



The First Messenger

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Ash Wednesday	February 17
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Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

12:05 PM

Online & In Person Worship

6 PM

Parking Lot Worship Service

(Communion will be included in this service in lieu of the Wednesday Parking Lot Communion Service at 6:15 PM.)

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 Wednesday

Lenten

 SERVICES



February 24 — March 24

12:05 PM

Online & In Person Worship
(RSVP's needed for in person worship
by contacting the church office.)

The online worship can be restreamed at home
anytime it's convenient for you to watch.

Please continue to reach out to the church office via email or phone if you are in need of anything. If you are calling, please leave a message and we will respond ASAP.



PASTOR JOE'S UPDATE

Update from Lead Pastor Joe Skogmo

A message from Pastor Joe:

BREATHE.

You are lovable and you have value *NOT ONLY* when you produce or consume. You are lovable and you have value always, no matter what...because the Creator of the Universe says so.

Be still.

Breathe.

Also, the name God gives Godself in the Old Testament is *YHWH*. An unpronounceable word. It is speculated by some scholars, like Richard Rohr, that *YHWH* is the onomatopoeia of breathing ('onomatopoeia' is a word that *is* a sound – like 'boom' or 'clang'). So, as you take a moment to breathe, you utter the name of God. As you take a moment to breathe, you are praying.

BREATHE.

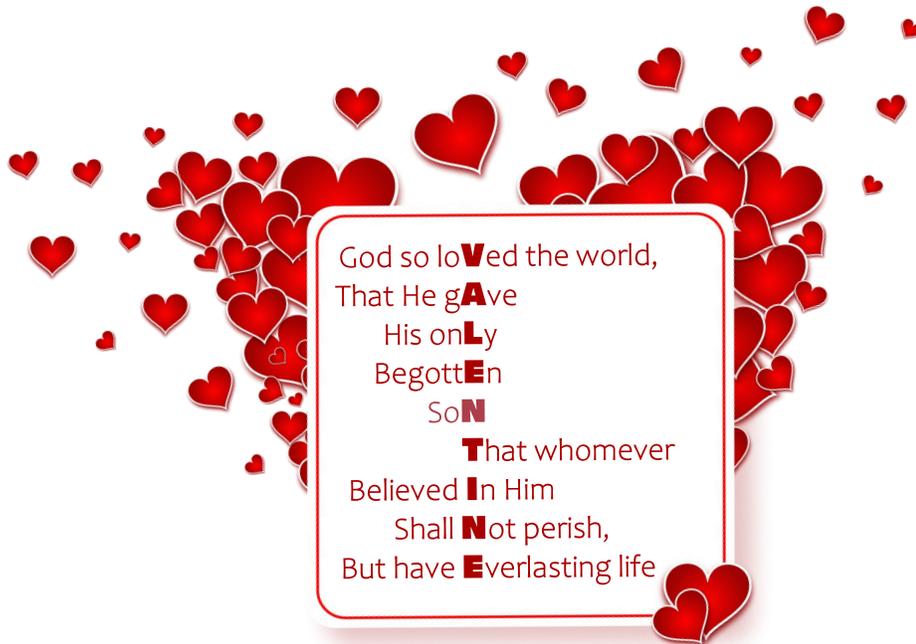
Pr. Joe

LAURYL'S WORD

Update from Pastor Lauryl Ivers, Associate Pastor

This February will be a wonderful month in the church calendar! On February 2nd, we celebrate the Presentation of Our Lord - which I encourage you to read about that day in Luke 2:22-40. Jesus' parents, Mary and Joseph brought him to the Temple, as an eight-day-old baby, for the sacred ritual of presenting him to the Lord, and to the community who were gathered there. Even then, Jesus was recognized as the Messiah, and those who were there spoke with joy and prophecy about him.

On February 14th (Valentines Day), you can read Mark 9: 2-9, to hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration, when his disciples saw him in his full, radiant glory, and heard God's voice say (just as God said at Jesus' Baptism!), "This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him." What a wonderful day for us to celebrate God's love, knowing we, too, are beloved!



