches and helping to setup, cleanup and/or serve lunch. You can volunteer for one day or as many days as you'd like. If interested in volunteering, sign up at www.timetosignup.com/spy2019. Thank you!

From Our Archives



HERE'S THE CHURCH, HERE'S THE STEEPLE.... According to the text accompanying the pamphlet "These finger plays are simple stories which the little child's fingers help him to tell....They are used as part of the lesson in the classes of the little children in Sunday School to serve as rest exercises while helping to teach the thought of the hour." This copy belonged to Kathryn Kutz, First Lutheran's long-time office secretary.



THE WHITE SHEEP

This is the white sheep,
And this is the way
The farmer cut off the wool one day.
The wool was spun into thread so fine,
And made into cloth for this coat of mine.

The left hand is the white sheep, and the right hand the strong shears (pointer and middle fingers making the blades that open and close, and the thumb and other fingers doubled into as small space as possible for the handle). Perhaps, instead of a dress or a coat, it is new mittens or a knitted sweater to which we wish to pay due honor, in which case we would say in the last line:

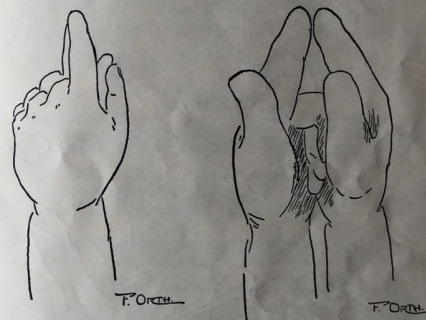
That made this nice, new sweater of mine.
Or it might be:
And made into this new cap of mine.

It is well to explain how very, very warm and uncomfortable the sheep is in all that wool in the summer, and how glad it is when the farmer cuts off the thick coat, which will be growing and growing until by winter it is as thick and warm as ever.

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THE CHURCH

This is the church where we're happy together;
Ding, dong, ding, dong, hear the bells ring;
Open the door and peep in at the children.
Listen! listen! hear them all sing.



The thumbs make the door, and the pointer fingers the steeple in which the bell hangs as it swings back and forth. When the thumb doors open, the two rows of "children" are seen, and they sing any song which the teacher wishes to fit into the thought of the hour, or which the children may choose.

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Meetings & Events

June 2019

- Sat., June 1** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., June 2** — 11:30 a.m. — Lemonade on the Plaza begins for the summer
- Mon., June 3** — 4:15-6 p.m. — VBS Decorating Task Force — *Festal Hall*
- Sat., June 8** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., June 9** — 11:30 a.m. — 2nd Sunday Fellowship
(hosted by Faith Formation Committee)
- Mon., June 10** — 4:15-6 p.m. — VBS Decorating Task Force —
Festal Hall
- Tues., June 11** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
5:30 p.m. — Property Committee
7 p.m. — Carlisle Musical Arts Club
- Wed., June 12** — 6:30 p.m. — Stewardship Committee
- Thurs., June 13** — 6 p.m. — Choir Picnic at home of David & Leann Erickson
- Sat., June 15** — 7:30 a.m. — Men's Huddle — *at Momma Spriggs*
3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Mon., June 17** — 4:15-6 p.m. — VBS Decorating Task Force — *Festal Hall*
- Tues., June 18** — 6:30 p.m. — Congregation Council
- Wed., June 19** — 8:30 a.m. — FL Volunteers at Project SHARE Distribution
- Sat., June 22** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Mon., June 24** — 4:15-6 p.m. — VBS Decorating Task Force — *Festal Hall*
- Tues., June 25** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
6:30 p.m. — Evangelism Committee
- Sat., June 29** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., June 30** — 2 p.m. — Children, Youth and Family Year-end Picnic at Lake Meade

**Staff meetings are held every
Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.
Please note change in day.**

During *Building to Serve All God's Children*, meetings, including council, committees, WELCA, money counters, etc., are being held in room 18 (across from Pastor's office).

The church office will close at 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, and will reopen on Monday, June 10, at 8:30 a.m. due to staff attending the Synod Assembly.

WHO IS my neighbor?



 ELCA World Hunger
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 14-18

5:15 — 5:45 p.m. Family Dinner

5:45 — 8 p.m. VBS

Registration has begun! During VBS week participants will hear the story of the good Samaritan and will explore what it means to be a neighbor to the people God places in our midst.

Registration is open for children ages 4 through youth who have just completed grade 6. We are also offering an adult class. Participants will meet friends, hear about the good Samaritan, learn about different countries, sing songs, make crafts and play games. It's going to be a week filled with fun and adventure!

Registration forms are available in the narthex, on the Sunday school bulletin board located near room 16, in the church office and on our website (www.firstlutherancarlisle.org). If you have any questions, would like more information or are interested in helping with VBS, please contact our VBS Co-Directors, Tali Martin (717-422-5596 or tali.martin@alumni.clemson.edu) or Robin Orner (717-249-3310 or secretary@firstlutherancarlisle.org). All volunteers 18 years and older must be approved per our Child Protection Policy.

