

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](mailto: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](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup>, Oliver King – August 25<sup>th</sup>, 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 [firstELCAstewardship@gmail.com](mailto:firstELCAstewardship@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](http://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](mailto: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 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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