

# THE BUILDER

A PUBLICATION OF FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



*According to the Grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. No one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.*

1 Cor. 3:10-11

## Scandinavian Food & Craft Festival Sat., October 29, 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

First Lutheran will be filled with wonderful fragrances, interesting demonstrations, delicious Scandinavian foods, crafts, books, plants, wooden treasurers, jewelry and much more during the Scandinavian Food and Craft Festival on Saturday, October 29. Put this date on your calendars and make sure to attend this wonderful festival at First Lutheran Church. *See p. 10 for more details.*



## All Saints' Sunday, November 6 from Pr. Dianne Loufman

Mother Theresa was just voted to be a saint in the Roman Catholic Church. Lutherans think of sainthood differently – we are *baptized* into the saints of God. Though we end up thinking of people who have died and people who have loomed large in life as “the saints”, each of us is called to live out our given sainthood.



Saints are like our stained glass windows – they let the light of Christ shine through. So, I am wondering—who in your life has pointed you towards Christ? Whose life has the light of Christ poured through helping you to see more clearly what it means to be a disciple of Christ?

Starting on Sun., October 9, we will have doves (paper!) available for each of us to write the name of a saint, living or dead, who has helped us grow in faith and how or what they revealed to us. Please return the doves by Sun., October 30 and we will adorn the sanctuary with them so that when we come to worship on Sun., November 6, we will find ourselves surrounded by the communion of saints.

We will also celebrate those who have died and been raised to new life in their baptisms this past year and those who have died and been raised to new life in Christ at their death this past year. The Sunday bulletin will include the names of those who have been baptized and those who passed away this past year. If you have had someone in your life who was baptized or who died in the last year, who weren't members of FLC, please let the church office know so that they can be remembered during our worship service.

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## VISION & MISSION

### The People of First Lutheran Church will....

Love one another as Christ loved us by: honoring, respecting, and affirming one another; practicing Christian hospitality; ministering to the elderly, and to those with special needs.

Grow in Faith through: strong Christian spiritual education programs for all ages; small group Bible studies; inspirational worship, art and music; cultivating a life of prayer; compelling youth and family ministry.

Share the Gospel through: a positive Christ-centered atmosphere; joyful fellowship with one another in Jesus' name; intentional, prayer-filled communication; gathering around the table.

Spread the Gospel through: active individual and congregational involvement in outreach to the local community; active individual and congregational involvement in global ministries.

*The Builder* is organized along key elements of Christian Discipleship. The goal is to provide a resource to assist individuals and the church body as a whole on the journey of spiritual transformation:

- Worship
- Study
- Prayer
- Giving
- Serving
- Relating

## FROM PASTOR DIANNE LOUFMAN



### Reformation of the Church

Sunday, October 30 is **Reformation Sunday** - the day we commemorate the reformation of the Church. Legend has it that on October 31, 1517 Martin Luther posted 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg to protest what he viewed as abuses of the Church - the Roman Catholic Church of which he was a priest. One of his main concerns was the practice of selling indulgences. With this

practice people were, in essence, buying forgiveness from the Church rather than receiving forgiveness as a gift from God. People would give the church money in exchange for a document which told them how many years of freedom from fear and punishment they had acquired. In this way, the Church amassed great wealth at the expense of the poor and at the expense of the gospel. Martin Luther's posting of his 95 Theses was the spark which lit the fire of the Reformation, and it is from this movement of protest that Lutherans along with the Presbyterians, Methodists, and Anglicans (Episcopalians) became known as Protestants.

Luther was excommunicated from the church for his challenges and risked his life to continue to speak out and teach the truth of the gospel. He also translated the New Testament into German so that people were able to read the Bible for themselves in their own language. Translating the Bible into the people's language and putting it in their hands was an act punishable by death in Luther's day. Many were burned at the stake, especially in King Henry VIII's England for being found with a Bible.

Perhaps, if we knew how many people lost their lives so that we might have freedom to read this word that is so powerful people were killed for fear of what might ensue if they began to read and understand it, we would spend more time studying it!

Come to worship and let God re-form your life as we trust each Sunday the Word and the Meal have the power to do! On October 30, come and welcome new members into this journey of following Christ! Come and celebrate with our confirmands this step in their journey of faith!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Dianne".

Pastor Dianne O. Loufman

# FROM FLC PRESIDENT

## It All Belongs to God

I was a very lucky kid. Raised by two parents of strong faith, they instilled in me the importance of giving by their example. Late every Saturday night (they were night owls!), Mom and Dad both sat down to write checks for their Sunday envelopes, fulfilling pledges made to the Lutheran and Methodist church.



November is coming soon, a time of commitment for our congregation. We will be asked to consider the abilities and talents God has instilled in us and the financial resources that he has entrusted to us. Individuals and families will offer a commitment of support for God's work by FLC hands and for the staff and church facilities that provide the structure and leadership we depend upon.

The forming of a financial mission plan (budget) is a process that begins with our five Ministry Teams and their associated Action Teams. Evangelism & Welcome, Local & Global Mission, Life Long Learning, Worship, and Stewardship teams will consult with their Action Teams to review activities and expenditures of the past year. Each activity is evaluated. **Does it fit within the FLC mission, and is it supported by enough volunteers to be viable? If the activity will continue, how much financial support will be needed and requested for the coming year?** The Property Team monitors the well-being of our church facilities for **needed repairs and replacements, and determines what resources will be needed.**

Two Ministry Teams (Evangelism & Welcome and Local Global Mission) oversee some of FLC's benevolent giving. These benevolences are also evaluated. **Are they in relationship to the FLC mission plan, and are they**

**entities with which we maintain a personal connection, beyond sending a check?**

While Teams are preparing their requests on our behalf, we in the congregation are completing our pledged commitments of financial support for the coming year. A pledge is a promise to support the work and the benevolences of our church. Now it's time for the Finance Team to compare pledged commitments with proposed activities and benevolences.

