



# Weekly Revelations

February 5, 2017

**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Bonnie Bailey in celebration of Michael Dittman's birthday; and, in celebration of Petr's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday from Mom, Dad and Susanah Kowalewski. **Bulletins** by the Kalnasy Family in celebration of Brianna's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

**May God Bless those who are receiving communion for the first time today:**

Dylan Bresnahan, Olivia Brewer, Hannah Carrossellia, Caroline Haggett, Carson Harper, Eva Hinojosa, Skylar Horn, Zak Kakos, Tori Kakos, John Kolk, Audrey Kuntz, Abigail McKee, Abigail Uline, and Ty Worsencroft.

**Copies of ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth**

**Eaton's** statement on President Trump's recent refugee executive order are available at the *Welcome Center*.

**Small empty coffee can donations are needed** for our altar flowers. Please drop them off at the church office if you are able to donate. Thank you!

**Sign up for altar flowers and/or bulletins for 2017.** See sign-up sheet in the lobby over the water fountain.

**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.

**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.

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

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).

The most current monthly and weekly newsletters are available on the website at [www.firstchurchalive.org](http://www.firstchurchalive.org).

**Pub Church is Tuesday, February 7 at 6:30 PM,** *TGI Friday's Strongsville.* All are welcome!

**Strongsville Food Bank** will be open **Saturday, February 11 at 9:30-11:30 AM.** Proof of Strongsville residency and photo ID required.

**Over 50's Group** scheduled for **Tuesday, February 14** has been **cancelled**. Any questions, please contact Yvonne Buehner at [2015yvonne@gmail.com](mailto:2015yvonne@gmail.com).

There are still **seven reservations available** for our outing to *Edwin's Restaurant* on **Saturday, February 18.** Please sign up at the *Welcome Center*.

**Youth Event 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades – Escape Room Cleveland! Sunday, February 19 at 12:15 PM.** We will have lunch first, we will return to the church by 4:15 PM. \$10.00 deposit needed to hold your spot. Contact Pastor Kathy or Karyn Kasnik with questions.

**Cleaning and organizing soiree on Sunday, February 19 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM.** We will be concentrating on the kitchen and the store room on this day. We are looking for **at least 20 people** to help out and lunch will be provided. The more the merrier! Please contact *Mike Magons* at [mmagons@msn.com](mailto:mmagons@msn.com) of your attendance.

**Save the date.** Woman of New Covenant Lutheran and Woman of First Lutheran have been invited to go to the *Cleveland Museum of Natural History* and out to lunch on **Saturday, February 25.** Reserve the date on your calendar and join the fun! Watch for more details! Hope to see you there!

**Save the date to Save A Life. Sunday, March 12** from **8:00 AM to 1:00 PM** in the *Fellowship Hall* has been added as a new blood collection date to help the Red Cross with their current blood emergency. Every minute of every day, someone needs blood. That blood can only come from a volunteer who makes the choice to donate. There is no substitute for your donation; all blood types are urgently needed. Double red cell donations will be accepted. Appointments are encouraged but not required; sign-up sheets will be available on the *Welcome Center* or sign-up on line at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).

**February 5 - 11 at First**

Sunday	9:00 AM 12:30 PM	Sunday School Bell Choir
Monday	6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Brass Choir Bible Bonanza Confirmation AA
Tuesday	6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Crossroad Stitchers Pub Church Al-Anon
Wednesday	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Praise Band Rehearsal Education
Saturday	9:30 AM	Strongsville Food Bank

Next Sunday

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 1  
7:45 and 11:15 AM Traditional Services  
9:00 AM Contemporary Services  
Sunday school at 10:00 AM  
Over 50's Dinner at 12:00 PM  
Bell Choir at 12:30 PM  
Youth Board at 6:00 PM

**Pastor Chuck's weekly blog post** is up at [www.pcspincycle.com](http://www.pcspincycle.com).

**"Divisions"** takes a sharp look at how finding common ground can save our culture from becoming a cesspool of hatred.

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