On February 17th, we begin the Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday. As ashes are imposed on our foreheads, we turn our hearts to God in repentance and hope, and begin our 40 day (not including Sundays) journey toward Easter, united with Christians all around the world. I encourage reading Isaiah 58:1-12 and Psalm 51. Many Christians adopt a special Lenten discipline to help them focus on walking with Jesus during these 40 days. Disciplines have included fasting on Fridays or Saturdays (and feasting on Jesus' Word -only if that is healthy for you!), reading special Lenten devotionals (we have some of these available in the church office), or doing acts of service for others or the creation, and scheduling a special time with God each day for prayer. In the early church, people who wanted to become members of the Christian church (catechumenates) went through a period of intense teaching about faith during Lent, in preparation for their Easter Baptism, and receiving their first Holy Communion in the church.

This month is a special one for us, as we recognize we have come through a year of pandemic sheltering, grieving for the losses of people we love, things we haven't been able to do, and hardships so many people have faced; and focusing our time on what is important – connecting in new ways with our faith and with each other. Like the early catechumenates, we celebrate what we've learned on this past year's journey, and we can look forward to all that we will learn as we follow our Savior, our beloved, our Lord Jesus.

Remember, too, that YOU are beloved!

Pastor Lauryl

PRESIDENT'S POST

Update from Vision Council President Jackie Buboltz

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As always, our pastors' sermons give me pause to reflect on their message as it relates to my journey and spiritual development. On a recent Sunday, Pastor Lauryl preached that God calls us to a ministry or profession. God knows us, he has given us gifts and talents, he has provided experiences and put people in our path that makes us uniquely qualified for our calling. We must be prayerful, listen and be open to where God is leading us. It may be a nudge or someone else helping us see our calling. But God will answer our prayer to know our calling.

On another recent Sunday, Pastor Joe preached about being called by God can be daunting and overwhelming and yes, joyful. It is an awesome responsibility to realize God's calling but being called is powerful and promising that brings meaning and purpose. Both Pastor Lauryl and Pastor Joe acknowledged that living our calling is not without challenges and troubles. But it is through those challenges and troubles that we grow and call upon our gifts and talents to overcome.

When I was asked to serve on the Vision Council as President Elect, my first thought was no I don't think I want to do that. I thought I was fine going to church, serving as an usher once in awhile, maybe helping in kitchen when I can. I had served as a Sunday school teacher and was on the Vision Council before. I was aware a large part of taking this role would include calling two pastors. Instead of saying no right away, I knew I needed to pray about it. As the pastors preached, it may be a nudge, someone else helping you or a sign that you cannot ignore. Ultimately I agreed to serve and knew that God would not have put this decision in my path if he didn't give me the gifts to do it. And as the pastors preached, answering your calling does not mean there are not challenges. And certainly there have been challenges as President Elect and now President. There has also been joy and seeing the Holy Spirit do amazing things.

I have been blessed to serve with other Council members who have answered their call to serve. Each person on the Council comes with gifts and talents that has made this journey thus far a blessing even amid the challenges. We have come together with courage, compassion and curiosity with God's grace to lead FLC.

Very soon, the Vision Council will begin the process to fill the vacancies of those who will reach the end of their term in June. It is no small task to find people who have the gifts and talents and willingness to serve. Considering Pastor Lauryl and Pastor Joe's recent sermon's, will you prayerfully discern if God is calling you to serve? Will you listen for the nudge of a friend's comment or be open for an unmistakable sign that He has given you the gifts to serve? God will call you if he has given you the gifts and talents to serve. If you are discerning a call to serve, I encourage you to contact me or Steve Schantzen, Council President Elect, to learn more about the responsibilities of the Vision Council.

Yours in service,

Jackie



Pillars

*Ministries that support our pastors and one another
in faith growth through worship and fellowship.*



By, Mackenzie Hamm

Daily Devotional Bible Verse

“Jesus said to him, ‘The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.’” (Matthew 8:20).

