

♥ THE GOOD NEWS

NEWSLETTER FROM FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH, BOTTINEAU, ND

***** F E B R U A R Y ---- 2010 *****

In the midst of all that the New Year has brought us and all that the beginning of Lent this month will bring, I want to share a poem that seems to be more of a prayer. Maybe it will speak to you as it spoke to me, and will guide you to see things from a refreshed perspective as you go about life this month.

"Help Me to Believe in Beginnings" from the book *Guerrillas of Grace*

God of history and of my heart,
so much has happened to me during these whirlwind days:
I've known death and birth;
I've been brave and scared;
I've hurt, I've helped;
I've been honest, I've lied;
I've destroyed, I've created;
I've been with people, I've been lonely;
I've been loyal, I've betrayed;
I've decided, I've waffled;
I've laughed and I've cried.
You know my frail heart and my frayed history - and now another day begins.

O God, help me to believe in beginnings and in my beginning again,
no matter how often I've failed before.

Help me to make beginnings:
to begin going out of my weary mind into fresh dreams, daring to make my own bold tracks in the land of now;
to begin forgiving that I may experience mercy;
to begin questioning the unquestionable that I may know truth;
to begin disciplining that I may create beauty;
to begin sacrificing that I may accomplish justice;
to begin risking that I may make peace;
to begin loving that I may realize joy.

Help me to be a beginning for others,
to be a singer for the songless, a storyteller to the aimless, a befriender of the friendless;
to become a beginning of hope for the despairing, of assurance for the doubting, of reconciliation for the divided;
to become a beginning of freedom for the oppressed, of comfort for the sorrowing, of friendship for the forgotten;
to become a beginning of beauty for the forlorn, of sweetness for the soured, of gentleness for the angry, of wholeness for the broken, of peace for the frightened and violent of the earth.

Help me to believe in-beginnings, to make a beginning, to be a beginning, so that I may not just grow old,
but grow new each day of this wild, amazing life you call me to live with the passion of Jesus Christ.

Amen. May we all begin this month knowing God's peace and grace.
Katie



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First Lutheran Church Mission Statement:

Joyfully growing as God's People for lives of faith, love, and service.

FIRST LUTHERAN FEBRUARY INFO

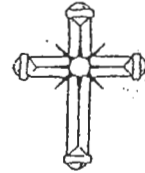
COFFEE DUTIES IN FEBRUARY 2010 SERVERS' WILL BE THE YOUTH COMMITTEE!!!!

Many Thanks!!!



FIRST LUTHERAN ATTENDANCE JANUARY 2010

January 3rd	180
January 10th	194
January 17th	174



DEADLINE FOR MARCH 2010

NEWSLETTER IS

FEBRUARY 18TH 2010



Would you like to serve the Lord, our Congregation, our Community and our world right from your own home? Just join the First Lutheran Prayer Chain!! To join, or for more information, please call Diane Myhr (228-2990) or Eunice Ketterling (228-3627). To request Prayers, please call Eunice Ketterling

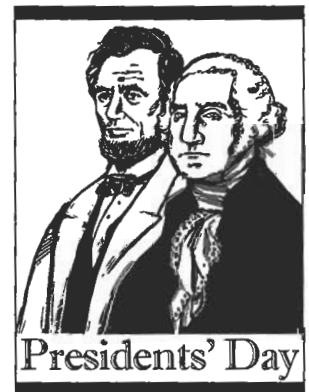
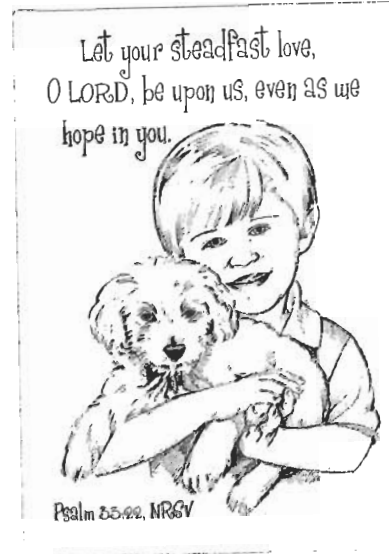
MEMORIALS

