

October 27, 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, 11/03/2024

Sunday School at 9:00 AM

Blended Worship at 10:00 AM

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

or email firstchurchalive@hotmail.com

Secretary Office Hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 to 12:00 PM

Pastor Kathy - 440-666-8758 or revklk@gmail.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Don't forget that if you ever have any questions or concerns,
you may contact your Council representatives:

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Music

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship Temple Talk

Becky Piper

Call to Worship

Song

"From the Day"

Prayer

Song:

"Ancient Words"

Lesson:

Romans 3:19-28

Children's Sharing Time

Sermon

"Reformation"

Song:

"Deep Down"

Offering

Prayers of the Faithful

Blessing of the Meal

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song:

"This is Amazing Grace"

Dismissal

Music

PRAYERS

Birth in the Family

The bud vase on the Altar is to celebrate the birth of Eleanor Preston's great grandchildren, Sadie Preston- August 15th, Oliver King – August 25th, Preston Mills – October 15th

Hospitalized/Home and Recuperating

Susie Siebert, Mark Schultz

Military Members

Austin Holley

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Maureen Harris, Sam Reichert, Becky Piper, Beth David

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, Deb Wise, Elaine, Jim Cochran, Rob Shoens, Sue Naypauer, 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, Karil Piskur, Jamie Mewhinney, Norma Cubano, Curt Kowalewski, Bob Schulz, Sarah Franko, Bill Bartkus, Jim Taylor

Homebound

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Living (and Giving) God's Love- can you think of a better way to show thanks for all of God's gifts?

The 2025 Stewardship Campaign is a perfect reminder of the mission of First Lutheran as we find areas to demonstrate our devotion to living (and giving) God's love. During the next few weeks, members of our congregation will talk about how each of our focus areas has the ability to make a positive impact and serve others. Information about each of the focus areas will also be shared through emails and the mail. On Sunday, November 10, we will have our Stewardship Sunday celebration where we invite you to return your intent card and rejoice in God's generosity while living (and giving) God's love.

GIVING STATEMENTS

Your Statement of Giving will be emailed to you within the next few days for all contributions made to the church during the current year through September 30. This should reflect ALL giving, including envelope giving and any special offerings. Please take a close look at it to ensure that it agrees with your records and that it reflects your intentions. If you have any questions or corrections (including preferred email address), or didn't receive the email, please contact firstELCstewardship@gmail.com.

THRIVENT MEMBERS – YOUR HELP NEEDED

Calling all Thrivent members! We are looking to compile a list of current Thrivent members. This will allow us to better utilize Thrivent Action Cards and to promote First Lutheran as a recipient of Thrivent Choice dollars. Please reach out to the office, if you own Thrivent products.

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 to add them to the list



HARVEST MONTHS BEGINS NOVEMBER 3RD!

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 Call or text: 440-724-8897. *Save the Date: The Christmas basket packing will be on December 19th.*

WATOTO HOSTING UPDATE – FAMILIES STILL NEEDED

We still need 4 to 5 families to host the Watoto Children's Choir from Uganda overnight on Tuesday, November 19th. Watoto is a Christian organization that houses orphans and victims of violence in Uganda. They take many of the kids around the world to sing of God's works and love. The children will arrive on Tuesday November 19th in the afternoon and leave sometime Wednesday morning. All that is needed is transportation from and to the church, a warm shower and bed for each child, a healthy snack, breakfast, and sack lunch. If interested, sign up at the welcome center or contact Zack Richards at zack87@zackrichards.com or 330-689-6534 or the church office for more information.

NEW STEPHEN MINISTERS – CONTINUED PRAYERS REQUESTED

We are excited and blessed to add Bob Strong, Phil King, Pat Sauernheimer, Marsha Ginley, and Pam Simpson to our Stephen Ministry team. They are our new Stephen Ministers. They will be in training from the beginning of November 2024 through the beginning of April 2025. They, along with the Stephen Leader team who will be training them, need your prayers for guidance, patience, and confidence to move forward in this amazing ministry. Many thanks to Bob, Phil, Pat, Marsha, and Pam for their dedication to Stephen Ministry.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE - 18 & OVER

The First Church Men's Basketball will be starting up on October 10th for the Men over 18 at Kinsner Elementary School, Thursdays at 7:30pm beginning in October. If interested, please contact Ray Treudler, raysort1@yahoo.com or 440-829-5316

NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL COMING

Texting directly from First Lutheran Church is coming soon! It will be a great way to share information, updates and possible severe weather or unforeseen circumstances. Please add phone number 833-235-4806 into your contacts as First Lutheran Church so you will know when First Church sends a text!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – 11/03/2024

All Saints Sunday, November 3rd, there will be one blended service at 10:00 AM. Sunday School will switch to 9:00 AM. If you would like a deceased loved one remembered in the prayers, please use the list at the Welcome Center, or use the QR Code or link <https://bit.ly/ALLSAINTS24> to let us know who you would like to be remembered. November 3rd is also the morning Daylight Savings Time ends, so the clocks will fall back!



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



**The Altar Flowers are given to the
Glory of God by
Monica Berens – Happy Halloween
And
The Whitecar Family in celebration
of Caitlin's Birthday!
The Bulletins by are donated by
Ellen Kolman in celebration of
Jeff's Birthday!**

**Last Week's Attendance
9 AM – 47
11:15 AM - 39
Online – 26**

**Thank you to the following
volunteers:**

Reader

Bruce Holderead

Ushers

Chris Thomas &
Linda Browning

Counters

Brenda Jacob, Bob Jacob,
Wade Zwinger, Jeff Stanley

Altar Guild

Ellen Kolman, Sheri Hurley, Lynn
Stenger

Communion Assistants

Gayle Kovach, Sherri Hurley,
Bruce Holderead

Communion Bread Baker

Pat Sauernheimer

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 10/28

AA – 8:00 PM

Tuesday, 10/29

Staff Meeting – 6:30 PM

Al Anon - 7:00 PM

Toastmasters - 7:00 PM