



FIRST EDITION OCTOBER 2018

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

On Sunday, September 23, First Lutheran broke ground on our building project. Representatives from Galbraith/Pre-Design, Marotta/Main, Orrstown Bank and the congregation participated in the brief service which followed 10:30 a.m. worship.

The groundbreaking followed a busy week during which the Borough of Carlisle issued building permits for the project and we closed on our \$1.6 million loan.

INFORMATION ABOUT PARKING AND ACCESS TO THE BUILDING DURING CONSTRUCTION

Beginning Monday, October 1, and throughout construction, weekday and evening access to the building will be via the door on the east end of the Christian Education building (the door nearest Pastor Leber's office). This entrance will not be handicap accessible; however, to make access easier for strollers, deliveries, etc., a temporary ramp will be built over the steps that lead down to the hallway.

A number of spots in our main parking lot will be occupied by fencing and construction materials and vehicles during the project. We ask that folks who can walk longer distances consider parking in the overflow lot off of Liberty Avenue or in the unmetered spots on High or Bedford streets during busy times at church, especially Sunday mornings.

Several interior hallways and areas such as the men's and women's restrooms on the upper level also will be blocked off during demolition/renovation/construction. For your safety, please do not attempt to enter any areas - inside or outside - that have been secured.

Several weeks ago, access from the main parking lot to Liberty Avenue was blocked off. During heavy use of the lot, including Head Start drop-off/pick-up, worship services, funerals, Fine Arts at First concerts, etc., the Liberty Avenue exit will be opened. The exit is one-way out to the alley; traffic may not enter the parking lot from Liberty Avenue at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we are "Building to Serve"!



Groundbreaking on Sunday, September 23

Capital Campaign Update



Capital Campaign Update (as of September 25):

Total pledges/gifts from 102* households: \$617,482
(consists of \$598,855 in three-year pledges/one-time gifts
and \$18,627 unpledged/"as able" gifts given)

Total pledged and unpledged campaign contributions paid: \$222,381

**Includes four (4) non-member households, which made one-time memorial gifts to the campaign.*

Thank you for your continuing generosity to our campaign! A reminder that **special capital campaign offering envelopes are available** in the pew racks, the narthex and in the church office for your use in fulfilling your commitment to *Building to Serve All God's Children* or in making a general donation toward the project. **PLEASE NOTE:** Any contribution included in your regular offering envelope and marked as "capital projects" will go to our annual capital budget, not *Building to Serve All God's Children*.

Lutheran Camping Corporation

At Camps Nawakwa and Kirchenwald this fall:



✠ **October 21 — Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald and Nawakwa**

Return to camp for the afternoon to enjoy fall activities, worship and a picnic supper. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet up with old friends or introduce new folks to camp. An evening meal is included. Event runs from 1-6 p.m. At Kirchenwald enjoy pumpkin painting, canoeing/kayaking, mountain biking, hayrides, hiking and more! At Nawakwa, enjoy pumpkin painting, apple butter boil, hayrides, hiking and more! Deadline to register is October 12. Cost is \$7 per person.

✠ **November 4 — Quilt Auction at Nawakwa**

Join us for this year's Live Quilt Auction and Silent Auction of hand-crafted items. This fun-filled afternoon of bidding raises money for the LCC Endowment Fund, which helps to financially sustain our fine ministry activities. In addition to the auctions, the afternoon is a great time to renew camp friendships, enjoy demonstrations, walk around camp and eat dinner! Deadline to register is October 21.

✠ **November 9-11 — Women's Craft Retreat at Nawakwa**

Try new techniques, share your latest creations and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of camp in the fall. Projects are provided AND you may bring your own to work on. Worship led by Rev. Cindy Brommer. All meals provided. Deadline to register is November 1. Cost is \$145 per person.

For more information or to register for any of these events, check out the camp bulletin board located next to room 16 across from the church office, contact the camping office at (717) 677-8211 or visit www.LutheranCamping.org.

October Worship Assistants

ACOLYTES (10:30 A.M.):

10/7 MaryGrace Harty
10/14 Ian Galbraith
10/21 Ainslee Martin
10/28 Michael Raphael

NURSERY (10:30 A.M.):

10/7 Cindy Allgyer and Robin Orner
10/14 Kathy Hall and Jeri Fitzsimons
10/21 Cindy Markle and Alecia Staley
10/28 Nancy Ingram and Hope Miller

GREETER/USHER

(8 A.M.):

10/7 Sandy Jumper
10/14 Gary Newton
10/21 Roger Williams
10/28 Sandy Kohler

GREETERS (10:30 A.M.):

10/7 Elaine Alvarez and Pam Doney
10/14 Dave and Cindy Jones
10/21 Sam and Robin Orner
10/28 Karen Longenecker and Ethel Simmons

BREAD BAKERS:

(8 A.M.)