Milton Burud	Carla Carlson
Corrine Herbel	Kenny Berg
Arnold Ketterling	Axel Erickson
CO Bjornseth	Olga McLain
Bedvi Swanson	Arlin Moum
Madeleine Kavli	Ann Rudolph
Wayne Nickelson	Daryl Moum
Frieda Sebelius	Bill Williams
Arnell Persson	Marlys Olson
Reuben Ellingson	Joe Millang
Richard Sandness	Leona Wittmayer
Tillman Sorenson	



First Lutheran Church
2009 Budget
 December, 2009

	Jan - Dec 09	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
011 Envelopes	208,221.00			
012 Loose	5,055.72			
013 Parish Ed	550.86			
014 Interest - General	28.54			
015 Lent	2,953.00			
016 Easter	2,800.00			
017 Christmas	6,620.00			
018 Transfer from SS	5,000.00			
Earned Income	4,324.06			
Total Income	235,553.18			
Expense				
100 World Missions				
101 Synod -ELCA	12,800.04	12,800.00	0.04	100.0%
102 Lutheran SS	1,700.04	1,700.00	0.04	100.0%
103 Westhope Home	1,700.04	1,700.00	0.04	100.0%
104 Metigoashe Camp	2,250.00	2,250.00	0.00	100.0%
105 Good Sam	300.00	300.00	0.00	100.0%
106 Food Pantry	2,000.04	2,000.00	0.04	100.0%
107 Missionaries	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00	100.0%
108 St. Andrews	300.00	300.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 100 World Missions	23,150.16	23,150.00	0.16	100.0%
200 Program Expenses				
201 Parish Ed	2,672.32	3,500.00	-827.68	76.4%
202 Worship	5,054.86	4,000.00	1,054.86	126.4%
203 Stewardship	1,577.20	1,500.00	77.20	105.1%
204 Youth	614.05	500.00	114.05	122.8%
205 Caring Min Supplies	33.02	1,000.00	-966.98	3.3%
206 Parish Nurse	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
207 Y & F Program Exp	437.96	500.00	-62.04	87.6%
208 Internship Exp	1,980.00	1,980.00	0.00	100.0%
209 Evangelism	447.88	500.00	-52.12	89.6%
Total 200 Program Expenses	12,817.29	13,730.00	-912.71	93.4%
300 Employee Wages				
301 Pastor	37,999.92	38,000.00	-0.08	100.0%
302 Secretary	21,527.04	21,527.00	0.04	100.0%
303 Treasurer	6,780.00	6,780.00	0.00	100.0%
304 Custodian	13,266.48	13,267.00	-0.52	100.0%
305 Caring Min. Coord.	3,246.15	14,198.00	-10,951.85	22.9%
306 Musicians	3,520.00	3,300.00	220.00	106.7%
307 Youth & Family Min.	17,319.04	17,507.00	-187.96	98.9%
308 Internship	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 300 Employee Wages	109,658.63	120,579.00	-10,920.37	90.9%
400 Employee Benefits				
401 Workers Comp	659.48	750.00	-90.52	87.9%
402 Custodian Ben.	1,749.96	1,750.00	-0.04	100.0%
403 Sec Benefits	3,507.54	3,500.00	7.54	100.2%
404 Housing Allowance	7,800.00	7,800.00	0.00	100.0%
405 Housing Equity	4,999.92	5,000.00	-0.08	100.0%
406 Employers Taxes	8,948.56	9,323.00	-374.44	96.0%
407 Youth & Family SS	1,339.20	1,340.00	-0.80	99.9%
408 Pastor Pen/Health	19,405.69	19,360.00	45.69	100.2%
409 Y & F Health Ins.	3,147.28	3,172.00	-24.72	99.2%
410 Caring Min. Ben.	583.32	1,750.00	-1,166.68	33.3%
Total 400 Employee Benefits	52,140.95	53,745.00	-1,604.05	97.0%
500 Building Expenses				
501 Building Exp	10,170.59	10,000.00	170.59	101.7%
502 Utilities	13,816.23	13,500.00	316.23	102.3%
503 Insurance	3,818.00	3,800.00	18.00	100.5%
Total 500 Building Expenses	27,804.82	27,300.00	504.82	101.8%
600 Travel/Training				
601 Travel/Auto	4,600.08	4,600.00	0.08	100.0%
602 Pastor C.E.	383.38	750.00	-366.62	51.1%
603 Staff Development	990.98	1,000.00	-9.02	99.1%
604 Convention	653.86	1,000.00	-346.14	65.4%
605 Van Expenses	215.16	500.00	-284.84	43.0%
Total 600 Travel/Training	6,843.46	7,850.00	-1,006.54	87.2%
700 Office Expenses				
701 Office Supplies	1,441.93	2,500.00	-1,058.07	57.7%
702 Office Equip/Rep	4,177.76	2,300.00	1,877.76	181.6%
703 Postage	1,801.04	1,600.00	201.04	112.6%
704 Miscellaneous	182.52	500.00	-317.48	36.5%
705 Technology	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 700 Office Expenses	8,603.25	7,900.00	703.25	108.9%
800 Payroll Taxes				
801 Fica	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	100.0%
802 Federal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
803 State	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 800 Payroll Taxes	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	100.0%
Total Expense	241,018.55	254,254.00	-13,235.45	94.8%
Net Ordinary Income	-5,465.37	-254,254.00	248,788.63	2.1%
Net Income	-5,466.37	-254,254.00	248,788.63	2.1%



