

The monthly newsletter of
First United Lutheran Church Sheboygan, Wisconsin

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Sharing God's Word * Strengthening Faith * Serving Community

A Note from our new Bridge Pastor, Jonathan Breimeier:

We are in a stretch in the church year where our gospels come from Matthew, and the New Testament scripture from Romans. So let's begin with the words of the apostle Paul as he introduced his treatise to the faithful, and to the community, in Rome: "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

My name is Jonathan Breimeier >> Pastor Jon. I welcome the invitation to be with you for two months as a "bridge pastor". I will be with you for worship on Thursday and Sunday, be with your strong staff and church council, and visit members who can use a visit, including members who are at home.

My wife, Cheri Johnson, who is also an ELCA pastor, and I live on the north side of Milwaukee, near the Brown Deer school complex. Our three grown kids live in the Bay View neighborhood of Milwaukee, as does the World's Cutest Granddaughter, Rowan Athena. I am somewhat retired, although clearly I am not fully retired as a pastor, and I'm in my 13th year as a morning stocker at the Menards store in Milwaukee. A big responsibility for me is my mother, in assisted living at Harbor Club in Port Washington; she's doing pretty well for 96, but not nearly as well as she thinks she should be doing.

The focus of our faith is the focus of the gospels, Jesus Christ; what he teaches us both through his words and through his powerful acts of healing and compassion. Ultimately our faith relies on the promise fulfilled in the cross and resurrection. "Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.'" (Matt 16:24) To make sure his disciples got/get the point, Matthew and Mark and Luke repeat this challenge several times. Take up the cross – sacrificial love – putting others first and oneself last. In Matthew 25 Jesus tells his followers that when they feed hungry people, clothe naked people, visit sick or imprisoned people, welcome people others perceive to be different, it is as if they are doing it for him.

Now would be a great time to read the gospel of Matthew, chapter 1 through chapter 28. The Sermon on the Mount, "Blessed are the peacemakers the poor in spirit those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" Love your enemies. Stop judging. Do to others as you would have them do to you"

It's all good, and it helps understand individual passages we hear at worship when we know the context within the whole gospel. Make sure you take some time in chapter 18, Jesus teaching about forgiveness. How often? Seventy times seven. Jesus also has guidance in chapter 18 about approaching someone with whom you have a grievance. Plus, humble yourself.

From chapter one we learn that Jesus will save the people, that is what the name Jesus means. His coming fulfills the promise in the prophet Isaiah centuries before, Emmanuel, God is with us. The promise that God is with us still holds true now centuries later. Matthew ends with Jesus's promise, "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P.S. The musical Godspell is based on the gospel of Matthew; great songs with lyrics that give you plenty to think about.

FULC HAPPENINGS

August Worship Schedule

Thursday, August 3

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, August 6

CHURCH PICNIC at FULC

10:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

11:30 AM - Picnic in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 10

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, August 13

9:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, August 17

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, August 20

9:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, August 24

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, August 27

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

9:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, August 31

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, September 3

9:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Thursday, September 7

6:30 PM - Contemporary Worship Service

Sunday, September 10

BACK TO BASICS

8:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School Registration

10:30 AM - Traditional Worship Service

Agents of Change – Super Heroes Camp

Aug. 1-3

10 AM -
noon



Be a
Super Hero
in the
world!

Junior Helpers are welcome

Games, music, stories and activities for preschool - 3rd Grade.
Sign up with Mary or call the Church Office!

For ALL Ages

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KINDNESS CLUB

Sunday Mornings after Worship
June 4 - August 27, 10:30 a.m.

Every week we will work on a new
"random act of kindness" to share with the world!

Sign up with Mary or call the Office

FUN!

Happy Labor Day

Church Office will be Closed

Friday, September 1

&

Monday, September 4



Our Staff

Bridge Pastor • Jon Breimeier

Children & Family/ Great Beginnings Preschool

Administrator • Mary Gorges

Youth/Technology • Thom Nicla

Church Administrator/

Discipleship • Debbie Schneider

Administrative Assistant • Kelly Stoelb

Preschool Lead Teacher • Ellen Yedica

Financial Secretary/Community Ministry • Cheryl Nicholson

Let us know how we can help you. 920-452-2401

Back to School Blessing

Students
Teachers
Principles
Secretaries
Dads
Moms
Aides
Bus Drivers

**Sunday, August 27
at 9:30 a.m.**

Bring your backpack,
lunch box, keys,
briefcase, or come
as you are!

NEW MEMBER Connections

Are you ready
to join our
First United
Lutheran
Church
Family?



Reach out to
our New
Member Team
and we will
meet when
you are
available.

Call the Church Office today at 920-452-2401
and we will connect you to the New Member Team!

