First Lutheran Church—F.L.C.—For the Love of Christ

Sunday Worship Broadcasts
10:30 a.m. - Peace & Power-KAAL TV (Channel 6)
11:00 a.m. - KATE RADIO AM 1450

Summer Sunday Worship Schedule
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship* 10:00 a.m. Praise & Worship* (led by Spirit Express)
Thursday: 6:30 p.m.—Worship service in the Chapel*
* Holy Communion:
First & Third Sundays at the 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. services
First Thursday at the 6:30 p.m. service

FLC 2015 Pictorial Directory—Have you made your appointment yet?
Photo Dates are June 8-12, 16-20 and 23-27 and June 30-July 1.
See page 15.

FLCW Salad Luncheon—Friday, June 12
Serving between 11 am-1 pm in Bethany Hall.

Come for a great time of fellowship & food— to the annual...
SPUDS & SPLITS
THURSDAY, JUNE 25
4:30-7:00 p.m. in Bethany Hall
Free will donation — Suggested Price $7
Everyone is welcome—invite your neighbors & friends!

The mission of First Lutheran Church is:
TO GATHER, EQUIP, AND EMPOWER PEOPLE
TO JOYFULLY DO CHRIST’S WORK.
Dear Friends in Christ,

The morning I am writing this I took an early morning walk. I love taking a walk along the channel and the lake in Albert Lea first thing in the morning. What a glorious time of year as new life springs forth! The birds sing, wildflowers are blooming, and it seems there is a new discovery waiting for me each day. This morning I noticed a couple of young owls peering out from their nest high in a tree. I was able to snap a picture of them. What a pleasant surprise!

In Isaiah 43:20 we read: The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland...

What surprises might await us each day! Here is something I would like to try during the month of June in our worship services: We'll ask a family with children to bring something in "The Children's Message bucket" up front during the Children’s Time, and I'll make up a message on the spot using that object. It might be fun. It will be practice for all of us to fulfill what we read in Deuteronomy 6:7, Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

It seems all of creation points us to the Lord, our God and Creator! Then we gather together each week to pause to thank Him for His grace and goodness to us. As St. Francis of Assisi wrote in that great hymn:

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and let us sing,
O Praise Him! Alleluia!

To help lead us in worship and praise, God’s Word and prayer, we have an interim associate pastor coming to join us on staff as of June 15. Her name is Diane Oderman, and she has been a pastor for about 25 years. She currently lives in Austin with her husband, who is also a pastor, and their daughter. Please, join me in prayer for Pastor Oderman as she joins us.

May God bless you in Christ each day...

...In the light of His love, Pastor John F. Holt

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Blessed to be a Blessing!

Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. John 12:26

As of this publication we will have installed our new church council leadership and commission members. Some of the faces remain the same, and some are new. Please offer a prayer of thanks for those who are stepping down, and a prayer of hope and inspiration to those who have answered the call to serve, lead, and help guide First Lutheran Church down whatever path God has chosen for us over the next few years.

Along with this I would like to say thank you to all those who serve every day not just on the council but all the commissions and other activities that make the church function on a daily basis. Donating our time and talents to serve God is one of the main principles of our stewardship of His gifts to us. It’s always inspiring to see our congregation members step up and gladly serve in so many ways, in the spirit of Je-

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| January 1, 2015         | $125,601 | G.F. ‘Fund Balance’ |
| April 30 2015           | $100,999 | G.F. ‘Fund Balance’ |

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FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN (FLCW)

June 2015- Sarah

Co-Chairs
Rhoda Knudson 383-0193
Marlene Overgaard 391-4900

Workers
Diane Damerow
Barb Ochs
Nancy Stoa
Dara Gjersvik
Carol Olson
Shirley Strand
Nancy Heidal
Dawn Pestorious
Elaine Syverson

Cakes
Betty Abben
Debbie Pelvit
Sue Toenges
Sarah Anderson
Betty Ruud
Kristin Vanek
Beth Breamer
Nona Sippel
Hildy Vallevand
Barb Cliff
Aimee Struck
Jurene Wick
Thelma Foss
Tammy Swenson
Darlene Levison

Upcoming FLCW Programs

June Salad Luncheon
First Lutheran Church Women
Friday, June 12
11:30 am-1 pm.
Public invited to come & go.
Cost $7

First Lutheran Church Women’s Field Trip will be
Wednesday, July 8 to
Plymouth Playhouse
to see “Church Basement Ladies”.
Cost—$55.00.
Sign up by June 16.