10/7 Joan Gitt
10/14 Cindy Jones
10/21 Robin Orner
10/28 Sarah Niebler

(10:30 A.M.)

10/7 Joan Gitt
10/14 Cindy Jones
10/21 Robin Orner
10/28 Sarah Niebler

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

(10:30 A.M.):

10/7 Babette Hoch
10/14 Ann Roeder
10/21 Nancy Baish
10/28 Taylor and Hope Miller

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

(8 A.M.)

10/7 Rich Wood
10/14 Chuck Martin
10/21 Sandy Kohler
10/28 Terri Myers

(10:30 A.M.)

10/7 Caryn Carr
10/14 Sarah Niebler
10/21 Hope Miller
10/28 Sam Orner

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

(10:30 A.M.):

10/7 Michelle Fisher and Taylor Miller
10/14 Karen Hollen and Robin Orner
10/21 Janet Jacobs and Sandy Jumper
10/28 Kathy Hall and Don Osborne

COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP:

(8 A.M.)

10/7 Robin Orner
10/14 Terri Myers
10/21 Lisa Newton
10/28 Robin Orner

(10:30 A.M.)

10/7 Kathie Brunie and Lois Quigley
10/14 Taylor and Hope Miller
10/21 Kathy Hall and Debbie Reitzel
10/28 Ginny Brennan and Ann Roeder

LECTORS:

(8 A.M.)

10/7 Joan Inners
10/14 Lisa Newton
10/21 Terri Myers
10/28 Rich Wood

(10:30 A.M.)

10/7 Hope Miller
10/14 Jay Chestnut
10/21 Michelle Fisher
10/28 Karen Galbraith

USHERS & YOUTH USHERS (10:30 A.M.):

October Head Usher: Ken Egolf

10/7 Jim Brantner, Don Grell, Jered Hock
10/14 Steve Hogg, Cindy Markle, Callie Culbertson (youth)
10/21 Bob Baker, Steve King, Ethel Simmons
10/28 Cindy Jones, David Jones, Roger Williams



BIRTHDAYS

- Koikoi, Gibson..... 10/1
- Henderson, Ryan..... 10/2
- Yocum, Amelia..... 10/3
- Kreiser, James 10/4
- Myers, Terri..... 10/4
- Hoch, Dustin 10/5
- Franklin, Anne..... 10/7
- Roeder, Ann..... 10/8
- Van Orden, Elizabeth..... 10/8
- Carvalho, Garry..... 10/9
- Keck Jr., Lester 10/10
- Massa, Joy 10/10
- Inners, Joan 10/12
- Lewis, Joan 10/15
- Hollen, Karen 10/16
- Swartz, Nancy..... 10/17
- Ramond, Courtney..... 10/20
- Peffer, Nathan..... 10/21
- King, Jessica 10/24
- Pope, Betty 10/26
- Staley, Madelynne 10/26
- Kauffman, John..... 10/28
- Tichnell, Jill 10/28
- Brandt, Carol..... 10/29
- Mulholland, Hunter..... 10/29
- Green, Thomas..... 10/30
- Baker, Louise 10/31
- Berry, Dorene..... 10/31

CELEBRATING A



- John & Judith Kauffman (55 years)..... 10/5
- John & Juliet Ward (59 years)..... 10/31



- Baker Jr., Robert 10/2
- Newton, Gary 10/2
- Stone, Lyla 10/2
- Carvalho, Monica 10/4
- Kreiser, James 10/4
- Shank, Susan 10/5
- Allgyer, Cynthia 10/6
- Nickey, Annette 10/7
- Gillingham, Colton..... 10/11
- Quigley, Lois..... 10/11
- Henderson, Nina 10/13
- Martin, Ainslee..... 10/14
- Newton, Lisa..... 10/14
- Nickey, Robert..... 10/14
- Taylor, Crystal 10/14
- Callahan III, James 10/19
- Ewing, Jane..... 10/19
- Jumper, Steven 10/22
- Eshenour, Bryan 10/29
- Ewing, Colton 10/31

Sunday	Attendance	Offering
Aug. 5	120	\$5,418
Aug. 12	125	\$4,167
Aug. 19	118	\$5,328.10
Aug. 26	141	\$3,517.61

BAPTISM

September 16, 2018

Alayna Annette Rodriguez
daughter of Cassie Mulholland
and Miguel Rodriguez





COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS - SEPTEMBER 2018 MEETING

Received report of the good success of our September 9 rally day and a fine first session of our Sunday School, including our mixed-grade elementary class, which will practice as a cherub choir at least once monthly.

