

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 5 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Rest is elusive; as each day ends, we must confess with Paul in today's Epistle that we had "the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out." In our tiredness, the mirror shows that we are wretched indeed. But Zechariah wrote of a day when the battle would be over, thanks to a coming king, who would set the prisoners free. His description points us to Jesus on Palm Sunday; His death and resurrection have set us free from our bondage to sin. His compassion for us shows in His prayer of thanksgiving to our heavenly Father. In our Savior, we find the rest we need each day. Compared to the failing struggle we engage in daily, His yoke is easy, His burden is light. As David wrote in the psalm, "The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down." He gives rest for the soul!

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast." LSB 699:1

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 Fifth 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.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., June 28, Att. 124; General Fund \$7,995.55; Building Fund \$0.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Endowment Fund (Blessings in Faith - Undesignated) in memory of Vic Fosheim \$25.00.

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.

Voter's Assembly Our Voter's Assembly that was postponed from the first of May will be held Wednesday, July 29, at 6:00 pm. One important item on the agenda is the election of officers. Will share more updates as the date draws near.

Lutheran Women in Mission! We will be holding our July meeting on Monday, July 13th in the Fellowship Hall starting at 7:00 PM. Social distancing will be followed (3 people/table) and each attendee is asked to bring their own beverage as there will not be anyone hosting the evening. Please print out your circles activities since March as a help for the secretary. We will be discussing the August Fun Night, Confirmation and Country Fair. We will be sending out an email to those that we have addresses for. Please let your circle chairman or the LWML chairmen know your thoughts on holding these events if you cannot attend in person. We hope to see you there! Questions? Call Anita Marso (224-2769) or Jan Larson (224-6574)

Bulletin Board 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.

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



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.

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.



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.

Life Quotes “Today we thank God that He believed so strongly in freedom from pain, sadness, mourning, and death that He was willing to sacrifice his Son for us. So even as we celebrate with our ‘close’ eye, our ‘far away’ eye is ‘longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them’ (Hebrews 11:16).” *Linda Buxa, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: July 5

- 8:30 am Communion
- 11:00 am Worship
- 7:00 pm Board of Elders
- 7:30 pm Board of Missions

Tues: July 7

- 8:00 am Staff Devotions
- 5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball

Wed: July 8

- 8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: July 9

- 8:00 am Staff Devotions

Sun: July 12

- 8:30 am Worship
- 11:00 am Communion
- 7:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

Faith Lutheran Youth

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



Acolyte Schedule will be posted in the bulletin when the Elder’s make the decision to resume this part of the service.



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.