All church women are invited. All guests welcome!

FLC EDUCATION, YOUTH & FAMILY

July 20 through July 23
12:30-5 pm
Stop in or call the church to sign up!

Volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School.
July 20 through July 23 from 12:30-5 pm.
We need people to house our camp counselors for the week, prepare and serve the daily snack, or just work at our VBS.
Contact Jenny at the church office, 373-6424.

FLC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

FLC Senior Scholarships (general course of study) was given to: Connor Larson, Tori Helgeson, William Martin, Noah Hanson, Taylor Martinez, Hannah Silva, Mallory Sorenson, Brady Loch, Nicholas Kromminga

Kimberly Olson Goddard Scholarship was given to Tori Helgeson and Hannah Silva

Recipients of the above scholarships were selected by the FLC Scholarship Committee on the basis of their character, achievements, and, most of all, their service in the church and community, since they were confirmed.

Bill Hammer Memorial Scholarship (business) was given to Noah Hanson, Megan Lindely and Anna Waltman

Recipients of this scholarship are chosen by the children of Bill Hammer.
"Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord; make straight the desert a highway for our God". Isaiah 40:3

We often associate this passage of Scripture in the Book of Isaiah with Advent and the coming of Messiah—the coming of the Christ Child as Savior of the World. Even now, as we approach the summer of 2015, this passage is speaking to me daily as I try to do the work that God put me here to do.

PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD!!! What does that have to do with summer and the days and weeks after the Day of Pentecost, that we just celebrated? First, many thanks are in order for so many people who so faithfully supported our FLC Music Ministry during this season. It will be impossible to thank each person by name, BUT thanks to the First Lutheran Church Choir, the Spirit Express Singers, the Spirit Express Band, the First Lutheran Church Hand Bell Choir, the Rays of Light and the Sounds of Joy Children's Choirs AND THEIR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS, the Word Alive Drama Team and Supporters, the FLC Commission for Music, Worship, and Arts, the Choral Scholars, the Albert Lea Brass, the Sound and PowerPoint Team, the FLC Staff, and the Vision Makers! Thank You. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!! Now, with a season's work behind us, it is time to PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD for the coming season. God expects that we stay diligent in our service to Him. He expects that we do His work with our best efforts at all times. He expects that we have the discipline and focus to properly prepare for the work we do for Him. That makes my summer mission clear to me. It is time to plan and prepare for All Saints' Day, the Advent Season, Christmas, Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Lent, Easter, and yes, Pentecost! Full Circle. The Liturgical Church Year is a beautiful thing. Every year, it takes us through the life of Christ and the lessons that he has for us in every season of the year—every "regular week and regular Sunday" and every "Special Event and Special Day of the Year"! Wow! That gives us great opportunity to do our best for our God, our Creator, our Lord and Savior. It will be an exciting time again—to work on a new season to tell the story of Christ through Music, Worship, and Arts! I pray that the Holy Spirit will be our energy, that God will be our Guide, and that Christ Jesus will be our inspiration for another great season! To God Be The Glory--Great Things He Has Done!

Upcoming Events:
The Svyati Duo-- She is a world-class cellist and he is a world class organist, who holds a post at a church in London. Mark your calendars now for this very special event to be held on Thursday, October 15th, 2015 at 7 PM.

