

March 30th, 2021

Dear Senior Class Parents,

Congratulations! We at First Lutheran Church are excited for your child's countdown to high school graduation. As part of this momentous time, we have scheduled Sunday, May 16th as a time to celebrate our graduates through a special Senior Recognition Service. This year we are giving families the option to attend at 8:30 a.m. (masks required service) or 10:00 masks (optional service). Included in this mailing are a copy of the service order and details on the Lyle Cross Scholarship. Following are details about this special day.

On May 16, graduates will meet 30 minutes prior to the service in the church conference room, near the main office. We ask that the graduates dress nicely for this service. A gift bag with each graduate's name will be in the Narthex, where we are encouraging members of our congregation to place cards of congratulations. Graduates are asked to take this bag home with them after the reception.

We know that the Recognition Service can be an emotional one, so we have enclosed a copy of the service so you know what to expect. When it is time to recognize the seniors, you will be asked to come up to the front of the church and stand behind your child. Blankets are being made for each of our graduates by caring members of our congregation and will be on the backs of the pews where our students sit. Each blanket will have a name tag identifying who made it. During the service, we will ask you to wrap the blanket around your child.

Please take note of the information included with this letter. We will also send an email with the same information. We ask that you RSVP by April 14 (or sooner if possible) by going to the following link: <u>https://3cross.breezechms.com/form/56c309</u>. Please complete this form to let us know if your child will, or will not, participate in this special service, then let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to celebrating this day with you!

In Christ's Love,

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