

THE MESSENGER

The monthly newsletter of First Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Generosity

Dear First Lutheran,

In the picture below is my niece, Miriam. This photo was taken when she was about 7 or 8 years old. She was learning about money at the time, and decided to make three jars to help her manage the money she received as gifts or earned in some way. One jar is labeled “spend”, the next “save”, and the final one “give.” Miriam is very generous in her giving. She has supported fund raisers at school as well as to a group near and dear to her father’s heart, “Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry.” Miriam gives with a joyous heart as evidenced by the smile in the picture!

We are going to be talking about generosity in the coming months and more specifically about money. We understand money can be one of those topics “that shall not be discussed.” But we are going to need to practice our skills of talking about money in healthy and appropriate ways. Money is not a topic to be feared. We acknowledge it can feel uncomfortable. Our hope is that we can use these conversations to deepen our spiritual grounding as well as reflect what God has first given us – our time, our money, and our possessions.

We hope to see your smiling faces at upcoming events and in conversations about how we can be more generous toward God and others.

Pastor Michelle



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Prayer Ventures for February can be found:

<https://www.elca.org/Resources/Prayer-Ventures>

These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world.



<http://www.elca.org>
800-638-3522



<http://www.nebraskasynod.org>
402-896-5311



Lutheran World Relief

<http://www.lwr.org>
800-597-5972



LUTHERAN
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<http://www.nelcm.com/>
(308) 234-1828



www.elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/lutheran-disaster-response
800-638-3522



<http://www.nlom.org>
402-944-2544

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Noon & 6:30pm



ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion Classes Spring of 2023 Wednesdays in March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Classes are for 4th and 5th graders. We will meet in Fellowship Hall from 5:45pm-6:20pm. Feel free to bring your dinner down from Feeding the Flock.

First Communion will be received on Maundy Thursday, April 6 at 6:30pm.

Registration forms are on the Welcome Stations.

NEW MEMBERS' CLASSES & RECEPTION

On February 5th and 12th, we will have our first New Members' Class of 2023. February 18th/19th we will receive new members at all three services. There will be a reception to welcome them between the services on the 19th.

Welcome
New Members



**Sunday, February 19, 2023
3:00 PM
First Lutheran Church Kearney**



The Nebraska Brass is dedicated to preserving the great American tradition of brass music and to providing educational programs for young musicians.

MISSION OUTREACH

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WILL CONTINUE TO HOST MEALS

First Lutheran Church will continue hosting the Jubilee Meals on Thursday nights through March. We thank everyone that has signed up to provide meals and serve.

The Jubilee Center is a nonprofit, ecumenical, community-based organization aimed at providing basic human needs. For several years they have organized Thursday night dinners for anyone needing a hot meal. We are one of four Kearney churches who take turns hosting the meals. Volunteers provide food, serve, and clean up after the meals.

In February the Thursday evening meals will be fed by other churches in the area. For additional information, please contact Carol Stuhr, Paula Peterson, or Myron Riddle. Thank you!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

February is the month for the Kearney Area Habitat for Humanity Annual Meeting and Volunteer Recognition Potluck. This year we will hold it Wednesday, February 15th at 6pm at First Presbyterian Church. All committee members are invited along with recent new homeowners and Habitat Board members. This is a time to recognize and enjoy our past accomplishments and look ahead to the coming year.

A thank you to all the members of First Lutheran Church who serve on the board, or on committees or on the Building Crew. As with all families Kearney Habitat has faced significant cost increases in building materials. Without the financial support of the entire community building three new houses every year would not be possible. THANK YOU!

Adult Forum – Sunday, March 12th @ 9:45am

Mae Helen Jackson is the outreach and placement manager for [Young Adult Ministries](#) with [the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America](#) and has worked for the ELCA for over 5 years. Mae Helen's role is to recruit and build relationships for [Young Adults in Global Mission](#) (YAGM) specifically, and ELCA Young Adult Ministry more broadly.