The First Lutheran Church-Jessica Lokken Memorial Music & Arts School & Camp Applications for the First Lutheran Church-Jessica Lokken Memorial Music & Arts School & Camp are available in the church office. A full outline of the design and schedule for the school is outlined in the brochure. We are looking for a huge turnout for this school. If you are an interested child/youth or are a parent of an interested child/youth, please contact me at the church to get on the reservation list for the school. The school will run for three consecutive weeks during June 2015:

Week 1 - Sunday, June 7 - Thursday, June 11, 2015--Ages 4-5-
Preschool, Grades 1-3 (Completed)--Sunday, 2 PM-6 PM, M-Th: 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Week 2-Sunday, June 14-Thursday, June 18, 2015 - Grades 4-7 (Completed)--Sunday, 2 PM-6 PM, M-Th: 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Week 3-Sunday, June 21-Thursday, June 25, 2015 - Grades 8-12 (Completed)--Sunday, 2 PM-6 PM, M-Th: 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

The Commencement for the School with an Art Display and Performance by Many School Musicians will be held on Friday Evening, June 26th at 7 PM in the Sanctuary and the Gathering Space. It is the goal to ensure that every child/youth who wants to participate will have that opportunity! Our goal is to provide a spiritual, positive environment in which children/youth can learn and/or further develop their musical and artistic talents. Lunch will be served at the end of each day. Have a great and safe June. Please keep our Music Ministry and Outreach in your thoughts and prayers. Peace, Tim
Habitat 500 Bike Ride — July 12-18, 2015

For the 19th year, I will be riding in the Habitat 500. This year’s ride takes place during the week of July 12-18 beginning and ending in Owatonna, Minnesota with the opportunity to work on a Habitat home in Winona. Back in 1997 when I decided to experience the challenge of a long bike ride to raise money for Habitat for Humanity, I never dreamed that I would keep on riding for all these years. Yet, two bikes and over $140,000 later, here I am. This year, my goal is to raise a minimum of $10,000.00 once again.

I believe that Habitat for Humanity provides a wonderful opportunity for us to live our faith as we give people the opportunity to become the owners of simple, decent, affordable homes. The funds I raise all come back to our local Freeborn-Mower affiliate, which, in turn, sends a tithe of all donations to the International organization. A Habitat Home will be built in Albert Lea this summer.

The ride will also be staying in Albert Lea on July 12 with dinner at First Lutheran. I have to tell you that the excellence of the meals provided at First Lutheran is legendary on the ride due to the range of dishes, the quality of the food, and the hospitality of the workers. There is great joy among the riders to know that they will be eating at "Lilah’s church" this year.

In the past, the First Lutheran family has generously supported my efforts both financially and spiritually. There will be a between services coffee on June 14 during which you can make a contribution to my efforts. Throughout the month of June you can also drop off your donations in the church office, place them in the offering plate using the special envelopes, or mail them to me at 1129 Lakeview Blvd. Checks can be made to either First Lutheran Church or Habitat 500. Receipts can be provided for your tax records, however, so cash is also fine. Please remember that no contribution is too small.

If your finances do not permit you to make a monetary contribution, please keep me and my fellow riders in your prayers. We always need those and they don’t cost a thing!

