

Mission Statement....

At First Lutheran Church, we make sure that our congregational home is a safe and welcoming place for ALL to grow on their faith journeys and carry on the work of JESUS CHRIST. It is ministry that is continually growing and changing to meet the needs of the youth and families in today's culture.

Raising kids in the faith in today's world is not easy. We want you to know that you are not alone and there is a family here that welcomes and supports each other.



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Youth
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Family
Ministries

Something for YOU.....

First Lutheran's Youth and Family Ministries is intentional in their outreach and opportunities for family. A definition of family can mean many things and we try to reach out to all aspects. We provide Parent Forums once a month on various topics of interest. We supply special



Advent Candles and Devotions for families as together we anticipate the coming of the Christ Child.

First Lutheran is a leader in the community for bringing well known Speakers, Concerts, Dramas, and Special Events to our church, the community of Marshall, and the surrounding churches.

We believe that all of this is OUR ministry together and welcome people to get involved and volunteer. Together we will create an atmosphere that is a welcome place where ALL can grow in faith and carry on the work of JESUS CHRIST.

Elementary Ministry (grades 3-6)

Our ministry for elementary youth /middle school consists of: Little League's Wild Wednesdays; Alleluia Choir and Middle School Handbells; G3 —Liturgical Dancers; and Good News Bearers after-school program. Of course there are the much anticipated monthly events of learning, fellowship, and outreach. Summer highlights include many choices at Shetek Lutheran Ministries in Slayton for bible camp and our summer Day Camp with the Shetek Staff right here at the church. Not to mention that we are always up for little outings to get ice cream or French fries and visit!



Ministry for 7th and 8th Graders

Grades 7 and 8 at First Lutheran are where we focus on confirmation. Since this is a concentrated time of education, our junior high ministry focus in more on fellowship and developing relationships. We have a music ministry that consists of a Middle School handbell choir. Wednesdays after confirmation we have Junior High ALIVE. This is a time for a variety of ideas from conversation, study, games, devotions, guest speakers, etc. Monthly activities include lock-ins, gatherings, fellowship, service projects, and outreach.

Summer opportunities include participating in two unique Bible Camps— Klein Ranch in north central South Dakota and Fort Courage in the Black Hills.

Ministry for Senior High (grades 9-12)

Not only is our ministry for high school youth very active... their leadership will amaze you.

On top of various monthly events of service, outreach, fellowship, and learning, our youth are active

in weekly ministries including: Senior High ALIVE, Digging Deeper,



Genesis Choir, and Breakfast Club. Our summer trips are based on a three year rotation of the ELCA National Youth Gathering, Mission Trip, and High Adventures. There are many ways for grades 9-12 to be active leaders and members at 1st.

Post-High School Students can come home to First Lutheran every Thanksgiving Weekend with the special worship services highlighting them and their journeys.