ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 2 – THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Miracles tend to be big things in our minds. But the miracles Jesus does are more often tied to the simple things of ordinary life—like food! Jesus provides the simple things of life in miraculous ways. That is one of the things the five thousand learned when Jesus took a light lunch and fed thousands. It also confronts us here in simple water that becomes the means to new and everlasting life, or in simple bread and wine that feeds us the flesh and blood of Christ, or in efficacious words that accomplish what they say. But this is also true in our daily lives, as our Good Shepherd supplies all our needs of body and soul.

Jesus ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to beaven and said a blessing. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. *Matthew 14:19-20*

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 Ninth 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 Cory Rajek, our Senior Pastor. Reverend Samuel Handschke, our Associate Pastor, is our Liturgist.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:30 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: <u>www.faithluth.com</u>. 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., July 26, Att. 140?; General Fund \$8,741.13; Building Fund \$25.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$600.00.

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.

Installation of Officers This morning we will be installing our church officers who were voted in at our Voter's Assembly last Wednesday evening. They will be installed at whichever service they attend this morning. We are so very glad they have decided to make this commitment to support and guide our church. Many thanks to all of you!

Wednesday Worship Services On Wednesday, August 19, at 7:00 pm we will begin having Wednesday worship services. They will follow the same format as the previous Sunday. Communion is yet to be decided as to which Wednesdays it will be offered. Watch the bulletin for that information.

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.



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



Faith is once again sponsoring our annual summer Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 18th from **11:00-5:00**. An added feature this time is that Covid antibody testing will be provided for each donor. Please consider donating. You can schedule a donation time by contacting Jodi Hartmann at 222-8675, or by going to Blood Hero.com. You have the power to save up

to 3 lives with one donation! There is always a need for blood and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Every 2 seconds someone needs blood and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.



The family of Myrna and Dale Hartmann is requesting a Card Shower from family and friends to help them celebrate their upcoming 60th Wedding Anniversary on August 7th. Cards and well-wishes may be sent to them at 217 S. Taylor Ave., Pierre, SD 57501. Many thanks to their church family and friends for being such a big part of their journey together.

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.

Bulletin Board Check it out!!! The bulletin board now has pictures of Faith's float that was in the 4th of July parade. Still room for more. Anyone who has announcements, newspaper clippings, pictures of activities happening at Faith or that include any of our members, please feel free to add them to the large bulletin board by the Grand Avenue entrance. This is a Faith community bulletin board. Cheryl Brull kindly puts up a decorative background for us to add other things. Congregational participation is encouraged.

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 <u>www.mainstreetliving.com</u>, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

Life Quotes "If God does not remember your forgiven sin, then why should you? Paul knew that when a penitent person confesses [his or her] guilt to God and seeks pardon through the merit of Christ the Savior, God forgives the sinner completely, absolutely, and without reservation." Rev. Dr. Armin Oldsen, former speaker of "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

Today: Aug. 2 8:30 am Communion 11:00 am Worship 7:00 pm Board of Elders 7:30 pm Board of Missions Tues: Aug. 4 8:00 am Staff Devotions 5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball Wed: Aug. 5 8:00 pm LYF

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Thurs: Aug. 6 8:00 am Staff Devotions Sun: Aug. 9 8:30 am Worship 11:00 am Communion 5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship



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



Confirmation Date

The date for Confirmation has been set for **Sunday**, August 30th at our 11:00 am service. Therefore, the date for Questioning and reading of essays would be Wednesday, August 26th at 6:30 pm.

Confirmands, please get your Bible verses to Pastor Rajek so Helen can start certificates. Thanks!