

First Fruits

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Worship Ministry



**“GOD’S WORK,
OUR HANDS” Sunday is
on September 8!**

- * During the worship service at both CTS & FLC, we will bless our teachers and students.
- * At FLC, a third grade Bible will be presented.
- * This will also be the first day of Sunday School at FLC. The children will be learning a song that they will sing at our Anniversary Celebration.
 - Sunday School at CTS will begin on September 22 at 10 AM.
- * At CTS and FLC, school bags will be assembled for Lutheran World Relief.

**THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
WILL BE CELEBRATED ON
SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**



9 AM - Coffee and Conversation
10 AM - Worship with Bishop Michael Burk
Joint Service for CTS & FLC
11:30 AM – Lunch
Lunch will be served at Carpenter’s Hall
(1215 Court Ave) following worship

Please RSVP for the lunch by September 8. A sign-up form will be passed during all worship services prior to the celebration, or you can call or email the church office. (641-774-4875 or flcchariton@iowatelecom.net)

Please come and celebrate with us!



On Sunday, September 22, Brittany Swanson, from Lutheran Lakeside Camp will be at the worship services at First Lutheran and Christ the Servant to present news and updates from the camp.



Dear Partners in the Gospel,

As of this writing (August 15, 2019), we are exactly one month from our 150th Anniversary Celebration. As you know, if you read the August newsletter, I said everything I wanted to say about the anniversary celebration in that letter.

Now what do I do?

I tell you that I love you deeply and dearly and wish you a wonderful day of thanksgiving, celebrating God’s faithfulness, being with friends, family, former pastors, old friends, and any community members who choose to celebrate with us.

You are truly the Beautiful people of Corydon and Chariton.

In Christ’s love,
Pastor Sally

Discipleship Ministry

LIBRARY NEWS

Sharon Neel has been working hard at getting the library organized. It will be a lovely place to visit during our anniversary.



Shelves have been reorganized and clearly labeled so it is easy to find just what is needed. There are some great books for all age groups, including some BRAND NEW books that are on the shelves. The new books are listed on the back page of the blue instruction folder. The check-out system could not be easier. Sharon has provided easy to understand directions and is available for questions. And there are books for giveaway. They will be somewhere obvious and well-labeled so you can help yourself without concern.

Do visit soon and continue to make use of our great library. Thanks, Sharon Neel and ALL the people who have helped make this happen.

IT IS TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TO BEGIN!!



At First Lutheran:

Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 8, at 10:15 AM. The day will begin by learning a song that the children will sing the day of our anniversary. They will then jump in and help with the "God's Work, Our Hands" projects.

At Christ the Servant:

Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 22, and will be from 10-10:45 AM.

All students and teachers will be blessed during the worship services at First Lutheran and Christ the Servant on Sunday, September 8.

GROWING IN FAITH – GIF

It is hard to believe that it is time for GiF to begin. If we can get it together, the Wednesday following our Anniversary is our regularly scheduled after school session. Wow! We had such a great time at our retreat, and we have already selected some possible dates for camp next summer. It seems we are totally ready to get this year started with more Good News from the Echo story series. Required books for GiF include their ECHO journals, Luther's Small catechism, and their Spark Bibles. We use many others, but those are the books that guarantee we study God's Word and learn the catechism.



I am so looking forward to our first gathering since we created "family" at the retreat. You know who we are. Keep praying for each one of us and all of us. Thanks for your constant support and encouragement. They are growing in faith at a rapid rate.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Listed below are our college students for the 2019-2020 school year. Please remember our youth in your prayers.