YAGM is a global fellowship program for young adults aged 21-29, providing them an opportunity to spend a year in accompaniment with one of ELCA's global church companions. For 20+ years they have had the pleasure of sending young adults around the world to accompany and experience life with companions in over 20 country programs. In 2022, on September 7th, YAGM deployed 24 young adults to 4 country programs for the first time since the start of the COVID pandemic in 2020. They are excited for the opportunity connect more young adults in these, and newer, communities this year.

If you would like to learn more about the program and would be interested in a conversation, please join Mae Helen between services for a presentation on Young Adults in Global Mission and ELCA Young Adult Ministry on March 12, 2023 at 9:45am in Centennial Hall.

February's Donation: Paper Products

Suggestions:
Paper Plates, Napkins, and Kleenex



The S.A.F.E. Center is the Spouse/Sexual Abuse Family Education Center. The S.A.F.E. Center's mission is to provide free and confidential services for those affected by dating violence, domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual assault, and stalking while bringing awareness and prevention efforts to all individuals across South Central Nebraska.

Counties we serve: Buffalo, Franklin, Harlan, Kearney, Phelps

Please place items on the “Sharing Shelf” in the narthex.

Thank you!



Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm/**Address:** 620 E. 25th Suite 14, Kearney NE, 68847

Phone: 308-237-2599/**24 Hour Toll-Free Crisis Line:** 877-237-2513

MISSION OUTREACH

Thanks! from Our Mission Outreach Team

Our Mission Outreach Team would like to thank the members of First Lutheran for their generous participation in the following:

Advent Good Gifts Project

Our Advent Project was to collect funds to purchase two farms packages through the ELCA Good Gifts initiative. A farm package of \$715 enabled the purchase of:

- A cow
- 2 goats
- A dozen chicks
- 2 pigs
- Farming tools
- Seeds
- Agricultural training

Our original goal was to raise \$1,430 to purchase two farm packages. Through your generosity we raised \$3,700 enabling us to purchase five farm packages with \$125 extra to be given to the ELCA Good Gifts program. Thank you so much!

Jubilee Meals

On Thursday evenings in January our Congregation both hosted and provided food to offer Jubilee meals. Once again, through your gracious donations all the food was provided by our members for these meals.



OFFICE UPDATES



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DECEMBER FINANCE REPORT

Ministry Budget:	DEC 2022	YTD '22-'23'	YTD '21-'22
Budget Supporting Revenue	\$ 105,392	\$401,834	\$ 351,634
Budget Related Expenditures	\$ (59,565)	\$ (424,579)	\$ (411,847)

Total 2022-2023 Ministry Budget: \$757,672

Facilities Budget:	DEC 2022	YTD '22-'23	YTD '21-'22
Revenue	\$ 13,418	\$ 51,044	\$ 48,448
Expenditures	\$ (3,807)	\$ (27,896)	\$ (20,519)

Total 2022-2023 Facilities Budget: \$34,100

VANCO GIVING OPTIONS

FAITH

In addition to traditional giving options for your convenience First Lutheran offers electronic giving!

VANCO Faith: which allows people to make financial contributions to the church electronically in the following ways:

1. Online (just go to the First Lutheran website under the "Resources" tab), and
2. Mobile App (download the Vanco Mobile app on the iPhone or Android, create a profile and search for "First Lutheran").

If you have any questions or would like assistance in using any of the above electronic giving options or would like to receive offering envelopes, please contact Marti in the church office.

Thank you so much for your faithful generosity to First Lutheran Church's ministry!

COUNCIL UPDATE

Budget Planning Begins

While it's not always fun talking about budget plans in the Church, it certainly is an important part of our ministry. Afterall, God calls us to be good stewards of the gifts we receive. Giving of the resources that God has entrusted to us is an important part of our faith journey. It allows us to carry out the ministry work of the church and serve others in the congregation, community, and the world. So then, what can we do with those gifts?