Several sources of income are considered. First, financial commitments (pledges) are reviewed. This is the most predictable resource and helps the most in planning. Other anticipated income includes loose plate and holiday offerings, both requiring an educated guess based on recent years' giving records. Other important resources, not measured in monetary terms, are the hours and hours of time and talents within our congregation that are contributed throughout the church year. **The financial mission planning process concludes with review and approval by the Vision Council, then by FLC members at the Congregational meeting in February 2017.**

Several years ago, my husband Bob and I attended an educational workshop presented by a prominent wealth manager. He thanked his clients for trusting him with stewardship of their money and then remarked that he is ever mindful that all money is "on loan from God". The people of God are temporary stewards of money on loan from God and are freed by faith, giving generously to accomplish God's work. **It all belongs to God!**

*Candy Madich*

Candy Madich  
Congregational President



## Pet Blessing

**Saturday, October 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** First Lutheran will have a pet blessing in the park in honor of St. Francis of Assisi whose saint day is celebrated on October 3. This is a way for us to be present to the community - a way for us to reach out beyond our walls - a way for us to engage others in the faith practice of prayer and blessing. Who will join Pastor Dianne in this outreach effort?

# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

## It's no "FL-UKE"...

A First Lutheran Ukulele group has started up! Have you ever wanted to learn how to play the ukulele? Do you already play but would like to get together with others to play some songs? All are welcome – kids, youth, and adults of all ages and of all uke abilities! Angel Saur leads the group through the basics of getting started and learning chords during the first part of the night. Then, you put it all together to play some songs as a group to wrap up the evening!



Meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 3:30-4:30 in the Parish Hall. Bring your own ukulele! (There will be a couple of ukuleles to borrow on a first come, first serve basis if you don't have your own and want to try it out before purchasing one.) If you have questions about purchasing a ukulele or anything else about the group, talk to Angel or Deb Westerberg.



## Cinnamon Rolls

**Sun., October 2**

Cinnamon Roll Sundays are starting again in October! Families, Cinnamon Roll Sundays happen with your help! On Sat., Oct 1 there's a need for a family or two to prep the rolls (takes about 60-90 minutes). Then on Sun., October 2 help is needed starting at 8:00 a.m. to bake the rolls and plate them for the sale. Please contact Deb to let her know how you'd like to help!

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School students (and others who would like to earn money for camp, summer trips, etc.) will help sell rolls between services.

## New Website

Check out the new FLC Youth & Family website at [www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com](http://www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com).



On Sat., November 12, FLC 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders have an exciting opportunity. Coming to us is one of the top Peer Ministry trainers in the country!

Peer Ministry is about leadership. There is leadership where people stand in front at microphones and leadership where people plan and organize. These are good, but really only appeal to a few. However, the front lines of leadership, the most important kind, is what we call relational leadership. It is the Good Samaritan kind of leadership where someone cares, welcomes, and affirms others face-to-face, one-on-one, friend-to-friend. We need you as a leader, helping us change the world, one person at a time.

Peer Ministry Training will give you tools to be this type of leader and friend at church, on your team, in the choir, in scouts, working a job, hanging out with friends, spending time with your family, doing all the great things you do! In every one of those situations, you have relationships. Relationships require people who care, welcome, and affirm them, loving because Christ first loved us. Peer Ministry gives you the skills to be a caring, welcoming, and affirming person every day, everywhere and in every relationship.

9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, if you're interested in being an FLC Peer Minister you need to apply – applications will be available on FLC's website. You'll receive this awesome training and then FLC Peer Ministers will plan and lead a retreat for FLC's Middle School Youth. Prayerfully consider applying!

Here are all dates you'll need to know:

September 1: Find application at [www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com](http://www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com)

October 10: Applications Due

November 12: All Day Training The training will be Sat., November 12

# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

## Sunday Mornings with 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders

On Sunday mornings starting September 18, meet in the Youth Room for a time of games, snacks, hanging out, and digging into God's Word! (Cinnamon Roll Sundays on the first Sunday of the month and on GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) Days we'll meet in the Parish Hall.)

## School Photos & Activities

As you get your school pictures back this fall, consider bringing one to church to share with Deb. Her office door could use some sprucing up and what better way than with all the awesome faces of FLC youth?! The pictures are also a visual reminder to lift up prayers for our youth.

Do you have an upcoming game, race, performance, recital, etc? Let Deb know and she would love to try to attend and cheer you on! [debflcduluth@gmail.com](mailto:debflcduluth@gmail.com)



