

# First Weekly



A Weekly Publication of First Lutheran Church of Fremont | July 25, 2010

## WORSHIP Participants

### Acolytes

(9:00) Hope Ludvigsen, Jackie Dam

(10:30) Molly Brown, Kristen McElroy

### Communion Servers

(10:30) Hospitality Team

### Fellowship Hall Clean up

Duane & Lucy Klocke, Dave & Norma Moxness

### Flower Wrapper

Tami Hall

### Flower Deliverer

Don & Jean Kubr

### Greeters

(9:00) Darlene Kroeger, Don & Jean Kubr, Keith & Diane Paseka

(10:30) Hospitality Team

### Sound Board Operator

(9:00) Brent Zuch

(10:30) Dave Hilgenkamp

Altar Flowers are sponsored by Gene Benjamin in memory of Lillian Benjamin and in thankfulness for family and friends.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Nancy Watters in loving memory of her mother Dorothy Watters whose birthday would have been July 29, and in thankfulness for pastors and staff and also by Ken and Marie Clausen in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary and in thankfulness for the Radio and TV Broadcast ministries.

Discipleship Sunday is TODAY and  
Sunday, August 1!

Come hear about our church's  
discipleship groups starting in the fall.



**A place to belong and  
a place to become . . .**

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**Radio Broadcast KHUB 1340 AM**  
Sundays at 11:00 am

**TV Broadcasts Channel 13**  
Mondays at 10:30am & 6:00 pm  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 2:00 pm

**WEB site [www.flc-ne.org](http://www.flc-ne.org)**  
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**Average Weekly Attendance  
through June**

<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
669	705

# ABOUT US FLC

WELCOME to First Lutheran Church. We are honored to worship God together with you this morning. If you are a guest, this page of information is designed with you in mind. Please join us again for worship, and for any of the education, fellowship and service opportunities available at First Lutheran.

## About us

First Lutheran is a member congregation of the Nebraska Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. As such, "This church confesses the Gospel, recorded in the Holy Scriptures and confessed in the ecumenical creeds and Lutheran confessional writings, as the power of God to create & sustain the Church for God's mission in the world."

## Mission statement

"First Lutheran Church exists to raise up disciples in the Fremont area who transform lives through Christ".

## Looking For A Church Home?

If you wish to join First Lutheran, please indicate so on the registration card and continue to worship with us. You are always welcome at First Lutheran.

## Worship schedule

### Sundays

Traditional Worship...8:00 am  
Blended Worship...9:30 am  
Contemporary Worship...11:00 am

### Summer beginning May 30

Blended Worship...9:00 am  
Contemporary Worship...10:30 am

## Sunday School

Sunday School is available September to May for all children, age 3 through grade 8 at 9:30 am. Please go to the Sunday School wing located in the north west corner of the building for assistance in placing your child in a class.

## Forums

Adult Forums featuring Bible studies, discussions of topical interest, outside speakers, etc. are available to all at 9:30 am and 10:45 am on Sunday mornings September to May. High School Forums are held at 9:30 am.

## Holy Communion

Communion is celebrated at 9:00 am on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and at 10:30 am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. All baptized believers who trust that Christ is with us in the body and blood are welcome to receive the Sacrament. We commune in stations. As you come forward, you will receive the bread. Take an empty glass from the tray provided, then you will receive the wine. Place the empty cup in the other designated tray. If you prefer grape juice rather than wine, please place your hand over your cup. Children are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

## Church Office and Building Hours

The office is located in the hallway south of the worship center. Hours are 8 am to 5 pm (Monday-Friday). The building is open from 8 am - 9 pm Monday through Friday and Sunday, and 9 am - 9 pm Saturday.

## Restrooms

Located in both hallways north and south of the Family Worship Center.

## Coffee

Available in the Large Group Gathering Area on Sunday. Help yourself. Sit and visit with a friend!

## Nursery

Qualified nursery care is available during worship hours for restless little ones up to age 3. The nursery is located in the south hallway off the main entrance doors.

## Quiet Bags

Available for our children during worship. They are filled with books, crayons and coloring pages. They are located in the back of the Family Worship Center. Just return them at the end of services.

## Prayer Requests

We believe in the power of prayer. Prayer request cards are available in the pew chairs for you to share joys and concerns with pastors, staff or prayer chain. Completed cards may be placed in the locked box labeled "Prayer Requests" in the south hallway.

## Pastors

If you are in need of pastoral ministry or a visit, please call the church office to set an appointment or ask to have a pastor call you.

## Publications

Copies of the current MESSENGER (monthly newsletter) and last week's bulletins are available at the Welcome Center or online at [www.flc-ne.org](http://www.flc-ne.org). You may also receive a weekly E-lert (email) to inform you of the upcoming Sunday's lessons. Call the church office to sign up.

## Ministry Center

Available to current members as well as visitors and includes sign-ups for current ministry opportunities sponsored by First Lutheran Church as well as community events. Be sure and check this ministry center to see what is "going on" and "soon to happen" and be sure and volunteer to be a part of it.

