

First English Lutheran Church † Appleton, Wisconsin

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Announcements for Oct. 22, 2006

We are People of God who Gather to Worship, Grow in Faith, and Give to Others.

Gather

WELCOME. This community of faith extends the welcome of Christ to all who have come here today. **Information and Comment Cards** are available for visitors and members. Please indicate any needs or interests and place the card in the offering basket. First English worships at multiple locations. At the Downtown Site, yellow cards are available in the pews. At the North Site, green cards are on the Welcome Table. **Staffed Nursery Care** for children ages 3 and under is provided during all worship services. Please find out more about First English at the **Welcome Table** in the Gathering Area.

WELCOME EACH OTHER TO FIRST ENGLISH
The Congregational Growth Ministry Team is promoting the importance of welcoming each other before and after worship services and asks that we extend greetings to not only visitors, but to everyone we meet at church. To make it easier to greet one another, the team would like everyone to wear name tags that are on tables in the Gathering Areas.

PLEASE INCLUDE THESE FIRST ENGLISH MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND FAMILIES IN PRAYER:

- † Kaylyn Haberland † Donna Barnum
- † Kenny Reinholz Jr. † Gloria Johnson
- † John Hallman (Virginia Johnson's husband)
- † Anne Wickland (Jessica Wickland's mother)
- † Kelly Perpich (daughter of Nancy Kinnard)
- † Esther Anderson (Elaine Herr's mother)
- † The family of Floyd Turcott (Mary Lund's father)
- † The family of Pastor Don Gauerke
(Bob Gauerke's brother)

THE DOWNTOWN SITE ALTAR FLOWERS
today are provided by the Monson family in honor of the wedding of their daughter, Sara Monson, and Andy Skarda yesterday.

THE TV MINISTRY TODAY is sponsored by Marv and Polly Hietpas in honor of their wedding anniversary.

'FALL BACK' NEXT WEEKEND

Daylight Saving Time reverts to standard time on the last Sunday in October. So don't forget to set your clocks back one hour next Saturday evening, or you'll get to church very early on Sunday. Fire department officials also encourage residents to change their smoke alarm batteries.

JAZZ VESPERS TONIGHT

Jazz Vespers is at 7 p.m. tonight in the Downtown Site Sanctuary. "Surprised by Grace" will be presenting a program of music and meditation every Sunday evening through Nov. 19.

THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP

meets at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 25, in the Gathering Area at the North Site. If you have adopted children, are considering adoption or are involved in the adoption process, consider joining this casual, friendly group. Free child care is provided. Call Sarah Miles at 920-993-0525 for more information.

SPAGHETTI DINNER WITH A FILIPINO FLARE

Lutheran Social Services and NewBayanihan is sponsoring a fundraiser to help older children from the Philippines find Forever Families through adoption. The event will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4, at First United Methodist Church, 325 E. Franklin St., Appleton. Dinner is from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, or by calling Amy Conway at 920-730-1361.

ATTENTION PARENTS

Is your child in Grades 6-12? Tired of filling out endless permission slips for church activities? Check out the youth table at the Downtown Site and the youth bulletin board at the North Site and fill out a consent form for all First English youth activities through August 2007.

ORGAN RECITAL

Crista Miller will perform an organ recital at 7 p.m. this Wednesday, Oct. 25, at the Downtown Site. A reception will follow this free concert in the Gathering Area. Child care will be available.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Both Sanctuaries at First English are equipped with hearing assistance systems. At the Downtown Site, ask an usher for a receiver. At the North Site, ask a sound board technician. Please return the devices to an usher or sound board technician after the service. These devices are compatible with hearing aids equipped with a neckloop and T-coil switch or an induction earphone.

