

First English Lutheran Church

Spencer, IA 51301

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Rev. Paul Kaldahl, Pastor

Easter Sunday

April 1, 2018

Welcome to First English Lutheran Church - We welcome you with joy this Easter Sunday morning! May Christ's message of eternal life fill your hearts with love and peace. Please join us at 9:00 for Bible Study. If you have no church home and would like to know more about Jesus, or if you wish to become a member of First English, see Pastor as you leave.

Families with Young Children - First English encourages families to worship together. Should children become restless during worship you may use the nursery located just outside the west doors of the sanctuary. We offer staffed child care from 9:15-Noon each Sunday morning.

Please Remember in your Prayers: the family of Linda Zinn, sister of Barb Muetzel, as she was called to her heavenly home; Lynn & Mike Huffman and family as they mourn the death of their son, Andy; those who are ill or recovering from surgery including Cory Krieger, husband of Kellie Krieger, Vangie Harris, as she recovers from a fall, Don Osterson, Cyndi Johnson, sister-in-law of Jen Jensen; Bonnie Ewoldt, Lynn Huffman, Karen Monk, Skip Ritchart, Barbara Burns, Steve Schroeder, McKaih Hasty, Mike Hynes, Heath Huberg, Lane Frederick, Karlie Bern, Marlene Butler, Dixie Rigby, Lori Cam, Eileen Lynch, Jan Swanson, Bill Pierson, Gilbert Denny, Rhonda Menke, Kathy Mast, Randy Wiersma, Becky Full, Bev Shelton, Holly McClain, our loved ones in medical and care facilities, missionaries Craig & Christy Gabhart, Louis & Jane Faulstich, our military personnel and their families.

We Also Pray for Hudson Ryan Zeman, son of Zachary Zeman & Crystal Gambell who was baptized on Saturday.

Please Join Us for Breakfast this Easter morning. The First English Youth are sponsoring a continental breakfast to benefit IGLLS and Nate Fisher. Nate is a student at Spencer High School and a multiple organ transplant recipient. Proceeds from the free-will offering breakfast will be donated to IGLLS and Nate's family for medical expenses.

My Apologies to Kaylee Jolene Lowder for omitting her name from the list of Confirmands in the Parish News. Kaylee will be confirmed on May 6th and her Confirmation verse is Psalm 51:10. Kaylee's parents are Brandon and Dana Lowder.

Those Who Serve the Lord Today

	8:00	10:45
ELDERS	Sid Fitch & Paul Salton	Clayton Fletcher & Heath Staedtler
ACOLYTE	Megan Schauer	Parker Bergstadt
ORGANIST	Kristin Kaldahl	Dennis Avery
USHERS	# 3 Neal Drefke	# 2 Keith McCloud
SERVICE BUILDER	Corey Langner	Corey Langner
PRESENTER	Victoria Bern	Monte Johnson
ALTAR GUILD	Bev Skinner & Lindy Herda	Pat Millard & Brenda Moranville
VIDEO TAPING	Lynn Wee	
SOUND BOARD	Ken Chalstrom	Monte Johnson



Easter Sunrise, April 1st 6:00 a.m. - Elders- Matt Ruden & Heath Staedtler, Acolyte- Olivia Ruden, Organist-Kristin Kaldahl, Ushers-# 1 Randy Strough Builder –Corey Langner Presenter-Keith McCloud

Acolyte Schedule	8:00	10:45
Apr. 8	Jacie Staedtler	Vanessa Unger
April 15	Kaylee Iedema	Abby Wassom

Sunday's Attendance: Unity Sunday 225 No Communion
Offering \$ 5,511.00 Sunday School: 24 SS Offering: \$ 3.00 Adults: 61

G.I.F.T. April 4th – National Walking Day Wear Tennis Shoes Snack: Rice Krispie Bars Menu: Walking Tacos, Fruit, Jell-O Cake Early Prep: Cake –Veronica Stickrod (4) Kitchen Assistants: Jenny Caskey & 1 Volunteer

St. Luke Auxiliary Representative Needed from FELC- as Dixie Rigby & Jan Swanson are no longer able to represent First English through the St. Luke Auxiliary we need someone to step forward to take over please. If you have questions about what is involved with the position or would like to volunteer to take over, please contact Jan or Dixie.

FELC Ladies – Who is ready for a SPA Retreat that is good for the body and the soul?? If you are, please plan to join other ladies from FELC as we travel to the Camp Okoboji Spring Women's SPA Retreat April 20-22. Come for all of it or part of it - whatever your schedule allows. You are welcome to stay at Camp overnight or drive home each day. Cost includes all meals, programming, speakers, entertainment, and housing. Reduced cost if you don't need housing. Please contact Marlena Langner or Bonnie Kabrick for more info or register online at campokoboji.org.

