

*First St. Paul's 70<sup>th</sup> Annual*

# ICE CREAM Social

*With Car & Motorcycle Show*



On April 13, 2021, Deanna tripped while going up some stairs, resulting in an emergency room visit. During an X-ray of her ribs, a mass on her lung was discovered. Several CT scans, a PET scan, and a bronchoscopy biopsy revealed Stage 4 Small Cell Lung Cancer, as well as spots in her brain, a lymph node, near the adrenal gland, and near her pelvis. A procedure to surgically insert a port was scheduled for April 26. On that date, it was discovered her sodium levels were too low to administer anesthesia, so she was admitted to the hospital to raise her sodium. As chemotherapy aids in the raising of the sodium, a PICC line was inserted and she started receiving chemo on April 27. The PICC line was removed following chemo on April 29, and she was discharged from the hospital with fluid intake restrictions. On May 10, the port to receive chemo was surgically placed. Also, around this date, a couple trips to the ER were

necessary – one because of pains in the chest area and concern of a possible blood clot, and one because of spike in temperature, the result of which was found to be a bladder infection. Deanna receives chemo for three consecutive days every three weeks. Once chemotherapy is completed, radiation treatments will begin. She will also undergo immunotherapy every three weeks. Additional scans will be necessary to determine changes and the continued course of treatment. Small Cell Lung Cancer is incurable, but can be managed. The current prognosis for this type of cancer is up to five years. She had no symptoms to indicate cancer, and credits Divine Intervention for its discovery.

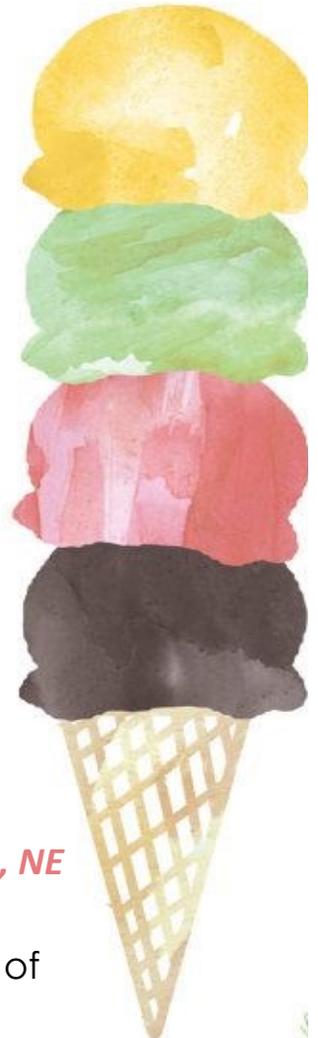
While Deanna continues to work when able and has insurance, she is unsure how long she may be able to do so. Her plan is to use any funds received to help offset medical treatments not covered by insurance, and other bills she may incur.

Deanna is a life-long Lutheran, and has been a member of First St. Paul's since 2012. She has been a member of Chancel Choir, participates in Bible studies, is a lay reader, a worship assistant, and currently serves on the Worship and Music Committee and Congregational Council.

***Date: Wednesday, August 4th***

***Time: 6:30—9:00 p.m***

***Location: First St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 501 N. Burlington Ave. Hastings, NE***



**\*\* All donations will be given to Deanna Thaut. Matching Funds of \$1,500 will be provided through Thrivent Choice Dollars.\*\***