FIRST ENGLISH ENTRANCES

- **Downtown Site:** During office hours (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Friday), please use the Ida St. entrances (the office door or the elevator/ramp door). Due to children attending Christian Cooperative Preschool classes and other activities in the building, all other doors will be locked, including the carport door. The only door open for evening studies and meetings will be the elevator/ramp door, except on Confirmation evenings, when most of the doors are open. All doors always are available for exit. All doors will be open during worship services, weddings and funerals.
- **North Site:** As always, the main entrance will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. The main entrance and back doors leading into the Gathering Area are open during worship services, weddings and funerals.

SR. HIGH ROLLER DISCO SCHEDULE CHANGE

Pull out your crazy 70's disco outfit (Meghan found some pink plaid bellbottoms) because Oct. 29 will be a blast from the past. Roller skates, which are a must (leave those blades at home), cost \$1 to rent at the rink. Meet at Gem Roller Rink, 3717 S. Oneida St., Appleton, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. and relive the days of roller disco. If you need transportation, please call Meghan Cieslik at the church office.

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

"Signs of Healing" is the focus of Church Women United World Community Day. Registration is at 8:45 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Kaukauna at 309 Desnoyer St. Mary Catterton will deliver the message. Refreshments will be available.

Grow

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES will meet at the regular times on Consecration Sunday, Nov. 5. Consider attending worship and enjoying the brunch after your children have attended Sunday School.

PARENTING WORKSHOP

The Parent Connection, a program of Family Services of NE Wisconsin, is presenting "1-2-3 Magic," a session for parents of children ages 3-12 that focuses on behavior.

When: 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 7 and Nov. 14

Where: Room 110 at the Downtown Site

Cost: \$5 per person

Register in advance by calling ThedaCare on Call at 920-830-6877 or visit www.thedacare.org/classes.

BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP SET FOR NOV. 13

Baptism is God's gift of love and hope. All families seeking to have their child baptized should attend a baptismal workshop. The next workshop is at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 13, in Room 110 at the Downtown Site. Please RSVP by calling the church office and indicating if child care is needed. An additional workshop will be held on Jan. 15, 2007. Whether or not you already have had a child baptized at First English, please plan to attend a workshop before scheduling a baptism. We welcome you to attend one of the quarterly workshops before your baby is born.

THE "TUESDAY BAG LUNCH" meets at noon on Oct. 24, in the Fellowship Hall at the Downtown Site. Bring a lunch and study the Bible with Pastor Detweiler.

CHECK OUT THE FIRST ENGLISH WEB SITE

Go to www.firstenglishlutheran.org this Wednesday, Oct. 25, to see our updated Web site that was designed as a tool to help keep everyone in touch with each other and with what's happening at First English.

CONFIRMATION AND SERAPHIM REHEARSAL

There will be no confirmation classes, Worship Team rehearsal or Seraphim Choir rehearsal on Wednesday, Oct. 25, due to Teacher's Convention.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL FITNESS CLUB

Learn tips on credit card spending and how to eliminate credit card junk mail at the Thrivent Financial Fitness Club from 7 to 8 p.m. this Monday, Oct. 23, in Room 110 at the Downtown Site. The first session is free. Preregister for your free session by calling 800-596-4225 or go to www.thriventffc.com.

SENIOR HIGH BREAKFAST DEVOTIONS

Join Meghan Cieslik and some bright-eyed, bushy-tailed senior high youth who explore God's word at 6:15 a.m. every Tuesday at Galvan's Restaurant on Northland Avenue in Appleton. It may be early, but somehow eggs taste better with a side of Gospel!

Give

YOUR DAY ON THE MISSION FIELD:

- Oct. 22 is sponsored in honor of Rich and Jan Erickson's wedding anniversary
- Oct. 24 is sponsored in honor of Bob and Roberta Roloff's wedding anniversary.
- Oct. 28 is sponsored in honor of Bob Roloff's birthday.
- Oct. 28 is sponsored by Pete and Mary Vandenberg in honor of the baptism anniversary of Eric Vandenberg.