## Middle School Gathering

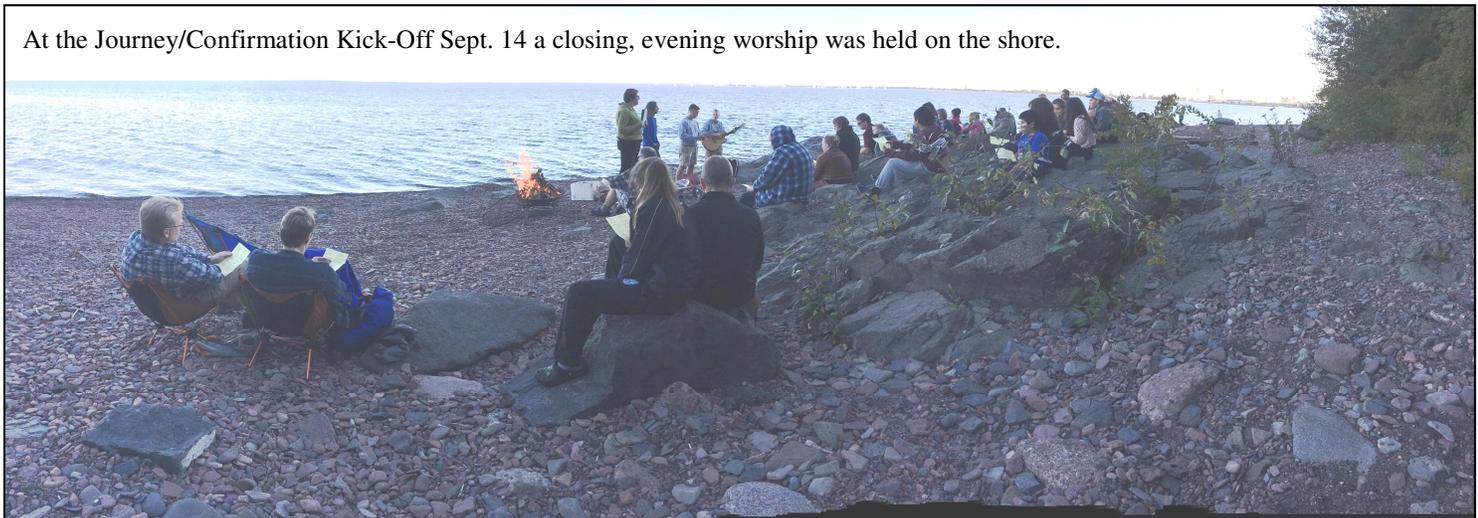
# iBelong

Hey 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders! The Middle School Gathering (MSG) at Cragun's Resort is coming up on Sat., November 19 - Sun., November 20. It will be an awesome weekend of gathering with other middle schoolers from Northeastern Minnesota for a speaker, band, time to experience the theme iBelong, and an evening of fun – swimming, basketball, tons of arts and crafts, video games, a prayer room, games with the camp staff and so much more! Inflatables, anyone?

The cost is \$75. Your registration form plus a non-refundable deposit of \$40 is due October 10. (Registrations received after October 10 are based on availability – the event does fill up quick – and will cost \$100.) Registration info has been sent out by email and is also available at [www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com](http://www.flcduluthyouth.weebly.com).

Adult leaders (21+) are also needed. Adult leaders are there to hang out with the youth, lead discussions, and being present to experience the MSG together. If you are interested, please talk to Deb Westerberg.

At the Journey/Confirmation Kick-Off Sept. 14 a closing, evening worship was held on the shore.



# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

## Sunday School Off to A Great Start!

It has been a fun month with all the families and kids back into faith-forming classes and activities on Sunday morning! Sunday School is offered for children 2 years through 8<sup>th</sup> grade – and kids are *always welcome to join* at anytime during the year. Regular classes are offered 3 times/month. On the second 2<sup>nd</sup> of each month all ages come together in the Parish Hall for our **G.I.F.T** experience - Growing in Faith Together.

Just as we welcome new kids throughout the year, we also welcome new teachers and helpers! Additional volunteers and workshop leaders are always needed. Contact Ann Beck or the church office if you are interested in sharing faith stories with our children!



## “God’s Global Barnyard” Buying a Family Farm!

This year the Sunday School kids will be making a difference for families in need around the world, as a portion of their Sunday offering will be going to ELCA World Hunger. Through the Good Gift program, the goal is to be able to “purchase” the equivalent of family farm: a cow, a couple goats, a dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, and training and support. Look for the Family Farm Offering chart and see the farm grow through their generosity!

## Milestone Sundays for Children

Along with their parents, First Lutheran congregation makes promises to each child at their baptism: that the Holy Scriptures be placed in their hands so they might hear and know the stories of God’s great love for them. As a congregation, we lift up these children and their families in prayer as they learn and grow in their faith. 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders received a NRSV Spark Bible on Sept. 18.

### 2 Year Olds & 4 Year Olds

On Sun., October 2 during both services, the Read & Share Toddler Bible will be given to 2 year olds, and 4 year olds will receive the Spark Story Bible.

## Experience the G.I.F.T. - all ages Growing in Faith Together

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month (Dec. & Jan. dates are adjusted)

9:45 -10:45 in the Parish Hall

Children and parents, couples, singles, elders, people of all ages are invited to come together once a month to

experience a new yet ancient practice of community faith formation. Each month young and old can engage in sharing faith stories, activities, service and scripture, exploring the **Fruits of the Spirit** and connecting them to our lives. Fun, fellowship, food, and faith... for all! Each GIFT Sunday’s focus will also be woven into the worship services that day.



Each GIFT Sunday features a different Fruit of the Spirit:

<b>Oct. 9</b>	<b>Love</b>
Nov. 13	Joy
Nov. 27	Peace
Jan. 15	Patience
Feb. 12	Kindness
Mar. 12	Goodness
April 9	Faithfulness
May 14	Gentleness & Self-Control



# YOUTH & FAMILY



## Confirmation Sunday

On Reformation Sunday, October 30 we will celebrate with a group of FLC's young adults as they affirm their faith at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. There will be a special reception between services in honor of the confirmands.

Confirmation is a rite of passage where our baptized youth affirm their faith, receive the prayers of the congregation that the Holy Spirit will bless them, and are then invited to assume roles of greater responsibility in the life of the adult Christian community.

## Confirmation Practice

For 11<sup>th</sup> grade students who are being confirmed at the end of October, there will be lunch and a rehearsal on Sunday, October 16 at 12:15.



On Rally Sunday, Sept. 11, all were invited to paint a bowl (one per family unit) which will be used during the year. Above, Nancy D. and her children painted their bowl together. Pictured on the left, Terri K. was assisted by her grand-daughter.

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# WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY

## Music & Ministry Opportunities

### Apostle Choir Meets Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.

Apostle Choir is for Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> graders and meets on Wednesday afternoons in the 4 -5 year old Sunday School room from 5:15-6:00 p.m. There will be weeks when 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders have confirmation classes during this time, so kids are welcome to participate in choir as the schedule allows. Contact Karen Sande at [ksande@flcduluth.org](mailto:ksande@flcduluth.org) for more information.



### Youth Ringers Handbell Choir Meets Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

Youth Ringers is for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders and meets on Sunday mornings in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor music room from 9:45-10:45 a.m. New ringers are welcome! Some music background is helpful, but most important is a willingness to be at rehearsals, work hard and enjoy making music to praise God! Contact Karen Sande at [ksande@flcduluth.org](mailto:ksande@flcduluth.org) for more information.

