



Weekly Revelations

March 27, 2016

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Knerem family in celebration of David's 31st birthday; and, by Marj Gray in celebration of grandson, Jacob McKee's 15th birthday. **Bulletins** are given by Mom, Dad & Brianna Kalnasy in celebration of Alex's birthday.

Nursery Policy: The nursery is reserved for *children through age 3 only*. Older children are invited to worship with their families.

First Lutheran Busy Bags contain quiet items, crayons and books for children to use during the service. They can be found on the wooden stand at the back of the sanctuary.

We prefer that you not bring food or beverage into the sanctuary, but if you choose to do so please make sure that your area is clean before you leave. *Thanks for respecting our worship space.*

Our new website is up and running! Visit us at www.firstchurchalive.org.

The church office will be closed Monday, March 28.

Prayer & Care will meet **Friday, April 1, 10 AM.**

Pub Church will meet **Tuesday, April 5, 6:30 PM** at *TGI Friday's* in *Strongsville*. Our topic of conversation will be *Media Culture and the Politics of Fear*. Join us for food, fellowship, prayer, great discussion, and Eucharist.

Women's Bible Study: *Linda Walker* will be leading a 4-session study on the **book of Ruth on Mondays, April 11, & 25, May 9 & 23 from 7 to 8:30 PM**. A sign-up sheet is posted at the *Welcome Center* and at <http://tinyurl.com/j2aem28>.

Body Building with the Men of New Covenant – Saturday, April 23, 9 AM to noon. Led by *Reverend Terrance Jacob*. See *Pastor Chuck* for additional information.

Shout – Worship – Sing – Praise. First Church is celebrating its **60th Birthday** this year. A big birthday celebration is planned for **Saturday, April 23**. Many hands make light work. Will you help work on, or chair, one of the committees? Sign-up sheets are ready today for your signature at the *Welcome Center*.

WOW Watershed Stewardship Center Tour: Join us on **Saturday, April 30 at 10:30 AM** as we learn about our urban watershed on a 45-minute tour of the center. Bring a bag lunch to enjoy afterwards. Sign-up at the *Welcome Center* or online at <http://tinyurl.com/jtqx8y4>.

First Church is blessed with such faithful and generous stewardship! As of February 29, total offerings are up nearly 10% over the same time in 2015. Even with generous giving, to keep up with increased expenses, there is a slight budget gap. As such, please prayerfully consider keeping up with your pledges. Holy Week and Easter also provide additional stewardship opportunities in thanksgiving for God's blessings. Thank you for your continued commitment to our congregation's ministries through your stewardship! **Offerings can be made in several ways.** See your *April Revelations* for more information. If you have questions, please see *Brenda Jacob* (Controller) or *Alli Thellman* (Council Treasurer).

KIDS HOPE USA needs two good men! *Mentors are needed for a first grade boy and a fourth grade boy who need male role models. Could you be the one?* Please contact *Gloria Reichert*.

"Remorse" is the topic of *Pastor Chuck's* most recent blog post. What does Good Friday have to do with the Brussels bombing? Check it out at www.pcspincycle.com.

Save the Date for VBS! June 27 – July 1, 9 AM to noon.

What's going on with our Youth: For the latest in Youth News and scheduled events, please follow us on **Instagram: first_church_youth15** or visit our **Facebook page: First Church Youth**. You can also follow us on **Twitter: @flyboard2014** and email us at: flyboard2014.15@gmail.com.

March 27 – April 3 at First

Sunday	8:00 PM	Easter Breakfast
Monday	7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Office closed! Board of Youth AA
Tuesday	7:30 PM	AI-Anon
Thursday	6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Pastor Kathy on vacation thru 4/3 Praise Band rehearsal Men's Basketball (<i>Kinsner</i>)
Friday	10:00 AM	Prayer & Care
Next Sunday		<u>Evangelical Lutheran Worship</u> – setting 1 – Eucharist at 7:45 & 11:15 AM Contemporary Worship – Eucharist at 9 AM Sunday school at 10 AM CW Team at 6 PM Bell Choir at 7 PM

Attention golfers: Openings are available for the **men's golf league** that plays on **Monday nights at Pine Hills Golf Club** in *Hinckley*. Please contact *Ron Shorts* for more information (rshorts51@gmail.com).

The **teddy bears** in the pews are there to share God's love. You may take one to anyone you know who is hurting for any reason. Donations may be given in a pew envelope marked "*Teddy Bear Ministry*" or new bears may be placed in the bear den behind the *Welcome Center* in the lobby. Questions? Please contact *Marj Gray* (marjgray@gmail.com).

Do you have a prayer request? Please use the bulletin board over the water fountain to make your prayer concerns known.

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