



Weekly Revelations

October 8, 2017

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Mom and Dad Kaiser in celebration of Adam's 24th birthday; and, by the Whitecar family in celebration of Chuck and Mary's 17th wedding anniversary.

First Lutheran Church Blood Drive will have their annual blood drive **today, from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM**. Walk-ins are welcome!

Our 2017 stewardship campaign is about to commence. This is once again our opportunity to give back to God for the many gifts we have received. The stewardship theme this year is "**Giving Ourselves Away**". Watch for a special stewardship letter and annual pledge card in the mail early this week. Please return your pledge card when you come to worship next Sunday or mail it to the church office. Thank you for your faithful stewardship and generous giving!

Over 50's Group will meet **Tuesday, October 10 at 12:00 PM** in the *Fellowship Hall*. Bring your bag lunch and join us. All are welcome! Any questions, please call Audie Kiplinger.

Yoga Class will be held on **Thursday's, October 12 and October 19 at 7:00 PM** in the *Fellowship Hall*. The class costs \$5.00 each session, please bring cash. A brochure and sign-up sheet are located at the *Welcome Center*. Men and women 16 years of age or older are invited. Any questions, please contact Bonnie Eggers at pmosbach@gmail.com.

Strongsville Food Bank will be open Saturday, October 14 from 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM. Proof of Strongsville residency and photo ID required.

Women of First Church lunch with New Covenant Women will be **Saturday, October 14 at 11:00 AM** at *Panera Bread* in Brooklyn. Please meet at the church at 10:30 if you want to carpool. Sign-up at the *Welcome Center*. Call or text Natalie Haggett with questions. See you there!

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

Thousands of lives were changed last Sunday night when gunfire rained down on innocent concert goers. Pastor Chuck shares his personal reflections in his weekly blog post "**Vegas**". You can find it at www.pcpspicycle.com.

The Ministry Fair is being rescheduled – look for further information at a later day.

Men of First Church (18yrs and older) are invited to join us for fun, fellowship and exercise playing pickup basketball games on **Thursdays, 7:30 – 9:00 PM** at *Kinsner Elementary School*. Any questions, please contact *Wayne Mosley* at wmosley238@gmail.com.

Articles for the November Revelations are due on **Monday, October 16**.

On **Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 PM**. We will be hosting a **Service of Common Prayer** with our brothers and sisters from St. Joseph's Catholic Church as part of our observation of the **500th Anniversary of the Reformation**. One person who is willing to participate in the intercessory prayers is still needed. Please contact Pastor Chuck if you are able to serve.

WOW Book Event - due to conflicting events, the date for the next Book Club has been changed to **Saturday October 21, 9:00 AM** at the *Strongsville Market District*. Please mark your calendars. Hope to see you there.

The next **Women of the ELCA board meeting** will be on **Monday, October 23 at 7:00 PM** in the church.

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.

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 in the back of the sanctuary.

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Sunday	8:00 AM 9:45 AM 12:00 PM	Blood Drive Sunday School Bell Choir
Monday	6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Brass Choir Bible Bonanza Confirmation AA
Tuesday	12:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Over 50's Group Celebration Team Meeting Cabinet Meeting Al-Anon
Wednesday	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Praise Band Rehearsal Yoga Men's Basketball at Kinsner
Saturday	9:30 AM 11:00 AM	Strongsville Food Bank WOW Lunch with New Covenant

Next Sunday – Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 4 at 11:00 AM
8:30 AM – Contemporary Worship - Eucharist
9:45 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Traditional Worship - Eucharist
12:00 PM – Bell Choir

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.

The weekly and monthly Revelations are available at our website www.firstchurcalive.org.

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