### Other Opportunities for Young Musicians, Singers, and Readers

Instrumentalists, Pianists, Cantors (solo or small group of singers) and Readers are needed for midweek Advent and Lent services, and occasional services at Aftenro or other nursing homes. Please contact Karen Sande at [ksande@flcduluth.org](mailto:ksande@flcduluth.org) for more information.

### Instrumental Ensemble to Play on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 30

High school through adult instrumentalists (string, woodwind, brass and percussion players) are invited to participate in an Intergenerational Ensemble. Several rehearsals will be scheduled on the preceding Sundays and/or Wednesdays; Karen will try to find a time which will work for you! If you are able to play or have questions, contact Karen Sande at [ksande@flcduluth.org](mailto:ksande@flcduluth.org).

## Worship Notes

**Live Radio Broadcast:** KDAL AM 610, 8:30 a.m. Sundays  
**Live Streaming** of 8:30 service, go to [www.flcduluth.org](http://www.flcduluth.org).

### Sun., Oct. 2 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Readings: Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Ps. 37:1-9;  
2 Tim 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

### Sun., Oct. 9 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; Ps. 111;  
2 Tim. 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

### Sun., Oct. 16 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Readings: Gen. 32:22-31; Ps. 121;  
2 Tim. 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

### Sun., Oct. 23 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Readings: Jer. 14:7-10, 19-22; Ps. 84:1-7;  
2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

### Sun., Oct. 30 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Readings: Jer. 31:31-34; Ps. 46; Rom. 3:19-28;  
John 8:31-36

*Readings are from Revised Common Lectionary.*



### Sing for Your Supper!

Sun., October 30, 4:00 p.m.

In honor of Reformation Sunday, you are cordially invited to attend a potluck and hymn sing. Bring a favorite dish to pass and gather in the Parish Hall. In addition to a time of fellowship, the group will sing some new hymns and requests will be taken for familiar favorites! Nursery care will be provided.

### The Concordia Orchestra

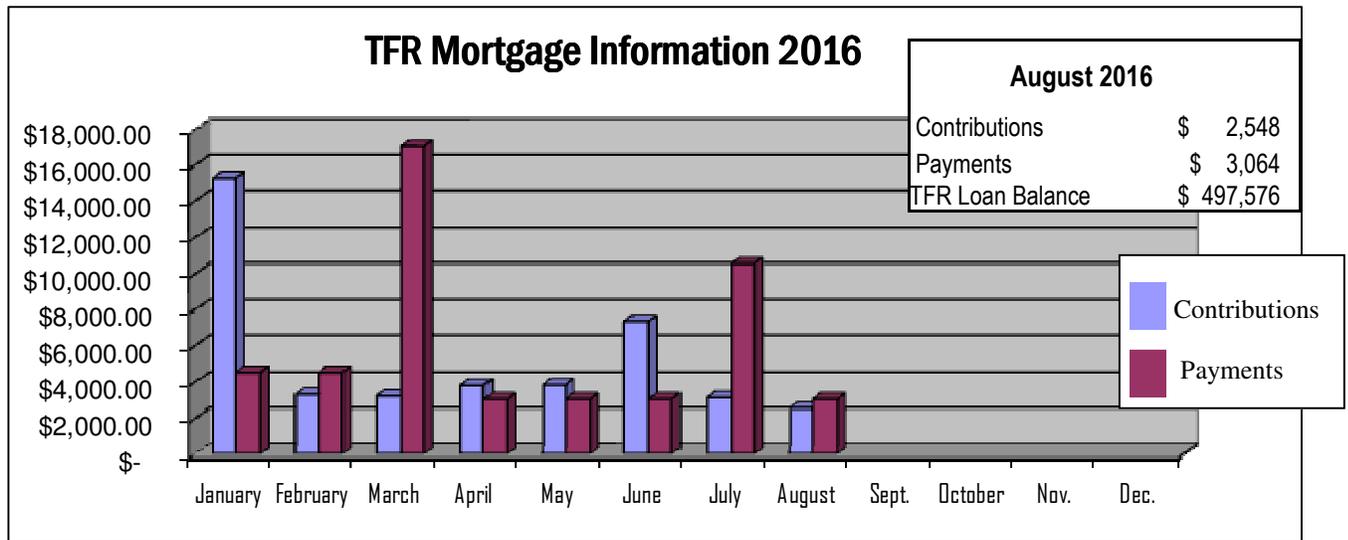
Thurs., November 3, 7:00 p.m.

Free-will offering

The Concordia College Orchestra is coming to First Lutheran to perform music of **Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, and the Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto No. 3**, featuring pianist Grigor Khachatryan. If you are able to host 2 or more students that evening, please contact Jason Branham ([jason@flcduluth.org](mailto:jason@flcduluth.org)) or the church office.



# GIVING



## 2016 Mission Plan Update

	August				Annual Mission Plan	2015
	Mission Plan	Actual	Year to Date Mission Plan	Year to Date Actual		Year to Date Actual
Ministry & Mission gifts	\$70,298	\$50,858	\$481,410	\$469,761	\$768,249	\$478,552
<i>Plus Other Income</i>	4,751	2,500	49,033	30,187	43,091	36,317
Total Income	75,048	53,358	530,443	499,948	811,340	514,869
<i>Less Expenses</i>	68,382	72,465	548,076	534,264	821,605	544,841
Cash surplus (Deficit)	\$6,666	-\$19,107	-\$17,633	-\$34,316	-\$10,265	-\$29,972

### August 2016 Memorials & Gifts



**Gifts to World Hunger in memory of Audry Anderson** by Gudrun & Egil Hoivik.

**Gifts to Youth Ministry in memory of Betty Mae Lilyquist** by Pam Porisch.

**Gifts to FLC Quilters in memory of Betty Mae Lilyquist** by Pam Porisch.

**Gifts to Memorial Fun in memory of Virginia Wiclund** by Greg & Lynn Denno.

**Gifts to Time for Renewal in memory of Maxine Stromme** by Matt & Kay Eckman.

# FLCW NEWS

## FLCW Bible Study Gathering

All FLC women are invited to attend any of the gathering meetings listed. Call church office for info.