2023-2024 Confirmation Dates

Wednesday, September 20 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
7th & 8th Graders with Parents Orientation

Wednesday, September 20 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
9th Graders with Mentors & Parents Orientation

If you have a confirmation age student and have not received
information please reach out to Thom Nicla at
thom@firstunitedelca.org

Sunday School Back to Basics

Sunday, September 10
9:30 a.m.

Registration

Meet
and
Greet



FMSC Road America Car Parking Fundraiser

Direct ticket holders to their parking spots for
the day. Adults, kids 16 & older, and kids 14 & 15
accompanied by an adult are welcome to sign up.

When finished, stay and watch the races.

Sunday, August 6

To sign up or for questions please reach out to Barb &
Doug Strauss at: dougandbarb881@gmail.com or contact
the Church Office

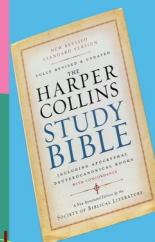
Bible Distribution Sunday, September 10

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

3 year old Preschoolers (or those who
have not received a Bible)

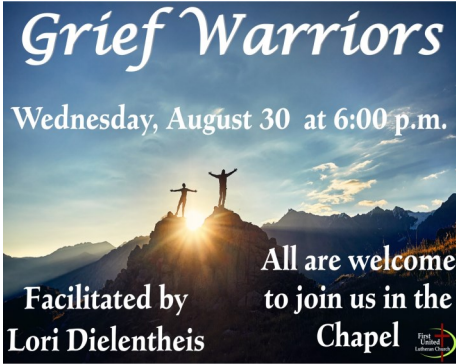
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5th, 6th, & 7th Graders (or confirmands
who have not yet received a Bible)



Grief Warriors

Wednesday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m.



All are welcome to join us in the Chapel

Facilitated by Lori Dielentheis

First United FOOD PANTRY

If you or anyone you know needs food, please check out our Food Pantry located in the Serenity Room. We have everything from canned goods to baking supplies to household items. The front office can assist you if you need help.

Mondays 9AM - 12PM
Wednesdays 1PM - 4:00PM

Great Beginnings Preschool

2023-24 enrollment is now open!

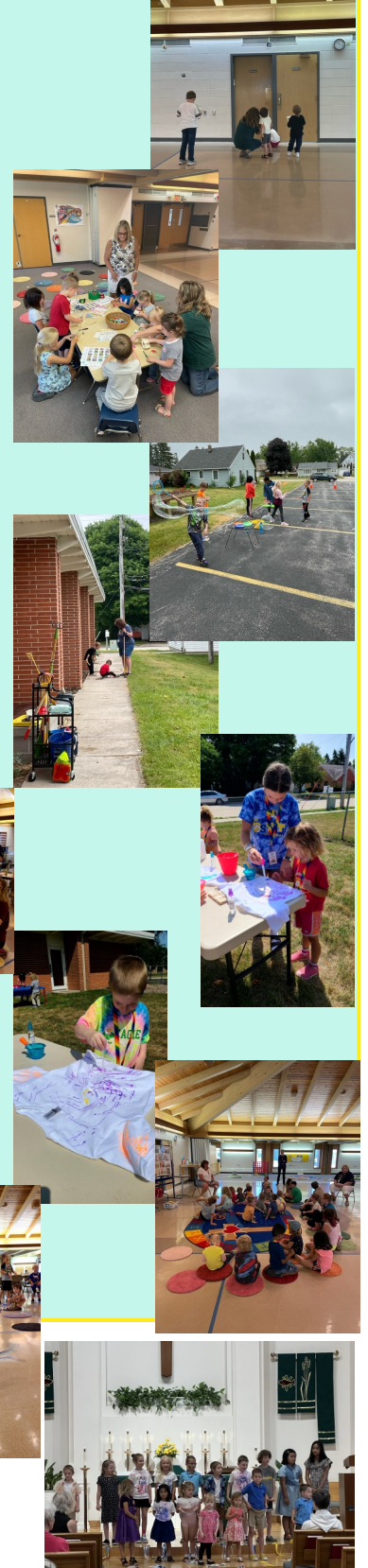


For more information, call Church Office 920-452-2401 or email Mary Gorges at: mary@firstunitedelca.org or email Ellen Yedica at: eyedica@firstunitedelca.org

Gardening/Art Camp

We have been busy so far this summer with fun gardening projects in June. There were fairy gardens, dragons, bugs, bird houses, and, of course, taking care of the FULC gardens. Then we had a blast with art camp in July. We painted rocks, canvases, made tie-dyed t-shirts, along with other fun art activities. At the end of art camp we shared some songs we learned with everyone when we sang for the church that following Sunday. It was fun exploring our creative sides and seeing what we could make. Watch our corner next month so we can share all about our time with Super-Heroes Camp!!

