First English Lutheran Church

Second Sunday in Easter | April 7, 2024

**Offering and Attendance - March 31, 2024**

**Weekly Offering:** $2,806 **| Attendance:** 182

**Monthly:** $16,742.68 of $19,855 goal

**YTD:** $48,649.68

**Online Giving available at www.felclennox.org/give.html**

**Thank you for your generous support of First English Lutheran Church and the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**

**Sunday, April 7th** | 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion | 10:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship | 10:30 a.m. Sunday School

**Monday, April 8th** | 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Grief Share - Luther Hall

**Wednesday, April 10th** |1:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study | 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Supper | 5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class | 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group - 2nd Reformed | 7:40 p.m. High School Youth Group - 2nd Reformed

**Thursday, April 11th** | 7:00 p.m. Tai Chi - Luther Hall

**Sunday, April 14th** |9:30 a.m. Worship Service of the Word | 10:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship | 10:30 a.m. Sunday School

**Announcements**

**Flowers** are given this week by Jane Iken, Jason & Jackie Iken & family, Jess & Cara Iken, Caden, Karson & Karissa in honor of Albert & Lorna Iken’s 60th wedding anniversary which is April 11th.

Our **Lenten offerings** have been received to raise funds to remodel and combine Rooms 2 and 3 in the upstairs hallway. This will allow a larger room with space for meetings, adult education, confirmation, etc. Thank you for your generous gifts for the sake of this project!

The **Ministry of the Month** for April is Heifer International, whose mission is to end hunger and poverty in a sustainable way by supporting and investing alongside local farmers and their communities.

**Prayer Requests:** Laurie Wernke, Gordon Tyrrell (Michael Carlson’s nephew), Lance Spieler, Kurt Engel (Elizabeth Bachmann’s father), Christopher Engel-King (Carolyn Randel’s great grandson, serving in Iraq), Aaron Ford family, Abbie Thoreson (Carolyn Gulbrandson’s great niece), Kevin Schoffelman, Angela Schuyler, Dennis Weeldreyer (Laura Stoffer’s father), Jim Jibben, Albert Iken, Marin Bultena, Geri Monson, Bob Boe, Trinity Drake, and Robert Jungen.

Families assigned for serving the **Month of April** are Todd Anderson, Jason Doud, Jacob Hinker, Dennis Jorgensen, Andrew Nielson, Audrey Poppenga, Angela Schuyler, Cory Stoffers, Arden Vietor, Jared Kjellsen, John Ray, Adam Guthmiller, and Samanntha Pugh. Please sign up on the sheets in the hallway across from Pastor’s office for whatever weeks will work for you to provide/serve treats & coffee, usher, and lay lector.

There are a few **large print bulletins with hymns** available on the table by the newsletters for anyone who may need one for worship.

Plain View farm near Bryant, SD is hosting a **Men’s Retreat** on May 4th from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. The speaker for the event will be Lutheran theologian and professor Dr. Steven Paulson, who will be presenting three sessions from his soon-to-be released commentary on the Gospel of Mark. The retreat will also have singing, coffee-breaks, farm tours, and excellent food (fruit and rolls, a light lunch, afternoon refreshments, and a farm-to-table smoked meat supper). Registration is $35 per person. Please talk to Pr. Adam Guthmiller if you are interested in attending. *All* men are welcome: teens, young adults, and beyond.

Laurie Wernke RN, Faith Community Nurse, will again be teaching **Tai Chi** at First English Lutheran Church. The class will be offered weekly every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Luther Hall. You may ask “What is Tai Chi?” Tai Chi is best described as a meditative exercise. It is easy enough for most all abilities and ages. Tai Chi has been proven to help with relaxation, stress, feelings of well-being, improves balance and the physical benefits of exercise. The class is 30 minutes long.

If you have not been receiving **emails** from the church with the weekly announcements, please make sure to check your “junk” folder.

**Thank you** to those who donated Easter Lilies: Todd & Leslie Nelson, Ryan & Joan Renz, Carole Musch, Klusmann Funeral Home, and American Bank & Trust.

**Love In the Name of Christ** of Greater Lennox and Turner County is ready for YOU! Are you ready to make an impact in the lives of others? We seek those who want to provide compassion to anyone and everyone the way Jesus Christ modeled love to us…unconditionally. Lives and communities change when the hopeless have hope, when the fearful live by faith and when every person feels like they belong. We have volunteer trainings offered a variety of times in April, and are in need of volunteers to be able to open our office. It takes just a commitment of 3 hours a month to make a difference in the lives of others. Please contact Michelle Paulson at 605-681-6550 or at MichellePLoveINC@gmail.org.