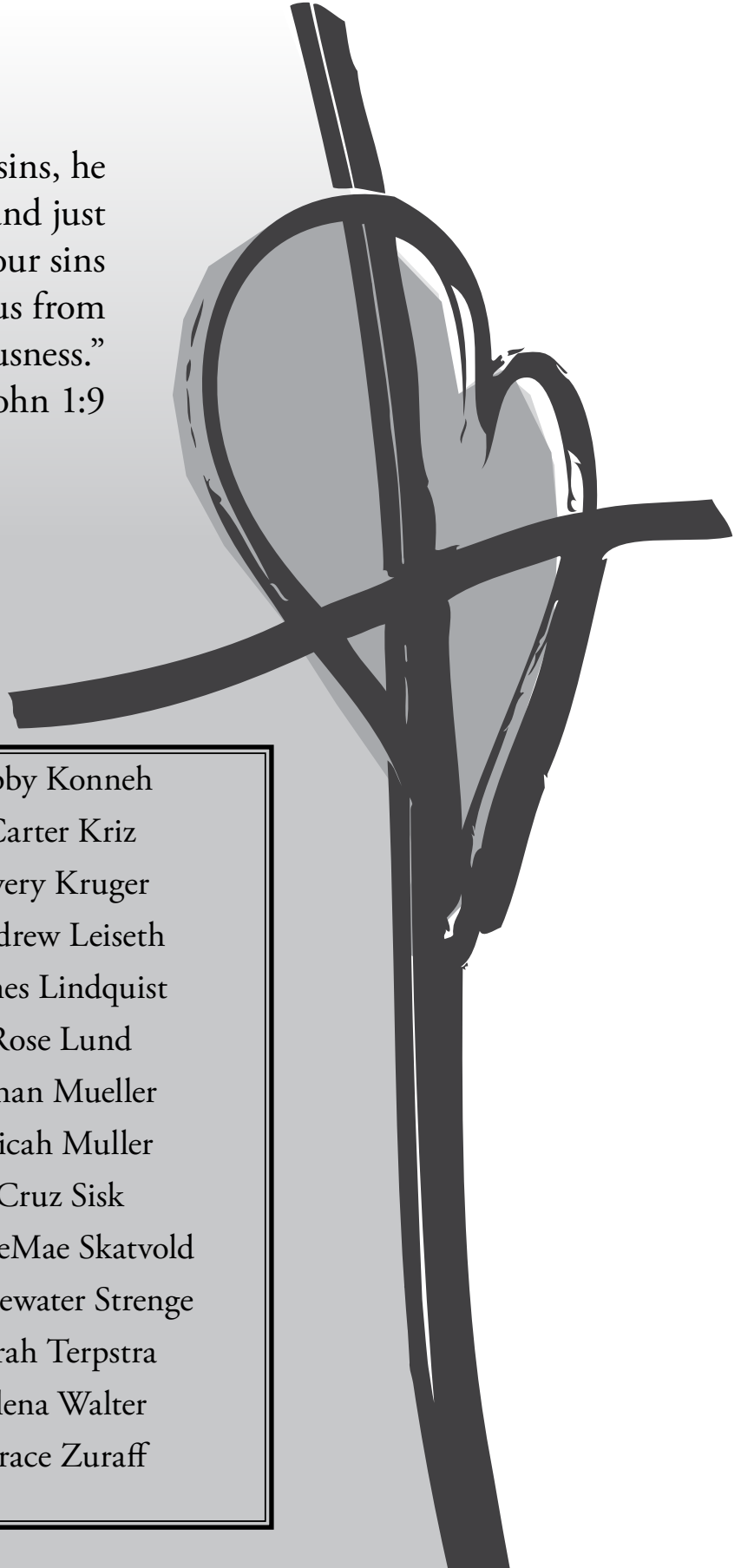


Confession and Forgiveness

*Presented by the Second Graders on
Sunday, February 4, 2024*



“If we confess our sins, he
who is faithful and just
will forgive us our sins
and cleanse us from
all unrighteousness.”
– 1 John 1:9



Evie Beatch

Micah Belben

Hannah Bertsch

Molly Bock

Hunter Cuperus

Jacob Dornbusch

Elin Erie

Oliver Hackworth

Liam Halverson

Cecelia Holmberg

Grace Holmberg

William Holmberg

Blakely Jensen

Khloe Kimber

Abby Konneh

Carter Kriz

Avery Kruger

Andrew Leiseth

James Lindquist

Rose Lund

Ethan Mueller

Micah Muller

Cruz Sisk

HattieMae Skatvold

Bridgewater Strenge

Sarah Terpstra

Alena Walter

Grace Zuraff

New Member Weekend

February 3-4, 2024

We welcome the following people who have chosen to join us as members of First Lutheran Church.

Kordell Feldhaus

Interests: grew up on a ranch, enjoys outdoors
and working with animals

Career: Civil Engineer, HR Green

Victoria Jaskot

Rev. Jeb Monge

Interests: writing

Career: retired ELCA pastor

Donald Napolitano

Interests: cooking, collecting model trains

Career: Owner and Chef, Bella Cusina Italian
Ristorante

Belinda Ready

Interests: reading, golfing, attending sporting
events

Career: retired educator

Adam Schwiesow

Interests: fishing, archery and rifle hunting, fixing
and rebuilding home projects

Career: Product Specialist, Buhler Versatile

Amber Schwiesow

Interests: teaching yoga, marathon running,
cooking, traveling, community service work

Career: VP Procurement & Supply Chain, Midco

Elara Schwiesow

Interests: ballet, tap dancing, gymnastics

First Grade Student

Judy Stadem

Interests: exploring cultures and languages,

hosting family and friends, water color painting
Career: On-call English Language Instructor, LSS

Tom Stadem

Interests: coffee and conversation, hiking,
traveling, singing and playing music, team sports

Career: Associate Pastor of Youth and Family at
First Lutheran

- P** Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for the individuals who will stand before us today, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation. A congregation is not a building, but is the people, the body of Christ in the world. To our new members, I ask you—do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God’s faithful people here in this place? If so, please respond, *“I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.”*
- P** To the whole congregation, I ask you—do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ? If so, please respond, *“We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.”*
- P** Let us pray. O God, through the work of your Holy Spirit, you have called, gathered, and enlightened us in true faith. We thank you for the many gifts and talents that new members bring to the work of this congregation. Where two or more are gathered in your name, you are there amongst them. Continue to speak your gospel promises into our lives as we strive to make Jesus Christ known in our community and the world. Bless all you have gathered, that we may in turn be a blessing to others. All this we pray in the name in which we baptize; In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit; now and forever. Amen. Congratulations to these newest members of First Lutheran Church! I think it is appropriate to welcome them with our applause. Please be sure to greet them after the service ends today. Would the congregation please stand as we continue with our profession of faith using the words of the Apostles’ Creed.