Weekly Insert - Announcements for Jan 12 eadership (Jan 12; 9:15am; Chapel) Weekly/Bi-Weekly

TODAY: Talk With Leadership (Jan 12; 9:15am; Chapel) Our church council members value input and open communication. Please join them as we collectively consider the many decisions and challenges facing our congregation in the years ahead.

Coffee Hour Partnership - A member who is unable to host coffee hour because of other Sunday commitments has graciously offered to partner with someone who is able to do the set-up, serving, and clean-up. This person would either bring in the treats or contribute to the cost of ingredients for someone who would host and enjoys baking treats. Please contact the office if interested; 608.752.7434, x10 for Jeanie or x15 for Nan, or nbandt@ flcj.org. Hosts needed Jan 26 & most dates after.

Soup & Sandwich Luncheon (Jan 14; Noon; Gathering

Space) - The First Lutheran Church Women invite all who are interested to the annual Soup and Sandwich Luncheon on Tuesday, Jan 14 at Noon in the Gathering Space of the church. There will be two choices of sandwiches on three kinds of bread, three soup choices, bars, cookies, coffee, and tea. There will be a short program following lunch about the Noteables, a ladies choir which practices here at the church every Monday. This is a free lunch but donations are welcomed. Please RSVP to the church office if you will be attending.

Safe Families for Children Virtual Q&A (Jan 14; Noon;

Jan 21; 7pm) - Choose the option that works best for you and get your questions about volunteering answered! Our very own Amanda Combs and Jen Watson will be leading the Q&A's and would love to see your faces on the call. Registration is required:

Jan 14: https://tinyurl.com/QA2025Jan14 Jan 21: https://tinyurl.com/QA2025Jan21

Adult Ed: My Years Living in Russia with Patrick Johnson (Jan 19; 9:15am; Chapel) - Patrick Johnson, son of Leo and Sue Johnson, lived in Russia from 2016-2020. He'll speak about life there, the general social and business climate, and his experiences from that time.

Speed Meet (Jan 19; 10:40am; Fellowship Hall) - Signup for the 2nd ever "First Lutheran Speed Meet" (FLSP) where First Lutheran members and friends can meet someone new or learn more about an old friend by calling the office by Jan 17. The FLSP is scheduled for Sun, Jan 19, at 10:40am in Fellowship Hall. Here's how it works:

Centering Prayer (Mons; 8-8:30pm; Zoom) Led by Pr. Michael Mueller. Login Link: https://tinyurl.com/2p89n5sc Meeting ID: 816 1696 9038 | Passcode: 224107

The BG's (Tues; 8-11am; Fellowship Hall Lounge) A group of men that gather for coffee, socializing, and to handle the many indoor/outdoor misc maintenance needs of the church.

Knitters (Tues; 9am; Gathering Space) Join us for smiles, laughs, and lots of knitting!

Wednesday Bible Study (10am; Rm 302) We explore the prophets of the Old Testament.

Middle School Youth (Weds; 7pm; Youth Room) Contact: Eric, 608.290.7083 / eengen@flcj.org

Mission Sew (1st, 3rd & 5th Wed/ of the Month; 8:30am; Fellowship Hall) Help us with cutting, sewing, tying, and pinning quilts for LWR. *Contact:* Margaret Drinkwater, by contacting the church at 608.752.7434.

Second Harvest Food Pantry (3rd Thurs/Month; 3:30-5:30pm; Fellowship Hall) - Set-up begins at 2:30pm. Contact: Mary Gallup, 608.755.1399

Young Adults (Thurs; 6:30pm; Youth Room) We eat, learn, & grow together. Contact: Eric, 608.290.7083 / eengen@flcj.org

Pickleball (Sats; 10am-Noon; Gym) - Come play pickleball or learn how to play. Contact: Jenny McMullen, 608.208.0315

- A list of questions will be provided. They will range from silly to meaningful. They are available ahead of time. Just ask Renee.
- On Jan 19 sign-in by 10:40am in Fellowship Hall and • make a name tag.
- Find an open chair and have a seat.
- Use the questions provided or your own questions to meet the person in front of you for approximately 3 minutes
- The facilitator will instruct you how and when to switch partners!

Contact: Renee at rengen@flcj.org.

New Friends Lunch (Jan 26; 10:45am; Gathering Space)

- Anyone who would like to join or is just thinking about joining FLC is invited. This is your chance to meet new people and some long-time members, ask questions, and tell us about yourself. This is a casual soup and sandwich lunch. Please let the office know if you plan on attending, by calling, email, or using the connect cards. We will be welcoming new members in worship on February 2.

Soup Club (Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 30; 10:45am; Gathering

Space) - Join us for a cozy, delicious time at Soup Club! The last Sunday of January, February, and March, we meet to share homemade soups, taste new flavors, and enjoy good company. What to bring:

- Your favorite soup (bring enough to share!)
- Ingredient list
- Bowl and spoon
- A friend. Soup is better with friends.

• Can't bring a soup? No problem. Join us anyway! *Why?* Because who doesn't love a good bowl of soup? Whether you're a soup master or a first-timer, come for the soup and stay for the soup! Sign-up in the Gathering Space!



Women's Bible Study (Feb 2, 16, Mar 2, 16, 30; 7pm; Aubrey McMeen Home) - Join us for this 7-session study with Bible teachers, authors, and friends Jackie Hill Perry, Jasmine Holmes, and Melissa Kruger to walk through the book of Ephesians, examining the invaluable truths Paul's letter holds for us today.

Childcare is available! Aubrey McMeen, 423. 331.7245

Page Turners Book Club (Feb 4; 5pm; Chapel) - Meets

the first Tuesday of each month. *Contact:* Sally Schuenke, 608.754.0407 **Feb 4:** *Trust* by Hernan Diaz

Mar 4: The Secret Book of Flora Lea' by Patti Calahan Henry



Luther College Nordic Choir (Feb 4; 7pm) - First Lutheran is pleased to be hosting a performance by the Luther College Nordic Choir on Tues, Feb 4, at 7pm. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and can be purchased in advance at tickets.luther.edu or calling 563.387.1357. Tickets will also be available at the door beginning at 6pm.

Ways to Give

- Online Giving: Go to bit.ly/flcjgive
- Electronic Giving: Your Bank Account; call office
- Offering Envelopes: Request from office
- **Citrus Café** (Mention FLC *any day of the week* and Citrus Café donates 10% of your bill to FLC)
- Use our QR Code ----->
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