Most homeless people have strong feelings of isolation and aloneness. In words and actions, they express a sense that they are somehow less than everyone else, that they are beneath them. So different, so unlovely, so small that not even God can love them.

But Jesus clearly stated that he had no home on earth – *the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head* – not even a foxhole or a bird’s nest. This Scripture is a powerful tool for breaking through to those who, isolated in life due their homelessness, also imagine they are isolated and cut off from God’s mercy, love and compassionate care.

Jesus, our merciful and compassionate Savior, not only lived among us and died for us all; he even lived as a man without a home. A wanderer with no place to lay his head. Here is a King from whom no one need feel isolated! Our Lord and King is the King of the Homeless, too. As we serve those who are lonely, defeated, and in despair, may we always remember whose precious people they are, and share the good news of their King.

Guest devotion by John Howze. John is a Christian author (Let Him Hear Singing, Amazon) who works at a Rescue Mission for the homeless. He is a former journalist and professional communicator, now pursuing his lifelong vocation of service to others.

Current DL Overnight Emergency Shelter Update: We are scheduled to be open for guests February 1st. We are currently helping 2 families and 1 male individual who are homeless here in Detroit Lakes. We have helped 3 other individuals find Shelter in the Fargo Moorhead Area. Thank you for your prayers, donations and monetary donations. You have clothed, fed and sheltered individuals in need and I want to thank you!

Ongoing Shelter Needs: Gas Gift Cards & Local Restaurant Gift Cards are always a need and much appreciated.

Landlords: If you are a landlord and willing to meet with me to talk about shelter individuals who are looking for a second chance, please reach out to me. I am working with Mahube and the guests to help secure long-term homes/apartments for individuals and families.

May you find your spiritual and divine gifts given to you and bless them with the world,

Mackenzie Hamm, Support Ministries [Coordinator](#)

[Acts 2:42](#) ⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. ([Acts 2:46-47](#)).

Dear First Lutheran Church,
Thank you for your faithful support of Churches United. As you may imagine, 2020 was a challenging year for many members of our community. We have seen a 35% increase in the number of new families accessing our food pantries and we have seen an increased need for safe shelter. Your generous gifts have directly helped us meet this need. Every day, we provide food and shelter to

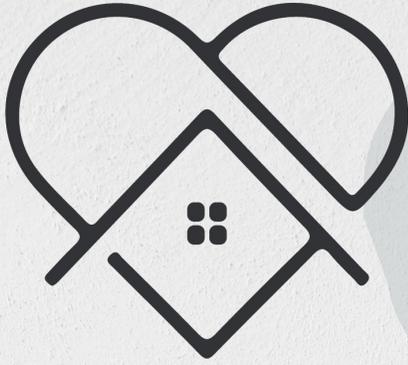
over 450 people. In 2020, we distributed almost 2,000,000 pounds of food. We wouldn't have been able to do this without you! You are making such a difference in the community and you are so important to our mission. For that, we humbly give you our deepest gratitude and sincere thanks. Merry Christmas!

Tim Hiller

Development Director
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OVERNIGHT EMERGENCY

SHELTER

DETROIT LAKES

OPENING 2021 FEBRUARY

First Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes.

AVAILABLE EVERY NIGHT 8PM-8AM

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES:

1st SHIFT

7:30pm to 2:10am

2nd SHIFT

1:50am to 8:30am

If you are interested in serving,
search “Emergency Shelter DL” on Facebook
to find a link to the digital sign up as well as
more information about the shelter.

A zoom training class will be required to serve.

If you are unable to serve we would also appreciate any donations of supplies for the shelter.



Parish Health

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Community COVID-19 Vaccine Pilot Program

As of this writing 2/19/21, it has been announced through the Minnesota Department of Health that Minnesota has entered Phase 1b of the Covid-19 vaccine disbursements. This phase includes:

- Minnesotans aged 65 and over.
- Pre-k through grade 12 educators.
- Childcare workers.

