

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 12 – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



AS WE GATHER The First Sunday after the Epiphany takes us in mind and heart to the Jordan River, where Jesus is baptized. This day, observed each year in the Church, is a reminder of the importance of Baptism in the life of every Christian, for it is in dying with Christ through Baptism that we are born anew to eternal life. Although we may have not been baptized in the river Jordan, we share with our Lord the experience of being baptized. Through Baptism, we are connected to Christ and given a whole new way of living for time and for eternity. “But I am baptized!” Martin Luther would exclaim when life situations seemed overwhelming. Knowing that we live daily in baptismal grace makes the difference in our lives as well.

And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Matthew 3:16-17

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 Baptism of our Lord Sunday! 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. Greeting you this morning:

Before Early Service

James & Phyllis Douglas
Marvin & Carol Olson

After Early Service

Tom & Cindy Deadrick
David & Janice Johnson

Before Late Service

Bill & Daria Bossman
Grace Schmitgen

Guest Book Greeters

Early: Ann Shoup
Late: Donna Leslie

Preaching this morning 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 and sign the Record of Fellowship pad so that complete records may be kept. Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., Jan. 5, Att. 272; General Fund \$8,979.94; Building Fund \$1,005.00 (Building \$1,005.00); Sunday School \$7.65; New Year’s Eve \$40.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Utecht Ministry \$100.00; Daycare Debt Repayment \$1,500.77; 642 Rent \$850.00.

BUILDING NEWS

Thank you for your continued gifts to our Building Fund – We thank you for your gifts last weekend to the Building Fund of \$1,005.00. The gifts were designated as follows:

The Building Fund Account: \$1,005.00



Debt Retirement Update Here is a final debt retirement update. **The debt is now paid in full!**

Loan Balance = 0.00

We made 307 advance payments saving \$631,335.81 in interest. The total received October-December for debt retirement was \$60,241...remarkable!! The total given to debt retirement in 2019 was \$97,916.00.

Thank you!



Issues, Etc.
Christ-Centered Cross-Focused Talk Radio

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Movie Night January 25th The Board of Missions will be showing “The Chronicles of Narnia” in the Gym. The movie starts at 5:00 pm.



Forever Young Potluck meal will be this Thursday, January 16 at noon. If you are 55 years old or older, retired, or semi-retired please join us. Bring a dish to share. Always good food and great fellowship with other members of our Faith family.

Bible Bowl 2020 We received word from the South Dakota district on the 2020 Bible Bowl. The book of the Bible is Acts. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition on Saturday, March 28th will be held at our church again this year. For more information or to register please contact Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske or Pastor Handschke. You can see LeRoy at church on Sunday in Sunday School Room 2 or on Wednesday in midweek Room E. You can text or call him at 605-280-6974. His Email address is

leroy.kropuenske@pie.midco.net. He is “LeRoy Kropuenske” on Facebook. We need three members minimum for one team. It would be truly sad if we could not field a team as we are the statewide host and the largest LCMS church in South Dakota with nearly 2,000 members!

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, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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10:00 AM-This Is the Life-This award winning program is in black and white. The “God of Love” illustrates that we, as Christians, all have responsibilities. It is a cross we bear.

10:30 AM-Rev. Mark Moss from Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Richfield, MN delivers the message, “Turning the Corner on Sin”, which is based on Romans 6:1-11. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “But the value of children as treasured human beings demonstrated in the ministry of Jesus reflects a God who cherishes the least, the last, and the most vulnerable ... As the Christmas season gives way to Epiphany, Christians around the world are invited to worship the Child Jesus Who was worshipped by kings. And all are invited to wonder and consider the mystery of a faith that proclaims the weakness of God and the foolishness of God to be strength and wisdom. The one who said, ‘Suffer the little children and do not hinder them from coming to me’ is the God revealed in a Child.”
Margaret Manning Shull, Ravi Zacharias International Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •
www.lutheransforlife.org

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Jan. 12

8:20 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Communion
1:00 pm American Legion Oratory Contest
7:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

Mon: Jan. 13

7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Jan. 14

8:00 am Staff Devotions
10:00 am *Perseverance* Women’s Study
5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball
6:30 pm Choir

Wed: Jan. 15

6:30 pm Midweek

6:30 pm *Real Jesus* Study at Bob & Doreen Miller’s
20488 Pheasant Place, Pierre

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Jan. 16

8:00 am Staff Devotions
12:00 Forever Young
5:30 pm Early Education

Sun: Jan. 19

8:20 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Worship
1:00 pm Am. Legion Oratory Contest make-up date
5:00 pm Board of Education
5:00 pm Board of Stewardship
6:30 pm *End Times* Bible Study

Faith Lutheran Youth

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



Acolytes for Sunday

January 12

Early: Ain Peterson and Emiley Rajek
Late: Dayna Martinmaas and Molly Neyhart

January 19

Early: Jayden Nickerson and Kaylie Rathbun
Late: Joshua Ryckman and Daysen Titze

January 26

Early: Drew Schuchard and Brilie Schulz
Late: Shelby Roman and Michael VanDeWiele

* If acolytes are not able to be present for their assigned day, it is their responsibility to call someone else to find a replacement and then notify the church office. Thank you so very much.

Chi-ro House Donations A piggy bank is set up by the Chi-ro sign-up sheet on the information desk in the Narthex. Monies will be used for a variety of items from stocking pizzas & water, to supplying household and maintenance supplies. Thank you and please sign up if you’d like to help in other ways.



Open House There will be an Open House at the Teen/Tween After School Chi-Ro (pronounced Kairo) house from **4:00p.m.-5:00 p.m. January 25, 2020**. This white 2 story house is located on the corner of Euclid Avenue and 2nd Street. Just to the South of the church parking lot. Afterward the Board of Missions will be showing “The Chronicles of Narnia” in the Gym. The movie starts at 5:00 pm.



