



# UPcoming EVENTS

**JUNE 5—OUTDOOR WORSHIP at 10:30 am**  
**JUNE 8—PASTOR KELLEY’S LAST DAY**  
**JUNE 19-JUNE 24—CONFIRMATION CAMP**  
**JULY 3—OUTDOOR WORSHIP at 10:30 am**  
**JULY 4—OFFICE CLOSED**  
**JULY 31-AUGUST 3—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**AUGUST 7—OUTDOOR WORSHIP at 10:30 am**  
**SEPTEMBER 5—OFFICE CLOSED**  
**SEPTEMBER 11—REGULAR SERVICE TIMES RESUME**  
**OCTOBER 30—CONFIRMATION at 10:30 am**

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Women of the ELCA Chair: Rita Todd			494-2968

# First Lutheran Church

June 2016

## Recipe for Fatherhood

A man who wishes to be a great Christian father should consider the following:

1. Let your children see that you treat your own parents with love and respect. Honor them.
2. Let your children see that you love your heavenly Father.
3. Show in various ways that you love their mother. A loving home is a secure, stable, supportive home where each person is treated with tender loving care.
4. Listen to your children. Put down the paper, turn off the television, leave the computer and frequently ask what is going on in their lives.
5. Plan and execute trips and recreational activities together.
6. Take part in school, scouting, musical and drama activities with them. Praise sincerely whatever contribution the child has made to the event.
7. Make your home cheerful. Tell funny stories and laugh. Laughter at the table creates a happy environment.
8. When your children ask for it, give your best advice, but don't complain when they don't follow it. The school of hard knocks is still relevant.
9. Take them to worship regularly. The church helps provide guidance, stability and unity for families. And God can seal together the family that honors Him.

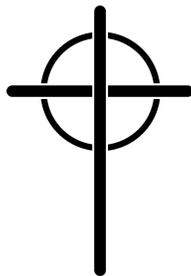
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The deadline for the July Newsletter is June 16.

## From the Pastor



### Blessings in your Continued Ministry at First Lutheran Church

As I will be leaving in early June, I hope and pray for your continued ministry here at First Lutheran Church in South Sioux City. Know that many of you will be remembered through the ministry we have done together here in this place and beyond.

"But if from there you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you seek him with all your heart and with all your soul."  
(Deuteronomy 4:29). My prayer for you is that you will continue to seek the Lord above all else, so that he will continue to be glorified in this place as you continue to share the love and compassion of God with all. Never lose sight of God's will and desire for you, and the spirit of truth as it moves you in new and exciting ventures to extend his grace to all persons.

New opportunities are ahead of you as you continue to seek to call a new pastor for this congregation following continued transitional interim ministry. Know that God will lead you as you stay true to him, and truly discern to his desire for this faith community.

Blessings on your continued ministry,

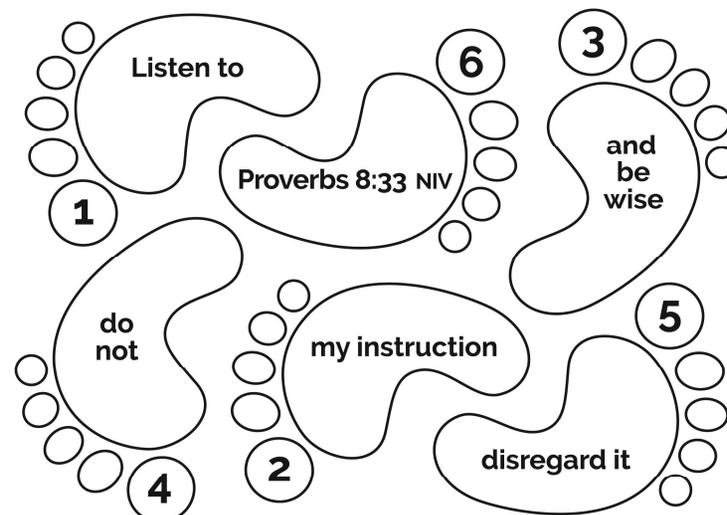
Pastor Kelley L. Pedersen



## FOLLOW OUR FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

In the book of Proverbs, a father urges his son to listen to his wisdom, which he received from his heavenly Father.

