



Issue 8

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First Lutheran Church, Plano, IL

The Anchor



Pastor's Letter

My prayer for you,
Loving Jesus, Please hold your people under your wings.
Remind them of the sacrifices you made for them.
Remind them of the gifts that you constantly shower on them at all times and in all places.
Give them their daily bread.
Continue to instill in them what it means to follow you
The world does not know you, but they do, keep them steadfast in their faith.

Over the past few months, I have had the opportunity to reach out to many of you through phone calls. I have not received many phone calls. I am missing seeing and hearing from you. Do I understand it that all is well? Or do I understand it that many are struggling in different ways? During a time of change and uncertainty I would naturally expect some ups and some downs. If direct contact is lacking, prayer is a great form of communication.

My advice during this time is to stay diligent in your disciplines of faith. Prayer works. Prayer is effective. Prayer is comforting. Acts of service to others go a long way in helping your own soul. Study of Scripture and spiritual readings brings new insights into new situations. Remember who you are, you have a great treasure in your earthen vessel of clay. You have been given a great power of forgiveness and life and salvation so that you can meet head on any challenge that is facing you. And most assuredly, remember that nothing can separate you from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

People, of First Lutheran, I pray that you are well. You are free to call or text.

May God's peace go before you.

Pastor Black





Floyd Anderson and great grandson Archer.

Congratulations to Floyd and Sherry Anderson in the birth of their Great Grandson, Archer Clifford Ruhl. He was born on May 6, 2020. 5 generations pictured here. Great, great Grandma, Alice Crawford holding Archer, Great Grandma, Sherry Anderson, Grandma, Beth Richard and Mom to Archer, Lauren Ruhl.

AUGUST Birthdays & Anniversaries



Welcome to God's family! Brody Robert Lalor was baptized at First Lutheran on Saturday, July 11th. Brody is the son of Katie and Anthony Lalor and the grandson of Bob & Mary Kay Pilmer. Pictured left to right; Katie, Anthony holding Brody, Pastor Black and Brody's Godparents John and Erin Pilmer.

*1 Larry Weeks & Deborah Goldsmith
5 Leann Savitski
6 Genevieve Schindlbeck
10 Olivia Thrall
12 Stephen DeBolt
15 Dorsi Hubbartt & Jane Colbert
17 Piper Weeks
18 Evan Corrado
19 Eric Gillman
20 Bobbie Dettman & Floyd Anderson
21 Connie Kolzow
25 Mark Savitski
27 Steven Turner, Ashlyn Weeks & Oliver Zitt
29 Dan Kuntzman
30 Sarah Kuntzman, Andrew Nicoletti & Robert Hubbartt
31 Brenda Albright & Carl Johnson*

*3 Carl & Joanne Johnson
5 Wally & Kathy Hamlin & Jim & Kathy Porter
6 Stephen & Karen DeBolt
10 Bob & Mary Kay Pilmer
25 Keith & Jerri Lynn Baker*

Today I Looked at My Children and Thought...

This is the day...

We woke up from our slumber, wiped the sleep from our eyes, and took on the day.

This is the day...

We held hands, enjoyed hugs, and shared butterfly kisses.

This is the day...

We enjoyed silly songs while my heart captured the joy of your smile.

This is the day...

I tucked you in for the night and took in the smell of your freshly washed hair.

Today I looked at my children and thought...

**This is the day that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice and be glad in it.**

- Darlene Schacht -

www.timewarpwife.com



OFFERING REPORT

Year to Date Offerings as of 7/19/20

General Fund Income received: 90,793.00

Budget Amount Needed: 111,269.81

Short: (20,476.81)

Checking Account

Year to Date Income: 110,227.40 (11,000 from savings)

Year to Date Expenses: \$104,618.93

Balance as of 7/20/20: 8,834.93

Puzzle!

Using the code, fill in the blanks to discover what we should do each day.

CODE

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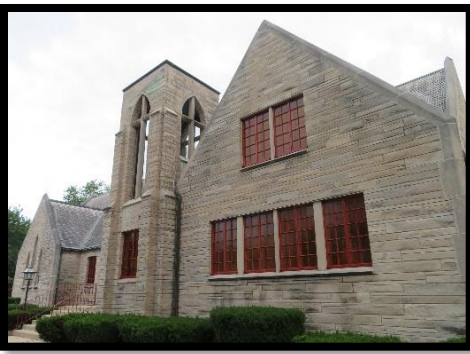
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Answer: Talk to God and listen for God. "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)



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WALKING TOGETHER...

LOVING CHRIST

LOVING ALL
FOR THE SAKE OF THE WORLD



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God's work. Our hands.

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Worship services:

5PM Saturday & 9AM Sunday
Masks MUST be worn.

Radio Ministries

Every Sunday at 10:00AM – a
partial broadcast of the weekend
Worship service airs on WSPY
107.1 FM

Recorded weekly services can also
currently be found on our website.
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