Entered into agreement to host the YWCA Afterschool Homework Club project for the third year, serving neighborhood children weekdays after school.

Heard of plans to close off the Liberty Avenue access of our main parking lot most of every day because of construction, with that access to be open during only drop off and pick up of children in the Head Start program each day.

Approved a Property Committee recommendation to accept the bid of Sage Technology Solutions to replace the sound system in the nave, with the installation timeline to be determined. The cost is \$23,916.09, a savings of more than \$1,000 from the amount approved at last year's annual congregational meeting.

Upon review of her resumé and recommendation by the Personnel Committee, voted to hire Kathryn McCusker as our part-time financial secretary, to succeed Erin McCusker, who is leaving to take a full-time job with the YWCA. Compensation is to be on an hourly basis, with no benefits such as pension or health coverage. Typically, the person in this position works 6 to 8 hours per week.

I just finished updating the nursery schedule for October through December. Our nursery volunteer list is a bit short at this time, which leaves the rest of us being scheduled more frequently. Many of us already do other things during the service on Sundays such as communion assistant, assisting minister and altar guild so scheduling volunteers is sometimes difficult. Two to four new volunteers would allow individuals to be scheduled no more than once every six to eight weeks. Please consider volunteering for this duty. If you have any questions, please call me at 717-574-0313. Thank you. (Nursery volunteers must be "approved adults", with background checks.)



Kathleen Hall, Nursery Coordinator

First Lutheran's Women of the ELCA will be holding its semi-annual rummage and bake sale on

RUMMAGE
SALE

Friday, October 12, 8 a.m. — 2 p.m.

and

Saturday, October 13, 8 — 11 a.m.

Note new times!

Beginning October 2 through October 11, donations may be brought in anytime the church is open.

From Our Archives

PROGRAMME
OF THE
358th ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES
OF THE
REFORMATION
HELD IN THE
First English Lutheran Church of Carlisle, Pa.,
OCTOBER 31st, 1875.

Singing by the Congregation and School

REFORMATION HYMN.

Zion stands with hills surrounded—
Zion, kept by power divine;
All her foes shall be confounded,
Though the world in arms combine;
Happy Zion,
What a favored lot is thine!
In the furnace God may prove thee,
Thence to bring thee forth more bright,
But can never cease to love thee;
Thou art precious in His sight;
God is with thee—
God, thine everlasting light.

Reading of the Scriptures.

PRAYER.

Singing by the School

MY CHURCH! MY CHURCH!

My Church! my Church! my dear old Church!
My fathers' and my own!
On Prophets and Apostles built,
And Christ the corner stone!
All else beside, by storm or tide,
May yet be overthrown;
But not my Church—my dear old Church—
My fathers' and my own!

My Church! my Church! my dear old Church!
My glory and my pride!
Firm in the Faith Immanuel taught,
She holds no faith beside.
Upon this Rock, 'gainst every shock
Though gates of hell assail,
She stands secure, with promise sure,
"They never shall prevail."

My Church! my Church! I love my Church,
For she doth lead me on
To Zion's Palace Beautiful,
Where Christ my Lord hath gone.

From all below, she bids me go,
To Him, the Life, the Way,
The Truth to guide my erring feet
From darkness into day.

Then here, my Church! my dear old Church!
Thy child would add a vow,
To that whose token once was signed
Upon his infant brow:—
Assault who may, kiss and betray,
Dishonor and disown,
MY CHURCH SHALL YET BE DEAR TO ME,
MY FATHERS' AND MY OWN!

QUESTIONING SCHOOL BY THE SUPERINTENDENT.

Singing by the Primary Department.

Address and Description of "Reformation
Tree" by the Pastor.

Singing by the School.

ASK FOR THE OLD PATH.

Ask for the old path; God will make it plain;
Jesus will lead us there;
They who would find it never seek in vain;
He will lead us there.