+FUNERALS+

JANUARY 15TH, 2010

RICHARD SANDNESS

Intern Desiree' Uhrich

Burial @Oak Creek Cemetery

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**Blessed be His Memory!**

**FEBRUARY USHERS 2010**

**8:30am - Don Wolfe, Gale Feland, Greg Feland, & Terry Espe**

**11am - Dennis Burud, Larry Gienger, Mark Bernstein, & Kenneth Joraanstad**

Thanks for your Service!

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**LENT SERVICES:**

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**W/ELCA FEBRUARY FACTS**

The W/ELCA Group met on January 13th for the 1st General Meeting of 2010.

Because of lack of a Full Officer Slate of Officers, the Installation Service was not held and will be held when the Chairs are elected B..U..T.. the problem is that no one has stepped forward to Chair our group. Please consider taking this position - Others are very willing to help out New Officers as needed and in order to carry out our Mission, we DO need Chairmen.

Thanks to the January Service Group for serving funeral and to the July Group for serving for the January Meeting.

We have a Fair Committee willing to take over the Fair planning, etc. and we thank them. This still means that each one of us are expected to sign-up to help at our Fair Stand with food, kitchen work, Fair Stand workers, pie bakers, etc. It is a very big project and is one of our Fund Raisers to help meet our yearly budget and Mission Work. Other Committees seem to be going well and thanks to those who are willing to help.

We will be asked to serve the afternoon Lent Coffees so be ready to SAY YES! The Youth will do the Lent Suppers again. Ash Wednesday begins the Lenten Journey and is Wednesday, February 17th. Following is schedule for Lent serving: Feb. 17th - Rebecca Circle; Feb. 24th - Eve Circle; March 3rd - Deborah Circle; March 10th - Hannah Circle; March 17th - Mission Aid and March 24th - Volunteers. Coffee and 1 thing to be served (Goodies or buns or crackers/cheese)

Other information will be given in weekly Sunday bulletins.

In Christ's Service and Love, Barb Persson



Metigoshe Ministries is adventure anchored in Christ where people experience and celebrate the gifts of God in a life together.

# Metigoshe

monthly update

## Ministries



Adventure Anchored in Christ

February 2010

## Men's Snowmobiling Retreat

7:00 pm Friday, February 12 to 11:00 am Sunday, February 14  
(Thursday arrival optional)

This is some of the best snow we have had in years! You will not want to miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to snowmobile with your family in one of the most beautiful areas in the country.

Bring your son, your dad, your grandpa, or your best friend. We have local guides that will take you out for some of the best sledding in North Dakota.

We'll provide hearty meals and comfortable accommodations. For an additional \$30 per person, join us Thursday night for snacks, overnight stay, continental breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Friday.

\$105/person (\$165/pair - \$35 for each additional person/room)  
\$10.00 discount/family if registered on or before Friday, February 5



## Did You Get It?

Summer brochures are available!

Look around your church and you'll find them. The 2010 summer brochures are available, and we want you to come to camp!

You can register online or by using a summer brochure.

For Family Camp and Grandparents Camp, call 701.263.4788 for a special registration form.

Don't forget, camp scholarships are available. Just call the camp office for more information.