Thank you and God bless you. Lilah Aas
### June 2015

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| 1   | 7 am-Searchers for men-MPR  
6 pm-Brownie Troop -MPR  
6:30 pm-Blue Zone Workshop-BH  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-RR | 2   | 8 am-Quilters-MPR  
9:30 am-Staff meeting-P  
1:30 pm-Thorne Crest-1st Glenville  
6:30 pm-Commissions-BH  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-MPR  
7 pm-Spirit Express Band Rehearsal  
7:30 pm-Spirit Express Band & Singers Rehearsal | 3   | 7:15 am-Prayer Group-PR  
9 am-FLCW Board-P  
9:30 am-ALHS Senior Breakfast-BH  
1 pm-Good Samaritan-CEF  
3 pm-Oak Park Place-FLC  
7 pm-Florida trip meeting-BH  
8 pm-Eikon-Youth Room | 4   | 1 & 5:15 pm-Tops-LL  
6:30 pm-Chapel Service w/Comm.  
New Leader Installation  
7 pm-Al-Anon-P | 5   | 6   | 10:30 am-Alcoholics Anonymous-MPR |
| 7   | 8 am-Traditional w/Comm.  
10 am-Praise & Worship w/Comm.  
New Leader Installation | 8   | 7 am-Searchers for men-MPR  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-RR | 9   | 8 am-Quilters-MPR  
9:30 am-Staff meeting-P  
1:30 pm-MC #21-P  
2:30 pm-Senior Towers-Salem  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-MPR  
7 pm-Spirit Express Band Rehearsal  
7:30 pm-Spirit Express Band & Singers | 10  | 7:15 am-Prayer Group-PR  
2:30 pm-Prairie Sr. Cottages-1st Glenville  
7:30 pm-Spirit Express Band & Singers | 11  | 1 & 5:15 pm-Tops-LL  
1:30 pm-St. John’s -Grace  
5:30 pm-Alzheimer’s Support Group-MPR  
6:30 pm-Chapel Service  
7 pm-Al-Anon-P | 12  | 11 am-1 pm FLCW Salad Luncheon | 13  | 10:30 am-Alcoholics Anonymous-MPR |
| 14  | Flag Day  
8 am-Traditional  
10 am-Praise & Worship | 15  | 7 am-Searchers for men-MPR  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-RR | 16  | 8 am-Quilters-MPR  
9:30 am-Staff meeting-P  
11:30 am-Friends @ First -Picnic at Edgewater  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-MPR  
7 pm-Spirit Express Band Rehearsal  
7:30 pm-Spirit Express Band & Singers | 17  | 7:15 am-Prayer Group-PR  
9:30 am-Bible Study-MPR  
1:30 pm-MC #31-P  
8 pm-Eikon-Jordan’s house | 18  | 1 & 5:15 pm-Tops-LL  
6:30 pm-Chapel Service  
7 pm-Al-Anon-P | 19  | 19 |
| 21  | Father’s Day  
8 am-Traditional w/Comm.  
10 am-Praise & Worship w/Comm.  
First Day of Summer | 22  | 7 am-Searchers for men-MPR  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-RR | 23  | 8 am-Quilters-MPR  
9 am-Library Board meets  
9:30 am-Staff meeting-P  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-MPR  
7 pm-Spirit Express Band Rehearsal  
7:30 pm-Spirit Express Band & Singers | 24  | 7:15 am-Prayer Group-PR  
9:30 am-Bible Study-MPR  
2 pm-Messenger Prep.-P | 25  | 1 & 5:15 pm-Tops-LL  
4:30-7 PM Spuds & Splits-BH  
6:30 pm-Chapel Service  
7 pm-Al-Anon-P | 26  | 26 |
| 27  | 28  | 8 am-Traditional  
10 am-Praise & Worship  
5 pm-Music School Concert | 29  | 7 am-Searchers for men-MPR  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-RR | 30  | 8 am-Quilters-MPR  
9:30 am-Staff meeting-P  
7 pm-Narcotics Anonymous-MPR  
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Photo Dates are June 8-12,16-20 and 23-27and June 30-July 1.  
Hours of photography 2-9 for weekdays & Saturdays 9-4 |

**Legend:**  
BH=Bethany Hall  
C=Chapel  
CR=Choir Room  
GS=Gathering Space  
L=Library  
MC=Mission Circle  
MPR=Multi-Purpose Room  
P=Parlor  
PR=Prayer Room  
RR=Resource Room  
S=Sanctuary  
YR=Youth Room  
w/Comm.=with Holy Communion
Eikon Summer Schedule

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Eikon is our youth group for 9th - 12th Graders. We meet almost every Wednesday night during the school year and through the summer. We meet from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the summer (starting on June 17th).

Florida Summer Trip
June 24th - 30th

18 youth and 4 adults will be attending the BigStuf Camp in Panama City Beach Florida. Please be praying for us as we are on our trip. We ask specifically for safe travels on our way to and from Florida, that we keep our hearts and minds open to God as we worship, learn, and fellowship, and for safety as we spend time on the beach. We want to thank everyone who has supported us so far through our fundraisers and through prayer.

While on our trip, we will be blogging about our experience. If you would like to read along our blog can be found on the church website - www.flcal.org.

Senior Graduate Dinner
On Sunday, May 17th our graduating seniors got together for dinner with a few staff members from church.
Congrats on your achievements Graduates!

