

First English Lutheran Church

Spencer, IA 51301

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Rev. Paul Kaldahl, Pastor

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

Welcome to First English Lutheran Church - May God, who raised up His Son, our Savior, Jesus to win our salvation, be your source of strength, comfort and assurance today and always. 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: Betty Wilcoxon & family as they mourn the death of her sister, Helen Jorgensen, 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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving for God's answered prayer for a principal for Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School. The IGLLS School Board is proud to announce that Sarah Popp will begin her new duties in July.

Next Sunday is "Lutheran World Relief" Sunday- April 22. 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.

Phone Ministry for April will be the 25th-30th. The Bible Verse is Isaiah 46:4 *"I made you and will care for you: I will give you help and rescue you."*

Those Who Serve the Lord Today

ELDERS	8:00	10:45
ACOLYTE	S. Fitch, H. Staedtler	J. Enderton, C. Fletcher
ORGANIST	Kaylee Iedema	Abby Wassom
USHERS	Kristin Kaldahl	Kristin Kaldahl
SERVICE BUILDER	# 3 Neal Drefke	# 4 Jerry Enderton
PRESENTER	Corey Langner	Corey Langner
ALTAR GUILD	Keith McCloud	Jerry Enderton
VIDEO TAPING	Linda Tewes & Sherri White	
SOUND BOARD	Allan Breidinger	Monte Johnson
	Ken Chalstrom	
Acolyte Schedule	8:00	10:45
April 22	Chloe Jones	Kennedy Warburton
April 29	Tim Hoffman, Jr.	Maggie Norgaard

Sunday's Attendance: E/ 171 L/ 76 Total: 247 No Communion

Offering \$7,541.00 Sunday School: 15 SS Offering: \$3.00 Adults: 53

G.I.F.T. April 18th – Graduation Night - Wear a Hat Snack: Bananas & Chocolate Milk: Lynn Eby
Ice Cream Treats No Early Prep Kitchen Assistants: Need Volunteers

The Vocal Jazz Choir from Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska will perform in **Spencer, Iowa on Sunday, May 6 at 7:30 pm** as part of their annual Spring concert tour. The 13-voice choir, which includes Spencer's own Alex Kaldahl, is selected from the University A Cappella Choir. They will be performing accompanied and acapella jazz and pop-influenced charts spanning 8 decades of popular music. Dr. Kurt E. von Kampen has been directing choirs at Concordia since the fall of 1998 and is the 4th full-time conductor of the A Cappella Choir in its 80-year history. The concert will be located in the gymnasium on the campus of **First English Lutheran Church.**



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

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.

Host Homes Needed - We are looking for members to host the students of the choir the night of May 6th. Host homes will need to provide breakfast for the students prior to their departure on Monday morning. Homes are needed for 6 girls and 3 guys. Please contact the church office if you are able to host 1 or 2 students or more.

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.

Young At Heart Senior Fellowship will meet on Monday, April 23rd, at 11:30 for a monthly potluck and Bible study. Newcomers and guests always welcome!

In Celebration of National Volunteer Week, the First English staff would like to thank everyone who helps here at FELC. We couldn't possibly do our jobs and keep up with all the ministries here without the help of the awesome volunteers God has blessed us with. A heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you. You mean the world to us!

Thank You from GIFT: The GIFT Directors would like to thank all the teachers, snack helpers, table parents, & other volunteers who helped make the GIFT program a huge success this year. Many thanks also to parents for taking an active role in your child's Christian education.

Spring Voter's Meeting – All members of First English Lutheran Church are invited and encouraged to attend our semi-annual voter's meeting on Sunday, April 22nd at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be approving the Designated Offerings for special services 2018-2019, board reports, and more. All communicant members of First English Lutheran Church are eligible to vote on all church matters at the Voter's Assembly. Please make plans to attend, your input is important to us. The full agenda is on the insert in today's bulletin.

IGLLS Annual Meeting- the Annual Meeting for Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School will be held on Monday, May 21st at 5:30 p.m. at First English Lutheran Church. There will be 4 open positions on the School board that will need to be filled at this meeting. If you are interested in serving on the IGLLS School Board please contact Leonard Langner, chairman, 580-3528 or Dewey Torkelson, principal, 262-8237. Members of LCMS churches are eligible to serve on the school board.

LWML Spring Rally "Rock of My Salvation" – Tuesday, April 17th at First English Lutheran Church. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. and the Rally begins at 6:00. Rev. Paul Kaldahl will present "On This Rock." There will be a cash donations ingathering for classroom books for Iowa Great Lakes Lutheran School. All women are invited to attend.

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.

Ever have one of those days when it feels as if no one cares? Next time you do, remember these profound and true promises from the One who knows you better than anyone ever will and loves you beyond belief: I will listen to you (Jeremiah 29:12); I will be with you (Isaiah 43:1); I will watch over you (Psalm 50:15); I will deliver you (Psalm 50:15). If someone you know needs help getting through a particularly difficult time, share our contact information with them. We can help. It's why we're here. www.LFSiowa.org

All pastors, church workers and congregation members are invited to Concordia Seminary, St. Louis' Summer Workshop Series to explore contemporary topics that influence the practice of ministry. Led by Seminary faculty, the workshop offers an opportunity to delve deeply into a topic that includes, the ongoing creation debate, and the meaning and responsibilities of being confessional. **Registration:** \$140 **Learn more and register:** www.csl.edu/summerworkshops or **Contact:** Continuing Education at 314-505-7286 or ce@csl.edu. **The Book of Exodus as Story and Gospel Dates:** May 21-23, **Deadline:** May 7 **Presenter:** Rev. Thomas Egger, assistant professor of Exegetical Theology

Location: Camp Okoboji, 1531 Edgewood Drive, Milford, IA 51351

Host: Lori Gamble, lorigamble02@gmail.com

Calendar for the Week of April 15-22

- Sun.** 8:00 Divine Worship w/Communion
- Apr. 15** 9:00 Fellowship
9:15-Noon Childcare in the Nursery
9:30 Sunday School/Bible Class
10:45 Blended Worship w/Communion
1:00-8:00 Youth to Fort Frenzy in Fort Dodge
6:30 Pastor's Foundations of Faith Class
- Mon** 7:00 Board of Youth
- Tues.** 7:00 Spirit Lifters-Church Library
8:00 Preschool Devotions
5:30 LWML Spring Rally at FELC
8:00 pm Worship Service on SMU
- Wed.** 6:30 Men's Bible Study
8:45 IGLLS Chapel
9:00 Finance Board
3:45 GIFT Closing Night Grades 1-6
6:45-8:45 LYF & Confirmands – "Are You Smarter Than?"
- Thurs.** 7:00 Church Council
- Fri. Pastor's Day Off**
- Fri. – Sun.** Camp Okoboji Spring Women's SPA Retreat
- Sat. Bonnie's Day Off**
Set-up for Health Kit Assembly
- Sun.** 8:00 Divine Worship
- Apr 22** 9:00 Fellowship
9:10 LWR Health Kit Assembly – LWML & Grades 1-5
9:15-Noon Nursery
9:30 Sunday School & Bible Class
9:30 St. Luke Roundup
10:45 Blended Worship
1:00 Spring Voter's Assembly
6:30 Pastor's Foundation's Class