



# Weekly Revelations

**November 6, 2016**

**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Jan & Wade Zwinger in celebration of Sarah & Sean Moennich's 5<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary; and, Bonnie Bailey in celebration of Gabe & Chase Dittman's birthday.

Pastor Kathy and her family will be out of town until Tuesday, November 8. They will be attending the funeral of Mark's brother, Richard Kluck.

## **November is Harvest Month at First Lutheran Church.**

Each week, the following non-perishable food items will be collected:

10/30/16 Peanut Butter and Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce  
11/6/16 Canned Fruits and Vegetables  
11/13/16 Boxed Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, and Rice  
11/20/16 Cereal, Mac & Cheese, and Pasta

Donations of turkeys will gladly be accepted, as well as monetary donations to help fill the baskets with perishable items. The food baskets will be donated to those in need within our community. Envelopes marked "**Holiday Food Baskets**" are available on the table in front of the *church office*. Thank you for contributing to this meaningful cause!

**2017 Pledge Cards** may be placed in the offering plate **today**. They may also be mailed, or placed in the church office. The *Stewardship Committee* wishes to thank all of you who have pledged to date for your generous gifts that support First Church, our local mission activities and to help us "Strive for Excellence". We realize that fall is a very busy time however, your pledges are crucial. It is not too late to pledge, if you need a Faith Promise pledge card, there are extras on the usher's table in the rear of the sanctuary. It is important to know as soon as possible so we may plan our budget for next year.

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

**Prayer Request Cards** may be found inside the fellowship pads at the end of each pew. If you would like to include someone in today's prayers, please fill out the card. The pastor will collect the cards immediately before the Prayers of the Faithful.

**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.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox**, will start collecting filled shoeboxes **today** and next **Sunday, November 13**. Extra shoeboxes are available near the Sunday School table or any cardboard or plastic shoebox may be used. Last year we collected 69 shoeboxes and are hoping to surpass that number this year. Everyone is welcome to participate. Any questions please contact Mike and Kendra Carter at [kendraneal@yahoo.com](mailto:kendraneal@yahoo.com).

**Over 50's Group** will have its annual pot luck luncheon on **Tuesday, November 8 at 12:15 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. We also have important matters to discuss for 2017. Questions? Please contact Yvonne Buehner at [2015yvonne@gmail.com](mailto:2015yvonne@gmail.com).

**The Strongsville Food Bank** will be open **Saturday, November 12, 9:30 – 11:30 AM**. Proof of Strongsville residency and photo ID required.

**WOW Luncheon - Sunday, November 13 at 12:30 PM.** Please join us for another great luncheon, as Beth David shares information about women's nutrition and health as we move through each stage of life. Bring a salad or dessert. The luncheon is open for all ages, please sign up at the *Welcome Center*.

**Thankoffering** will be on **Sunday, November 20**. Rev. Gwendolyn H. Snell, pastor of New Covenant, will be our guest speaker. Consider making a "Blessing Bowl". Each day, consider a blessing in your life and set aside a gift for this annual offering that supports the ministries of the *Women of the ELCA*.

**Community Thanksgiving Service** will be **Wednesday, November 23 at 7:30 PM** at *Strongsville United Methodist Church* on Rt. 82 just east of Webster Rd.

**WOW Book Club will be Monday, December 5 at 7:00 PM.** Our book is "I am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai. You may get the book from the library or a bookstore and please join us!

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 at [marjgray@gmail.com](mailto:marjgray@gmail.com).

**November 6 - 12 at First**

Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday School
Monday	6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Brass Choir Bible Bonanza Confirmation AA
Tuesday	12:15 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Over 50's Cabinet AI-Anon
Wednesday	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Praise Band rehearsal Council
Saturday	9:30 AM	Strongsville Food Bank

Next Sunday

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 3 and 8 – Youth Service  
Traditional Service at 7:45 AM and 11:15 AM. Contemporary at  
9:00 AM.  
Sunday School at 10:00 AM  
WOW Luncheon at 12:30 PM  
Youth Board at 6:00 PM

Pastor Chuck dishes on game seven of the World Series in his most recent blog post "Again." **Check it out at [www.pcspincycle.com](http://www.pcspincycle.com).**

**Thank you** to all who contributed to our bedding collection for Refugee and Migration Services!

**Last Sunday's  
Attendance**

7:45 – 37  
9:00 – 100  
11:15 – 121

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