



# Weekly Revelations

August 19, 2018

**Altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by the Portik family in celebration of Nate & Jenna Portik's 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary; and, by the McNamara family in celebration of Mike & Stacey's 14<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Name tag Sunday** – Name tags and markers are available at the back of the sanctuary and in the narthex. Please take the time to fill one out and wear it during your time in church today.

This is Linda Kempke's last Sunday with us. We thank her for her musical leadership this summer!

The pastors have been asked to provide sermon outlines to facilitate conversation and help worshiper's better review our salient points. Pastor Kathy's outline is included with today's bulletin materials.

Pastor Kathy will be on vacation August 20–September 4.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to Jeff Burkhalter for weeding and fixing the landscaping blocks at the entrance to the church; and, to Jerry Krueger who waters the geraniums every morning.

**Mission Opportunity at New Covenant** – on the fourth Saturday of each month through September the members of New Covenant Lutheran Church in East Cleveland provide fresh produce to needy families in their neighborhood. If you are interested in helping on **Saturday, August 25** please contact Bruce Holderead at [vancepack@wowway.com](mailto:vancepack@wowway.com).

**Mark your calendars! Rally Day is Sunday, September 9**, marking the beginning of a new program year. **One blended worship service at 10:30 AM** followed by lunch (food trucks in the parking lot!), and an exciting God's Work Our Hands service project. We will be preparing and packaging individual meals to be distributed by Children Who Witness Violence to people who have experienced recent violence or trauma in their lives. All ages are welcome to participate! Come and be a blessing to others.

## WOW Events:

**WOW Board Meeting** will be **Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 PM**.

**WOW Book Club** on **Saturday, September 15 at 9:00 AM**, *Stongsville Market District*. We will discuss "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng.

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

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

We are **seeking a few teachers and helpers** for **Sunday School** this year. Schedules are flexible, all positions are shared to make sure you are only obligated to teach half of the lessons. No experience required, as you are given lessons to teach. You simply need to be excited to share your joy for Christ with our kiddos! If you bring that, we can take it from there! Please talk with Stacey McNamara at [staceymac104@gmail.com](mailto:staceymac104@gmail.com) or Pastor Kathy if you would like to learn more!

**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 in the back of the sanctuary.

The devotional books are available on the credenza outside the church office.

**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).

**Altar flower/bulletin** sign-ups are on the bulletin board above the water fountain. There are still dates available throughout the year.

All men of First are invited to join the men of New Covenant at First Church in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 p.m. on **Sunday, September 23** for a program on the topic "The Power of Forgiveness" led by Pastor Chuck. The program will run for approximately one hour followed by a meal, also in the Fellowship Hall. We will provide drinks and will pick up food from Carolina BBQ at a cost of \$11 per person, to be collected when we meet. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Chuck or Bruce Holderead. Bruce [vancepack@wowway.com](mailto:vancepack@wowway.com).

**August 19 - 26 at First**

Sunday	8:00 AM	Praise Band Rehearsal
Monday	7:00 PM	AA
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
	7:00 PM	Toastmaster's
	7:30 PM	AI-Anon
Saturday	8:15 AM	Mission w/ New Covenant

Next Sunday – One Worship Service  
10:00 AM – Traditional Worship – ELW Setting 1  
11:30 AM – Spark Event – Princess Ledges

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