In the coming months, this year's budget committee will begin reviewing the budget requests from our Ministry Teams and putting together a balanced budget plan for the council and congregation to review. This is usually a great challenge as the requests and needs of the Church often exceed projected giving and available funds.

The next fiscal year will bring its own assortment of challenges as we balance a capital campaign, staffing changes, continued maintenance needs, and unpredictable giving trends (as seen in churches across the nation).

Fortunately, we have a history of a generous and faithful congregation here at First Lutheran. In my time serving on council, we have asked the congregation several times to answer the call when special financial needs arise. We've replaced carpet, boiler units, 100% of the roof, fire alarm system, lighting, and more. We've brought on additional staff and an associate pastor to enhance our ministry. We've created a strong endowment fund. We've ran "Finish Strong" campaigns when we thought the annual budget would come up short. Each time, this congregation comes forward with the resources necessary.

As we prepare for the road ahead on which God is leading us, we respectfully ask you to keep our Church in your prayers. We ask God to help and guide us through the best ways to utilize the gifts we receive. May we make sound decisions that continue to enhance our ministry, improve our facilities, grow our church, connect with the community, and share God's word as far and wide as possible.

Each of us has an important role to play in this faith journey together. We appreciate your continued prayers and support of the work being done at First Lutheran. As more specific budget updates become available, we will keep you all informed and invite you to provide feedback.

In peace,
Kyle Means
Council President

On behalf of: Kelly Russman, Shirley Smalley, Lee Fritson, Mark Kottmeyer, Mike Rafferty, Rachel Leach, Judy Henning, Karen Emal, Pastor Michelle, Pastor Rick, and Pastor Elisabeth.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Kyle Means
President

Kelly Russman
Vice President

Shirley Smalley
Treasurer

Lee Fritson
Secretary

Karen Emal

Judy Henning

Mark Kottmeyer

Rachel Leach

Michael Rafferty

Have questions?

If you want to speak to a council member, please contact the office or find their information in the Narthex on the wall.



FIRST LUTHERAN
Church of Kearney

WORSHIP THEMES

February 5, 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

ISAIAH 58:1-9a [9b-12]; PSALM 112:1-9[10]; 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-12 [13-16]; MATTHEW 5:13-20

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we lose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

February 12, 2023

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

DEUTERONOMY 30:15-20; PSALM 119:1-18; 1 CORINTHIANS 3:1-9; MATTHEW 5:21-37

In today's reading from Deuteronomy, we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We too are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.



February 19, 2023

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD; LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

EXODUS 24:12-18; PSALM 2; 2 PETER 1:16-21; MATTHEW 17:1-9

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. The vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This world of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

February 26, 2023

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7; PSALM 32; ROMANS 5:12-19; MATTHEW 4:1-11

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR



Winter & Spring Dates

Feb. 19th – 11am service – We will practice during Sunday School and then have your child come to the choir loft a little before the service.

March 19th - 8:45am service – I will call you forward when it is time.

April 2nd - 8:45am Please have your child come to the sanctuary at 8:15am to quickly run through the song with all the choirs.

May 14th – 11am – See you at the service! We will have practiced hard all through April!

Questions call or text 308-240-0872

Thanks!
Amanda Lewis

WOMEN of the ELCA

In the Women of the ELCA mission statement it says that we will engage in ministry and action and promote healing and wholeness in the church, society and the world. One way that we can be in action to support others is through the use of Fair-Trade products.

Fair Trade is a worldwide movement that aims to help farmers and artisans in less economically developed countries (LEDCs). The term fair trade means that they receive a fair price for the goods that they produce.

Through Fair Trade, producers support their families, stay on their land and care for the environment. Working in democratically run co-operatives, small-scale producers gain control of their livelihoods and together, make strides in agriculture and quality control. With the added income from Fair Trade, producers invest in education and social services for their communities.