CHORUS:

When the valley safely we have passed
God will gather us home at last;
Home in the old path gladly we will go;
He will lead us there.

Walk in the old path; never turn aside;
Climb we the rugged hill;
Why should we falter; see our faithful guide;
Leading onward still.

CHO.

Keep in the old path; ever to the right;
Lo! 'tis the King's highway;
Soon will the shadows vanish from our sight,
Lost in perfect day.

Chanting the Lord's Prayer.

BENEDICTION.

CELEBRATION

This special program was for First Lutheran's October 31, 1875, celebration of the 358th anniversary of the Reformation (which was actually on a Sunday that year!). Accompanying the program was a list of 33 basic questions and answers regarding the Reformation itself. Some of the questions are:

1. What event does this day commemorate? *The beginning of the Reformation;*
2. What made the Reformation a necessity? *The errors and wickedness of the Roman Catholic Church;*
29. Why did we accept the name Lutheran? *To show that we are not ashamed of Christ's servant Martin Luther.*



Meetings & Events

- Wed., Oct. 3** — 6:30 p.m. — Worship & Music Committee
- Sat., Oct. 6** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Oct. 7** — 4 p.m. — Youth serve at My Brother’s Table Soup Kitchen
- Tues., Oct. 9** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
- Wed., Oct. 10** — 5:30 p.m. — Property Committee
6:30 p.m. — Stewardship Committee
7 p.m. — Faith Formation Committee
- Thurs., Oct. 11** — 9 a.m. — Rummage Sale Setup
- Fri., Oct. 12** — 8 a.m.-2 p.m. — Rummage & Bake Sale
- Sat., Oct. 13** — 8-11 a.m. — Rummage & Bake Sale
3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Sun., Oct. 14** — 11:30 a.m. — 2nd Sunday Fellowship hosted by Congregation Council
3 p.m. — David Wright and “The Wright Touch” — *Fine Arts at First*
- Tues., Oct. 16** — 6:30 p.m. — Congregation Council
- Wed., Oct. 17** — 8:30 a.m. — FL Volunteers at Project SHARE Distribution
- Sat., Oct. 20** — 7:30 a.m. — Men’s Huddle — *at Momma Spriggs*
12-3 p.m. — Spooky Saturday
3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*
- Tues., Oct. 23** — 9:30-11 a.m. — LWR Quilting Group
6:30 p.m. — Evangelism Committee
- Fri., Oct. 26** — 7:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m. — FL Workday at LWR Warehouse, New Windsor, Md.
- Sat., Oct. 27** — 3-4 p.m. — Tai Chi — *Festal Hall*

**Staff meetings are held every
Wednesday at 1 p.m.**

**The YWCA Afterschool
Homework Club will be meeting
Monday-Thursday, 3:30-5:30 p.m.,
through December 13 (in rooms
17 and 18).**



- ♫ **Bell Choir – Thursdays, 6 – 6:45 p.m.**
- ♫ **Chancel Choir – Thursdays, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**

FINE ARTS AT FIRST

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FINE ARTS AT FIRST

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DAVID WRIGHT AND "THE WRIGHT TOUCH"

In Concert

David Wright and six members of his swing and jazz style dance band, "The Wright Touch" from Washington, D.C. will open the 2018-19 Fine Arts at First Concert Series at First Evangelical Lutheran Church on Sunday, October 14 at 3 p.m.

Vocalist, saxophonist, producer, and bandleader David Wright retired in 1994 as a member of the "President's Own," the United States Marine Band, with more than 20 years of service. During that time, he served six presidents. He was principal bassoonist in the White House Chamber Orchestra and Concert Band. David is the son-in-law of a very proud member of our congregation, Ann Jordan, who serves on the Fine Arts Committee. He and his wife, Dyane, Ann's daughter, operate *Wright Music & Productions* in the D.C. area.

