

First Look

Your monthly newsletter



First Lutheran Church

First Lutheran Church Continues To Transition.

----- COURTNEY PISTONE

Currently, we are using supply pastors for our Wednesday Sacred Journey Service, and our Sunday Divine Service. We invite you all to join every Wednesday and Sunday.

We have a new Leadership Team:

- Kris Tamash is your new president
- Deb Krau continues as your Vice President.
- Paul Rago continues as your treasurer with Craig Tamash assisting.
- Karen Riesterer is your new Secretary.

Thank you to all our volunteers who come together to make First Lutheran Church the community in which we are.

Our New Weekly Schedule

Tuesdays Midday Meditation and Reiki at 12pm

Tuesdays Ladies Evening Bible Study Group at 7pm

Wednesdays 1pm Quilters and Coffee Group

Wednesdays 6pm Potluck dinner followed by Sacred Journey Service at 7pm

Thursdays 10am Join the Women of the Word Bible Study Group.

Saturdays 10am the Toy Library invites children and their families to come and play.

Sundays 9:30 join us for Divine Service with Holy Communion (Fellowship follows depending on volunteers)

Devotion Writers

----- JUDITH MORIN

Looking for a team of writers to continue our daily devotions. As the new year begins, we need people to put pen to paper (or fingers to keyboard) and compose brief writings to encourage our congregation toward spiritual growth. The team will meet once a month to discuss scripture and subjects. Contact: Judy Morin



New Devotional Booklets are available in the Narthex for January through March. You are free to take one if you wish.





St. Mary's Church

First Saturdays of the Month

----- COURTNEY PISTONE

On the first Saturday of each month, St. Mary's offers a Taizé Eucharist at 5:00 p.m. This style of worship comes from an ecumenical monastic order in Taizé, Burgandy, France. The service is very contemplative, marked by periods of singing, silence, and meditation

Jacques Berthier and others have composed beautiful chants which are easy to learn and the congregations sings repeatedly. The chanting enters our hearts and souls, soothing our care and drawing us to God. On the Taizé website, the singing is described like this:

"Short songs, repeated again and again, give it a meditative character. Using just a few words they express a basic reality of faith, quickly grasped by the mind. As the words are sung over many times, this reality gradually penetrates the whole being.

Meditative singing thus becomes a way of listening to God. It allows everyone to take part in a time of prayer together and to remain together in attentive waiting on God, without having to fix the length of time too exactly."

We invite all to experience this meditative time of worship, and to give thanks at the Lord's Table. If you play a musical instrument and are interested in playing for the Taizé service, please contact our Director of Music Ministries on 508-362-3977.

Hidden Figures

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Tuesday Ladies Small
Group Study

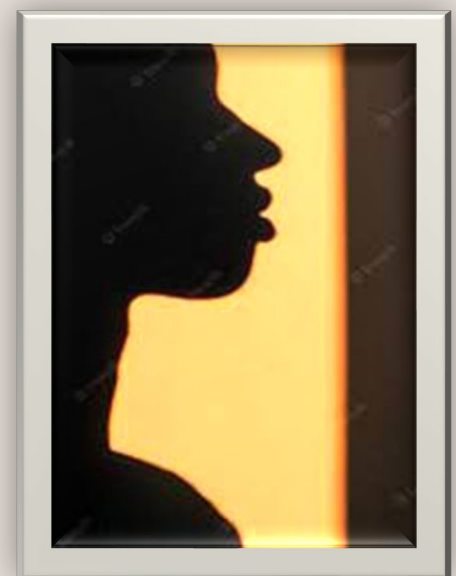
----- JUDY MORIN

How many women are named in the Bible? We know some well. Others are hidden in the stories of other Biblical characters and events. Even so, these "hidden figures" have played a role in God's Story — Our Story — and each woman has something to share with us.

The Tuesday Ladies Small Group researched and presented many of the named women last fall. The list of women will be completed during January.

Meets Tuesdays at church, 7-8:30 pm. In person and Zoom.
Contact: Judy Morin

Looking Ahead: The Advent study for the Tuesday Ladies will be Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws, by Adam Hamilton



W.O.W bible study group will meet after the holidays starting January 5th at 10am

All are invited



DONATIONS FOR

Cape Cod Council of Churches
HANDS OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

NEW LIST OF NEEDS JANUARY

- ? Pasta Sauce
- ? Cereal
- ? Pancake Mix and Syrup
- ? Macaroni and Cheese
- ? Kids' Snacks
- ? Soup
- ? Stew, Hash, Chili, Manwich
- ? SPAM and Canned Ham
- ? Hamburger Helper
- ? Corn Muffin Mix
- ? Mashed Potato Mix

THANK YOU!

1) Donations of clothing are accepted on Mondays' from 10-2. Please do not leave donations outside our door when we are not open to accept them, they get thrown out and wasted.

2) Clothing donations must be freshly washed and not have stains.

3) Clothing donations must also be marked Winter or Summer and sorted by size.

4) We are always in need of baby wipes, formula children's books and toys (no stuffed animals).

5) Cash donations for diapers is much appreciated we buy them in bulk at a huge discount thus doubling your donation!

Thank you!

Members are feeling so Thankful

Thank you

- LORI SVENSSON

A thousand thanks to the many church members, who have sent so many cards and good wishes in all these years that I haven't been able to be with you. I have multiple Covid risk factors, and injuries and conditions galore, and one, or a combination of them keep getting in the way. I miss being there so much, and again I thank you for reaching out, and I am sorry I have not often responded. One of my conditions carries a side effect of excessive fatigue, and it has been impossible to overcome so far.

Thank you all again, I have a couple of angels keeping me up to date on things, and the Lord willing I hope this spring I will get back among you where I belong!

Blessings be on you,
Lori Svensson

Thank you

- CHIP SCHILD

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You,

Thank You, First Lutheran family of Faith. Thank You, for all the cards, calls visits and Prayers for me and my daughter Kathy at the deaths of Steve and Lou. Thank You, for your love!!

Chip Schild

Thank you

- RAY BERLIN

A big Thank you from Ray Berlin. He felt so much love and appreciation this year when he was flooded with 100th Birthday Cards. Thank you to everyone who took the time to wish him a happy birthday.