Come join the fun at VBS!

VBS donations needed!

We are in need of the following items:

- ☺ Artificial trees
- ☺ Big (1-2 ft. in size) stuffed animal pets such as squirrels, turtles, dogs, cats, etc.

These items will be returned following VBS so please make sure to attach your name.

Our VBS Decorations Task Force has begun working to turn Festal Hall into a neighborhood.

Work dates and times will be announced in the bulletins. Come as little or as often as you'd like!

Questions? Contact Tali at 717-422-5596 or Robin at 717-249-3310.



Pastor Belinda Fernandez of our sister parish Divine Redeemer in San Miguel, El Salvador will be ordained into the Lutheran ministry on August 5, 2019.

Pastor Don Seiple and Caroline Shaffer from St. John's Lutheran church in New Kingstown will be travelling to El Salvador on July 29 to attend the ordination service on August 5.

Caroline wrote this wonderful news:

BOTH Belinda and her sister, Cynthia, are being ordained into the Lutheran ministry on 8/5 along with 12 other pastors. The bishop has been working with this group of 14 for two years to prepare them for ministry over and above their seminary studies.

Also, Pastor Seiple kindly agreed to deliver a gift from us to Pastor Belinda. On May 15 the Social Ministry and Global Outreach Committee voted to give a gift of \$500.00 to Pastor Belinda. We thought it would be good to send our congratulatory wishes to Pastor Belinda. **There will be a stand in the narthex with a large tablet for all at First Lutheran to sign your name** (first name is good) and any message you would like to write. Please join in on this very celebratory event in the life of Pastor Belinda and our sister parish Divine Redeemer.

Dear Staff and Members of First Lutheran,

Thank you for the thoughts, prayers and wonderful flowers throughout my recovery progress. This display of community and concern was very touching to both Jacqueline and myself. We are thankful to be surrounded by such a wonderful church family and proud to be part of First Lutheran.

Thank you,
Christian Cook

Thank you for the lovely care package! It was greatly appreciated. I cannot thank you enough for all of your support during my college years. Getting care packages reminded me of how loved I was throughout my time in college.

With love,
Maddy [Staley]



Beginning on Memorial Day and extending through Independence Day, First Lutheran will be displaying its World War II era service banner at the back of the sanctuary. Then as now the banner honors those men and women past and present who served (and died) in defense of our nation. The blue stars represent those congregation members who served during World War II, and the gold stars are for the three individuals who gave their lives in that conflict.

FINE ARTS AT FIRST NEWS

St. Barnabas Center for Ministry

Celebrating 26 years of nurturing the spiritual, social, educational and physical development of children and youth in uptown Harrisburg

April 28, 2019

Fine Arts Committee
First Evangelical Lutheran Church
21 South Bedford St.
Carlisle, Pa. 17013

Dear Donna and the Fine Arts Committee,

On behalf of the Saint Barnabas Center for Ministry and the Saint Barnabas Advisory Board, I would like to thank you for supporting our ministry with the Christyan Seay benefit concert. Your fine arts series is truly a gift to the local communities. The musical programs you offer are really the music of God's Love.

Your gift of \$1408.00 will go directly to the 2019 summer camp program. The approximately 100 campers this summer will experience spiritual nurturing, academic enrichment, physical activities such as swimming, Zumba, hiking and arts and crafts. The teens in the camp will have career exploration opportunities and community volunteer assignments. The camp will be an eight week program 7:30 to 4:00PM daily.

You are always welcome at St. Barnabas. For information contact Carol Witzeman at 7117-763-9276.

Thank you again for your support and best wishes.

In His Service,



Linda Cummings – Corresponding Secretary

St. Barnabas Advisory Board

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Email: saintbarnabas2013@comcast.net

