

# Children's Activity Bags VA Healthcare System

First in Mission is April 23-29. This year, we need your help in advance of the FIM week.



First Lutheran has committed to putting together 100 bags during the First in Mission week. These bags will be given to children that accompany their parents or grandparents to the VA clinic and need something to keep them busy. Some suggested items to be included are:

- *Small books*
- *Small stuffed animals*
- *Stickers*
- *Hotwheel or Matchbox cars*
- *Word searches*
- *Polly Pocket dolls*
- *Connect the dot puzzles*
- *Coloring pages or coloring books*
- *Crayons (non-toxic)*
- *Ziploc bags (sandwich size)*

\*Please do not include small items/pieces that can be swallowed and all items must be new due to health regulations.

Items and cash donations can be dropped off at the FLC front desk.



## Thank you for your ongoing support of our veterans and their families!



**First in Mission** is a unique congregational effort to engage in God's mission that is unfolding locally. The purpose is threefold:

1. Create a unique opportunity to get the church into the community.
2. Connect people to places and others in need (the last, least, lost, and lonely)
3. Raise awareness that we are all part of God's mission.

# Save the Dates

6th Annual First in Mission  
April 23-29, 2017

Registration for the mission events  
Begins Sunday, March 26

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