

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 23/26 – THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**AS WE GATHER** God’s people have gifts that are signs of His loving presence and demonstrations of His gracious power. In a sermon preached in 1538, Martin Luther observed, “Whoever comes to faith can only say that the Holy Spirit comes when and where and to whom He pleases at the time He pleases. He comes when and where He pleases and also gives a person as many gifts as He pleases” (WLS § 2057). As people in whom the Spirit dwells, we have the joy of discovering special gifts of God in one another and in ourselves as well. May that mutual discovering and celebrating be truly God pleasing in every way!

*I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:18*

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

*“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” James 5:16b*

**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost!** We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

**Preaching today** is Reverend Samuel Handschke, our Associate Pastor. Reverend Cory Rajek, our Senior Pastor, is our Liturgist.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



**Individual Communion** There will no longer be communion between services but anyone wishing to receive communion other than at the service may call the office to set up a time for you to commune.

**Want to listen to our worship service via livestream?** Go to: [www.faithluth.com](http://www.faithluth.com). Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

**Want to listen to our worship service on your phone?** Call **1-888-502-3453** and follow the prompts. It will get you to the live streamed service or if we are not livestreaming it will guide you to the last service recorded. Please let everyone know of this service. For those without a computer this is a way for you to stay up on Faith’s worship services.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Sun., Aug. 16, Att. 174;** General Fund \$15,068.96; Building Fund \$365.00; Love Fund \$110.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00.

**Endowment Fund** When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn’t accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

**Wednesday Worship Services** The worship services will begin at 7:00 pm. The service will follow the same format as the previous Sunday. Communion will be offered on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

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**We are seeking applicants for the Business Manager position.** For the immediate future, this position is only open to church members, to allow any interested members the opportunity to apply. It will be open to the public after our members have had a chance to apply.

The full job description is available at the office. The basic duties are assisting the Treasurer with bookkeeping and controller functions as well as advising about human resource questions. Anyone interested should contact Pastor Rajek in the church office: 224-2216

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**Thank you.** We would like to thank those of our church family that sent a card, a phone call or gift cards for our 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. It was so appreciated and made our day very special. Dale and Myrna Hartmann

**LWML** Come and enjoy a devotional by Pastor Rajek and a dilly bar at our next LWML meeting on September 14th! We meet at 7:00 in the gym.

preschool registration



**Preschool 2020-2021 pre-registration forms are in the basket on the information table in the Narthex. You may also find a form on our website. The Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday morning class is now full. There are still a few openings in the other sessions but if you prefer one session over another you may want to apply early.**

**Diaper Derby** This year's Diaper Derby is not a competition since the Covid-19 scare put a damper on things. Instead there are two cribs in the Narthex for you to donate diapers and wipes to help those less fortunate. Working together we help God's people heal, bless local families with gifts of diapers and wipes, and honor God's gift of human life.



"Thanks to everyone who took time out of their day to donate at the blood drive this past week. During this time of pandemic, blood donation is more important than ever. We were able to collect 79 units, which is huge for the August drive! Thanks also to Helen and Michael for helping get the facility ready for the day. You all made a difference." Jodi

**Main Street Living** **Did you know** the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), and are available the day before they are broadcast.

**August 23, 2020**

**10:00 AM** – This Is the Life – “Red Trap” - A loving father's son became conflicted and lost. Fortunately, he was surrounded by people who cared.

**10:30 AM** – Rev. Kevin Koester, pastor at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Huron, SD presents the sermon “On This Rock” which is based on Matthew 16:13-20.

**Life Quotes** “We run to help people in need; we run to deal with emergencies and crises and the problems of every day; we take the Good News to people we love, family and friends and neighbors alike. But there are also times we can sit—and rejoice that Jesus is risen, that evil is conquered, and that God's victory is certain.” *Dr. Kari Vo – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

### *This Week at Faith Lutheran*

**Today: Aug. 23**

8:30 am Worship

11:00 am Communion

**Tues: Aug. 25**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball

6:30 pm Church Council

**Wed: Aug. 26**

6:00 pm Confirmation Questioning

7:00 pm Wednesday Worship Service

8:00 pm LYF

**Thurs: Aug. 27**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball

7:00 Mary/Martha Circle

**Sun: Aug. 30**

8:30 am Communion

11:00 am Communion

2:00 pm Confirmation with Communion

## Faith Lutheran Youth

*Here's what's happening with the youth of Faith Lutheran...*



### **Confirmation Date**

The date for Confirmation has been set for **Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>** at a separate service just for the Confirmation at **2:00 pm**.



**Confirmation**

**Confirmation questioning and reading of essays** will be this Wednesday, August 26 at 6:00 pm. Please come early so we can be ready to go at 6:00 sharp as there is a worship service at 7:00 pm.

**Midweek Parents Meeting** will be September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Please have at least one parent attend so each family gets the information they need, and they receive requirements and behavior expectations for the coming year.