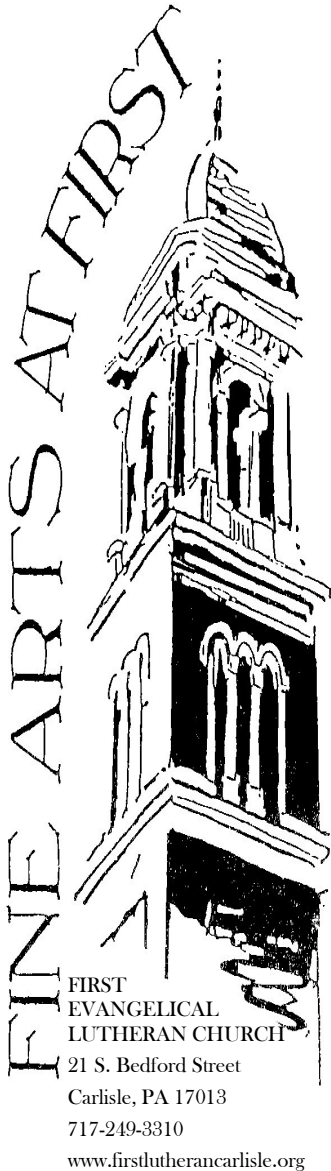
From the White House to the Library of Congress to all the Smithsonian Institution's museums and galleries, "The Wright Touch" has entertained for special events at every major Washington, D. C. venue since the 1980's. David Wright's professional artistry and experience always create a connection with his audience. The ensemble will present a concert from *The Great American Songbook* drawn from its White House dance band arrangements. Each song is introduced with an interesting story and performed with energy and stylistic excellence.

The event is free. A freewill offering will be received, and a dessert reception to greet the musicians and purchase their recordings will be held following the band's performance. Visit www.wrightmusicproductions.com for more information. Join us as we begin our 26th Concert Season!

*O come, let us sing to
the LORD; let us make
a joyful noise to the
rock of our salvation!*

Psalm 95:1





FINE ARTS AT FIRST

presents

APPALACHIAN WIND QUINTET

In Concert

The **Appalachian Wind Quintet** will perform in concert on Sunday, November 4 at 4 p.m. at First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Based in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in Hagerstown, Maryland, the award-winning ensemble is dedicated to presenting woodwind quintet literature from its earliest beginnings in the classical period to the present time. Brief oral program notes throughout the concert will give an enlightening historical context to each composition.

Formed in 1987, the group is known for its superb musicianship, innovative programming, and highest professional caliber. It has commissioned and premiered works by American composers William Bland, Neal Corwell, Wayne Wold, and Mark McCoy to advance new works for wind quintet and has performed a great variety of concerts in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Members of the Appalachian Wind Quintet are flutist Barbara Spicher, oboist Ed Stanley, clarinetist Rick Mogensen, bassoonist Scott Cassada, and French horn player Ed Schupp. Ed Stanley has been a frequent guest oboist at First participating in our worship services, Advent Lessons and Carols, and the First Lutheran 250th Anniversary Celebration Concert in 2015. The concert is free. A freewill offering will be received, and a dessert reception will be held following the quintet's performance. For more information about the ensemble, visit www.appalachianwindquintet.com.

*Praise the LORD, for
the LORD is good;
sing to his name,
for he is gracious.*

Psalm 135:3





CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

ADULT FORUM

The Adult Forum will be continuing with the book/DVD series entitled *Short Stories by Jesus* written by Amy-Jill Levine. This series, which meets in room 16 on the lower level, will run through October 21. The teachers for this course are Jered Hock and Ken Egolf.

Amy-Jill Levine, Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School, offers a new perspective of the parables of Jesus. Each week we will look at a new parable, so feel free to join us when you can. (You don't have to have been in prior classes to fully participate.)

On Sunday, October 28, Pastor Leber will begin a three-week DVD series entitled *An American Conscience: The Reinhold Niebuhr Story*. Please join us in the Martin Luther Room at 9:15 a.m. All adults are welcome!

YWCA Afterschool Homework Club

First Lutheran is providing snacks each Monday for ten weeks this fall for the elementary school students who attend the homework club here. Donors are asked to provide a drink and a healthy snack (pretzels, cereal, granola bars, string cheese, yogurt, fruit, etc. in individual or family size containers) for eight to 15 students. More information and a signup sheet can be found in the narthex.

Donations may be dropped off Sunday morning or brought in no later than 12 noon on your assigned day. Additional donations of items to the YWCA snack pantry are also always welcome and will be used throughout the fall.

Please put donations in the downstairs kitchen clearly marked for YWCA HOMEWORK CLUB. Refrigerated items should be put in the refrigerator on the right. Non-perishable items may be left on the counter.

**RECYCLE YOUR
ALUMINUM CANS
FOR THE HOPE
STATION!**



Bring your aluminum cans to church and help the Hope Station in the process! All cans should be rinsed out. Please remove the pull tab from the tops of the cans as we are collecting these separately for the Ronald McDonald House in Hershey. The cans and the pull tabs should be placed in the designated containers located in the hallway near the church office. Thank you for your support!



