

## 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."





- CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Brian Heithus and family, as they mourn the passing of Brian's brother, David Heithus.
- **HAPPY 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY** to Bill and Sandy Alexander as they recently celebrated this milestone anniversary!
- **FIRST FRIENDS** will meet for lunch on October 21st at McKeen's in Spirit Lake at 11:30am.
- **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet the third Thursday of each month at 9:30am in the church library. ALL who knit or crochet are welcome! Next meeting: Thursday, October 21st!
- **QUILTERS** are in need of flat (top) sheets, full-size or larger. Please bring to church if you have these in good and clean condition for our use. Thank you!
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** to meet weekly on Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Education Wing. The book of Matthew will be studied and all women, members or non-members, are invited to join!
- SIX WEEK BOOK STUDY...Carol DeSchepper will host a 6 week book study starting Monday, September 27, using the book <u>Boundless Compassion – Creating a Way of Life</u> by Joyce Rupp. The group will meet at the church on Mondays at 4 pm for 1 hour. If you have questions please contact Carol at cjdeschepper@gmail.com or 605-261-0581
- NO BOOK STUDY (Everything Happens for a Reason) on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup> so that everyone can enjoy fellowship time with our pastors and thank them for all the ways they serve our congregation!
- **EVERYTHING HAPPENS FOR A REASON (AND OTHER LIES I'VE LOVED):** Did you enjoy the "Unraveled" sermon series and want to explore more with others about how God shows up when life comes unraveled? Pr. Perry and Pr. Brian will be holding a book study between Sunday worship services starting October 3<sup>rd</sup>. You can purchase <u>Everything Happens for a Reason</u> by Kate Bowler in book or audiobook format through your favorite bookstore or arrange to pay for and pick it up through the church office at 712-338-451
- **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:** Please contact the church office or sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you are willing to be part of a team to make weekly coffee fellowship a reality!
- **THANK YOU** to all who have chosen First Lutheran Church to receive funds through Thrivent Choice or Amazon Smile. Your donations make a difference!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**WEDNESDAY WHAMS:** Starting October 6th, 1st-6th graders are invited to join us in the Ed Wing for Wednesday Whams at 6:30! Whams is not your typical Sunday School! We'll play some games, have some fun, and take a look at some lessons that will help us continue to learn how to be good neighbors! Contact Reagan if you have any questions!

**OCTOBER NOISY OFFERING**: UNI Dance Marathon, which raises money for the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital.



## MISSIONS

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