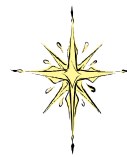
## Welcome Center

Is staffed on Sunday morning and available with information for a newcomer or visitor. Visitor bags are available and if you have any questions, please direct them to the individual at the Center. General information is available for the newcomer or visitor and includes copies of previous announcements, current Messenger and highlights FLC ministries.

# BUILDING ON Blessings



**WOW!** We have surpassed the **MILLION** dollar mark for pledged gifts to the capital campaign **1,095,017.49**. New pledges are still coming in daily. Thanks to all who have made this possible. If you have not yet returned your commitment card, please do so at your earliest convenience.





## Blessed to be a Blessing

Monthly Collections - As a thank you to our community, we are giving back to Fremont's non-profit organizations in celebration of our anniversary. Please drop off your donations in the Family Worship Center.

## July

Back to School Shoes for Washington School Students

Sizes:

Girls toddler 10 thru adult 8

Boys toddler 10 thru adult 6

First Lutheran collections:

April - 84 bottles of Laundry Soap for **Crisis Center**

May - 76 flat sheets and 57 pillowcases for **Care Corps**

June - 26 extension cords for **Hurricane Katrina Relief**

## August 29, 2010 "Reunion Weekend" at First Lutheran

Many of our faith journeys have been shaped by the leaders God has sent to Fremont to serve among us. On this Sunday, former pastors and sons and daughters of the congregation will be present to worship with us. Our guest preacher for the day will be Reverend Dan Hansen, a son of the congregation. The 9:00 traditional worship service will be held in the sanctuary. The 10:30 contemporary worship service will be held outside. Bring your lawn chair!

A congregational picnic will be held immediately following the 10:30 worship service in the Fellowship Hall. Fried chicken, beverages, and table service will be provided. Members whose last names begin with the letters A-O can bring a side dish (salad, vegetable, chips, etc.) Members whose last names begin with the letters P-Z can bring a dessert (bars, cookies, cake, pies, etc.)

Watch for sign up information on the green sheets and at the Ministry Center, so we know the number of people planning to attend. Plan to join in the fun and celebration!



**Please join us on Sunday, August 22  
when First Lutheran takes the 10:30 am worship service  
outdoors to the Fremont Lakes.**

Join us at the Jet Ski Beach Lake #20 at 10:30 am.

There will be a pot luck meal to follow.

Hotdogs and drinks will be provided.

Just bring a side dish to share.

Don't forget your lawn chairs!

If you are interested in helping please contact Pastor Matt.

Please wear a **nametag** so that we can all get to know each other better. Thank you!

**World Hunger Garden Market** will take place August 1<sup>st</sup> between worship services. If you have any questions, call Myrna Meister 727-1829. All garden produce and/or crafts should be brought to the fellowship hall Saturday evening or Sunday morning by 9:00 am.

Parents, please register your children NOW for **2010-2011 Sunday School** classes. Registration forms are in your church mailbox or above the slotted mailbox.

## First Lutheran Stars Church Softball League

Today - 6:30 pm - FL Stars vs St. Paul

August 1 - 5:00 - FL Stars vs 1st Congregational UCC

Your **giving statements** are in your church mailbox. Please review carefully and let Jill know (as soon as possible) of any errors. Thank you!

The **2010 Carol Joy Holling Camp Quilt Auction** is this Saturday, July 31. Quilts go on display at 9:00 am. The day includes quilt auction, barbecue lunch, swimming and hayrack rides. What a great day to spend with the family.

**NE CHIP Event (Nebraska Child Identification Program)** will be held on Tuesday, July 27 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at First State Bank- 1005 E. 23rd St.. There is no cost for this valuable service.

The **2011 Radio Broadcast & Altar Flower** charts are up. The Radio is \$150 and Altar Flowers at \$35. Sign up for your special Sunday. Slots are filling up fast.

**Lost and Found table** is located at the west end of Fellowship Hall. There are many items left behind for ZOE, Spoudazo, pot-luck dinners, etc. Items not claimed will be donated to a local charity on Monday, August 9th.

The **Women of First Lutheran Church** and invited to Pohocco Lutheran church to a luncheon and award winning Sweet Adelines Program on Saturday, August 7th at 12:30 pm RSVP by July 31 to pohoccolutheran@aol.com or to Melissa Schmidt at 402-933-8953.

**KFC ( Middle School Youth)** will head to Worlds of Fun on August 20 leaving church at **6:00am**. And returning **11:00pm**. Cost is **\$40 per person**. Includes admission and transportation. Registration form are available above the slotted mailbox or online. Deadline to register is August 4th.

