PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry was started at First Lutheran in 2006. The shawls are knit in the home of team members, who then meet once a month to bless the shawls and knit together. They pray that each created shawl will provide both spiritual and physical warmth for another person!

First Lutheran Church welcomes you to select a shawl from the Prayer Shawl Ministry display center near the sanctuary doors and give it to someone who is experiencing either joys OR challenges in life!



Shawls can be used for undergoing medical procedures; as a comfort after a loss or in times of stress; during bereavement; prayer or meditation; commitment or marriage ceremonies; birthing, nursing a baby: bridal shower or wedding gift; leading ritual; during an illness and recovery; ministering to others; graduation, birthday, anniversary, ordination, holiday gifts; or just socializing...there are endless possibilities!

ANYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY AND/OR MAY DONATE SHAWLS AT ANYTIME!

PLEASE TURN THE WHITE DONATION CARD INTO THE CHURCH OFFICE

> Contact Corrine Lundell for more information: <u>cklundell@hotmail.com</u> or call/text at 712-261-1999

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."



PLEASE SHARE YOUR INTERESTS WITH US! Thank you for taking a brief amount of time to complete our new interest survey! You may do so by either completing the **paper survey** (see bulletin insert or go to the church office) **OR** submit an **electronic survey** for by scanning the **QR Code** above or to access the same form use this link: https://3cross.breezechms.com/form/interestsurvey



Announcements and Upcoming Events

- CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Billie Scott and Melissa Petersen as they mourn the loss of their father, C.W. Scott, on October 6th.
- **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) this weekend, Sunday, October 24th, so that we can all enjoy fellowship time with our pastors and thank them for all they do to serve our congregation!
- **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**, from Ernestine Larson, for all the cards, visits, phone call, prayers, and good thoughts in recent weeks!
- **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.