

Mission & Outreach

- ◆ Monthly Mobile Banquet
- ◆ Winter coat drive
- ◆ LifeHouse meal monthly
- ◆ Hosted United Way Food Packing Event
- ◆ Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection
FLC (220 plus 21 on-line) Relay Center (1248)
- ◆ Red Cross Shelter Team Refresher
- ◆ Hosted Community Flu Immunization Clinic
- ◆ Quilt ministry celebrated 15 years and made 306 quilts
- ◆ \$4702 collected for LifeHouse Holiday Food Drive (2023)
- ◆ Thanksgiving Offering(\$807) to Mobile Banquet (2023)
- ◆ Hosted 3 Red Cross blood drives
- ◆ Lent offering (\$5123) to The Bridge
- ◆ Completed 200 school kits, 66 baby kits, & 122 personal care kits for LWR
- ◆ Endowment fund dispersed \$13,850 for Ministry and Mission Support (fiscal year)
- ◆ Endowment committee held Planning, Giving, Growing Campaign
- ◆ Prayer shawls & baptismal blankets made and shared
- ◆ The Market offered garden and homemade items to benefit United Way
- ◆ Food Truck Festival & Car Show
- ◆ Collected shoes and socks for LFS (210 socks, 98 shoes)
- ◆ Served Midland student meal
- ◆ Community Day Clean-Up
- ◆ Polling site
- ◆ Paint home for Habitat
- ◆ Muffins with Mosaic
- ◆ Hosted North Bend Community Band concert
- ◆ Attended Midland Back to Business Bash
- ◆ Hosted Three Rivers/Fremont Coalition Community Resource Fair (120)
- ◆ **VOLUNTEERS: PRICELESS**



Celebration

SUNDAY

November 17, 2024

God is Good!
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We shout this at the end of every service here at First Lutheran, and for good reason - God is good.

Inside these pages, you'll find ways God has been good, blessing us with the abilities and opportunities to bring His grace and love to this hurting world. If you feel called to help in one of these areas, please contact the church and we'll get you connected.

Worship

- ◆ Thanksgiving Worship (2023)
- ◆ Advent theme: The Light of Grace (2023)
- ◆ 4 Christmas Eve worship services (2023)
- ◆ Prayer at the Manger (2023)
- ◆ Christmas Day worship (2023)
- ◆ 2 Ash Wednesday worship services with a meal
- ◆ Lent Theme: Altered by the Spirit
- ◆ Mid Week Lenten services with a meal
- ◆ Maundy Thursday Worship with First Communion (15)
- ◆ Good Friday Worship
- ◆ Easter Worship
- ◆ Added a 2nd Creation Station, Children's Messages, & Children's Bulletin for our youngest worshippers
- ◆ Summer theme: Summer Settings
- ◆ Pastor Duane Miller send off
- ◆ Pastor Greg DeBoer called as Lead Pastor
- ◆ Outreach through radio broadcast & livestream/video worship opportunities
- ◆ Back to School Kick-off Sunday
- ◆ Fall themes: Hello, My Name Is....and Hey There Neighbor
- ◆ Reformation Worship
- ◆ Offer Holy Communion at all worship services
- ◆ Wednesday "Pray-lude" worship began September 2024
- ◆ Sunday Hospitality—added cold coffee bar
- ◆ Music groups: FLC Choir, Bell Choir, Praise Band
- ◆ WAM Kids (Worship Arts Ministry)
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Discipleship

- ◆ 779 FirstCare visits & phone calls (7 volunteers, lead by Deacon Karen)
- ◆ Poinsettias & Christmas decorations sponsored (2023)
- ◆ Women's Christmas Program (2023)
- ◆ The Chosen study group
- ◆ Chick Flicks movie discussion group
- ◆ Wine Pairing at Wine Experience
- ◆ Easter Lilies & Spring Flowers sponsored
- ◆ Summer Setting summer theme & events
- ◆ Food Truck event with car show
- ◆ Men's bible study, fellowship, & trip to the Cloisters
- ◆ Night at the Moo baseball event
- ◆ Hosted North Bend Community Band concert
- ◆ Sponsored radio broadcast and altar flowers
- ◆ 9th graders affirm their faith (10)
- ◆ Margarita Madness at Renita's
- ◆ Popovers & then Dinner Groups
- ◆ Call Committee completed the call process
- ◆ 3 funeral teams
- ◆ 20 funeral/memorial services (since All Saints 2023)
- ◆ Countless snow/lawn volunteers
- ◆ 12 Steps to God book study
- ◆ Nooma Small group
- ◆ Cross+Generational Love event
- ◆ Chairs, Prayer, & Praise - praying over chairs prior to Easter services
- ◆ FFFF (Fantasy Football, Faith & Fellowship)
- ◆ OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Souls)
- ◆ HUGS (Heartfelt, Uplifting, Giving Sisters)
- ◆ TLC (Together Living with Cancer)
- ◆ WOW (Women in the Word)
- ◆ Faith Study Group
- ◆ What if Jesus Was Serious? discussion group
- ◆ Small group Bible studies
- ◆ Welcomed 29 new members into the FLC family
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Youth & Children

- ◆ Live nativity with Cross+Generational event & Soup Feed raised \$1573 for United Way Family Coalition Utility Assistance
- ◆ FLYs sponsored 10 families for Christmas
- ◆ FLC Women mailed gift cards to 40 college students
- ◆ First Communion workshop (15)
- ◆ Celebrated graduation with 12 High School Seniors
- ◆ FLY trip to Benton Harbor, MI 8 students, 2 adults
- ◆ Sunday School offered to Pre-school through 6th grade
- ◆ 14 baptisms (since All Saints 2023)
- ◆ 31st Spoudazo tour donates \$326 to Aspire
- ◆ Back to School blessing
- ◆ 7th & 8th graders participate in Confirmation class every other week(32), 16 adult confirmation partners
- ◆ 7th & 8th grade students participate in newly offered Middle School FLY group (18-20), 3 adult leaders
- ◆ 9th through 12th grade youth (HS FLYs) meet weekly (25-30) 4 adults leaders
- ◆ ELC: 60 students, 16 staff
- ◆ Confirmation students packed LWR kits
- ◆ Student Bibles sponsored for 3rd graders(6), 7th graders(14), 8th graders(20)
- ◆ Spaghetti & Variety Show fundraiser
- ◆ Overnight at the Omaha Zoo
- ◆ Egg-sperience
- ◆ HS FLYs Staycation at Woodcliff
- ◆ Hosted Fargo Youth Group
- ◆ Hosted New Wine Youth Group; held Godspell performance at FLC
- ◆ Elementary Destination Water Fun
- ◆ FLC Splash Bash
- ◆ Fall Fun at Camp Fontanelle. 45 youth, 11 adults
- ◆ Sponsored Midland meal over Thanksgiving Break
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