Unfortunately, the number of vaccines does not match the number of people who are eligible to receive the vaccine. Hopefully, we will see this change soon.

The vaccine is available by appointment only. Do not visit a health care provider or vaccination pilot site unless you have a scheduled appointment. More opportunities for vaccination will be coming as the state has more vaccine available.

There will be more information available in the coming weeks. Listen to the news or go online to <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/find-vaccine/index.jsp> to receive this information.

After Getting Your Vaccine

It is very important that you get both vaccine doses, the same product for each dose, and that the doses are given at the correct time apart. The vaccine is only fully effective with both doses of vaccine. It is strongly recommended that you schedule an appointment for your second dose when you get the first dose.

After the second vaccine dose, it takes about two weeks for your body to build up protection, so it is about 6 weeks total from the first vaccine dose to when you should be fully protected. Even after those 6 weeks, the vaccine may be good at preventing people from getting sick, but it is not known yet if people who get the vaccine can still give COVID-19 to others if they get infected with COVID-19.

It is important that we continue to follow all public health guidance to reduce the spread of COVID-19 even after we have received two doses of vaccine. The guidelines continue to be:

- Wear a mask.
- Wash your hands often.
- Stay at least 6 feet away from anyone that does not live with you.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Get tested for COVID-19 when needed.
- Follow quarantine and isolation requirements.

Blood Donations Needed!! There is a national shortage of blood currently. Please consider donating if you are able. You can schedule a donation through Vitalant in Fargo at www.vitalant.org or by calling 877-258-4825. You can also schedule through the Red Cross at www.redcrossblood.org.

Walking Program Do you like to walk? The Arthritis Foundation, through the Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging, is offering a program called; **Walk With Ease**. This is a program that is designed to help those with forms of Arthritis and Fibromyalgia but would benefit anyone. It is a 6-week program that we will start in March. The walking can be done indoors, outdoors, or on a treadmill. Watch for more information in the March newsletter and future bulletins! Call Denise if you have questions about the program. I am hoping to have a group to walk with (even if virtually). Please join me, it will be fun!

iPads We still have iPads available for people to use. They are already set up to easily view a church service and to communicate with friends and family. It is literally as easy as pushing a couple buttons to view a service or talk with a loved one. Please contact Denise if you are interested or have questions regarding the use of an iPad.



In-person worship is back for the **10:45 AM Sunday worship services!** We will resume Sunday, January 31st.

Our Restart Team has discerned that we can confidently and safely resume our limited capacity in-person worship service with safety guidelines in place (masks, socially distanced, etc.). Please RSVP through the weekly update, the website, or by calling the church office. To reiterate, these in-person Sunday worship opportunities are for the 10:45 AM services. Our 8:30 AM services will continue to be live stream only.

We have also made a decision about Ash Wednesday worship services (Wednesday, February 17th) and the worship services for Wednesdays in Lent.

On **Ash Wednesday** we will be offering an in-person worship service at 12:05 PM, and then a parking lot worship service at 6:00 PM (both services will be live streamed). We ask that you RSVP for these services as well.

For subsequent **Wednesdays in Lent** (through March 24th), we will continue in-person worship opportunities on Wednesdays at 12:05 PM (again, please RSVP). That service will be live streamed and recorded so it is available to watch on Wednesday evenings.

We will NOT be having additional in-person or live streamed services on Wednesday evenings in Lent. We have made this decision because we are soon returning to in-person Children's and Youth Ministry activities on Sundays and Wednesdays, and are prioritizing their use of the church building (a message from Emma and Maddie on this return is forthcoming). Additionally, we want to continue to make the sanctuary available to the Worship Team who rehearses and records on Wednesday nights.

This is the most widely-open phase of in-person church activities and ministries in a long time! We are excited about this despite having to navigate a number of different priorities and spatial uses. As always, thank you for your patience and your grace as we do our best to be church together in ways that are safe, faithful, and loving.