June Worship Assistants

	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30 <i>Men in Service Sunday</i>
8 a.m. service					
Assisting Ministers	Terri Myers	Rich Wood	Chuck Martin	Sandy Kohler	Rich Wood
Bread Bakers	Sarah Niebler	Kathy Brunie	Joan Gitt	Robin Orner	Taylor Miller
Communion Setup/Cleanup	Monica Frederick	Lisa Newton	Terri Myers	Monica Frederick	Lisa Newton
Greeter/Usher	Gary Newton	Sandy Kohler	Sam Simmons	Roger Williams	Mike Luther
Lectors	Sandy Kohler	Amy Baish	Lisa Newton	Terri Myers	Jim Brantner
10:30 a.m. service					
Acolytes	Michael Raphael	Ian Galbraith	Madison Engle	Ainslee Martin	Colton Gillingham
Assisting Ministers	Hope Miller	Sam Orner	Caryn Carr	Hope Miller	Sean Nedimyer
Bread Bakers	Sarah Niebler	Kathy Brunie	Joan Gitt	Robin Orner	Taylor Miller
Communion Assistants	Karen Hollen Janet Jacobs	Caryn Carr Sarah Niebler	Karen Hollen Sandy Jumper	Kathy Hall Don Osborne	Sam Orner Don Osborne
Communion Setup/Cleanup	Debbie Reitzel Ann Roeder	Cindy Allgyer Yvonne Karper	Kathy Brunie Janet Jacobs	Ginny Brennan Elaine Hock	Taylor & Hope Miller
Flower Distribution	Cindy Allgyer	Taylor & Hope Miller	Ann Roeder	Nancy Baish	Bill & Mary Ann Schirmer
Greeters	Elaine Alvarez Jane Ewing	Kathy Brunie Karen Longenecker	Taylor & Hope Miller	Michelle Fisher Sean Nedimyer	Don Fraley Don Grell
Lectors	Ann Roeder	Jered Hock	Sean Nedimyer	Robin Orner	David Raphael
Nursery Duty	Sarah Niebler Robin Orner	Kathy Hall Hope Miller	Kathy Hall Alecia Staley	Jeri Fitzsimons Marsha Lorenz	Cindy Allgyer Nancy Ingram
Head Usher	Ken Egolf				
Ushers	Kathy Brunie Blanche Drumheiser Matt Drumheiser Alecia Staley	Michelle Fisher Don Grell Don Osborne Tara Das (youth)	Cindy Allgyer Steve Hogg Cindy Markle Ruth Osborne	Jered Hock Jessica King Steven King Pria King (youth)	Bob Baker Bill Gillingham David Jones Michael Raphael (youth)



Seely, Seth	6/1
Rugoletti, Sophie	6/2
Brennan, Virginia	6/4
Houtz, Matthew	6/7
Hock, Elaine	6/8
Martin, Madison	6/9
Alexander, Connie	6/10
Mentzer, Susan	6/10
Eshenour, Joan	6/12
Fargus, James	6/12
Brenneman, Orr	6/13
Schirmer, William	6/14
Gentry-Bartko, Mary	6/15
Longenecker, Karen	6/16
Reitzel, Deborah	6/17
Brantner, James	6/19
Croft, William	6/20
Guadalupe, Mariella	6/20
Sharp, Patsy	6/20
Brantner, Evan	6/21
Eshenour, Jodee	6/22
Sheaffer, Evelyn	6/22
Simmons, Suzanne	6/23
Enck, William	6/24
Niebler, Sarah	6/24
Ramond, Darlene	6/24
Drasher, Donald	6/25
Shank, Jill	6/25
Gillingham, Gerald	6/26
Engle, Mark	6/27
Martin, Trena	6/28

CELEBRATING A



Gary & Patricia Shank (52 years)	6/3
William & Jean Burkholder (65 years)	6/6
Rex & Carole Asten (63 years)	6/9
Robert & Kathleen Hall (54 years)	6/26
Ron & Lois Quigley (63 years)	6/30
Donald & Ann Roeder (57 years)	6/30
Sterlen & Evelyn Sheaffer (69 years)	6/30



Ingram, Nancy	6/2	Stuart, Harrison	6/18
Orenyo, Phyllis	6/3	Rahal, Virginia	6/21
Cook, Jacqueline	6/6	Eshenour, Beverly	6/24
Drumheiser, Blanche	6/6	Houtz, Roxanna	6/25
Cozort, Kace	6/7	Ward, Juliet	6/25
Jones, David	6/12	Shank, Nicholas	6/26
Drumheiser, Matthew	6/14	Kreiser, Colby	6/28
Williams, Roger	6/14	Kreiser, Kaylynn	6/28
Culbertson, Callie	6/15	Kreiser, Ryan	6/28
Orner, Robin	6/15	Kauffman, John	6/29
Schirmer, William	6/15	Osborne, Ruth	6/29
Shaffer, Adam	6/16	Koikoi, Gibson	6/30
Hoch, Shelby	6/18		

WITH OUR MEMBERS

FIRST COMMUNION

Gretchen Collins
May 12, 2019

Welcome to Christ's table!

DEATH

John Robert Johnston
birth — February 28, 1931
death — May 12, 2019

✠ *Rest eternal grant him, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon him.*

WEDDING

Bronson Taylor Hoch
Casie Elizabeth Shaulis
May 24, 2019

Congratulations!

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Tali Martin — president@firstlutherancarlisle.org

Church Office Hours:

Monday — Friday

8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch — 12:15-12:45 p.m.

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Sunday Worship:

8 & 10:30 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Sunday Church School



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Check out our website!

www.firstlutherancarlisle.org



Pastor Leber's sermons are posted on our website — so if you miss a Sunday or would like to share a sermon with a friend, visit www.firstlutherancarlisle.org and click on the "Worship" tab and then "Sermons."

Newsletter articles are due by the 15th of each month.