TO CONSECRATE SOMETHING IS TO BLESS IT and make it holy. On Nov. 5, Consecration Sunday, we will be consecrating our lives. During each service today, reservation cards will be distributed for the Celebration Brunch that will be held after each worship service on Nov. 5. Our goal is to have all First English members attend a worship service that day and the Celebration Brunch. The brunch will be a catered meal, so reservations will be needed.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY A SUCCESS

Thank you to all the First English youth who braved a chilly morning to clean up County JJ. Stay tuned for next month's Second Saturdays of Service event.

LWR CLOTHING DRIVE

- Thank you to confirmation students, parents and all the volunteers who helped load two boxcars in Oshkosh yesterday with layettes, hand-made quilts, school kits, health kits and sewing kits that were collected by Lutheran churches in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan for the 2006 Lutheran World Relief Fall Clothing Drive. Without their help, these items would not get to those who are in need around the world.
- First English collected 253 layettes, 30 health kits, 195 school kits, 18 sewing kits and 261 quilts for needy people around the world. Thank you for contributing your time, talents and money for this effort.

FIRST ENGLISH SUPPORTS YOUTH IN INDIA

Thirty-three First English members support children in India through Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry. Gordon Olson, founder of this global ministry, invites sponsors and interested visitors to attend a free dinner at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 809 South Commercial St., Neenah. Participants will receive an update on the program. Reservations are due today by calling Tim or Ann Moe at 920-725-5941.

DOWNTOWN SITE WELCOME HOST TRAINING

If you would like to learn more about the Welcome Host role, attend a training session for Downtown Welcome Hosts from 9 to 9:30 a.m. today in the Library. A pilot program recently was held at the North Site where the Welcome Hosts provided lay member follow-up after a guest or visitor completed a visitor card. The pilot was a success and training now is offered to Downtown Site Welcome Hosts so they also can provide this service. Another training session will be held on Sunday, Nov. 12, in the Library.

50+ DISCOVERY IN PROGRESS

Members age 50 and older can pick up their 50+ Discovery personal inventory today and throughout October. This research tool will help the church plan future programs. Inventories are available after all services today and in the church office during the week. The cost is \$10 per person. For those who cannot afford the fee, funds are available, so please contact a pastor. The deadline for returning inventories to the church office is Wednesday, Nov. 1.

TIME & TALENT FORMS DUE

Thank you to the many volunteers who have returned their "Faith in Action" Time & Talent forms. If you have not returned your form, please do so by Sunday, Oct. 29, at the display in the Gathering Area at either site.

ECHOES IS READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS

ECHOES Gift & Thrift, the First English outreach ministry at 1320 W. Wisconsin Ave., Appleton, has a great selection of holiday decorations. Check out the shelves at ECHOES to find that special look for your home this holiday. Donations always are appreciated at ECHOES, especially fall and winter items and seasonal decor.

- Have you recently purchased an Entertainment Book from a local fundraiser? Look on page I12 for a coupon for ECHOES. Bring it to the store for 20 percent off the regular price of any purchase (sale items excluded). Store hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.
- If you would you like to have fun and meet new people in a relaxed environment, volunteer at ECHOES. Volunteers especially are needed during Teacher's Convention (Oct. 25-29). Call the store manager Kathy Hoffman at 920-882-8172 or contact her by e-mail at hoffmankathryn@hotmail.com.

MUSICIANS ARE NEEDED for all aspects of our music ministry. If you are interested in serving God with your musical gifts, please call Phil Barnett, Director of Music, at the church office or contact him by e-mail at phil_barnett@tds.net. Some opportunities include:

- Instrumentalists for North Site Worship Teams
- Singers for North Site Worship Teams
- Instrumentalists and singers for the 8:30 a.m. service at the North Site (beginning in January)
- Parish Choir (rehearses 6:30-8 p.m. on Thursdays)
- Instrumentalists (brass, woodwinds, strings, piano, and organ)
- Bucket Band (Youth in Grades 6-12 will rehearse from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. this Monday, Oct. 23, in room 218 at the Downtown Site.)
- Cherub and Angelus Choirs
- Seraphim Choir
- Accompanist for Angelus Choir

PRAYER PARTNERS are needed for our eighth-grade confirmation students. Prayer partners keep the student in their prayers during the last two years of confirmation. Please contact Julie Doerfler at the church office as soon as possible if you would like to be involved in this wonderful program.