Equal Exchange is a fair-trade business that the Nebraska Women's Synodical Organization has purchased products from for many years. Equal Exchange believes in fairness to farmers and has been selling products since 1986. They also believe in educating consumers about trade issues and are a company that is controlled by the people who do the actual work in their operation

The Nebraska Synodical Women's Organization has supported Fair Trade for many years. We have proudly promoted products at NSWOW events and encouraged their use in our congregational units. Products we currently promote at NSWOW events are coffee, tea, chocolate, olive oil, dried fruits, nuts and spices. All purchased from Equal Exchange. We encourage and empower "YOU" to bring fairly traded products to "YOUR" churches and communities. If we can bring Fair Trade into our surroundings we can be "MORE" supportive of the process!

WE CAN BE BOLD TOGETHER & MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works. Hebrews 10:24



UPCOMING EVENTS for 2023

March 6 - 7:00 pm Board Meeting - Classroom 21/22

April 22 - 9:00 am Southern Prairie Spring Gathering - First Lutheran



Ladies who are interested in joining a monthly Bible study are invited to attend a women's circle. Circles can be joined at any time during the year.

President:

Deb Schauer (308) 233-2669

Secretary:

Bev Vacha (308)-468-6239

Treasurer:

Jo Smallcomb (308)-234-3053



ABIGAIL CIRCLE (SEPT.-MAY)

10:00 am—3rd Monday

Co-Chairs: Joan Swanson

(308-234-2835) and Evy Kuecker

(308-237-5651)

DEBORAH CIRCLE

7:00 pm —3rd Monday

Chair: Deb Schauer

(308-233-2669)

GLORIA CIRCLE

12:00pm—3rd Thursday

Chair: Judy Workman

308-237-2781

NAOMI CIRCLE

7:00pm—4th Thursday

(3rd Thurs. in Nov.)

Chair: Judy Niemann

(308)-234-4332

A WORD FROM PASTOR ELISABETH

Dear First Lutheran,

Recently overheard from a young adult at Dinner Church at Campus Lutheran, in reference to a conversation about 1 Corinthians 13:

“Paul was like, no cap, love doesn’t flex. Love doesn’t spill tea. Love is GOAT.”

If you can translate that, you must be younger than I am! If you can’t, join me – because we need to grow our translation and relationship skills to care for Generation Z:



GEN Z & THE CHURCH

**SUN, FEB 26 @ 9:50AM
CENTENNIAL HALL**

Generation Z, or "Gen Z," are current 10-25 year olds. Join Pastor Elisabeth in the conversation as we seek to understand the role of the church in caring for Gen Z.

8-12th grade

WINTER BLAST

February 16-19, 2023

\$150 (scholarships available)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY FEB 1

Depart Thursday, Feb. 16 @ 6:30pm

Return Sunday, Feb. 19 @ 2pm

Overnight accommodations @ Camp Carol Joy Holling
Ski, snowboard, sled, or sip cocoa in the lodge
@ Mt. Crescent Ski Resort in Honey Creek, IA
(45 miles NE of camp)

Equipment rental (skis or snowboard, boots & helmet)
additional \$40

Register by February 1st!

<https://forms.gle/71SsgdmfHpCQfWxX8>



Campus Lutheran

At the end of the semester once our remodel was complete and all the funds had been raised, we blessed our new space. As supporters of the ministry of Campus Lutheran, I wanted to share the blessing with you! Thank you for your prayers and financial support for this vital ministry! +
Pastor Elisabeth

Blessing for a Remodel

Adapted from “Speak it Plain” by Rev. Meta Herrick-Carlson (2020):

“Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.” Romans 12:9-13

God, we thank you for this remodeled space, for the physical space for community it will provide, for the moments of life that have been and will continue to be shared here. We give you thanks and welcome you here.

May God’s love and grace be known here, may all who gather here receive a foretaste of Your kingdom come.

May Christ’s light shine here, may it be a haven for rest and reconciliation where we find love and hope.

May your Holy Spirit inhabit this place, may all who gather here find flourishing so that we may help others flourish.

Holy God,

Make this a place where hearts and lives are knit together, and your love nourishes us.

Where our relationships are strengthened, and mercy is learned and practiced.

