

First Fruits

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Worship Ministry



WORSHIP PLANS:

AT CHRIST THE SERVANT IN CORYDON:

Christ the Servant will worship at 11 AM each Sunday in the church sanctuary.

AT FIRST LUTHERAN:

Drive-thru Communion will be held at First Lutheran on the first Sunday of the months of August, September & October beginning

at 8:45 AM: August 2
September 6
October 4

There will not be a worship service at First Lutheran on those Sundays. Please listen to the sermon on the radio at KIIC – 96.7 FM at 10:30 AM.

Outdoor Worship will be held at First Lutheran on the 3rd Sunday of the months of August &

September: August 16
September 20

Worship will be held on the west side of the church building. Please remember to bring your lawn chairs.

ALL OTHER SUNDAYS AT FIRST LUTHERAN WILL BE HELD INSIDE IN THE SANCTUARY AT 9 AM.

Discipleship Ministry

THE RADIO BROADCAST OF PASTOR HUTTON'S SERMONS WILL BE AN ONGOING MINISTRY OF FIRST LUTHERAN and CHRIST THE SERVANT

Ways to listen at 10:30 AM each Sunday morning:

KIIC Radio – 96.7 FM out of Albia

The radio stations website: kiicradio.com
(click on the “Listen Live” button)

If you miss the broadcast on Sunday, you can also catch it as a podcast on the church's website: firstlutheran-christtheservant.org

THANK YOU for your support of this ministry!!

If you would like to sponsor a weekly broadcast for any occasion, we invite you to consider giving a gift to sponsor the broadcast. The cost of a weekly sponsorship is \$35, or you can just give any amount to help us pay for the broadcast. To check and find out if the Sunday you'd like to sponsor is available, please call the church office and talk to Wendy – 641-774-4875.

Broadcast Sponsors:

July 19: Denny & Patti Bisgard

In honor of their 45th Wedding Anniversary on July 19

July 26: Beverly Johnson

August 2: Dr. John & Arta Harman

August 9: Doug & Cindy Thiel

In observance of their 47th Wedding Anniversary

August 16: Chad & Stephanie Lukavsky

In honor of their son, Brad Sobotta, who graduated from the Wayne Community High School this year

August 23: Harlan & Delores Ranshaw

In honor of all the workers and public servants who are members of our church and community and working to keep us safe and healthy during this pandemic

August 30: Nancy Stansbery

In honor of her parents, Bernie & Jo Aulwes, and in celebration of their 65th Wedding Anniversary on September 2

Stewardship Ministry

There are lots of improvements that have been done or that are in the process of being done at Christ the Servant Lutheran Ministry and First Lutheran.

Christ the Servant Lutheran Ministry in Corydon had their basement wall repaired this month. Projects still to be done: a new roof and basement window replacements.



First Lutheran completed their cement project this month.



Pastoral Pondering

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
²⁹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 118:24 & 29

We all have much for which to be thankful, and one of the many things for which I'm thankful is the opportunity to serve with you in the Kingdom of God. God has brought us together, and I'm enjoying the journey of faith we share together. Now, as we come to the month of August, I'd like to share some thoughts with you about the fall and beyond.

Greeters:

I'm am told by the youth that they "don't know who that person is." So, I'd like to ask all of you to consider greeting in the coming months. We'll invite you to greet people as they come to church on Sunday morning (at present all are wearing face masks and not shaking hands – just greeting the people orally.) If it's difficult for you to stand, you can sit, and you can greet with a family member or friend. Also, if your spouse is not a member, we'd welcome your spouse to greet with you on the Sunday you desire. When Wendy or I call to schedule you for greeting, if you're not available on that Sunday, please consider a Sunday when you'd be willing to greet; we'll schedule you for that Sunday. It is a joy to greet and helpful for the young people to know who you are. We look forward to all of you greeting on a Sunday in the coming year.

Radio Broadcasts:

It is amazing! We now have sponsors for all the remaining Sundays this year – however, if there is a very special day or occasion that you'd like to sponsor the broadcast this year call Wendy at the church office, as she has some who are willing to move their Sunday.

Now as we look forward to 2021 (and we already have 3 sponsors for next Year), if you have a special birthday, anniversary, or occasion that you'd like to sponsor the broadcast, please call the church and reserve that Sunday. We'd like to have you sponsor on the Sunday you like, but sometimes someone else has booked that Sunday, so call if you have a special day you'd like to broadcast. The cost of the broadcast is \$35 per week.

Let us rejoice and give thanks for all the blessings God has given us, and especially the broadcast during this time of the pandemic.

Confirmation Classes:

At this moment we plan to begin confirmation studies again on Wednesday, September 16th at 2:00 PM – but, this could change as school changes and other factors affect us. But, in looking forward we will invite all the students in 6th thru 9th grades to join us for confirmation instruction. We'll meet in the Fireside Room so students can socially distance and have access to the large screen TV. As students get ready for confirmation classes I'd like to ask the students to read one of the gospels – either Matthew, Luke, or John (not Mark) – before coming to class in September.