A message from Becker County Public Health:

While many people are eager to get the COVID-19 vaccine, the supply nationwide is still limited. At this time, Becker County Public Health does not have vaccine to give to the general public. Per the initial vaccine phase for Minnesota, we are completing first and second vaccine doses for priority groups.

The State of Minnesota has opened vaccine administration to those 65 and older as well as prekindergarten through grade 12 educators, school staff, and childcare workers with nine pilot vaccination sites around Minnesota, including Andover, Brooklyn Center, Fergus Falls, Marshall, Mountain Iron, North Mankato, Rochester, St. Cloud and Thief River Falls. The Minnesota Department of Health is taking appointments for the pilot vaccine sites online or by phone. On a weekly basis, they will reopen registration each Tuesday. See more at www.mn.gov/vaccine or by calling 612-426-7230 or 1-833-431-2053. This community vaccination pilot program will be the foundation for mass vaccination clinics in Minnesota communities once the federal government increases vaccine supply.

In the months ahead, Becker County will follow guidance from federal and state officials regarding when each priority group should be given the vaccine. We will post updated vaccine information at our COVID-19 web page at https://www.co.becker.mn.us/dept/public_health/covid19_vaccine.aspx

Thanks for your patience as we wait for more vaccine and wider access for everyone.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.
Becker County



Youth Ministry News

By, Maddie Hanson



Virtual Confirmation – Our Confirmation youth will remain virtual through the month of February. We have our weekly meetings on Zoom and these have been going really well. We’ve dug into some new topics and are having great conversations! We are taking the steps to possibly move to a hybrid model of in person Confirmation classes sometime this spring. More information to come as we plan and prepare. Thank you all for your patience and understanding during this difficult time we are in.

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Valentine Word Search

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| ADMIRER | ENAMORED |
| ADORE | ENDEARMENT |
| AFFECTION | ENVELOPE |
| AMOROUS | FEBRUARY |
| ANGEL | FLAME |
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| BELOVED | FLOWERS |
| BOUQUET | FONDNESS |
| CANDY | FRIEND |
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Children's Ministry

By, Emma Duncan

AS WE ENTER INTO FEBRUARY, WE HAVE MANY EXCITING THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO!



Please watch for emails from Emma about "In Person" Faith Formation opportunities coming in March and April! We are planning to have small groups meet once a month in the Rec room. We will separate by families! I am so excited to get some face-to-face time with our amazing kids!! If this is something you are excited about and want to be a part of, we need you to register on the Children's Ministry Page on FLC's website so that we can have accurate numbers when separating the weeks up. Registration will close on February 14th, that way I can let families know what weeks they are invited to come in person!



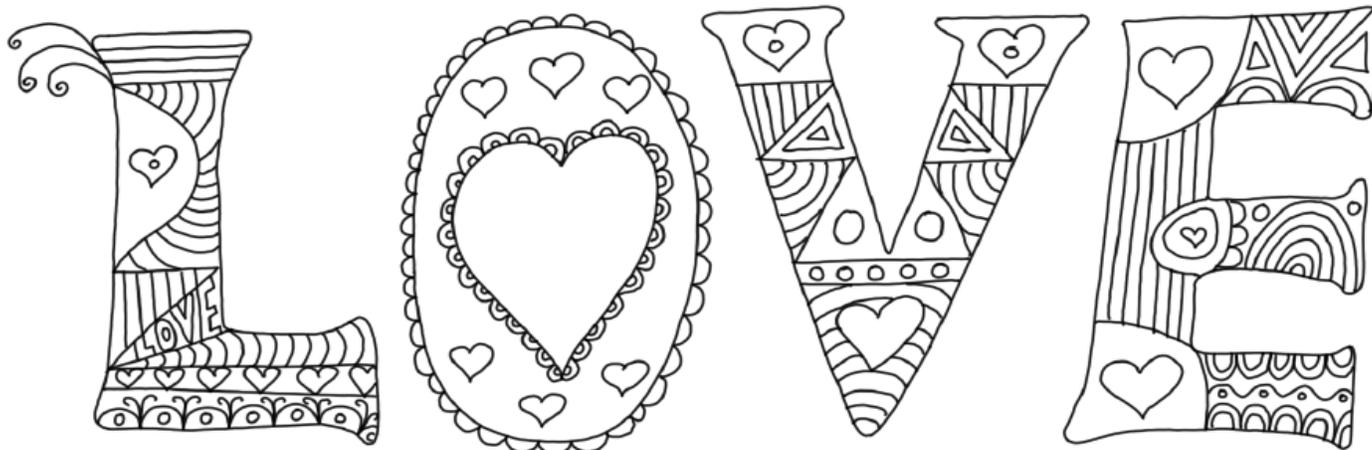
If you are a 5th grader this year, we are going to start our 5th Grade First Communion Classes on Ash Wednesday, which is February 17th at 7:00pm in the Dining Room at FLC!

