

things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”



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We continue to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, Christ's gift into our lives that we may share the love of Jesus. If you are a first time visitor, please let an usher know as we have a special gift for you! We would also like to invite you to sign our guest book (and/or a lime green slip found in the pew) and we hope you worship with us again. Thanks for being here!

FAMILY PATHWAYS

Thank you to everyone who brought in canned corn over the past few weeks! We were able to deliver over 100 cans! The collection bin is located by the usher stand on the table under the mailboxes; Family Pathways always welcomes food donations.

HEARING DEVICES

are available to assist with hearing. Please ask an usher and they will be happy to get you one!

QUILTERS meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30am. No experience needed! We invite you to join us!

SARAH CIRCLE meets the first Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to come.

Sarah Circle is in need of crib size quilts.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Wendy Szczepanski
Craig Loen
Becky Hulden

Miriam Flysjo
Rose Anderson

Next Council Meeting

December 8th

CALENDAR

(www.tflutheran.org for full calendar)

Sun Nov 24

9a - Worship
10:15a - Fellowship
10:15a - Confirmation Class

Tues Nov 26

9a - Staff Meeting
7p - Choir Practice

Wed Nov 27

7p - Thanksgiving Ecumenical
Worship at First Baptist

Thurs Nov 28

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sat Nov 30

2-4p - Getting Ready for Jesus
at FELC
4:30p - Choral Vespers at
United Methodist Church

Sun Dec 1

9a - Worship
10:15a - Fellowship
10:30a - Decorate the Church

UPCOMING EVENTS!

◆ **SNOW PLOWING** As many of you know, we've been very blessed to have Bruce Carlsted plow our church parking lot for years, but with his current injury, we will be in need of a replacement for this winter. Are you available to help with plowing or know of someone who could? Please talk to someone on council if you have questions or can offer your services! Thank you!

◆ **THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE** will be held at the First Baptist Church on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00pm.

◆ **CHORAL VESPERS** will be singing at an ecumenical service of readings, familiar Christmas carols to sing and songs by the community-wide chorus. Free-will offering.

◆ **BOOK STUDY** at the Lodge continues on Wednesdays noted below at 10:30am. We

are reading Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church views Racism by Drew Hart. Call the office for a copy of the book. Look for us in the sunroom! December Dates: 4, 11, & 18

◆ **GETTING READY FOR JESUS** is a MiChiLu event that will be hosted by our church the weekend of the Lighting Festival, Saturday, Nov 30th from 2-4pm. Our church will offer coffee, cider, hot cocoa & cookies. If you are interested in helping by donating one of these, please let Angie know. We are also looking for nativity sets along with a short history of your set; these will be set up around the church for visitors to look at. Please talk to Wendy if you have a set that you are able to bring in for the event! There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board—we invite you to check it out!

◆ **MARK YOUR CALENDARS** We will be decorating the church for the Christmas season after church on Sunday, December 1st.

◆ **DECEMBER STEEPLE FUNDRAISER** will be hosted by Joy & Dennis Buccholtz on Sunday, December 8th downstairs during fellowship hour. Please join us for worship at 9am and come down for a warm breakfast. Free will donation.

Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Psalms 46

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all