Summer Trip 2015
Florida Meeting
Wednesday, June 3
7:00 p.m.
Bethany Hall

This meeting is for the youth (and their parents) that are going to Florida this summer.

Message from the Fever Family

Dear body of Christ at FLC,

Thank you! Thank you so much for the outpouring of love and support you have given to our family during our final week in Albert Lea and at FLC! Jesus said, “they will know you are my disciples by the love you show.” Well, there’s no doubt about it—the love you’ve shown us is immeasurable. The kind words, the gifts, cards, and warm embraces from all of you has meant the world to us. It was truly heart-wrenching to leave. I so much valued the work done at FLC, the growing in faith and in discipleship to Jesus, the challenge of leading you all into deeper faith, and all of the learning and growing that I experienced along the way. It all has been life changing. It is my heart-felt hope and prayer that you all continue to grow deeper in faith, just as I have, and that you will continue to take steps to grow and challenge one another toward more intentional and relevant witness to the love of God for the world, and that there would be no boundaries to where you take the love of God in Albert Lea. I pray that your lives, your homes, and your places of work and school might be changed because of your fruit-bearing witness to the beauty of Jesus Christ for the world. You are all called by God for this purpose, and you are all more than capable of great things for the sake of the good news of God’s love. Carry on!

As for us, well, have you ever tried to catch on to a fast-moving train and hold on? That pretty much identifies our experience over the past couple weeks. But, God’s mercies are new every day and I am feeling quite energized in my new role. There are many college-aged counselors who are eager to grow in faith and become leaders, and it is a welcome challenge for me to teach and train them as leaders in faith. There’s a lot of work to do, that’s for sure! We miss you all terribly, and we look forward to seeing the confirmation students in early June—it will bring a huge smile to my family to see all of them and hug them and let them know how much we miss them. We can’t wait!

Please don’t be strangers! Contact me, Laura, or the kids, or just come and visit! We’d love to see any of you from our “family” at FLC!

Here is our new address:
The Fevers
1203 Inwan Street
Milford, IA 51351

Until we see each other again, may God’s love dwell in you abundantly and may you remain in the love of God, as Jesus Christ has loved you.

Kyle (and the rest of the Fevers)
WHAT’S HAPPENING AT FLC?

Friends at First is a ministry for Older Adults that meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in Bethany Hall for lunch and a program.

Friends at First will meet
Tuesday, June 16
Picnic at Edgewater Bay Shelter
Menu: Market Place Chicken, potato salad and ice cream cones

Friends at First will not meet in July and August.

The Altar Guild invites you to join us this year. Please call if you are willing and able!
Pamela Slette Co-Coordinator 373-6102.

Needed Helping Hands.

The annual Spuds and Splits dinner sponsored by the Life & Growth Commission will be held on Thursday, June 25 from 4:30-7 pm. Baked potatoes with many toppings and banana splits with toppings will be served. Suggested donation is $7. Everyone welcome. Proceeds to benefit the Stained Glass Window Fund and the Music Concert Fund.

Circle 12 meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Multi-Purpose Room at church. We invite anyone who wants to join a circle to visit.

Everyone has a Purpose…
What’s Yours?

PURPOSE WORKSHOP

Take home the tools you need to be the best possible you!

Monday, June 1
6:30-9:30 pm
First Lutheran Church, Bethany Hall
register: http://albertlea.bluezonesproject.com/

NEW FLC PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Our church will be producing a new pictorial directory with Lifetouch.
Our photo dates are:
Monday- Friday, June 8-12
Tuesday- Saturday, June 16-20
Tuesday- Saturday, June 23-27 &
Tuesday-Wednesday, June 30-July 1
Photography hours are 2:00-9:00 weekdays and 9:00-4:00 on Saturday. You will receive a complimentary portrait session, 8x10 portrait, and directory for participating. Life-touch is partnering with our church so that anyone who would like to donate $5 or more to the Helping Families Fund ministry will receive $5 off their portrait order through the Lifetouch Gives Back program.

Sign up in 3 easy ways:
• Online at http://www.flcal.org available now for early registration (you will receive a link to a $10 coupon, with your reminder email, by signing up this way)
• At church on Sundays in the Gathering Space
• Or call the office at (507) 373-6424 for assistance
Remember our directory won’t be complete without you!

