Announcements for Week of January 28, 2013.

BIG NEWS...Summer 2013 Mission Trip. First Lutheran Church has just registered for a Hurricane Sandy recovery youth mission trip to New Jersey this summer. The mission trip is for youth entering grades 9-12 and will take place from July 7 - 12, 2013. We have slots for 7 youth and three adults. If interested speak with Lisa Lee, 354-6870, as soon as possible.

Honor a memory, milestone or loved one! The New 2013 Flower Chart is in the Narthex. Take a moment and sign up for a date if you would like to donate flowers.

THIS MONTH - Mark your calendars:

- New Disciple-Member Orientation Dates (Choose one):
 Tuesday, Jan 29, 6:30 8:30 p.m. or Saturday, Feb 2, 8:00 10:00 a.m. RSVP with the office, office@firstlutheranlodi.org.
- Sunday, Feb 3, Annual Meeting of First Lutheran Church will be held in the Sanctuary from 9:00 - 10:15. All members are encouraged to attend.
- Sunday Feb 3, New Disciple-Members Reception at the 8:00 AM Worship Service. Please extend a warm welcome to our newest members.
- February 13, 2013 is Ash Wednesday Ash Wednesday Worship and the following Wednesday Lenten Services will be held at 11:00AM in the Chapel and at 7:00PM in the Sanctuary.
- Benefit Breakfast A benefit breakfast for Mark Skorczewski is being held at First Lutheran Church on February 10th from 9:00AM - 12:30PM. Please check in the Narthex for sign-up sheets for workers and donations of food. Open to the community, so, invite a friend!

- February 14, 2013, Seniors First is hosting a Valentines Day gathering at 1:00 PM in Christenson Hall.
- February 15-17, 2013 Holy Spirit Retreat Pastors David Couper, Mike Lee and Rob Nelson will lead a 2-day retreat that introduces you to the fullness of God -- Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Worship, praise, spiritual direction, growth! Two nights lodging and meals at Bethel Horizons Retreat Center near Dodgeville, WI. Cost \$130. To register call New Heights Church at (608) 767-2247 or email them at nhlc@tds.net.
- Past-Forward News: A Note from Bill Steckel "Previously, as part of our Past-Forward Initiative, several of our long standing members shared with us their collective insights and memories on the changes they experienced over the years, as they pass on their faith to the next generation. Continuing with this initiative, the Missional Discovery Journey (MDJ) Team invites our newer members to participate in a second video taped group discussion that will focus upon how they see God working within First Lutheran Church and where God may be taking them as we (the church) move forward. The date and time will be determined based upon the availability of the participants. Those interested are asked to contact the church office (592-4102 or office@firstlutheranlodi.org) and speak with Darilyn."

SPIRITUAL CARE. Contact the church office, 608-592-4102/ <u>office@firstlutheranlodi.org</u> or one of the following staff members directly:

- Pastor Mike Lee, mlee@firstlutheranlodi.org or 608-354-5170.
- Dan Pulsfus, dpulsfus@good-sam.com or 608-592-4102.
- Lisa Lee, lisalee@firstlutheranlodi.org or 608-354-6870.