



First Lutheran Church, Maquoketa IA
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 God's work. Our hands.

January 21, 2017 to January 29, 2017
 Third Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to worship at First Lutheran Church. Please complete a worship card found in the card holder next to the hymnals. The ushers will collect these cards during the hymn before the sermon. If you have questions, look for the friendly folks wearing the yellow "Welcome" badge. They are happy to assist you.

Children are important in our worshipping community. Those with small children are encouraged to sit anywhere in the worship area. We encourage children to come to worship, but we also have a staffed nursery available during Sunday morning worship and the education hour should you desire to use it. Books and activity bags for children are found in the back of the worship area. Children are welcome to take a bag for use during worship.

Worshipping Last Week: 45, 95, 45 Total: 185

Hospitalized this Week: Leighton Hepker, U of IA, Iowa City

Radio Broadcast this weekend is sponsored by Lois Moore in memory of loved ones. The broadcast can be heard on KMAQ 1320 AM.

Office Hours: Mon-Wed 8:30am-3:30pm
 Thursday 8:30am- Noon
 Office Phone: (563) 652-6777
Emergency Phone: (563) 321-5098
 Email: office@flmaq.org
 Website: www.flmaq.org

Our sympathy is extended to Dan Pinion and Family on the death of his sister, Joyce.

Missing Containers??

Please take a look at the tables near the parking lot entrance. Many of these containers are looking for their owners. Please take home any containers belonging to you.

Electronic Giving

If you have any interest in giving electronically or have any questions, please contact Beth in the church office 652-6777.

This Week at First Lutheran

Saturday:
 9:00 am Worship Band Practice
 9:00 am Saturday Sewing
 5:00 pm Worship

Sunday:
 9:00 am Worship
 10:00 am Christian Education
 10:10-10:50 am Adult Class in Back of Church
 11:00 am Worship
 6:00 pm Supper at Six

Monday:

Tuesday:
 9:00 am FLW Sewing Day

Wednesday:
 6:45 pm 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
 7:00 pm Senior Choir

Thursday:
 5:30 pm TOPS

Friday: Office Closed

Next Weekend: January 28 & 29, 2017

Saturday:
 9:00 am Worship Band Practice
 5:00 pm Worship

Sunday:
 9:00 am Worship
 10:00 am Christian Education
 10:00 am Social Hour
 11:00 am Annual Meeting in Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Supper at Six
 5-6 pm Community Meal

Sunday Adult Class
"Planning for the Future"
 January 22nd Advance Care Planning
 10:10-10:50 a.m. in the back of church
 All Are Invited to Attend

Retirement Reception

Please join us on Saturday, January 28th after 5 pm worship to celebrate almost 34 years of service by Rod Benedix. Rod is retiring on February 1st.

Building Fund Report

Loan Payment for Jan. 18 \$ 5,500
Account Balance: \$ 565
Next Loan Payment due on Feb. 10 \$ 5,500
Loan Balance: \$50,041
Regular General Fund offerings do not support the Building Fund. To meet financial obligations, the Building Fund committee requests that weekly/monthly gifts be made to the Building Fund. Thank you.

Comfort Care Bags

Donations may be placed in the red bags in the Gathering Area. (See January Ambassador for more information)

Office Closure

Just a reminder that when there is inclement weather and the schools are closed, the church office is closed and all activities are cancelled.

Could you provide snacks for fellowship time on Sunday mornings? Please sign up to provide cookies/snacks on the poster in the Gathering Area.

“Bread for the Day” – Daily Devotions

Copies of the “Bread for the Day” daily devotional books are now available on a stand right outside the church office. A \$10 donation to help cover costs is requested.

Radio Broadcast Sponsors Needed

Are you interested in sponsoring a radio broadcast? The cost is \$29 per broadcast. Please call the church office to find out which Sundays are available.

Please join First
Lutheran Church on
Facebook at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/255139147853653/>

Annual Meeting
Sunday, January 29th
Social Time at 10 a.m.
Annual Meeting at
11:00 a.m. in
the Sanctuary

From the Kitchen Fundraising Committee

Thank you to all who continue to donate to the Kitchen Remodeling Fund. Here are the most current numbers for our Kitchen Remodeling Project. The total project cost is estimated at \$63,000. This includes everything from new plumbing and electrical, new walls, cabinets, sinks, appliances, etc.

Estimated cost	\$63,000
Beginning Kitchen Remodel Funds	<u>\$23,000</u>
2016 Fundraising Goal	\$40,000
Funds Raised this Year	<u>-\$26,798</u>
Remaining total needed	\$13,202

Donations are still being accepted. And again, thank you for your support of this important ministry project.



New Church Directory Update

The committee is currently updating all information that will be included in the new directories. Please complete the yellow card and place it in the offering this week if you would be willing to have your email address published in the directory. Also-please make note of any changes in addresses or phone numbers.

After this list is updated-the directories will be sent to the printers. We look forward to having the most current information available when it is time to call the new Pastor. This will be a wonderful resource for all of us. A special “thank you” to the committee for their time and energy as they work on this project.

Annual Reports

2016 Annual Reports are available on the table in the Gathering Area.