### Ruth Gathering

Mon., Oct. 3 - 7:00 p.m. - Broderius home

### Leah Gathering

Tues., Oct. 11 - 9:30 a.m., Parish Hall

### Mary & Martha Gathering

Thurs., Oct. 13 - 7:00 p.m., Upper Commons

### Dorcas Gathering

Wed., Oct. 19 - 10:00 a.m., Homes

### Esther Gathering

Wed., Oct. 19 - 1:00 p.m., Lakeshore

### Naomi Gathering

Thurs., Oct. 20 - 11:30 p.m. - Bev Haugejorde's home



## Scandinavian Food & Craft Festival Sat., October 29, 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



The Festival is a fun event for everyone - young and old! Bring a friend, and enjoy participating. Help get ready for this community event in the days ahead. Come on any of the days listed below and there will be something you can do. Preparations take place in the kitchen and begin at 9:00 a.m. You will meet other people and have fun!

- **Tues., Oct. 4** - Fun Mixes in a Jar with Muriel Lehman
- **Wed., Oct. 26** - Learn to make Scandinavian cookies with Carol Anderson
- **Fri., Oct 28** - Soup and sandwich making, pie baking and set up for Festival
- **Sat., Oct. 29** - Scandinavian Food & Craft Festival, 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Margaret Broderius 728-6101 or Beryl Bredeson 728-2031. Additional planning members are Carol Prohaska, Char Juntunen, Yvonne Anderson, Muriel Lehman and Coralyn Worth.

### More Opportunities to Help

Get involved with Festival preparations. Men and women are needed. Come to any of the events listed above. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. You could share a craft, staff a booth, welcome others, bring baked good, lefse or other treats which will be sold at the Bakery. Help in the kitchen, pour coffee or help set up/take down. We look forward to Bea Ojakangas' new book Homemade. You will want to buy one for yourself or someone else. It is certain to be a great read.

Many items will be for sale including five cozy, handmade quilts - a perfect gift for a warm winter surprise.

Donations of lightly used Christmas items, puzzles, games or books (no magazines or encyclopedias or textbooks please) are welcome. Drop these items off on the stage of the Parish Hall beginning Oct. 2. Gently used jewelry for the Jewel Box booth can be left in the box near the church office. Thanks for any donation you make!

Remember: Proceeds after expenses are donated to help our missionaries, FLC youth, and many needy groups here in Duluth and in the world!

Do you have any questions or suggestions? Please contact Margaret Broderius (728-6101), Carol Prohaska (724-2204) or Beryl Bredeson (728-2031).



## Lake Superior Conference of WELCA

Welcome Them Home: Help Them Heal

Elim Lutheran Church, 6101 Cody St., Duluth

Sat., October 15

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Learn how congregations can support service members returning from war and families of the services members. Presenters will be Pr. John Sippola and Pr. Donna Rutten.

9:00 Registration, coffee and silent auction

9:30 Business Meeting

10:30 Break and Silent Auction

10:45 Presentation & Worship

12:30 Lunch (\$8) Silent Auction winners announced

**RSVP to your Gathering chair by October 9.**

# NEWS OF THE FIRST FAMILY



## A Loss in the Family

Family of **Phyllis Verchota**.

Family of **Martha Oas** on the death of her sister Freida.

Family of **Diane Link** on the death of her husband Rob Link.

Family of **Maxine (Mickey) Stromme**.

Family of **Jean McKinnon** on the death of her sister, Susan Freemont.

Family of **Violet Pommerville**.

## Giving for the Ministries & Missions of FLC

Weekly offering through:

Sun., Aug. 21	\$20,501
Sun., Aug. 28	\$ 5,230
Sun., Sept. 4	\$19,854
Sun., Sept. 11	\$ 9,991

## Hunger Offering

Amount donated to the Hunger Offering in August: \$591.50

## Worship Attendance

Aug. 21	337
Aug. 28	272
Sept. 4	223
Sept. 11	349

# LIBRARY NEWS

## October is Church Library Month

*Visit Your Library!*

The current book display includes titles about **Reformation** as well as a selection of resources on **Parenting**:

**Faithfully Parenting Preschoolers: A Pro-active Approach** by John R. Bucka (Call # 248.845 Buc)

**Faithfully Parenting Tweens: A Christian Parenting Guide** by John R. Bucka (Call # 248.845 Buc)

**Growing a Healthy Family: How to be Christian Parents in a Stress-Filled Time** by Jim Larson (Call # 649.1 Lar)

**Holding Your Family**

**Together: 5 Simple Steps to Help Bring Your Family Closer to God and Each Other** by Rich Melheim (Call # 248.845 Mel)

**Parenting Teens with Love & Logic** by Foster Cline and Jim Fay (Call # 649.125 Cli)

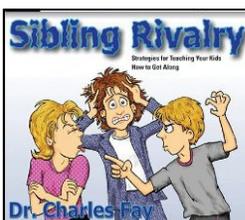
**Parenting with Love & Logic: Teaching Children Responsibility** by Foster Cline and Jim Fay (Call # 649.64 Cli)

**Parenting with Purpose: Nurturing Faith & Life from Birth to Age Six** by O. Evenshaug (Call # 248:845 Eve)

**Right from the Start: A Parent's Guide to the Young Child's Faith Development** by Shirley K. Morgenthaler (Call # 248.845 Mor)

**Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids** by Kara E. Powell and Chap Clark (Call # 248.845 Pow)

**How to Raise Kids Who Make Responsible Decisions When Nobody is Watching** by Jim Fay & Charles Fay (Call # DVD #29)



**Simple Parenting Strategies For Raising Great Kids in Complicated Times** by Jim Fay & Charles Fay (Call # DVD #28)

**Sibling Rivalry: Strategies for Teaching Your Kids How to Get Along** by Charles Fay (Call # CD #1)

Learn How to Use/Access the Library's Computer Catalog - Library Committee members will be available to demonstrate the computer catalog on **Sun., Oct. 23, between 9:30 a.m. and noon**. Come with your questions and concerns!