*Directions: Starting at 1, follow the footsteps and write the words in order on the blanks below.*



“ \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
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\_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_

Answer: "Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it."  
Proverbs 8:33, NIV

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## Worship at First Lutheran

### June 5, Third Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: 1 Kings 17:17-24 Second Lesson: Gal. 1:11-24  
Psalm: 30 Gospel: Luke 7:11-17



### June 12, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: 2 Sam. 11:26-12:10, 13-15 Second Lesson: Gal. 2:15-21  
Psalm: 32 Gospel: Luke 7:36-8:3

### June 19, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:1-9 Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29  
Psalm: 22:19-28 Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

### June 26, Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Second Lesson: Gal. 5:1, 13-25  
Psalm: 16 Gospel: Luke 9:51-62



## June Flower Chart

June 5 (Altar) Given by the McLarty family in honor of Bill and Barbara McLarty's 60th wedding anniversary.

(Chancel) Given by Janell Sila in honor of the 50th anniversary of her confirmation, June 6, 1966.

June 12 (Altar) Given by Bonnie Prosser.

June 19 (Altar) Given by Marla Bianchini.

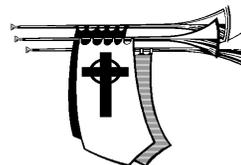
June 26 (Altar) Given by George Weiland.

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## Anniversaries This Month



Tom and Denise Barber	June 7
Austin and Jennifer Bass	June 6
Brian and Nancy Beekman	June 6
Bob and Patty Blessing	June 9
Dean and Rose Dudley	June 7
Dick and Jan Durant	June 9
Mike and Jill Gill	June 18
Bart and Terri Gotch	June 25
Gordon and Harriet Hansen	June 23
Chris and Melissa Jensen	June 7
Roger and Ruth Jensen	June 26
Jan and Linda Johansen	June 10
Chris and Michelle Kinnaman	June 7
Jerry and Carol Krieger	June 18
Bill and Barb McLarty	June 3
Jared and Saralynn Noteboom	June 1
Nathan and Aftan Phipps	June 16
Les and Lavonne Pressey	June 8
Jim and Teresa Santee	June 20
Terry and Angie Sorem	June 22



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Marissa Novak and Austin Gutzmann, who were united in marriage May 14. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their new life together.

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## Happy Birthday

Kenny Adam—June 29  
Kathy Anders—June 13  
Bob Barto—June 16  
Kris Bergstrom—June 24  
Lynnelle Conley—June 23  
LuAnn Durant—June 21  
Dick Durant—June 25  
Tom Flackoy—June 25  
Norma Geveshausen—June 3  
Alex Groth—June 17  
Sally Hansen—June 11  
TJ Hinds—June 14  
Taylor Hofmeister—June 29  
Mark Johnson—June 5  
Sami Kenny—June 9

Joann Kleinberg—June 15  
Chris Lake—June 7  
Brian Leiting—June 28  
Mary Lindquist—June 13  
Kelley Pedersen—June 25  
Elsie Peters—June 13  
Aftan Phipps—June 13  
Susan Porter—June 1  
Katie Prescott—June 29  
Bonnie Prosser—June 9  
Ryan Rosener—June 26  
Todd Sands—June 29  
Kristin Sell—June 7  
Gracie Trautwein—June 16



## Youth Birthdays

Axton Davis—June 27  
Adam Durant—June 9  
Hailey Hamilton—June 10

Tayden Kinnaman—June 19  
Edie Phipps—June 4  
Brooklyn Sorem—June 21

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## Class of 2016



### High School Graduates

Howie Coughlin, son of John and Melissa Coughlin.

Lukas Litras, son of Kimon and Ronda Litras.

Brianna Nelson, daughter of Clint and Alyssa Nelson.

MaKayla Nelson, daughter of Clint and Alyssa Nelson.

Lexi Orr, daughter of John and Kristie Orr.

Kelsey Owens, daughter of Rosalind and the late Steve Owens.

Marissa Perez, daughter of Jose and Kelli Perez.

Angel Ruvalcaba, son of Rick and Jennifer Lieber and Gustavo Ruvalcaba.

Augusta Thramer, daughter of Rick and Manon Thramer.

### College Graduates

Samantha Kenny, Wayne State College, Wayne, Nebraska.

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## Church Council News

Dear members of First Lutheran Church,

After speaking with the Nebraska Synod Representative and listening to his recommendations, the Church Council and Call Committee have decided to release Pastor Kelley from his contract. Pastor Kelley's last day with the church will be Wednesday, June 8. This allows the Synod to assign a Transitional Minister with the training needed to lead us to our next Called Minister.