Jackson Fisher:

Des Moines Area Community College,
Boone

Sarah Fuhs: Grandview University

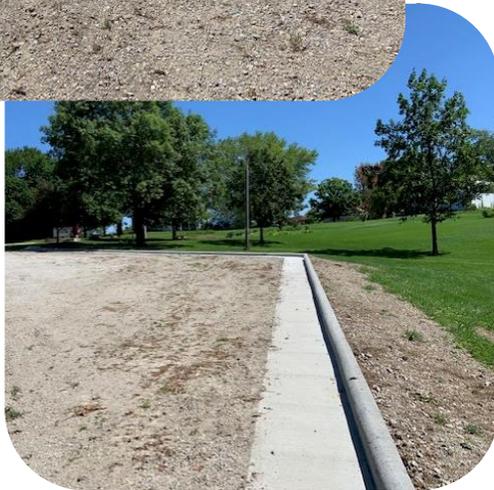
(If we have missed any college student, please let the church office know.)

Stewardship Ministry

THE CEMENT PROJECT AT FIRST LUTHERAN IS COMPLETE. WE WILL CERTAINLY ENJOY THESE NEW IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EAST AND BACK PARKING LOTS!



The new curb on the east side of First Lutheran.



The End of the Month meals are being replaced by Together Tuesday Meals starting on October 15. This community effort provides free meals for those stretching their budget dollars. The host location will be the Chariton Methodist Church and meals are served from 5-6 PM. Please help spread the word and if you want to join in the fellowship, please come. If interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Fay Utesch at 515-451-1232 for dates of service.

Re:Newed

Baptismal Anniversaries

During September, we remember and give thanks for the baptisms of:

9/	Justin Sharp	9/11	Marcia Heimdal
9/1	Jaxon Kuball	9/14	Dana Holland
9/2	Katie Wilson	9/15	Larry Wheeldon
9/4	Julie Goetsch	9/20	Alan Miller
9/5	Fay Utesch	9/23	Connie Holland
9/5	Mike Patterson	9/25	Rhonda White
9/5	Susan Seuferer	9/27	Dalton Lukavsky
9/8	Megan Aulwes	9/28	Ava Krutsinger

Thanks be to Jesus for the saving waters of baptism!

(In baptism, we all are made one in Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, neither male nor female, neither Chariton nor Corydon! Are we missing your baptismal anniversary? Let us know! Tell us the story of your baptism!)



The new cement pad in the back of First Lutheran.

∴∴∴∴ On the Vine

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that **WWW** and the **Sunday afternoon book study** will be on the same schedule as last year and will start in October.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry Group will gather on **Wednesday, September 4**, at First Lutheran, beginning at 1:30 PM.

The CTS (Christ the Servant) Women's Bible Study opportunities:

** On Tuesday, **September 3**, from 1:30-3 PM, at Christ the Servant.

** On Tuesday, **September 17**, we will meet at Noon for our *Gather* study. Watch the bulletins for the place to be announced.

The Women of the ELCA will meet on Thursday, **September 12**, at the stone shelter in Red Haw State Park. We will begin at Noon. Please bring your own lunch and drink. All women are invited!



“Sharing the Weight” Blanket Making Party at CTS will be held on September 24 from 9 AM-3 PM. (Please note the change to the 4th Tuesday for September only.) We invite everyone to come and join us. We have sewing and non-sewing jobs so all skills are welcome. Come as early as you can and stay as long as you like.

“Coffee, Conversation, Camaraderie” CCC@CTS will be on the third Friday of each month. Our next gathering will be on **Friday, September 20 from 9-11 AM**. Christ the Servant Lutheran Ministry will have their Thrivent Action Team Coffee shop open 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.

LAF :: Lutheran Adult Fellowship

A small group ministry of First Lutheran Church that gathers monthly to share food and fun. Newcomers are always welcome.

Our September event will be held on September 8, 6 PM, in the Fireside Room at First Lutheran. Janice & Julie Goetsch will be your hosts.

AN INVITATION FROM ST. PAUL LUTHERAN IN ALBIA:

FREE Community Spaghetti Supper on Tuesday, September 10TH, from 5-7 PM at St. Paul Lutheran in Albia (335 North 8th St. in Albia).