**Lutheran Family Services Building Families "Boutique"** is in great need of Volunteers to help out in Childcare. Childcare is needed as parents will be taking Nurturing Parenting Classes each Tuesday evening from Aug 3rd – Nov. 16th from 5:45 – 8:00pm. This is a wonderful time to rock a baby, play with toddlers and get to know other volunteers! If you can't make the commitment for each Tuesday, no problem. If you are interested please sign up soon or call Liz Johnson or Lori Cheshier at 941-0075. Thank you!

# CALENDAR

Week of July 25

## Sunday, July 25

9:00 am - Blended Worship  
10:30 am - Contemporary Worship  
w/Communion  
11:00 am - Radio Broadcast  
11:45 am - Solos - Coffee Pot  
6:30 pm - FLC Stars vs St. Paul

## Monday, July 26

10:30 am - TV Broadcast  
6:00 pm - TV Broadcast

## Tuesday, July 27

9:30 am - Staff Meeting  
12:00 pm - Bulletin Deadline

2:00 pm - TV Broadcast  
4:30 pm - FLC Walkers

## Wednesday, July 28

8:15 am - Prayer Group

## Thursday, July 29

2:00 pm - TV Broadcast

## Friday, July 30

2:00 pm - TV Broadcast  
Saved to Serve @ CCJH

## Saturday, July 31

Quilt Auction @ CCJH  
Saved to Serve @ CCJH

## Sunday, August 1

World Hunger Garden Market  
Saved to Serve @ CCJH  
9:00 am - Blended Worship w/Communion  
10:30 am - Contemporary Worship  
w/Communion  
11:00 am - Radio Broadcast  
11:45 am - Solos - Pizza Hut  
5:00 pm - FLC Stars vs 1st Congregational



# PRAYERS

Remembering...

The First Lutheran members and their families that **First Lutheran staff will be praying for** this week are:

**Lisa Beck, Gayle & Janet Behrens, Stephanie Behrens,  
Eugene Benjamin, Barry & Jennifer Benson**

If you have a specific prayer request for your family, call the church office.

## **The Ministry of Healing**

Please remember to let our church office know when you are facing a health concern or hospitalization so that our pastoral staff might be in touch with you and you can provide information to share with our whole faith community. When you request, a prayer chain will also be activated. First Lutheran members known to have health concerns this month included:

**Brinkley Chandler, Ben Havekost**

We ask you to include in your prayers the following members and friends of First Lutheran who continue in active service to their country:

**PO1 Jim Bartholomew**, son-in-law of Stan & Marilyn Freeman  
**AMN Robert M. Blume**, nephew of Scott & Bonnie Warner  
**Cadet Bryce Christensen**, son of Dale & Jeannine Christensen  
**Lt. Stash A. Dwornicki**, extended family of Jill Norenberg  
**Specialist Stefan A. Fahrlander**, grandson of Ray & Myrna Meister  
**Pvt. Jordan Klocke**, grandson of Dwayne and Lucy Klocke  
**LCDC Keith R. Hanson**, son of Jim & Mary Ann Hanson  
**2nd Lt. Michael Harper**, grandson of Lowell & Mardell Weitzenkamp  
**Sgt. Sarah Haskins**, granddaughter of Larry & Mary Ann Thomas

**1st Lt. Ryan Hurt USMC**, nephew of Dave & Kathy Pinkall  
**Army Spc. Jared Kruse**, son of Jeff & Connie Elliott  
**SFC Eldon Kuntzelman**, son of Rex and Vi Kuntzelman  
**Lt. Col. Randall Morris**, son of Diane and Paul Morris  
**ENFN Chase P. Nickels**, grandson of Delwyn & Anita Hasemann  
**Curtis Nissen**, grandson of Clarence & Dee Schakat  
**1st Lt. Johanna O'Toole**, granddaughter of Barbara Lanning  
**Sgt. Scott Peterson**, son of Chuck & Lorie Peterson  
**Andrew Steffensmeier**, nephew of Scott & Bonnie Warner

# DEVOTIONS

Family Faith Conversations

## **Week of July 25:**

Saul Makes a Big Mistake

Link:

[www.englishrussia.com/?p=326](http://www.englishrussia.com/?p=326)

At this URL you will find the directions for building a house from matches. Give it a try if you like! Does it look complicated? What do you think of the old adage "Patience is a virtue"?

Link:

<http://dev.origami.com/diagram.cfm>

Go to this site to find directions for making origami figures from paper. As you scroll down, you will see links to directions for making angels, dinosaurs, airplanes, aliens, and flowers! Just click on the link to whichever one you choose to make. Don't give up! Origami takes patience.

Ask a family member to read 1 Samuel 13:1-14. Saul didn't wait for the prophet Samuel to arrive; instead, he decided to make the sacrifice himself. Saul made a mistake because he didn't exercise patience. Considering what you have learned about patience, discuss these questions as a family:

- Do you worry about problems and sometimes take matters into your own hands instead of trusting God to guide you?
- Is trusting God difficult for you, especially when you must be patient for his answer to your prayers? Explain.
- Why is it important to be patient and trust God with your life? How can knowing you are following God's plan give you peace?