# STUDY & PRAYER

## Sunday Morning Adult Education

No matter what our age, we are all growing as disciples. Every faith journey needs nourishment and encouragement! Each Sunday morning through the education year you are invited to come to one of the scheduled programs or discussions. In the Parish Hall there will generally be a large group forum on a relevant topic of interest or concern. The Adult Education Room (next to the nursery) will include activities with a more interactive or small group study format. All are designed to inform, inspire, challenge and equip us to better understand God's Word, and to living a life of faith.

There is no registration, no homework, and no time commitment. Grab a cup of coffee and treat and come on in. Unless otherwise noted, forums and classes will begin at 10:00 a.m. Adults, including older youth not involved in other programs, are welcomed and encouraged to join in each and any Sunday.

## Schedule for October

### October 2 -

- **Delegation from Los Ranchos, El Salvador**  
This sister parish relationship began in 1998 when seven members from First Lutheran traveled to San Antonio Los Ranchos in El Salvador. Since then there have been seven other delegations from Duluth and two delegations from Los Ranchos to Duluth. The delegation from Los Ranchos will be visiting from Sept 27 - Oct 6 and will be participating in various church and community programs during this time. - **10:00 Parish Hall**
- **God's Story: Our Story** - Sunday Bible Study
- For all seekers, come explore some of the familiar, and not so familiar, stories of the Bible. Each week will include a brief presentation to provide biblical context, followed by small group discussions to wrestle with questions together on what the story means in our own lives. This informal study will meet each week except GIFT Sundays. All are welcome! - **10:00 Adult Ed Room**

### October 9

- **GIFT Sunday: Fruit of the Spirit - LOVE**  
What does it look like to bear the fruit of Love? Learn, share, and create with people of all generations, and experience the GIFT of being together! - **9:45 a.m. Parish Hall**

### October 16

- **Public Faith in Action** - Don Streufert & Pastor Dianne.  
This timely discussion will offer practical guidance for thinking through complicated public issues and faithfully following Jesus as citizens of our country. Using the book, Public Faith in Action: How to Think Carefully, Engage Wisely, and Vote with Integrity (Miroslav Volf & Ryan McAnnally-Linz), it focuses on enduring Christian commitments that guide us in our judgments and encourages legitimate debate among Christians over how to live our core values. - **10:00 a.m. Parish Hall**
- **God's Story: Our Story** - Sunday Bible Study - **10:00 a.m. Adult Ed Room**

### October 23

- **Project "PV for Phebe"** Mary Jo Mettner, Our Redeemer Lutheran, Pine City  
Can you imagine needing emergency medical care, and not knowing if the hospital will have electricity when you arrive? This scenario is a daily reality for many in the developing world where few people have access to electricity. In Liberia, one of the poorest countries in the world, hundreds of thousands of people depend upon **Phebe Hospital** as their only line of medical defense against malaria, river blindness, maternal mortality, leprosy, and even Ebola. Hear from the woman who was inspired to make a difference, following a trip to Liberia in 2012 with the Women of the ELCA. Learn about the project spearheaded by the NE MN Synod Women, and now supported by the churchwide ELCA, to bring a solar electric solution to the Phoebe Hospital. - **10:00 Parish Hall**
- **God's Story: Our Story** - Sunday Bible Study - **10:00 a.m. Adult Ed Room**

### October 30

- Reception for Confirmands and New Members - **Gathering Space**
- **God's Story: Our Story** - Sunday Bible Study - **10:00 a.m. Adult Ed Room**

# STUDY & PRAYER

## Join the Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Thurs., October 13 at 1:30 p.m.  
3rd Floor Conference Room**



Let your hands be the hands of Christ as you create a beautiful tapestry of love intertwined with prayers of hope, faith, and love. Let the love of Jesus be expressed through a caring embrace, the embrace of a prayer shawl wrapped lovingly and comfortingly around the shoulders of another.

Prayer Shawl Ministry group meets on the second Thursday of each month (excluding June, July and August) in the 3rd floor conference room at 1:00 p.m.

## Friday Morning Bible Study



**Be sure to add Friday morning Bible Studies to your schedule!** This pastor led Bible study meets on Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Adult Ed Room.

Invite a friend or neighbor along this year. Have you met someone new at worship, a visitor? Invite them to Bible Study. All are welcome - no preparation or homework required.

## PRAYground

If you were at worship during the summer months, you know that the sanctuary had a space with rug and rocking chair for families who like to keep their children with them in worship, but who could relax with a little more space than there is between the rows of seating.

It's probably partly why families so enjoy the park: there's more space to absorb the movement and sounds of children.

The worship team is inviting those families who would like to have such a space in the sanctuary to form an action team to plan the space, help pick out a rug and acquire the chairs.

If you have questions or are interested in this team, please speak with Dawn Boman, Kirsten Bich, Pastor Dianne or Jason Branham.



The Parish Hall was filled with creativity on Rally Sunday, September 11. Bowls were painted that will be used during the school year.

# RELATING

## Flyers Softball Team Has a Fun Season from Dory Sjoblom

The Flyers Softball team had another fun and successful season. The 10 games we played went quickly with us winning 7 of them and tying for second in the YMCA Recreation League. Those who were part of our fantastic team this past summer are: Bob Boman, Les Drewes, Sorrel Kaspszak, John Caple, Wade Smith, Mikaela Braddy Smith, Karl, Kal, and Gunnar Howg, Mark and Mac Britton, Leroy Henderson, Tyler Curnow, Will Sjoblom, Steph Krause, Vic Krause (co-manager), and Dory Sjoblom (co-manager). We appreciated all of the fans who came to see our team play and hope to see others play or watch next summer!



