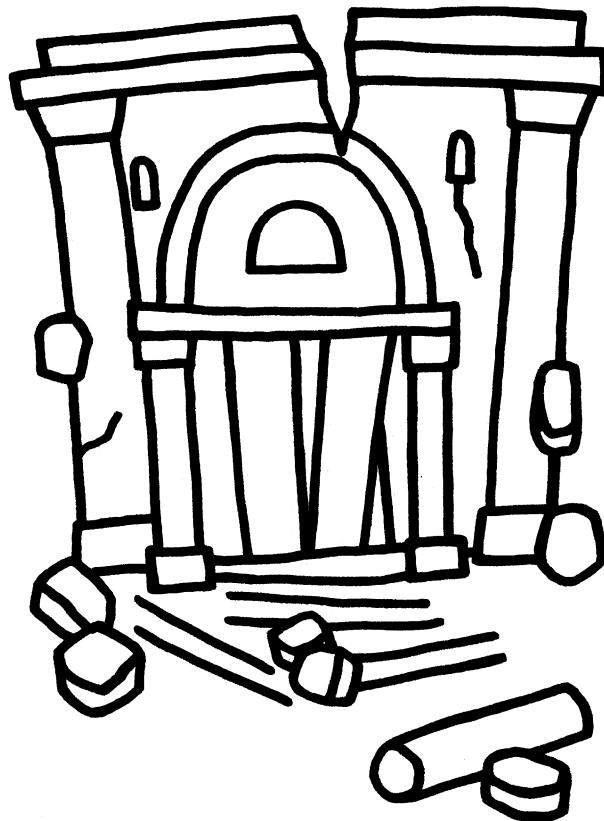


**November 17, 2024  
Contemporary Worship  
9:00 AM**



**First Evangelical Lutheran Church  
19419 Royalton Road  
Strongsville, Ohio**

**Mission Statement**  
*Living God's love through our devotion to  
service, worship, and one another.*

**Good Morning!  
If you are a visitor today,**

**Welcome!**

**Sunday Schedule for Next Week, 11/24/2024**

Contemporary Worship at 9:00 AM

Sunday School at 10:15 AM

Traditional Worship at 11:15 AM

To contact the Church, call the office at 440-238-7890

or email [firstchurchalive@hotmail.com](mailto:firstchurchalive@hotmail.com)

Secretary Office Hours are Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9 AM - Noon

Pastor Kathy - 440-666-8758 or [revklk@gmail.com](mailto:revklk@gmail.com)

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Don't forget that if you ever have any questions or concerns,  
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Music

Welcome and Announcements

Song:

*"All Because of Jesus"*  
*"Diamonds"*

Prayer

Lesson:

Mark 13:1-8

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Jim Kulma

Song:

*"I Believe"*

Offering

Prayers of the Faithful

Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song:

*"I am Free"*

Dismissal

Music

# PRAYERS

## Hospitalized/Home and Recuperating

Susie Siebert, Mark Schultz, Don McKelvey, Karil Piskur, Claudia Lenarz  
Clark Buckley

## Military Members

Austin Holley, Deacon Nemet

## Stephen Ministry Team

Maureen Harris, Sam Reichert, Becky Piper, Beth David, Pat Sauernheimer, Pam Simpson, Marsha Ginley, Phil King, and Bob Strong

## On-going Prayers

Natalie David, Peter Mazzeo, Linda Stanley, Abbey Uline, Nighman Family, Heidi Balicki, Dianne Mosley, Tia (Simpson) Russell, The Fox Family, Ron and Joanne Cvelbar, Cheryl Mooney, Elaine, Rob Shoens, Connie, Michael Otto, Jessica Walsh, Sue Widdows, Wanda Woods, Stephania, Susan Bodovetz, Carol Rosenblum, Dennis Beckman, Bonnie Bailey, Bruce Piper, Josh, Cynthia, Sara, Dennis Bailey, Darlene Cassidy, Carrie Deal, Norma Cubano, Curt Kowalewski, Sarah Franko, Bill Bartkus, Jim Taylor, Sue Sutton, Chelsea, Erica Kaminski, Jeanette Paus, Matt & Pat

## Homebound

Mary Jane Knaack, Thelma Taylor, June Beck, Marj Wilder, Audie Kiplinger, Sheryl Clark, Ron and Mary Jane Warzel

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MILITARY PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know someone in the military serving our country, we want to include them in prayer. Please scan the QR code or go to [bit.ly/FLCMilitaryPrayers](http://bit.ly/FLCMilitaryPrayers) to add them to the list



## NEW STEPHEN MINISTERS – CONTINUED PRAYERS REQUESTED

The Stephen Ministry team needs your continued prayers for guidance, patience, and confidence as we move forward in the training phase of this amazing ministry.

## 2025 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Our 2025 Stewardship Campaign, Living (and Giving) God's Love, culminated last Sunday. There is still time to complete your Intent Card and return it to the church. The easiest way to do that is online. Using the QR or the link here. <http://bit.ly/32ThyWr>

It is critical to completing our planning for 2025 that we have an indication of everyone's support as quickly as possible.