## Faith Film Fest

5:00 pm Friday, February 5 to 4:00 pm Saturday, February 6

## Artists' Retreat

7:00 pm Friday, February 5 to 7:00 pm Saturday, February 6

## High School Snow Fest

5:00 pm Sunday, February 14 to 9:00 am Monday, February 15

## Wanted...500 fans!

Did you know there are 350 million active **facebook** users? 350 MILLION! (That's more than every single person in the United States!) And 50% of those people are on **facebook** everyday. Are you one of those 350 million?

Our February challenge this year is to get 500 of those 350 million to become fans of METIGOSHE MINISTRIES on **facebook**!

Why become a fan? There are tons of great things we want to share with you. Everything from upcoming retreats to strange and interesting facts about Camp Metigoshe.

Next time you are online, check out METIGOSHE MINISTRIES on **facebook** and become a fan. We don't want you to miss out on all the great happenings at Metigoshe Ministries.

## Camp Metigoshe Summer Staff

Are you looking for a summer "job" that allows you an opportunity to make a difference in kids' lives?

How about a summer "job" where you get paid to play? Have you considered a "job" that will humble you and uplift you, *at the same time*? Do you see any job descriptions in the want ads that read, "adventure anchored in Christ AND unlimited access to Mr. Freeze's?"

If you feel called to serve on Metigoshe Ministries' summer staff, we'd love to visit with you about a "job" that is really a ministry. Applications for summer 2010 are now available. Call 701.263.4788 to speak with Kyle or Betsy or visit [www.metigosheministries.com](http://www.metigosheministries.com) for an application. An "adventure anchored in Christ" awaits you!



Please go to [www.MetigosheMinistries.com](http://www.MetigosheMinistries.com) or call 701.263.4788 to register for a retreat.

# Bottineau Community Caring Program

**Are you interested in helping your neighbor?**

**Would you like your gift to count double?**

The Bottineau Area Christian Ministerial Association in partnership with Bottineau Community Resource Program is eligible to receive a matching grant from the St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation. **The foundation will match up to \$6000** for use in helping our community members meet basic needs such as:

- ❖ Medical care – help with prescriptions, over the counter medicine, travel to medical appointments, medical supplies
- ❖ Housing – rent or security deposit, short-term emergency housing
- ❖ Food – particularly fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, and pure water (items that are difficult to access through food pantry)

The purpose of the program is to demonstrate compassion and care to individuals and families in need as Jesus has asked us to do, as though we do it for him. *"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me."*

Matthew 25: 35-36

If you would like to take advantage of this giving opportunity, the guidelines are as follows:

- ✓ In order to qualify for matching dollars, a gift of **\$100.00** is the minimum.
- ✓ Checks need to be made out to **St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation**
- ✓ Please put in the memo line – **Bottineau Community Caring Program**

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**Please detach this portion and include it with your donation.**

Individual gifts of **at least \$100.00** will be matched dollar for dollar by the St. Joseph's Foundation. Make your check out to **St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation** and put in the memo line **Bottineau Community Caring Program**.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**You may mail your check to:**

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation  
c/o Shelly Wepler  
308 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. SW  
Minot, ND 58701

Or you may drop your check off at First Lutheran Church, 701 Main Street, Bottineau, and it will be mailed for you.

# First Lutheran Church

## Vinje Scholarship Application

The Vinje/Memorial Committee is providing two \$500.00 scholarships to our High School Seniors who plan to attend college in the fall. The funds will be sent directly to the college of your choice. If the college has a matching funds program please let us know. The deadline for all applications is April 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. This committee reserves the right to award any scholarship.

**The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage our youth who have been confirmed to remain active in our church.**

### The Minimum Requirements are:

- \*Attend Church and Sunday School an average of 2 times a month (including summer).*
- \*Participate in our youth program on a regular basis by attending planned activities.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of the college you plan on attending:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Church Activities – Please type or write very legibly detailed information concerning your activities at First Lutheran Church during your 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade years on the other side of this form. The Vinje Committee, Pastor, and TRAC Coach will review this application.*

I confirm that I have met the minimum requirements of this scholarship application.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Sophomore Year**

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**Junior Year**

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**Senior Year**

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**Why do you think we should consider you for this scholarship?**



# FEBRUARY ----- 2010

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

LENT SERVICES BEGIN ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17 WITH SERVICES @2PM & 7:15PM AND ON MARCH 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st. YOUTH SUPPERS @6:30PM EACH WEDNESDAY OF LENT HOLY COMMUNION ON ASH WEDNESDAY WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES

**7. 5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
8:30 & 11am - Folk Services - Communion by "Intrinction"  
9:30am - Sunday School  
9:40am - Coffee Fellowship  
10am - Adult Sunday School

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!