Secondly, we are anticipating the Rite of Confirmation to be celebrated on Sunday, January 10, 2021, for those students in the 8th and 9th grades.

Thanks!

We all have much for which to be thankful, so let us all "rejoice, for this is a day that the Lord has made."

Blessing to all!
Pastor Dick

Stewardship Ministry

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP OUR YOUTH WITH A FUNDRAISING PROJECT!!

Our congregations' youth will be volunteering to work Thelma's drive thru meal on Wednesday, August 26th, to raise money towards their ELCA Youth Gathering trip to Minneapolis, MN in June 2021. Although we have several youth and their families volunteering their time, we could still use more volunteers. If you would be willing to help dish up food, bag meals, deliver food to vehicles, sell tickets, take tickets, direct traffic; we'd love to have you help! The volunteering time is from 2-7 PM, but even if you can help part of that time we'd appreciate it. If you are willing to volunteer that day, please contact Ann Aulwes 641-203-6577.



AUGUST 16 - CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

The youth attending the next Youth Gathering will be serving cinnamon rolls on Sunday, August 16, in exchange for a free-will donation. All donations will be put toward the next Youth Gathering!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH!

LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!

The schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the Fireside Room. Primary duties in this ministry involve mowing and trimming the area immediately surrounding the church building (inside the circle driveway) and sweeping off the sidewalks. If you prefer, you can call the church office (641-774-4875) and have Wendy put you on the schedule. Please consider helping with this important ministry.



WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK all of you for your faithful stewardship as we deal with the impact of the Covid-19 virus. Your weekly offerings have been inspiring; you continue to bring your weekly gifts for the Lord's work to the Sunday worship service, mail your offerings to the church, or (as some have done) drop off your contributions with Wendy in the church office. Thank you for your gracious stewardship! Such faithfulness is greatly appreciated. Our financial gifts enable the congregations of First and Christ the Servant to be God's living presence in Chariton and Corydon. So, let us continue to rejoice in the blessings of Almighty God, for the "fields are ready" and God is calling for us to go forward.

CANCELLED STAMP UPDATE: Due to the cancellation of the June gathering of the SWO, we will continue to collect the stamps through mid-October. Thank you for your help with this project! We have been doing very well!

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The following groups will not meet in August:

- ** The Prayer Shawl Ministry Group at FLC
- ** Breakfast Gals
- ** "Sharing the Weight" Blanket Making at CTS
- ** The Women of the ELCA
- ** The CTS (Christ the Servant) Women's Bible Study Group
- ** LAF : Lutheran Adult Fellowship

"Coffee, Conversation, Camaraderie" CCC@CTS will take place on Friday, August 21.

Christ the Servant Lutheran Ministry will have their Thrivent Action Team Coffee shop open from 9-11 AM and will serve fair trade coffees and teas, and anyone is invited to attend. Community residents are invited to come with friends or come alone and make friends.



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August

- ** FIRST LUTHERAN UPDATED
WORSHIP PLANS**
- ** PICTURES OF PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS AT CTS & FLC**
- ** OPPORTUNITY TO HELP OUR
YOUTH WITH A FUNDRAISING PROJECT**

**Be Bold in our Faith as Children of God
and Share the Good News of Salvation with All People**

(First Lutheran Mission Statement)



Share the Joy of Christ, and Serve Others

(Christ the Servant Mission Statement)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Wendy's Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8 AM – 3 PM	AA – Alcoholics Anonymous					1 8 pm – AA @ CTS
2 Holy Communion 8:45 am – Drive-Thru Communion First, Chariton 11 am – Christ the Servant, Corydon	3	4 11:30 am – Lucas Co. ICC at Chariton Methodist	5 8 pm – AA @ CTS	6 7 pm – Slavic Worship at FLC	7 Virtual Synod Assembly Office Closed	8 8 pm – AA @ CTS
9 Holy Communion 9 am – First, Chariton 10:15 am – Executive Comm. at FLC 11 am – Christ the Servant, Corydon	10 2 pm – Laplanders Quilt Guild at CTS 6:30 pm – Council at FLC	11	12 8 pm – AA @ CTS	13 7 pm – Slavic Worship at FLC	14 Office Closed Newsletter Deadline!	15 8 pm – AA @ CTS
16 Holy Communion Cinnamon Roll Sunday 9 am – Outdoor Worship First, Chariton 11 am – Christ the Servant, Corydon Noon – CTS Task Force & Worship Committee	17 7 pm – Quilt Guild in Fireside Room	18	19 8 pm – AA @ CTS	20 7 pm – Slavic Worship at FLC	21 9-11 am – CCC at CTS Office Closed	22 8 pm – AA @ CTS
23 Holy Communion 9 am – First, Chariton 11 am – Christ the Servant, Corydon 2 pm – Homestead Service 3 pm – CNRC Service	24	25	26 Youth Drive-Thru Meal with Thelma at Carpenter's Hall 8 pm – AA @ CTS	27 7 pm – Slavic Worship at FLC	28 Office Closed	29 8 pm – AA @ CTS
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