Sincerely,  
Executive Church Council

## Siouxland Food Bank

A total of 285 people received food from the Siouxland Food Bank on May 5 at the church. A total of 83 households received food that day.

On May 19, 2,883 pounds of food was distributed to 80 households that included 176 adults and 127 children.

Students from the schools helped unload and load the food each day. This was their last time for the school year.

Thank you to the 30-35 volunteers of all ages that help make these "Food Bank Days" possible.

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## Women of the ELCA



❁❁❁ CIRCLE MEETINGS ❁❁❁

**LYDIA GROUP: JUNE 9, 2016 7:00PM**

LEADER: Rita Todd  
HOSTESS: Ranelle De Jong

**CIRCLE I: JUNE 20, 2016 2:00PM**

LEADER: Jo Ann Garvey  
HOSTESS: Jo Ann Addison  
Joann Kleinberg

**CIRCLE II: JUNE 14, 2016 9:15AM**

LEADER: Kris Bergstrom  
HOSTESS: Kathy Anders



Bible Study  
"Keep On Keeping On"  
Lydia: "Choosing Simplicity"

**NOTE:**  
**No Circle meetings in the months  
of July or August.**

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## **With Deepest Sympathy**

*We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the following families.  
Please keep them in your prayers.*

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Lonnie and Carol Slaughter and family, on the death of Lonnie's mother, Melba Slaughter, who passed away Friday, May 6. Services were held Monday, May 9 at United Methodist Church in Rosalie.

## **Lutheran World Relief**

In 2015 our support of Lutheran World Relief reached 4,057,849 people in 36 countries with 126 projects.

Now it is time to think about making and giving kits for this year's ingathering at the end of October. Kit items and needs will be posted on the bulletin board soon.

For more information, contact Lee Mathiason at 494-6125.

## **Social Ministry**

The Social Ministry committee collects "Pantry" items each month to donate to the needs of our community. The Pantry items collected for June will be nonperishable food items for families in need. Also being collected are supplies for VBS, school supplies, and diapers for Haven House. Please leave your donations in the shopping cart in the entryway.

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## **Food Bank**

The Food Bank needs the help of our young (or young at heart) people on the first and third Thursday of the months of June, July and August at 10:00 am and then again at 2:00 pm. Please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center. For more information, contact Kathy Anders.

## **Outdoor Worship Service**

There will be an outdoor parking lot worship service on July 3 and August 7 at 10:30 am. Volunteers will direct all participant cars to park in rows facing the west. Pastor Kelley will be on a stage at the west end of the parking lot. The service will be broadcast by a PA system and a FM radio signal so that each car can simply tune in the service in the parking lot on their radio.

## **Exciting News**

In April, a member donated a \$1,000 check to apply to the general fund deficit. The only stipulation was that the congregation was challenged to match their donation. As of May 14, we have received \$4,000, so we now have \$5,000 less in our deficit. Thank you to all that have contributed. We look forward to many more contributions to come. Please step up and match the \$1,000.

Thank you for all of your support!  
First Lutheran Church Council



You have turned  
my mourning into  
joyful dancing.

PSALM 30:11, NLT

## Fellowship Events

The Fellowship committee will be hosting a Dutch treat meal on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The first meal will be June 15 at 5:30 pm at the Eagles Club. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

The Fellowship committee will also be serving refreshments June 19 in honor of Father's Day.

## Thank You

First Lutheran Church Food Pantry-Thanks to First Presbyterian Church for their donation of food. Forty-seven boxes were distributed in April.

Jim and Teresa Santee-Thank you so much for the pansies at Easter.

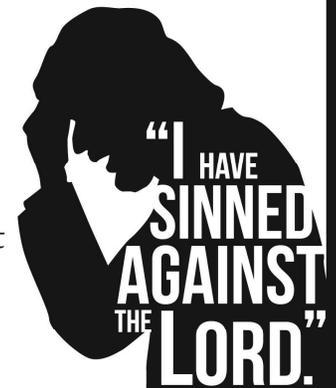
## Summer Worship

Summer worship continues with one service at 9:00 am. Summer worship time will last through Labor Day.

## ?? ? Bible Quiz ? ??

Who said to the prophet Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD"?

- A. Reuben, for selling Joseph into slavery
- B. Jacob, for deceiving Isaac and stealing his brother's birthright
- C. Rahab, a prostitute
- D. David, considered Israel's greatest king



Answer: D (See 2 Samuel 12:13.)