▲ Flyers Softball Team

◀ Sorrel and Karl

▼ Leroy



## Intentional Nurturers



Our intention is to be a congregation of intentional nurturers - to convey Christ to one another. It's hard to know everyone in a big congregation, but look around and notice if someone seems lost or if someone seems new. Reach out, invite them to sit with you; invite them to lunch; show them around the building. There is a new Inquirers' group gathering this month. Will you offer to pair up with some of the new people the Spirit has sent our way? **Sign up sheets and intentional nurturer descriptions are at the Welcome Desk.**

## Words of Thanks

- ♥ Next time you are in the sanctuary be sure to notice the carvings of the Beatitudes and Bible verses along the east and west walls. They were recently painted by local artist Ann Gumpper. First Lutheran is grateful for her efforts to enhance our worship space!
- ♥ The Bill Perkins family would like to express their deep heartfelt thanks to the staff and members of First Lutheran for their love and support through prayers, cards and notes, conversations and visits during Ruth's battle and death from pancreatic cancer; and Bill's triple by-pass surgery.

## FLC Crafters Group

**Thurs., October 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

If you haven't been to the Crafter's Group yet, you're missing out on a lot of fun! Those who come bring a project they are working on and spend the couple of hours making progress and enjoying fun fellowship with other crafters. Some of the projects people have worked on: sewing, knitting/crocheting, painting, coloring and scrapbooking. The Parish Hall provides the space and the group provides the motivation! For more info contact Suzanne Rauvola at 525-5077 or [suzanne@hbrstudios.com](mailto:suzanne@hbrstudios.com). The group meets the 4th Thursday of each month.

# RELATING

## It All Belongs to God

Since Pastor Dianne joined us, she has been introducing us to a much more inclusive, meaningful, understanding of “STEWARDSHIP” than the emphasis on Financial Pledges. An understanding that includes what we as First Lutheran Church members are called to **DO** by serving others in our neighborhood, our city, and our world. Starting with the understanding that **IT ALL BELONGS TO GOD**.

A simple, comprehensive, concept that reminds us that “God created the world and all that is in it,” including our bodies, our minds, our individual needs, our families, our earth and resources, and our ability to make a living. As we grow and mature, we know that we gain knowledge, strength and friends who are important as they play with us, and work with us, and help us meet our individual and family needs. We engage with all that belongs to God in order to live our lives. When we, as a congregation, focus on our Mission and our responsibility to God’s Creation, others will join us. The meeting of our mission will engage us with our neighbors both near and far. Once engaged in that mission there will be sufficient understanding and the financial support to meet First Lutheran’s Mission of serving **ALL THAT BELONGS TO GOD** through our **FAITH**.

The Stewardship Program Focus for 2017 will include:

### **Stewardship of God’s Creation:**

- Assist Custodial Staff with collecting compostables, recycle and trash in church and concern for the appearance of our property and the neighborhood.

- Outreach Program for Meyers-Wilkens School
- ### **Stewardship of Our Bodies, Our Time and Our Minds:**
- Yogadevotions, exercise, sports/teams, walking
  - Periodic Blood Pressure checks for anyone.
  - Team to help people in crisis situations, transportation, make meals for people who need them.

### **Stewardship of Finance:**

Instead of 6 week “Stewardship Campaign”, the focus will be to:

- **ASK** each member and family to prayerfully consider what they can cheerfully contribute to FLC plans for 2017 Ministry work.
- **THANK** each member/family for their participation in meeting volunteer and financial needs.
- **TELL** ...Celebrate what the congregation has been able to do to meet our mission over the past year and the mission plan for 2017.
- Build a Team to Schedule Financial Planning Educational Seminars with Lutheran Social Services (LSS) at Church Forums for all ages and interests.

Please continue to join us in meeting the mission of our church.

Stewardship Ministry Team

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## Camp Vermilion Dining Hall Update from Tom Whittaker

Camp Vermilion is “our camp”. Countless First Lutheran young people have experienced Camp Vermilion and grown in their faith journeys - as campers and as counselors. Right now it is facing some challenging times. The Dining Hall, which features a dining room on the first floor and a retreat center in the walkout level, is a wonderful facility. To help offset unplanned increased expenses, Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry issued a call for help. First Lutheran responded. Tom and Arlene Whittaker did some painting and recruiting; Vic Krause volunteered to organize FLC woodworkers to build bunk beds for the retreat center; Kim Schandel offered to help raise money. Between September 16 and 21, Vic Krause, Tim Johnson, Tom Crook, Tim Schandel, Kim Schandel, Mark Gunderson, George Rennan, and Terri Krause completed 8 bunk beds, cut/prepared for 8 more and delivered them to the VLM Executive Director in time for a retreat starting on September 23. They plan to build several more. This is amazing! A ministry partner issued a call for help, and First Lutheran responded. No questions, no what-ifs, no demands for financial support; our people just went to work. I am very proud of our church.

# SERVING & REACHING OUT



A group of FLC members participated in "God's Work. Our Hands." on September 11 by cleaning up sidewalks, parking lots, alleyways and parks surrounding the church. This is just a fourth of the people who helped!

## Lutheran Social Service Needs Volunteers

The LSS Supervised Visitation Program is in need of volunteers at the downtown Duluth location. Volunteers assist children and families entering and exiting the facility; be an extra set of eyes to assure safety and supervision; do some light cleaning and organization in visit rooms and community spaces; and assist program staff with other projects as needed. There may be additional opportunities to interact with children and families utilizing the visitation services.

A variety of hours are available with primary needs occurring on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to Noon, and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to Noon, and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. .

Interested? Contact Dawn Shykes at 218-626-1901 ext. 2 for more details.

### **8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MUSIC AND DANCE PARTY BENEFITING LSS BETHANY CRISIS SHELTER**

FEATURING CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC

**Friday, October 14, 2016  
6:00 pm—9:00 pm  
American Legion Post 71  
5814 Grand Avenue, Duluth  
Music provided by:  
WELL KNOWN LOCAL MUSICIANS**

*Free will offering/Donations  
accepted at the door.*

*Refreshments/Food available  
for purchase.*

**Hosted by the Bethany  
Crisis Shelter  
Advisory  
Committee**



Returning college students were welcomed at the outdoor service on Sun., August 28. They were given a blessing and a small goodie bag (including home made cookies!).