Make this place of being known and belonging, of shared tears and laughter, of forgiveness that is easily asked and granted.

Grant that this space provides welcome as well as comfort and consolation, space for meaningful conversation and of words not left unsaid, a place of becoming, creating, and reflecting.

May all who gather here find flourishing so that we may help others flourish. May this continue to be a place where our diverse gifts are named and appreciated. Help us find this place to be one that constantly reminds us to serve the world you love.

Grant, O Lord, that we gather gratefully within these walls, enjoying the relationships that nourish us for the journey, and awakening within us a restless longing for our truest home with you.

Amen!

WITHIN OUR BELOVED COMMUNITY HERE AT FIRST

Congratulations to our February Volunteers of the Month:

The Jubilee Meal Volunteers

We are happy to have such wonderful volunteers here at the church who care about others. The Jubilee Meal Volunteers are a few of these people. Carol Stuhr, Paula Peterson, and Myron Riddle are the contacts for our Jubilee Meals ministry.

First Lutheran Church volunteers as a host site on Thursday evenings from January – March each year. During the month of January, we also provide the meals and serving help. Even though the number of people has dropped since COVID, we still have a great number of people who depend on this gathering for a free meal along with some warmth and companionship.

The volunteers provide food, serving and cleanup after the meals. We had volunteers of all ages including Confirmation students and Campus Lutheran folks working as servers as well as the many of you who donated food for the meal.

Our Jubilee volunteers provide more than just a hot meal for these people. They are giving a part of themselves, showing that they care, and bringing God's love when it is needed the most.

**Thanks to everyone who
participated in making this
a success!**



Prayers of Peace and Comfort...

for Dean Lindstrom and family on the death of his wife, Jan.

for Lane Nansel and family on the death of his wife, Barbara.

for Jerry & Carrie Stithem on the death of Carrie's uncle, Jim Ryan and Carrie's aunt, Judy Schlueter.

for Dave & Karen Rankin on the death of Karen's brother, Stan Vogel.

for the family and friends of Marty Garringer on his death.

for the family and friends of Robert Wolfe (Steve Wolfe's father) on his death.

GENEROSITY PROJECT

We want to read YOUR stories!

The Capital Campaign's Inspiration Team is looking for your story of being generous. We'd love to hear from you and will be compiling a Generosity Book in the next couple of months!

To get you started, here are a few questions to consider:

- +How did you learn generosity?
- +How have you experienced generosity?
- +How has being generous to others enriched your life?
- +How has your giving to the church grown and changed throughout your life?

Along with your story, please send a photo of yourself/family by March 1st to Pam Hanson at pscharc@gmail.com.

Have questions? Please touch base with Renae Zimmer or Mark Kottmeyer.

Thank you!

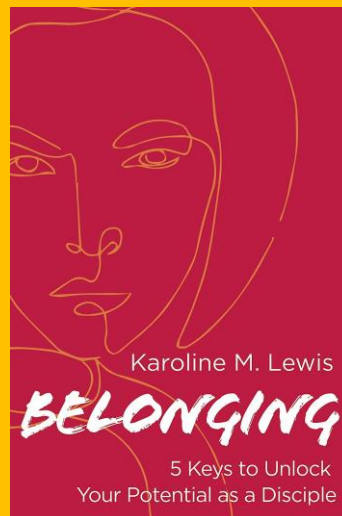


ON THE HORIZON



Wednesday Nights During
Lent @ 6:30pm
(begins March 1st)

Understanding and Living
Christian Discipleship using the
Biblical lens of the Samaritan
Woman at the Well
John 4:1-42



NOTES FROM THE PRESCHOOL: A MINISTRY OF FLC

Hello First Lutheran Parishioners,

The preschoolers have been diving into their second semester with a lot of energy and enthusiasm! We are so excited for our next holiday, Valentine's Day, and are busy making plans to fill people's buckets by being kind, making gifts, helping out and giving compliments. We are also learning about measuring and learning about our body parts, especially the heart!