- 1 Kari Deising
Carol Smies
Nic Torrison
Amelia Wray
- 2 Junior Hofmann
Terri Saxe
Bonnie Van de Weghe
- 3 Kelly Cvetan
Natahila Gustafson
- 4 Danica Baumann
Keith Garnett
Gena Harms
Terri Koch
Richard Warburton
- 5 Lacey Cobb
Mike Tahtinen
- 7 Michael Schmidt
Zach Seymour
- 8 Wyatt Hilbelink
Collin Johnson
Nicole Ostermann
Evan Thornton
Tom Wiegand
- 9 Kathie Deitsch
Anna Gould
Eric Larson
Robert Marquardt
Virgie Scholl
- 10 Khup Sian Khai
Emersyn Klahn
- 11 Aaron Berg
Ken Brandt
Caroline Deltgen
Natalie Kasberger
Sarah Molepske
Noah Wagner
- 12 Peter Steinert
Nicole Yedica
- 13 Bill Wetzel
- 14 Alex Gieseke
John Harms
Ethan McGowan
Clark Moberg
Veronica Stalzer
Lucas Wiegand
- 15 Clara Dehn
Jamie Hilbelink
Aiden Oldenhoff
- 16 Sandy Hamilton
CJ Shaha
- 17 Chris Domagalski
Kameryn Gierke
Brynn Gierke
Justin Hofmann
Renee Oldenburg
- 18 Susan Harms
Rod Nelson
- 19 Benjamin Wake
Robert Wiltzius
- 20 Margaret Matter
Katy Wiegand
Phil Woodard
- 21 Mark Duff
Kaden Gorges
Amiee Kolb
Nord Larson
Vanessa Pittner
- Sandra Puffpaff
Tess Roenitz
Benjamin Severance
- 22 Becky Reinke
- 23 Brianna Hayner
Wesley Roelse
Addy Thomas
- 25 Noah Grube
Ler Bwe Htoo
Mark Oldenburg
- 26 Ronald Haas
Randy Krentz
Carley Jo Mueller
- 27 Danielle Dragan
Kathryn Hubbard
Derek Klahn
Kayleigh Ley
Lisa Place
John Zechlinski
- 28 Bob Gorges
Carol Haegler
Nicholas Hartmann
McKayla Kertscher
Kevin Maslanka
Kelly Mendini
Matt Modjewski
Andrew Shircel
- 29 Juliet Calkins
Brittany Freund
Andrew Krueger
Matt Ujcich
Craig Walters
- 30 Eric Gieseke
Julie Griessmeyer
Stephanie Meicher
Annabelle Scharinger
- 31 Steve Frick
Christine Karstaedt
Sandy Loth
Gary Meyer
Laura Pelzel
Jacob Stoelb



Calendar of Events

August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 	 	<p>1 10:00 AM Agents of Change, Super Heroes Camp 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>2 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys 10:00 AM Agents of Change, Super Heroes Camp 11:30 AM Morning Glories 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Food Panty 6:00 PM Laundry Love 6:00 PM Scouts</p>	<p>3 9:00 AM Prayer Group 10:00 AM Agents of Change, Super Heroes Camp 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service</p>	<p>4 </p>	<p>5 9:30 AM Shirley Bogenschultz Visitation 11:00 AM Shirley Bogenschultz Service</p>
<p>6 CHURCH PICNIC at FULC 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 11:30 AM Picnic with children's activities at FULC</p>	<p>7 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>8 1:30 PM Naomi Circle 5:30 PM Endowment 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>9 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Food Panty 6:00 PM Scouts</p>	<p>10 9:00 AM Prayer Group 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service</p>	<p>11 </p>	<p>12 </p>
<p>13 9:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 10:30 AM Kindness Club 12:00 PM Community Meal</p>	<p>14 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>15 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>16 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Food Panty</p>	<p>17 9:00 AM Prayer Group 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service</p>	<p>18 </p>	<p>19 ASP Mission Trip 2023 </p>
<p>20 9:30 AM Traditional Worship 10:30 AM Kindness Club</p>	<p>21 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry 1:15 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Congregation Council 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>22 6:00 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Scouts</p>	<p>23 9:00 AM Wednesday Guys 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Food Panty</p>	<p>24 9:00 AM Prayer Group 6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Service</p>	<p>25  </p>	<p>26 </p>
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Coming Soon . . .

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You are invited to join us for in-person and online Worship Services:
Facebook page: First United Lutheran Church - ELCA
YouTube channel: First United Lutheran Church - Sheboygan WI



CHURCH PICNIC
Sunday, August 6
10:30 a.m. Worship with Picnic to follow
Fellowship Hall
Bring a dish to share, your family, friends, and neighbors and join us for a time of worship, fellowship, and of course, food!

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