# MINISTRY BOARD

## FLC Ministry Board

from Diana Ream

**What is Ministry?** Answer: "Ministry" is from the Greek word diakoneo, meaning "to serve" or douleuo, meaning "to serve as a slave". In the New Testament ministry is seen as service to God and to other people in His name. Jesus provided the pattern for Christian ministry. He came, not to receive service, but to give it (see Matthew 20:28; Mark 10:45; John 13:1-17).

The Christian should minister by meeting people's needs with love and humility on Christ's behalf (see Matthew 20:26; Mark 10:43; John 2:5,9; Acts 6:3; Romans 1:1; Galatians 1:10; Colossians 4:12). Christians are to minister to others out of their devotion to Christ and their love for others, whether the other people are believers or unbelievers. Ministry to others should be impartial and unconditional, always seeking to help others as Jesus would.

**Who is your Ministry Board?** Your Ministry Board consists of Pr. Dianne, Pr. Greg, Diana Ream (chair); Steve Samuelson, Dawn Boman, Sharon Turnboom, Mary Schmitz (Counselors at Large); Margaret Broderius, Carol Prohaska (FLCW Reps); Ann Beck, Jason Branham and Deb Westerberg (Staff). Ministry Board meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.

The Ministry Board shall lead the ministry of this congregation in light of the congregation's mission as articulated by the Vision Council, and endeavor to further the achievement of long-range plans, goals, and priorities set out by the Vision Council. The Ministry Board shall establish and support Standing Ministry Teams and other short-term ministry teams to develop and carry out both ongoing and new programs and activities of this congregation and shall provide coordination and communication among the ministry teams.

### **How do we at First Lutheran "Minister"?**

There are five Ministry Teams: Evangelism, Life Long Learning, Local & Global, Stewardship and Worship. Each of these Ministry Teams, along with their ministries and needs, will be featured in upcoming issues of *The Builder*.

Please prayerfully consider where God might be calling you to "Minister".

# VISION COUNCIL

*Vision Council meetings are open. You are welcome to see how your Vision Council works.*

## Vision Council Meeting Highlights

**Thurs., September 1, 2016**

**Devotion:** Chapter Two of Called by God to Serve.

**A Ten-Minute Challenge:** Shared what they look forward to as FLC fall programming begins: music, observing the Spirit as it is rejuvenated in the living Christ, music with the pre-schoolers, routine of attending, Sunday School, Bible studies, confirmation, 2-3 yr. old Sunday Schools, teaching 4 yr. old Sunday school - being with this excitable age, the season of beginning - excitement of harvest, etc.

**Ministry Board Report:** Discussed size of ministry teams being set at 9 individuals (6 lay persons, 2 staff and 1 representative from the Board), the length of an individual's term served in the ministry teams, the need for a chair of the Worship Ministry Team, and the possibility of an additional worship service. Member of Global Ministry team spoke with the board.

**Treasurer's Report:** August report will be available at October meeting.

**Senior Pastor's Report:** A form was shared that the FLC staff has been asked to complete which summarizes activities accomplished each week. The council discussed the amount of detail that might be provided that would be helpful in future planning. This information could be used in the process of Mission Planning and possibly used to help develop a position description for a future staff.

**Demolition Update:** Four different bidders/contractors have been sent a letter and provided full report from Twin Ports Testing. Asbestos will be removed by other professionals before demolition by a contractor.

### **President's Report:**

- Thank you notes were sent to individuals involved in caring for the corner building and demolition project.
- Topics for *Builder* articles were shared as well.
- Discussed "Listening to the World/Community Outreach" (from "The Mission We Share" planning resource): physically visiting individuals and businesses in the neighborhood, perimeters of the neighborhood, types of questions to be asked, the difference between the terms – neighborhood and community, what perceptions the surrounding community has of FLC, what needs does the neighborhood have after Gloria Dei's fire, the turnover of pastors in Duluth and the impact on FLC, the need for reviewing past mission plans, opening the conversation to the FLC community, etc.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.** with a prayer from "The Mission We Share" document.

**Next Meeting:** Thurs., October 13, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

## GET BETTER CONNECTED ON OUR WEBSITE

- Go to [www.flcduluth.org](http://www.flcduluth.org)
- Sign up for *FirstNews* weekly e-mail updates by sending an e-mail to [nancy@flcduluth.org](mailto:nancy@flcduluth.org)
- Sign up to receive a full color, digital issue of *The Builder* via email (go green)
- Download new and previous editions of *The Builder*
- An audio "widget" has been added on the side-bar of the web page/home page. This widget connects to the worship audio files stored online. Click on the one you want to download and it will take you to download link. These are large files that will take a few minutes to download (you can minimize) and then you just play on windows media player or other players.

## KDAL AM Radio Broadcast

### FLC Sunday Worship Service at 8:30 a.m.

First Lutheran Foundation invites and encourages members and friends of the congregation to sponsor a Sunday morning KDAL radio broadcast for \$100. The Foundation will match that gift with \$100 to cover the full cost of a broadcast (\$200). Call Nancy, 728-3668, to make arrangements.

## Hospitalized? Death of a loved one?

If you or a family member is hospitalized or if there is a death in the family, please call the church office at 728-3668. Because of hospital policies, the church is not always informed when a member is in the hospital. For emergencies after hours, contact information is provided on the church answering system.

## International Day of Peace Sept. 21

On Wed., September 21, at 6:00 p.m. Duluth will ring bells across the city, including the Peace Bell at Enger Park, to commemorate *International Day of Peace*. Duluth Sister Cities International will observe *International Day of Peace* at the Japanese Peace Bell Garden in Enger Park, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The community is invited to attend this event. The observance will include: A tribute to the garden, which celebrates Duluth's sister-city relationship with Ohara Isumi- City, Japan; ringing of the Peace Bell at 6:00 p.m. with the echo of the city bells in the background; in Ohara Isumi-City, a Japanese Peace Bell will ring simultaneously to reaffirm commitment to world peace; and a reception in the garden.

# LEADERSHIP

*Please feel free to contact us.*

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# OCTOBER 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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