DISCOVER THE POWER OF PRAYER

- Submit prayer requests to First English prayer chain members Annette Ford (920-749-0757), Lorraine Moore (920-749-0058) or Esther Pask (920-739-6978).
- Members can be included in the Prayers of the Church during worship services and in the bulletin announcements by calling Jan Sommerfeld at the church office.
- Do you have relatives or friends who are serving in the Armed Forces? Submit their names to Jan Sommerfeld at the church office or by e-mail at jan_sommerfeld@tds.net for inclusion in the prayers printed in the bulletin announcements.

CHEERIOS, PLEASE

More cereal is needed for the Salvation Army. Drop off your boxes of Cheerios (or any breakfast cereal) in the Gathering Area at either site. Kids, bring boxes of cereal to the Youth Room, where they will be stacked – from floor to ceiling – until the Trailer Food Drive on Nov. 19.

THE WEEK OF OCT. 22 AT A GLANCE

DS - Downtown Site NS - North Site

SUNDAY at the Downtown Site

8, 9:30
 & 10:45 a.m. Communion Worship – Sanctuary*
 8:50 a.m. Angelus Choir Practice (Grades 3-6) – 212
 8:50 a.m. Cherub Choir Practice (K-Grade 2) – 220
 9 a.m. Welcome Host Training – Library
 9:30 a.m. Adult Learning Hour – 221
 9:30 a.m. Children's Learning Hour
 7 p.m. Jazz Vespers – Sanctuary

SUNDAY at the North Site

8:30 a.m.
 & 9:45 a.m. Communion Worship – Sanctuary *
 9:45 a.m. Adult Learning Hour – Office
 9:45 a.m. Children's Learning Hour and Choir
 4:30 p.m. Allegretto Girl Choir – DS Choir Room
 6:30 p.m. Intermezzo Girl Choir – DS Choir Room

MONDAY

9 a.m. Quilting – DS Fellowship Hall
 9 a.m. Parent-Child Play Group – DS Nursery
 5:15 p.m. Bucket Band Rehearsal – DS 218
 6:30 p.m. "Bethel Bible Study" Unit 3 – DS 114
 7 p.m. "Getting Ready for Sunday" Study – DS Lounge
 7 p.m. Thrivent Financial Fitness Club – DS 110

TUESDAY

6:15 a.m. Senior High Breakfast Devotions – Galvan's
 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting – DS Lounge
 9:30 a.m. Musikgarten (Babies) – DS 220
 10:15 a.m. Musikgarten (Toddlers) – DS 220
 Noon "Tuesday Bag Lunch" – DS Fellowship Hall
 5 p.m. Musikgarten (Siblings) – DS 220
 6 p.m. Musikgarten (Music Makers) – DS 220
 6:30 p.m. Leader's Dinner – Riverview Country Club

WEDNESDAY

6 p.m. Musikgarten (Toddlers) – DS 220
 6:30 p.m. "Bethel Bible Study" Unit 4 NT – DS 221
 6:30 p.m. Grief Support Group – DS Lounge
 6:30 p.m. Adoptive Parents Support Group – NS Gathering Area
 7 p.m. Crista Miller Organ Recital – DS Sanctuary
 8:15 p.m. Recital Reception – DS Gathering Area

THURSDAY

6 a.m. "Women's Thursday Early Riser Study" – DS Lounge
 9 a.m. "Thursday Bible Study" – DS Lounge
 5:30 p.m. Riebau Basketball Team – NS Activity Center
 6:30 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal – DS Choir Room *
 7 p.m. Baker Basketball Team – NS Activity Center

* Child care provided