For the privilege of serving the people of Albia and sharing God's Free Grace & Love; St. Paul's Lutheran Church Thrivent Action Team will be reaching out to our community with a FREE spaghetti meal for everyone.

Come join us for food & fellowship.

CHRISTMAS WITH WARTBURG

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6,

7:30 PM

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF HOPE
WEST DES MOINES**

**Tickets are \$23 and go on sale
Monday, October 28**

Order online:

www.wartburg.edu/christmas

Ticket Office: 319-352-8691





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September

**** GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY**

- September 8

**** FIRST LUTHERAN 150TH ANNIVERSARY**

- September 15 (see details inside)

**** SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS**

- At FLC, September 8, at 10:15 AM

- At CTS, September 22, at 10 AM

**** TUESDAY TOGETHER MEALS**

- See details inside

**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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 Worship 9 AM
 Sunday School 10:15 AM

Pastor Sally Wilke

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 Sunday School 10 AM
 Worship 11 AM

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
1 Holy Communion <u>9 am</u> —First, Chariton <u>11 am</u> —Christ the Servant, Corydon <u>1 pm</u> – Slavic Worship	2 Labor Day Holiday Office Closed	3 <u>10 am</u> – FLC Worship Committee <u>11:30 am</u> – Lucas Co. ICC at Russell Methodist <u>1:30 pm</u> —CTS Women's Bible Study at CTS	4 <u>1:30 pm</u> – Prayer Shawl Ministry at FLC <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS	5 <u>7 pm</u> —Slavic Worship	6 Office Closed	7 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS		
8 "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday Holy Communion <u>9 am</u> —First, Chariton <u>10:15 am</u> – Sunday School at FLC <u>10:15 am</u> —Executive Comm. at FLC <u>11 am</u> —Christ the Servant, Corydon <u>1 pm</u> – Slavic Worship <u>6 pm</u> – Lutheran Adult Fellowship	9 <u>2 pm</u> —Laplancers Quilt Guild at CTS <u>6:30 pm</u> —Council at FLC	10 <u>8 am</u> —Breakfast Gals <u>5-7 pm</u> – St. Paul, Albia Community Spaghetti Supper	11 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS	12 <u>Noon</u> – Women of the ELCA at Red Haw <u>7 pm</u> —Slavic Worship	13 Office Closed	14 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS		
15 First Lutheran's 150th Anniversary Celebration <u>9 am</u> —Coffee and Fellowship <u>10 am</u> —Joint FLC & CTS Worship Service at FLC – Holy Communion <u>11:30 am</u> —Lunch at Carpenter's Hall <u>1 pm</u> – Slavic Worship	16 <u>7 pm</u> – Quilt Guild in Fireside Room	17 <u>Noon</u> – CTS Women's Bible Study (place TBA) <u>3:30 pm</u> – CTS Worship Committee <u>4:30 pm</u> —CTS Task Force	September 17-19: Wendy Vacation		18 <u>2-5 pm</u> – GiF 2 nd Year <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS	19 <u>9 am</u> – FLC Quilting <u>Noon</u> —Wayne County Ministers Meet <u>7 pm</u> —Slavic Worship	20 <u>9-11 am</u> – CCC at CTS Office Closed Newsletter Deadline!	21 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS
22 <u>9 am</u> —First, Chariton <u>10 am</u> – CTS Sunday School <u>10:15 am</u> – FLC Sunday School <u>11 am</u> —Christ the Servant, Corydon <u>1 pm</u> – Slavic Worship	23	24 <u>9 am-3 pm</u> – Blanket Making Party at CTS	25 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS	26 <u>9 am</u> – FLC Quilting <u>7 pm</u> —Slavic Worship	27 Office Closed	28 <u>8 pm</u> – AA @ CTS		
29 Holy Communion <u>9 am</u> —First, Chariton <u>11 am</u> —Christ the Servant, Corydon <u>1 pm</u> – Slavic Worship	30					AA – Alcoholics Anonymous		