Camp Okoboji Spring Volunteer Weekend - Join your brothers and sisters in Christ for a fun-filled weekend, Thursday, May 3rd through Saturday, May 5th. Saturday will conclude with a dinner. You are welcome to stay overnight and enjoy the Omelet Brunch on Sunday, May 6th from 9:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The free will offering will go for camp projects and the annual fund. Please call ahead for reservations for housing and meals. 712-337-3325 or email Joy.campokoboji@gmail.com

All are invited to a Bridal Shower, for Madison Fitch, bride-to-be of Cole Loehr. On Saturday, April 14th at 10:30AM at First English Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we celebrate this upcoming marriage and help the couple begin their new life together.

Spring Voter's Assembly will be held on Sunday, April 22nd at 1:00 p.m. The agenda includes approval of the Designated Offerings for special services 2018-2019 and Board Reports. We hope you will plan to attend.

2017 Annual Reports Are Out – Please pick a copy from the table in the fellowship hall. Remember the back part of the report is an updated church directory with phone numbers and addresses of current members. Thank you to Steve Hallgren for assembling all the reports and creating the finished report for us to print. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Hong Kong Mission Trip - Iowa District West is once again hosting a mission trip to Hong Kong in July. The sole purpose of the trip is to lead a 6-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) to area children. Two groups are hosted each day so VBS hours are 8-5 pm with evening activities planned by our host congregation. Adult volunteers would serve as crew leaders and station leaders for VBS. They may also need to help oversee any FELC youth that may go. All participants for the mission trip stay at the host church in shared dorm rooms sleeping on thick foam mats with a shared bathroom. Approximate cost of the trip is estimated at \$1200-\$1600 per person. Potential funding is being explored. Please contact Bonnie Kabrick, our FELC group coordinator, or district coordinator Judy Newhouse 402-740-1913 if you would like more info.

April 22 is being designated "Lutheran World Relief" Sunday. Health Care kits will be assembled in Social room at 9:10 a.m. Sunday School children, grades 1-5, and their moms are invited to assist in the assembly, while learning a bit about LWML as well as, going away with the great feeling of helping someone less fortunate than ourselves. Please plan to join us for this worthwhile cause. In addition, the FELC quilting group will be displaying their quilts for Lutheran World Relief in the front pews of the sanctuary.

Scholarships to Camp Okoboji –The New Horizons Committee is offering up to \$300 for scholarships to assist students with the fees for the various camps being offered this summer at Camp Okoboji. Registration information is available in the fellowship hall or at www.campokoboji.org. Please contact the church office for a scholarship application form.

Life Quote from Lutherans for Life - "Jesus has really, truly, physically been raised from the dead! And God stakes His entire reputation on these historical Easter facts! Luke was no liar, the women were not delusional, and the angels are no myth. God proclaims His Easter truth to us so that we may know and believe that in Jesus all our sin is forgiven, death has gone to die, the devil has been defeated, and life lasts forever!" Pastor Jonathan Kruschel, St. John Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota

Special Offering Designations - Ash Wednesday, \$1,866 to Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School; Lent II \$583 to Lutheran Family Service; Lent III \$859 to Concordia Univ.-For the Sake of the Church; Lent IV \$785 to Mission Central; Lent V -\$928 to Lutherans for Life; Lent VI \$817 to the Local Care Fund; Maundy Thursday March 29 – Camp Okoboji; Good Friday, March 30 – First English Preschool; Easter Sunrise April 1 – General Fund.

Calendar for the Week

Sun. Apr 1 Easter Sunday
6:00 Easter Sunrise w/Communion
7:00-8:00 Continental Easter Breakfast –LYF service project
8:00 Easter Festival w/Communion
9:00 Fellowship
9:15-12:00 Childcare in the Nursery
9:30 Sunday School & Bible Class

10:45 Easter Festival w/Communion
Mon **Offices Closed Easter Holiday**
 1:30 Guild Topic – Pg. 16, Comfort Ye, Comfort Ye
Tues. 7:00 Spirit Lifters-Church Library
 8:00 Preschool Devotions
 8:00 pm Worship Service on SMU
Wed. 6:30 Men’s Bible Study
 8:45 IGLLS Chapel
 9:00 Finance Board
 11:00 Miss Logan’s Preschool Class Mom’s Luncheon
 3:45 GIFT Grades 1-6
 6:45-8:30 LYF
 7:15-Confirmation Class
Thurs. 9:30 Esther Guild-FELC Confirmation Room
 10:00 Bonnie-DCE Meeting Fort Dodge
 11:00 Miss Tammi’s Preschool Class Mom’s Luncheon
 1:30 Naomi Guild – FELC
 6:30 Sarah Guild – FELC
Fri. 5:30 Rehearsal – Kacey DeBerg & Christian Kladstrup
 Rehearsal supper to follow in Fellowship Hall
Sat. 11:00 Annual Meeting at Camp Okoboji
 3:30 Wedding – Kacey DeBerg & Christian Kladstrup
Sun. 8:00 Divine Worship
Apr. 8 9:00 Fellowship
 9:15-Noon Childcare in the Nursery
 9:30 Sunday School/Bible Class
 10:45 Blended Worship
 6:30 Pastor’s Foundations of Faith Class