



First Lutheran Church

Box 98 Akeley, MN 56433

Office 218.652.3335

firstchurchl@arvig.net

www.flcakeley.org

Pr. Maribeth McGoven

Second Sunday of Lent: Called to Openness

March 5, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE		Barb Hanson
BELLS		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
GATHERING HYMN	<i>O Lord, Hear My Prayer</i>	WOV 772*
PRAYER OF OF INVOCATION		screen
CALLED TO OPENNESS		
PRAYER		screen
GUIDED MEDITTION		
PRAYER		screen

WORD

PSALM		<i>Psalm 121</i>
SECOND READING		<i>Romans 4:1-5,13-17</i>
GOSPEL		<i>John 3:1-17</i>
SERMON	Written by Pr. Maribeth McGoven	
HYMN OF THE DAY	<i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory</i>	LBW 104*
APOSTLES' CREED		screen

OFFERING

MISSION FOCUS:	Akeley-Nevis Community Food Shelf	
OFFERTORY PRAYER		screen
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION	P: Merciful God, C: Receive our prayer.	

LORD'S PRAYER – please sing

SENDING

BLESSING

screen

BELLS

SENDING HYMN *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* *LBW #259**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Barb Hanson

*denotes a favorite hymn. From Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2017 Augsburg Fortress. rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #468

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Mon	Psalm 128; Numbers 21:4-9; Hebrews 3:1-6
Tue	Psalm 128; Isaiah 65:17-25; Romans 4:6-13
Wed	Psalm 128; Ezekiel 36:22-32; John 7:53-8:11
Thu	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:1-8; Colossians 1:15-23
Fri	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:9-21; Ephesians 2:11-22
Sat	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:27-35; John 4:1-6
Sun	Psalm 95; Exodus 17:1-7; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

This Week**Next Week****Greeters**
Ushers
ReaderEveryone
Kirk & Melissa Stover
Billie Marie Larson
Communion Assistants:
no communionEveryone
Kirk & Melissa Stover
Violet Sundermeyer
Communion assistants:
Violet Sudermeyer
Raylan Stanley

Prayer Concerns: All people impacted by Covid-19 in the world. The people of the Ukraine, The victims of the Turkey & Syria earthquakes, The ARCC Emergency Shelter, Akeley-Nevis Community Food Shelf; Marlys Stainbrook (Carl Anderson's sister), Dorothy Pohl, Bev & Lance Mitchell (friends of Peg Davies), Amanda Semmler, Kristine Schlager (Carl Anderson's niece), Carl & Linda Anderson, Sharon Arvik, Billie Marie Larson, Phyllis Carlson, Tim Atwater (brother-in-law of Carol Jones), Susan K. (friend of Violet Sundermeyer), Johanna Jones, (niece of Mike Jones), Jean (cousin of Vi Sundermeyer), Emily (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Elaine Kelsey (friend of Peg Davies), Lori, Rose & Don (Vi Sundermeyer's sister and brother-in-law), Jerry Johnson (brother of Jay Johnson), Ryan Lau, Debbie Wells (daughter of Phyllis Deer & sister to Mel Stover), Suzanne Dock (friend of Carol Lenander & Larry Gass), Larry Gass, Vi Sundermeyer, Deb Britton (friend of Duane & Cina Pidde), Don (Corina Bronczyk's brother-in-law), Carla (friend of Corina Bronczyk), Ryan Wood (Darrin & Corina Bronczyk's nephew), Ron Nepl (friend of Peg Davies), Mike & Leah O'Rourke (friends of Peg Davies), Karen Rich (sister of Mike Jones, The Evenson family, Bonnie & George Lueck, Peggy Lindstrom (friend of Cina Pidde), Kelly Wosika (Bobbie Wosika's sister-in-law), Carole Olafson (friend of Peg Davies & Aunt of Wayne Lenander), Tim & Lorna Cooper

Opportunities This Week

Today	Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Worship Service – Second Sunday of Lent	10:00 AM
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00 AM
Tues	Quilting	9:00-11:30 AM
Sun	Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Worship Service – Third Sunday of Lent	10:00 AM
	Coffee fellowship	11:00 AM
	Church Council meeting	11:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bible Study is underway. You're welcome to join us with or without a study guide. However, if you'd like a study guide, please contact Bernie Beck.
- Quilting – all are welcome – coffee pot is on – No experience necessary - Tuesdays 9-11:30 or so.
- Bethany Lutheran of Nevis is open to the community on Tuesday mornings from 6:30 – 8:00 and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 – 5:00 for silent prayer and meditation. No commitment, sign-in or time limit. Everyone is welcome.

March Mission of the Month

Akeley-Nevis Food Shelf

The Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign brings together organizations, businesses, faith communities and individuals to help keep 300 food shelves statewide stocked throughout the year. Minnesota FoodShare has distributed over \$18 million to March Campaign participating food shelves via the Minnesota FoodShare FoodFund. 100% of donations received by Minnesota FoodShare go into the Food Fund. The 2023 March Campaign will run from February 27th to April 9th.

In 2022 Akeley/Nevis Community Food Shelf served 782 families, 1,939 individuals and distributed locally 70,360 lbs. of food.

High food costs are bringing people to our food shelf. With the cost of groceries and everything else going up, it's difficult for seniors on fixed income, large families and people on low incomes to keep up with rising costs.

We ask for your support as we continue to serve families in our community with compassion to meet the challenges of food insecurity.

The Food Shelf is very grateful for the all-volunteer staff that gives of their time to the food shelf and the thrift store.

Akeley/Nevis Community Food Shelf - Tuesday 9-11

Akeley Thrifty Treasures – Friday and Saturday 10 - 4