Each 5th grader is required to have 1 parent or guardian with them for each class. Masks and distancing will also be mandatory.

If you are a 5th grader and don't feel comfortable meeting in person, I will be offering a separate zoom class as an online option.



We will NOT be having a Vacation Bible School this summer, 2021. Luther Crest has decided not to do any Day Camps this summer due to Covid-19. BUT if your child wants an opportunity to dive into their faith while having an amazingly fun time, please check out the summer camp options that we recommend on the Children's Ministry Webpage! Luther Crest, Pathways and Camp Cherith all offer amazing camping experiences! Since we cannot have a VBS here this summer, I am urging you to look into a summer camp option! The Children's Ministry Program also offers a scholarship of \$50 per child to those who register at any of these 3 camps, we just need a copy of your registration confirmation.



The Link

Update from the Women of First Lutheran Church—Written by Norma Smith

“ LOVE IS LIKE A BUTTERFLY:
IT GOES WHERE IT PLEASURES
AND PLEASURES WHEREVER IT GOES”



-Author unknown.

This inspirational quote is from my calendar. Where is your love going this Valentines Day? Circles will be sending greetings to their honorary members, and hopefully you all have prepared Valentines to Veterans (drop them in the tub at the back door of church). Of course you all will remember your loved ones, your grandchildren and some friends. Will you remember someone who lives alone and is lonely, someone who needs a “little boost of love”?

Before I write again we will be into Lent, the time of year to reflect on our walk with Jesus, searching our hearts to be better able to serve Him. Adjusting our attitudes, maybe working on a grudge. Whatever burdens we have God will help us through. This year I am going to make more layettes and I do hope they can be sent. Some are working on quilts at home maybe someone is doing Personal Care kits, with all the disasters in the world I am sure they are all very much needed.

I do not have any information about World Day of Prayer but will let you know when it becomes available.

Even though a month has passed since New Years I want to share a poem with you that I got from a friend----



RECIPE

RECIPE NAME **A Recipe for a Happy New Year**

PREP TIME 0 Hrs

FROM THE KITCHEN OF **Norma Smith**

TOTAL TIME 8760 Hrs

INGREDIENTS & DIRECTIONS:

Take twelve fine, full-grown months; see that these are thoroughly free from old memories of bitterness, rancor and hate, cleanse them completely from every clinging spite; pick off all specks of pettiness and littleness; in short, see that these months are freed from all the past—have them fresh and clean as when they first came from the great storehouse of time. Cut these months into thirty or thirty-one equal parts. Do not attempt to make up the whole batch at one time (so many persons spoil the entire lot this way) but prepare one day at a time.

Into each day put equal parts of faith, patience, courage, work (some people omit this ingredient and so spoil the flavor of the rest), hope, fidelity, kindness, rest (leaving this out is like leaving the oil out of the salad dressing—don't do it), prayer, devotions, and one well-selected resolution. Put in about one teaspoonful of gratefulness, a dash of fun, a pinch of humbleness, a sprinkling of play, and a heaping cupful of good humor.

Bake with God's mercy and grace, set time for Jesus each day, Serve with love and humility."