Crafting ladies will meet Monday mornings at 9 in Bethany Hall. BRING your patterns and ideas.

Need a ride to church?

We are using the Albert Lea Taxi Service. Those who need a ride to church can call 383-3341 to schedule a ride to the service of their choice 8:00, or 10:00 am on Sundays, or Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm. Just let the driver know to bill FLC.
PEACE & POWER FUND
*In Memory Of:*
Anna Oberg given by: Ben & Phyllis Fredrickson, Sandra Hamilton, Pamela Carlson, Bob & Sharon Johnson, Ellen Harrison
“Red” Jean given by: Ben & Phyllis Fredrickson
Jerry Hestness given by: Ben & Phyllis Fredrickson
Ardell Anderson given by: Ben & Phyllis Fredrickson, Verona Boe, Carol Olson, Isabel Lee, Bob & Sharon Johnson, Donald & Arlis Smith, James & Carol Mahoney, Erma Nelson, David Lundak, Carol Kallberg, Kevin & Jill Benson, Thomas & Sandra Clawson, Roger & Marilyn Nelson, Ellen Harrison
Michael “Mike” Steele given by: Gen Montei, Bill & Ann Satre
Gloria Walk given by: Hildy Vallevand, Ruth Ann Friday, Helene Westrum
Jan Reed given by: Bill & Judy Stilley
Ethel Olson given by: Bill & Judy Stilley
Al Tullberg given by: Bill & Judy Stilley
Duane Judd given by: Bill & Judy Stilley
Gerald “Edd” Troe given by: Bill & Judy Stilley, Dennis & Carol Colstrup
Larry Van Ryswyk given by: Bill & Judy Stilley
Donna Thon given by: Beverly Moen
Rev. David Hernes given by: Norman & Katherine Olson, Wayne Willand & Bev Grotsun, Jane Reid, Susie Sather
Hugh Hall given by: Shirlie Brownlow, Hildy Vallevand
Shirley Yokiel given by: Larry & Janice Lestrud, Craig & Jan Hoium, Mary Keating, Lowell & Jan Jerdee
Our mothers given by: Donald & Arlis Smith
Lois Groskreutz given by: Ruth Ann Friday
Roger Boe for his May 18th birthday given by: his wife Verona
Ralph Peterson given by: Wayne & Jackie Sletten
Twyla Laite given by: Donald & Arlis Smith
Bruce Ulland given by: Family & friends
Evadne Schager - sister of Lowell Jerdee given by: Arlo & Julie Wallin
Lois Drommerhausen given by: Wayne Willand & Bev Grotsun, Monrad & Karen Mandsager
Friends given by: Joy White
Gary Tavis given by: Andy & Inge Rhiger

In Honor Of:
Groff
Alfredo Brua given by: Ellen Harrison
Beatrice “Beady” Stensrude mother of J.T. given by: Jim & Jane Loge, Reid & Sherry Ulve, Francis & Marilyn Johnson, Dennis & Linda Willier, Davis & Julie Gilbertson, Bonnie Schneider, Audrey Christensen, Doris Groff, Betty Ruud

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Prayer is like exercise: Neither is an end in itself. Just as exercise is intended to make us physically fit by strengthening our muscles so we can manage more activity, engaging in prayer leads to more prayer. The harder one works at exercise, the greater the results. But if we give up the routine, the results won’t hold. The same goes for prayer.

“The more you give, the more you will be able to give; the more you receive, the more you will be willing to receive; and the more you pray, the more you can … pray.”

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Personal Visitation by the Pastors
To support people at the time of illness or injury we pastors do make personal visits in the hospital, homes or Care Centers. We occasionally check local hospital lists, but sometimes names do not show up on the list. So, please, call, if you want us to know. We try to be available in emergencies. Do not hesitate to call the church, if you have not seen a pastor and would like to request a visit. Pastors’ numbers are on the recording when you phone the church office after hours. We ask permission before we include a name on our printed prayer list. Please let us know if you want to be on the list or be visited. ~ Your FLC Pastors