AUGUST 1st FUN RAISER UPDATE

FIRST LUTHERAN NEEDS YOU TO BECOME PART OF OUR "DRIVE-IN REVIVAL" THIS SUMMER!





We will be building a new Drive-In Worship complex! Construction begins September 7, 2021.

We will be worshipping using our new complex Memorial Day Weekend 2022!

Our present complex is not large enough, versatile enough, or secure enough to meet the growing popularity of First Lutheran Drive-In Worship!

Our new complex will have an expanded stage area, protected by wind and rain blocking side windows that will greatly enhance our weekly worship! This stage will also enable us to include weddings, funerals, and use the video screen for family movie nights. The stage may also be used for outdoor concerts.

We are doing a 110 day "FUN DRIVE" from May 20—Sept. 7, 2021 to raise \$200,000 for the new building and grounds. As of July 27th we have received \$132,847 leaving us \$67,153 to hit our goal! Thank you all!

FIVE WEEKS TO GO! LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO REACH OUR GOAL!

All gifts make a difference! Please consider gifts this summer! Put your check in the worship offering, mail to First Lutheran, Attn: Drive-In Revival, 1525 Three Cross Road, Milford IA 51351 or leave it at our office!

Be sure to watch the weekly progress in our church bulletins or on our website: www.3cross.org

Together we can do this!!

John Adams, Sr., Director of Development

COMMUNITY PRAYER BOX

Joys or challenges in your life? We want to support our community and visitors through prayer. A Community Prayer Box has been installed on the corner of Three Cross Road and Heritage Avenue, just across the street northeast of the church.

If you would like prayer support in your life, open the box and write your prayer request on the sheet provided. Place the sheet back in the Community Prayer Box. The requests will be collected weekly and are kept confidential. The prayers will then be shared with our pastors and prayer team.



Colossians 4:2 "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."



Announcements and Upcoming Events

New member classes offered for all wishing to join our congregation

Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a member of our church family? If yes, please contact the church office at 338-4514 or office@3cross.org to begin the process! We offer two options for membership classes: Tuesday August 17th from 6-9 pm OR Saturday August 21st from 9 am-12 noon.

- **FAMILIES IN SERVICE** will be meeting jointly with the **MISSION TEAM** on Tuesday, August 3 at 7:00 pm. This will replace their regularly scheduled meeting on August 9.
- "EXPERIENCING GOD THROUGH ART AND SCRIPTURE": This new small group gathering
 uses works of art to assist us in experiencing scripture in a different way. Each week a painting
 or image that corresponds with the focal scripture of the "Unraveled" sermon series will be
 reflected on, engaged with questions, and discussed. Spiritual Directors Mark and Kathy Stelzer
 will lead the gathering each Wednesday night at 7:45 through September 1st. Join in person in
 the conference room following the Wednesday evening worship service or online at
 https://us02web.zoom.us/i/86157869870
- SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS WANTED: We are looking for Teachers, Shepherds, Substitutes, Safety Squad Members, Nursery Help, and more! Head to our website (www.3cross.org/children) to read more about what each role entails and to sign up! Sunday School takes a LOT of volunteers to run smoothly, so please consider helping out! There are a lot of roles that are every other week, and some that are once a month! We'd love to have both High Schoolers and Adults!
- THE FIRST LUTHERAN MISSION TEAM will be holding a school supply drive from Monday,
 August 2nd 23rd, for Kleenex, disinfectant wipes, and hand sanitizer. There will be a marked box
 in the Mission Center inside the church to drop off your donations. All supplies collected will be
 divided between Spirit Lake, Okoboji and Spencer schools. Thank you for helping us serve to
 make a difference!
- MEMORIAL SERVICE for John Rasmussen, who passed away December 16, 2020, will be held
 on July 31st at 11:00am. The Graveside Service will be at St. John's Cemetery in Ringstead, IA.
- **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**: You are invited to a Celebration of Life honoring Mary Lou Adams, who passed away January 8, 2021. It will be held Saturday, August 7th at 1:00pm at First Lutheran Church. Inspiring music and testimonials as we celebrate a Christian life well lived.
- QUILT AUCTION: Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp is holding their 34th Annual Quilt
 Auction with various events from August 6-9, 2021. Visit www.okoboji.org/quilt for more
 information!
- PROGRAM & LUNCHEON on August 25th will be hosted by Lydia Circle for all women! A
 program, featuring speakers sharing stories of their Holy Land travels, will begin at 10:00am with
 a salad luncheon to follow. A sign-up will be available in the church narthex or you may
 contact the church office to add your name to the attendance list. Please bring a salad to
 share AND you're invited to bring a friend! 712-338-4514 or email office@3cross.org.
- **THANK YOU** to all who have chosen First Lutheran Church to receive funds through Thrivent Choice or Amazon Smile. Your donations make a difference!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (Memorial Day - Labor Day)

Wednesdays – 6:30pm Indoor Worship Services Sundays – 8:30am Outdoor Drive-In Worship Service

Sundays – 9:30am Indoor Worship Service

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NOISY OFFERING: All noisy offering is donated to local backpack programs.

MISSIONS

BACK PACK FOOD COLLECTION: Food distribution continues weekly. A list of needed food is available at the collection baskets in the Mission Center.