We are excited to report that, of those returning their Intent Cards already, over 80% have indicated they will be INCREASING their giving in 2025! Won't you prayerfully consider joining them as together we accomplish our goals in the new year? Thank you.

## ONLINE GIVING OPTION

Due to requests for people to have the option to give their offering electronically, we are providing a QR code to allow anyone who would like to give electronically



SCAN ME

## IT HELP NEEDED

We are in need of someone to assist with troubleshooting some issues we are having with our printer and WIFI connection. If your day job is in the IT field and you can help, please contact the office at [firstchurchalive@hotmail.com](mailto:firstchurchalive@hotmail.com)

## WATOTO CONCERT

Come join us on Tuesday, November 19th at 7 PM as the Watoto Children's Choir sings, dances, and shares their stories of restoration and hope. This is a free concert that features music from their new album, "Better Days—There Is Hope." We can't wait to see you there!

## **HARVEST MONTHS BEGINS HAS BEGUN!**

Please bring in donations of non-perishable food items for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. The baskets will be donated to individuals and families in need within our community. We will also accept monetary donations to help fill the baskets with perishable items and provide a complete holiday meal for those less fortunate. Envelopes marked "Food Baskets" are available on the Welcome Center and can be placed in the basket or offering plate. Special Note: We need frozen turkeys for the Thanksgiving baskets. Turkeys can be dropped off in the freezer located in the Kitchen next to the fellowship hall. Volunteers will be needed to pack the food baskets on Tuesday, November 26th and at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet located on Welcome Center. Contact Reiner [reindogger@outlook.com](mailto:reindogger@outlook.com) Call or text: 440-724-8897. *Save the Date: The Christmas basket packing will be on December 20th.*

## **DRIVERS NEEDED**

4 or 5 DRIVERS NEEDED on Friday Nov 22<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to pick up food in Elyria for our Thanksgiving food baskets and bring it back to the church. If interested and available, please contact Reiner Mueller at [reindogger@outlook.com](mailto:reindogger@outlook.com) or call/text 440-724-8897.

## **PANCAKE AND PJ'S VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We need volunteer to welcome the community in to our church to begin the Christmas Season. Please use the QR code or link

<https://bit.ly/SantaPancakes25> to let us know when you can help on the following dates: Thursday, November 21st -6:00 PM -8:30 PM, Sunday, November 24th - 11:00 AM -1:00 PM, Wednesday, December 4th - 3:30 PM- 8:00 PM, Thursday December 5th - 3:30 PM - 8:00 PM, Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> - Time TBD



## **CHRISTMAS TREES AND LIGHTS NEEDED**

Pancakes and PJ's are looking for Used artificial Christmas trees and working Christmas lights to be donated or "borrowed" for their event. Please clearly label the items you would like returned. Leave those items in the fellowship hall. Questions: Maureen Shorts, 440-725-0445 or [shortstuff3@gmail.com](mailto:shortstuff3@gmail.com)

## **PANCAKES AND PJ'S – JOIN US**

Christmas is coming and Santa has scheduled a stop at First Lutheran Church in Strongsville for a Pancake Dinner on Friday, December 6th from 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM. Tickets are \$18.00 for anyone 2 and up and \$5.00 for children under 2. Please use the link for more information or to purchase tickets: <https://bit.ly/santapjs24>



## **YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

This week we begin practice for our Youth Christmas Program that we be performed at a Single Worship Service on Sunday, 12/15 at 10 AM. All youth are invited to participate. Please use the QR Code or link to register to participate.

<https://bit.ly/24YChristmasprogram>



## **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**

This year, we are updating the Christmas decorations in the church. We will need help changing the ornaments and bows that are attached to the garlands and wreaths that hang throughout the church. We have scheduled two work parties to make these changes: Monday, November 18, 7 PM - 9 PM; Wednesday, November 20, 7 PM -9 PM. We are also planning on decorating the church for Christmas! Saturday, November 30 from 9 AM - 11:30 AM. Scan the QR code or use the link <https://bit.ly/24SanctuaryDecorate> to volunteer





**The Altar Flowers are given to the  
Glory of God by  
The Harris Family – for the Glory  
of God**

**Last Week's Attendance**  
**9 AM - 67**  
**11:15 AM - 37**  
**Online -**

**Thank you to the following  
volunteers:**

**Reader**

Jennifer Paine

**Ushers**

Bob Strong & Sue Ludwig

**Communion Assistants**

Jennifer & Jonathan Paine,

Pam Simpson

**Counters**

Reiner Muller, Pierre David,

Sandy Treudler

**Altar Guild**

Barb Krueger, Jackquie McLemore

Shelley Hoffman

**Communion Bread Baker**

Bonnie Bailey

## **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**Monday, 11/18**

AA – 8:00 PM

Confirmation 7 PM – 9 PM

**Tuesday, 11/19**

Watoto Concert 7 PM

AI Anon - 7:00 PM

Toastmasters - 7:00 PM

**Thursday 11/21**

Council Meeting - 6:30 PM

Pancakes and PJ's Work Party

6PM- 8:30 PM