GIANT Receipts Collection — October 1-31

Project SHARE will be collecting receipts from GIANT Food Stores in October. Receipts can be for food or gas purchases. Project SHARE will receive \$1 for each receipt collected dated October 1-31 (up to \$5,000). **Collection boxes for GIANT receipts are available in the High Street narthex and in the church office. Receipts must be turned in no later than Thursday, November 1.**

Bible Study — The WELCA bible study group **WILL NOT MEET IN OCTOBER**. It will meet next on Wednesday, November 7 at 9:30 a.m. in room 16.

Lutheran World Relief Ingathering Sunday: October 7 — On this Sunday, all of our quilts, personal care kits and school kits will be blessed during worship. These much-needed items, generously sewn and assembled with donations by First Lutheran members and guests, will then be delivered to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) on our LWR Warehouse workday, October 26, for distribution to those in need. (See article about the workday below.) **Along with our quilts and kits, we hope to send a generous monetary donation to LWR to help cover the costs of shipping these items around the world.** LWR envelopes will be available at worship on October 7; checks should be made payable to First Lutheran Church and marked for the LWR Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund. Please consider giving to this worthwhile organization. Thanks!

Fall Rummage/Bake Sale — Help will be needed on Thursday, October 11, beginning at 9 a.m. to set up for the sale, on Friday, October 12, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. to sell and straighten up and on Saturday, October 13, from 8 a.m. until finished, which will be around noon since we will stop selling at 11 a.m. **PLEASE NOTE NEW HOURS.** You may help as little or as much as you'd like. Men are needed for packing and cleanup on Saturday, but are welcome any day.

Donations of fall and winter items for the rummage sale (clothes, jewelry, shoes, toys, kitchen or household items, tools, decorations, knick-knacks, etc.) are all accepted providing they are in clean and in usable condition. All electrical items should be tested at home prior to donating to the sale. Furniture may be brought to the church after October 2. Please, no wire hangers unless they are on donated items. **NO SKI EQUIPMENT, EXERCISE EQUIPMENT, BABY CRIBS, STROLLERS, SWINGS, CAR SEATS OR ELECTRONIC ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Items are also needed for our bake sale such as pies, cookies, small loaves of breads, fudge, muffins, candies and snack mixes. Please, no store bought items as they do not sell well. Baked goods should be brought to the Festal Hall kitchen on Thursday, October 11, or **very early** Friday morning, October 12. Please label your containers with your name and the name of the item you are donating. We appreciate our bakers for their donations. Thanks!

OCTOBER 26 WORKDAY AT THE LWR WAREHOUSE

On Friday, October 26, we will travel to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in New Windsor, Maryland, to spend the morning preparing LWR kits, blankets, and/or quilts for shipment to those in need.

Our group will depart from First Lutheran's parking lot at approximately 7:15 a.m. and return at approximately 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be in the LWR warehouse cafeteria.

To sign up, please contact Robin in the church office no later than Friday, October 19. Space is limited to 20 persons.



Lutheran World Relief
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

Please give generously on Ingathering Sunday, October 7, to help assure that LWR's work continues throughout the world. LWR envelopes will be available at worship; checks should be made payable to "*First Lutheran Church*" and designated for "LWR Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund."



Students in Nicaragua hold up school kits they received in August 2015.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

As announced last year, Lutheran World Relief (LWR) has ceased offering Equal Exchange coffee, tea and other products which had been ordered and purchased in bulk by First Lutheran for many years. (LWR now offers LWR Fair Market Coffee.) The Social Ministry and Global Outreach Committee has decided to discontinue placing bulk orders, either through Equal Exchange or LWR. Individuals can continue purchasing items through:

- Equal Exchange Coffee/Tea/Chocolates — www.equalexchange.coop/products
- LWR Farmers Market Coffee — www.lwrfarmersmarket.org

Please welcome our newest staff member!

In September, Congregation Council voted to hire Kathryn McCusker to serve as our part-time financial secretary, replacing her daughter, Erin, who served as our financial secretary for three years and is now the business manager for the YWCA Carlisle.

Kathryn has owned and operated a tax accounting practice since 1983, primarily in Cambria County. She purchased a home in Carlisle in 2008 and opened an office here in 2014 when she became an official resident of Carlisle.