Blessings to each of you.
Norma Smith

Update From Trinity Hope



News from Trinity HOPE

This is one of a series of articles which we make available each month to keep our supporters informed about our activities. Trinity HOPE, a not-for-profit charitable organization, raises funds and administers feeding programs that provide a noon meal for the hungry children who attend our schools in Haiti where the Good News of Jesus is shared daily.

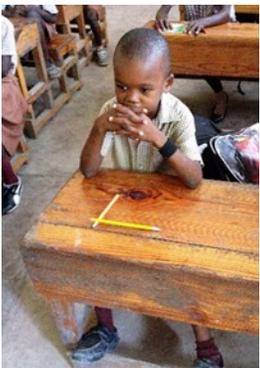
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Education – A Weapon for Change

By Keith Logan, Executive Director

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” Those are the words of Nelson Mandela and they are so relevant for the future of Haiti. Where close to half of the adult population remains illiterate, change is critical in this country of 11-million people. That change must start with educating the next generation, with close to 40% of their population being under the age of 14 (compared to approx. 21% in the U.S.). Haitian parents must value education and strive for their children to stay in school. It is especially important for those parents that do not have an education themselves to understand this reality.



Haitian schools teach the children far more than just reading, writing and arithmetic. With many of the children living in remote, isolated areas, the school setting teaches them social skills, leadership, and how to work well with others. In addition, a very large number of the schools throughout Haiti are directly associated with a local church, therefore teaching them the Good News of Jesus Christ. This equips the children to battle the influence of Voodoo, a very prevalent and dangerous problem in their communities. As the great philosopher Aristotle wisely said, “Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.” The combination of academic learning, social development, and Biblical truths fully prepare the child to become a future asset to their country.

However, if a child is malnourished or has not eaten recently, the learning process often falls on deaf ears. For that, God created the ministry of Trinity HOPE. Through the dedicated support of their many donors, Trinity HOPE now provides a nutritious noon meal to over 33,500 children, teachers and cooks *every school day* in 160+ Christian schools throughout Haiti. In addition, by continued blessings provided by God, Trinity HOPE plans to add another 8,000 – 10,000 children to their feeding programs over the next 6 months. This meal is a tremendous incentive for parents to find a way to send their children to school, and helps the child better learn and retain their lessons. If you would like to help Trinity HOPE change the country of Haiti one bowl of beans and rice at a time, please visit our website at www.trinityhope.org, or call 615-394-4950 to learn more. Thank you for your support in 2021, and God’s Blessings on your New Year.





FLC acknowledges with grateful appreciation these memorials which have been received this past month.

AGAPE FUND

In Memory of: Henry Fischer
Given by: Tallack & Janice Johnson

FLOWERS FUND

In Memory of: Carol , Sister of Angie Sonstegard
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Given by: Jim & Diane McCormack

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In Memory of: Hank Fischer
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In Memory of: Howard Dutton
Given by: Ardys Horner

In Memory of: Meta Thompson
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GENERAL FUND

In Memory of: Mavis Larson
Given by: Edna Mae Pearson

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In Memory of: David Kaldahl
Given by: Laverne & Judy Maxwell
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KITCHEN FUND

In Memory of: Howard Dutton
Given by: Wayne & Jean Benson

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In Memory of: David Kaldahl
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In Memory of: Shirley Lund
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In Memory of: James E & Marie Larson
Given by: Delyle & Sandi Willprecht

In Memory of: Dave Kaldahl
Given by: Marlys Douglas

Given by: Laurie Fong

In Memory of: Howard Dutton
Given by: Fern Brown

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PARKING LOT COMMUNION SERVICES

Drive-Up Holy Communion opportunities will be continuing in February. Drive-Up Holy Communion is offered at 10:00 AM on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and at 6:15 PM on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month! RSVPs are appreciated, but not necessary to attend.

With these additional communion offerings, comes the need of more volunteers. Parking Lot Communion Assistants are needed to distribute communion to cars. The time commitment would be about 30 minutes. Please sign up to help by emailing Mackenzie at Mackenzie@firstlutheranchurch.com.

