

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 26 – THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



AS WE GATHER In today’s Gospel, Matthew tells us how four of the disciples of the Lord were called. In some ways, Peter and Andrew, James and John were unlikely choices. They were not students of the Scriptures or from the nobility of Jerusalem. But Jesus had plans for them. Immediately they left their nets—and it made all the difference in their lives. Hearing the call of Jesus makes a difference in our lives as well. We, too, may be unlikely choices of our Lord. But He has great plans for each of us as well.

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:18-19

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 Third Sunday after the Epiphany! 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
Tim & Jan Larson
Kevin & Ruby Thoen

After Early Service
Jim & Jan Johnson
Cory & Angela Schwartz

Before Late Service
Randy & Jodi Hartmann
Brian & Laurie Gustafson

Guest Book Greeters
Early: Gail Ferris
Late: Rachel Olson

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. 19, Att. 249; General Fund \$12,345.20; Building Fund \$565.00; Sunday School \$12.59; Love Fund \$110.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Sound Board \$3529.05; Forever Young \$41.00; Flowers \$32.00; Mexico Mission \$150.00; Gift-in-kind \$22.00.

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Women’s Fellowship Opportunities Mary/Martha Circle would like to extend an invitation to the women of Faith to sign up for one of the following groups.

1) Afternoon Devotional Coffee; 2) Barre/Low Impact exercise @ Cronin Studio; 3) Faith Gardeners; and 4) Bunko Card group. Our goal is to promote friendships through common interests. **Sign up lists are on the large bulletin board outside the sanctuary.** You will be contacted if enough interest is shown, and meeting times can be arranged. In Friendship, Mary/Martha Circle

The LWML is having an ingathering of items for hygiene kits for the Orphan Grain Train. We will be collecting items in the Narthex near the display through the month of **January until February 9**. Please help us as we gather these items for people in need:

- 1 bath towel (new, dark color)
- 1 bath size bar of soap (in package)
- 1 sturdy comb (new)
- 1 washcloth (new dark color)
- 1 toothbrush (in package)

Thank you for your help with this project!

Goodie Boxes Faith Circle will be calling Faith member parents with students attending higher education schools. The Circle sends Goodie boxes twice a year (Halloween and Valentine’s Day) to their school mailing address. To make sure their package arrives at school we need to confirm their mailing address. Please be so kind and return telephone/text messages with this information. With some assistance from Wal-mart and LWML we are able to provide them with home baked goodies, store treats, an inspirational message and postage. Thank you parents, Wal-mart and LWML. The members of Faith Circle



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!

Souper Bowl Sunday



Souper Bowl Meal February 2nd brings our Friendship Sunday, New Member welcome and our Souper Bowl Meal. Invite someone to come to church with you that day and then stay or come back for our Souper Bowl Meal at noon. Soup will be provided. Members are asked to bring desserts and salads.

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 black and white presentation deals with making opportunities from problems. The program is called "the Hand of God."

10:30 AM-Rev. Adam Welton of St Peters Lutheran in Wentworth, SD presents a message based on Matthew 4:12-25. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes "The 'right' of abortion does not expand personal choice or freedom; it severely restricts it because it establishes the prior 'right' of the state to permit or to deny the right to life at will. Such a step, the legalization of abortion, is the beginning of the death of freedom and of man." *R. J. Rushdoony, theologian and philosopher – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Jan. 26

8:20 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Communion
6:30 pm *End Times* Bible Study

Mon: Jan. 27

7:00 pm Priscilla Circle

Tues: Jan. 28

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

Wed: Jan. 29

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. 30

8:00 am Staff Devotions

Sun: Feb. 2 Friendship, Souper Bowl, New Members

8:20 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Worship
12:00 Souper Bowl Meal

Faith Lutheran Youth

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

Acolytes for Sunday

January 26

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

February 2

Early: Hannah Schochenmaier and Chris Schultz
Late: Ellie Smith and

February 9

Early: Deni and Gracie Zeeb
Late: Taylor Warriner and Samantha Zeltinger

February 16

Early: Nathan Shoup and Eric Spitzer
Late: Andrew Axdahl and Caleb Davis

February 23

Early: Katelynn Axtell and Emma Reitzel
Late: Cassidy Miller and Jesalyn Zimmerman

* 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.