Kathryn is in the process of becoming familiar with our software, congregational structure, reporting processes, etc. Due to the limited weekly hours and flexible schedule of this position, it would be a good idea to call into the church office ahead of time if you wish to meet or talk with Kathryn.

Spooky Saturday - Saturday, October 20, 12 noon - 3 p.m.

First Lutheran will be participating again this year in the downtown Carlisle trick-or-treat event known as “Spooky Saturday.” Last year, several hundred children and parents passed through our doors and received candy and information about our congregation. This is a great opportunity to show hospitality to our neighbors.

We will need volunteers to welcome trick-or-treaters and help give out candy on October 20. If you can help for an hour or two between noon and 3 p.m., please let the church office know. Thank you!



Hiking on the Appalachian Trail

Sunday, November 4

11:45 a.m.

Youth grades 3-12 and their families are invited to join us as we hike a portion of the Appalachian Trail on Sunday, November 4. We will gather following the 10:30 a.m. worship service (approx. 11:45) for lunch. After lunch we will bag trail mix for our afternoon snack before heading out to the trail.

Please make sure to bring a change of clothes and your hiking shoes with you! Please call Robin in the church office if you and your family are able to join us!



THANK YOU PASTOR JACOBS

Dear Pastor Jacobs,

The Worship and Music Committee would like to express its sincere thank you for your continuing willingness to participate in our quarterly healing services at First. By your role in assisting Pastor Leber, we are able to offer the laying on of hands and anointing to everyone within our usual one-hour worship service. The services are meaningful and very well-received as demonstrated by almost total participation of our worshippers. We are blessed at First Lutheran Church to be the recipient of your willing and active involvement in our congregation's worship life.

In Christ,
The Worship and Music Committee



Thank You from The Salvation Army

Wow! What a blessing. Your gift to us for our Babylon VBS was amazing. The décor really helped to bring the stories to life. What a great time the children had. Thank you! Most importantly young lives were committed to Jesus.

Yours in Christ,
Major Alma Riley

Thanks to everyone for their prayers, hugs, cards, love and concern this past week [in August] when my father passed. That meant so much, and was truly appreciated.

Cindy Markle & family



The following e-mails were sent between our Sister Parish, Divine Redeemer, in El Salvador and Patty Gillingham, our Sister Parish contact.

On 9/13/2018 Pastor Fernandez wrote:

Dear Patty,



The blessings of our Creator and Savior be with you now and always. We have had many days full of activities, the anniversary of the Bishopric, evaluations, also at the national level, pre-assemblies have been held in each area, some focused to elect the new National Youth Council of our church, and also pre-assemblies to choose Candidates for the new Board of Directors of the Synod at national level of all the regions of the country. In the parish we are organizing our Festival of Independence, alluding to our country El Salvador and we are approaching the day of the children, the General Assembly at the beginning of October and of course the solemn celebration of the Reformation at the eastern zone level and also in The Divine Redeemer. As for the projects, the training does not stop, they continue; As you can see, from the month of January every year, we started the trainings, because since we have the annual approval of the funds by you, locally here, we manage a loan to start, when we receive the funds from you, We cancel the debt and continue. We thank you very much for strengthening our Church and our communities in this way, in which we can also contribute to the development of the person and families.

In this email I share: FINANCIAL REPORT 2017, VOCATIONAL TRAINING

FINANCIAL REPORT, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, MONTHS FROM JANUARY TO JULY 2018.

Without more for the moment, fraternal embraces,

Pastora, Belinda Fernández, Church The Divine Redeemer San Miguel, El Salvador.

On 9/14/2018 Patty Gillingham wrote:

Dear Pastor Belinda,

Wow you sure have been very busy!

Thank you very much for the wonderful pictures of the women making crafts. The crafts and floral arrangements are beautiful! We are so happy to see the women learning a vocation. I will share your pictures with everyone at First Lutheran Church. We are very proud of the ladies and their excellent work.

I see that you are teaching. You learned bakery skills and taught. Now you have learned and teach crafts. Pastor Belinda, thank you very much for all that you do!

We really appreciate all of your work in preparing the financial reports. Obtaining a loan, then cancelling it when you receive the wired funds is an excellent strategy! First Lutheran is happy to help strengthen Divine Redeemer Church and see your church prosper.

Much love and smiles to our brothers and sisters in Christ at Divine Redeemer.

Sincerely, Patty Gillingham



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