February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 5:00p Al Anon, Library 5:30p Restart Team Mtg	2 9:00a Office Staff Mtg 9:00a AA (Chapel) 5:00p Crisis Center Mtg, Zoom	3 6:00p Worship Team Rehearsal 6:15p Drive Thru Communion 6:45p 6th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:15p 7th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:45p 8th Grad Conf, Zoom 8:15p 9th Grad Conf, Zoom	4 7:30a Women's Bible St, Lib 11:00a Worship Planning Com	5 12:00p AA, Chapel 12:00p Prayer Team	6
7 Sunday Schedule <i>Communion</i> 8:30a Traditional Online Wshp 9:30a Children's FB Live 9:45a Confr Class, via Zoom 10:00a Drive Thru Communion 10:45a Contemporary Worship	8 5:00p Al Anon, Library	9 9:00a Office Staff Mtg 9:00a AA (Chapel) 5:00p Crisis Center Mtg, Zoom	10 6:00p Worship Team Rehearsal 6:45p 6th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:15p 7th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:45p 8th Grad Conf, Zoom 8:15p 9th Grad Conf, Zoom	11 7:30a Women's Bible St, Lib 11:00a Worship Planning Com	12 12:00p AA, Chapel 12:00p Prayer Team	13
14 Sunday Schedule <i>Valentine's Day</i> 8:30a Traditional Online Wshp 9:30a Children's FB Live 9:45a Confr Class, via Zoom 10:45a Contemp Worship Svc	15 President's Day <i>Church Office Closed</i> 5:00p Al Anon, Library 5:30p Restart Team Mtg.	16 9:00a Office Staff Mtg 9:00a AA (Chapel) 5:00p Crisis Center Mtg, Zoom	17 Ash Wednesday 12:00p Ash Wed. Worship 6:00p Worship Team Rehearsal 6:15p Drive Thru Communion 6:45p 6th Grade Conf, Zoom 6:00p Ash Wed. Park Lot Wshp 7:15p 7th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:45p 8th Grad Conf, Zoom 8:15p 9th Grad Conf, Zoom	18 7:30 a Women's Bible Sty, Lib 11:00a Worship Planning 12:00p Exec Council, Library	19 12:00p AA, Chapel 12:00p Prayer Team	20
21 Sunday Schedule <i>Communion</i> 8:30a Traditional Online Wshp 9:30a Children's FB Live 9:45a Confr Class, via Zoom 10:00a Drive Thru Communion 10:45a Contemporary Worship	22 5:00p Al Anon, Library	23 9:00a Office Staff Mtg 9:00a AA (Chapel) 5:00p Crisis Center Mtg, Zoom 5:30p Vision Council, Zoom	24 12:05p Lenten Worship 6:00p Worship Team Rehearsal 6:00p Online Worship Restream 6:45p 6th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:15p 7th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:45p 8th Grad Conf, Zoom 8:15p 9th Grad Conf, Zoom	25 7:30 a Women's Bible Sty, Lib 11:00a Worship Planning	26 12:00p AA, Chapel 12:00p Prayer Team	27
28 Sunday Schedule <i>Healing Service</i> 8:30a Traditional Online Wshp 9:30a Children's FB Live 9:45a Confr Class, via Zoom 10:45a Contemporary Worship	1 5:00p Al Anon, Library 5:30p Restart Team Mtg, Zoom	2 9:00a Office Staff Mtg 9:00a AA (Chapel) 5:00p Crisis Center Mtg, Zoom	3 6:00p Worship Team Reh. 6:00p Online Worship Restream 6:15p Drive Thru Communion 6:45p 6th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:15p 7th Grade Conf, Zoom 7:45p 8th Grad Conf, Zoom 8:15p 9th Grad Conf, Zoom	4 7:30a Women's Bible Sty, Lib 11:00a Worship Planning	5 12:00p AA, Chapel 12:00p Prayer Team	6



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