14. Transfiguration of Our Lord  
8:30 & 11am - Worship Services - Baptism of Griffin Larry Reitan at 11am today  
9:30am - Coffee Hour  
9:40am - Sunday School  
10am - Adult Bible Studies

21. 1st Sunday in Lent  
8:30 & 11am - "Praise" Worship Services - Communion  
9:30am - Coffee Hour  
9:40am - Sunday School  
10am - Adult Bible Studies

28. 2nd Sunday in Lent  
8:30 & 11am - Worship Services  
9:30am - Coffee Fellowship  
9:40am - Sunday School  
10am - Adult Bible Studies

1. 11am - St. Andrew's HC  
4pm - Good Samaritan HC

**TODAY IS GROUND HOG'S DAY!!**

8. 9:30am - Deborah Circle at Kay Reifling's  
10am - Bible Briefing - Mission Aid meets afterwards  
7pm - Committee Meetings  
8pm - Council Meeting

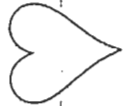
**PRESIDENT'S DAY**



15. 9:30am - Hannah Circle



22. **WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY**



3. 9am - Lectionary Study  
3:30pm - 4th - 8th - Youth 5:30pm  
5:30pm - 8th - 9th Confirmation  
7pm - High School Youth

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9:30am - Turtle Mt. Pastor's Conference Meeting



10. 9am - Lectionary Study  
10:30am Ministerial Mtg.  
3:30pm - 4th - 8th - Youth Group  
5:30pm - 8th - 9th Confirmation  
7pm - High School Youth

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**Ash Wednesday**

17. 9am - Lectionary Study  
2pm - Ash Weds. Service - HC  
2pm - Rebecca after service  
3:30pm - Eve at J. Orke's  
3:30pm - 4th - 8th - Youth - No 8-9th Confirmation during Lent  
6:30pm - Youth Supper  
7:15pm - Ash Weds. Service  
Holy Communion

18.

7pm - Book Club meets  
**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS TODAY**

25.



Lent

26.



...HOW WIDE AND LONG AND HIGH AND DEEP IS THE LOVE OF CHRIST.

EPHESIANS 3:18, NIV

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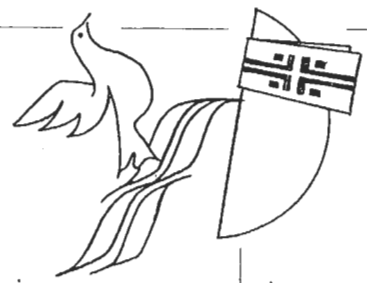


... one Lord, one faith, one baptism. . . .  
-Ephesians 4:5

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| FEBRUARY 2010 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 28            |    |    |    |    |    |    |

| MARCH 2010 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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BOTTINEAU, ND 58318**

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**Return Service Requested**

**First Lutheran Good News**

**WINTER Sunday Worship**

**8:30 & 11am - Worship Service**

**9:40am - Coffee Fellowship**

**Church Hours:**

**Monday - Thursday - 9am - 5pm**

**Friday - 9am - 4pm**

**Church Office Phone 701-228-2228**

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**PASTORAL STAFF**



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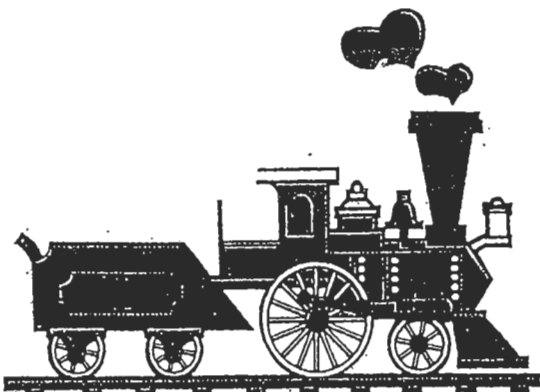
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