We can't wait to host our moms for Mommies and Muffins Day when we will practice our measuring skills by making pies for our Daddies. We will continue to learn about our body when we have some dental students visit to tell us about proper tooth care and then we will wrap up February by talking about safety regarding poisons.

We hope you all are staying warm, safe and healthy!

God's Blessings,
Mrs. Lora and Mrs. Mindy

Preschool Registration is now OPEN to ALL!

Registration is online and can be found at
firstlutheranearney.org/first-lutheran-preschool.

There is a \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Preschool Hours:
8:45am to 11:45am

Hello First Lutheran!

We hope 2023 is going very well you!

They began the year with making a fun snowman and writing the new year on its hat. We had brown, black, stripe, backwards day and hopefully our 100th day on Feb. 3rd! (If we don't have any snow days!) We are learning about snow, ice and water. They can tell you the difference between a solid and a liquid.

They have lots of new centers. They read around the room with pointers! They know many words, numbers, letters and shapes. They have a ton of wood blocks in the block center and are having a blast creating with them. Soon they also will have a music center and will make some of the most beautiful music.

They are getting really good at making snowflakes out of coffee filters and paper. We have a pretend paper friend on the wall and we are surrounding her with snow. They also got to paint with puffy paint. It is equal parts glue and shaving cream. Oh, it is so much fun!

Our teddy bear picnic day is coming soon! They will bring their teddy bears or some other stuffed animal and have them come along with them in our busy day, we will have a picnic with them and eat pizza. Some may want to have a tea party with them during centers!

By the time you read this our Preschool Brunch will be over and I am sure it will be another fun time! Thank you for your support and coming to see what we are up to. Donations that we get at the breakfast will go towards our scholarship fund. We will also have completed registration for the new school year. It will have opened to the public on January 27th.

Valentine's Day is just around the corner! Tell those family and friends how much they mean to you!

Have a blessed February!
Mrs. Amanda & Mrs. Sonya

FEBRUARY CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

1st/3rd Weekends – Laying on of Hands for Healing during Worship Services

Wed, Feb 1st - Praiser Bells, Adult Bible Study, Feeding the Flock, FROG Confirmation, FLY, Chancel Choir, Reading w/Pastor Michelle

Sat./Sun. Feb 4/5 - Worship – Saturday
Scout Sunday Brunch
New Member's Class, Sunday School 9:55 am
Worship at Brookestone Gardens 2:00 pm

Wed., Feb 8th - Praiser Bells, Adult Bible Study, Feeding the Flock, FROG Confirmation, FLY, Chancel Choir, Reading w/Pastor Michelle

Sat./Sun. Feb 11/12 – Worship at 6:00, 8:45 and 11:00 am
New Member's class
Sunday School 9:55 am

Wed, Feb 15th – Last night of Wednesday evening activities until after Lent

Thurs. Feb 16th – Winter Ski Trip & Retreat

Sat./Sun., Feb 18/19th – Worship @ 6pm, 8:45am, 11:00am
New Member's Reception

Wed. Feb 22nd – Ash Wednesday services Noon & 6:30 pm

Sat./Sun. Feb 25/26 - Worship @ 6pm, 8:45am, 11:00am
Generation "Z" and the church 9:55am – Centennial Hall
with Pastor Elisabeth



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OUR MISSION:

Growing in God's grace, reflecting Christ's love, and living in the Spirit.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 2023

3315 G Avenue - Kearney, Nebraska 68847



**The church calendar, weekly bulletins, prayer lists, and LIVE Webstream
Broadcasts on Sunday mornings can be found on our website:**

<https://firstlutherankearney.org/>

Find us on Facebook: "First Lutheran Church-Kearney"

Sign Up for Weekly Email Updates: office@firstlutherankearney.org

LIVE Radio Broadcast Sundays at 8:45am: KXPN 1460AM

PHONE: 308-237-5544 WEB: www.firstlutherankearney.org

Office Hours: 8:30am – 4pm Monday – Friday