

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 31, 2016 A.D.

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,  
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to Him, and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. *Luke 4:39–40*



**AS WE GATHER** God has plans for us. Through the words of the prophet Jeremiah, the Lord reassures us that He is in control. He has set the course for and shaped the destiny of the world. Knowing that God is in control gives us ongoing opportunity to seek His will and to shape our lives to be in harmony with His Word. God does not just care about people in general; He cares for us individually. Each human life is precious in His sight. As children of the heavenly Father, we live joyfully and securely in all situations.

### THE WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the blue information 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*

### \*DIVINE SERVICE-SETTING FOUR\*

**THE OPENING HYMN**      *“To Your Temple, Lord, I Come” LW 207*  
*(We cheerfully rise and sing)*

- 1      *To Your temple, Lord, I come, For it is my worship home.  
This earth has no better place, Here I see my Savior’s face.*
  
- 2      *I through Him am reconciled, I through Him become Your child.  
Abba, Father, give me grace In Your courts Your love to trace.*

- 3        *While Your glorious praise is sung, Touch my lips, unloose my tongue  
That my joyful soul may bless Christ the Lord, my righteousness.*
- 4        *While the prayers of saints ascend, God of love, to mine attend.  
Hear me, for Your Spirit pleads; Hear, for Jesus intercedes.*
- 5        *While I listen to Your Law, Fill my soul with humble awe  
Till Your Gospel bring to me Life and immortality.*
- 6        *While Your ministers proclaim Peace and pardon in Your name,  
Through their voice, by faith, may I Hear You speaking from the sky.*
- 7        *From Your house when I return, May my heart within me burn,  
And at evening let me say, "I have walked with God today."*

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### THE INVOCATION

P        In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C        **Amen.**

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P        Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C        **who made heaven and earth.**

*Psalm 124:8*

P        If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C        **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

*Psalm 130:3-4*

P        Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*[Luke 18:13]*

C        **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.  
Amen.**

P        Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[John 20:19-23]

C        **Amen.**

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE** “*Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise*” LSB 946



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29,36; Rev.5:9-14; Eph. 1:20-21*

**THE SALUTATION** (*Spoken*)

P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**

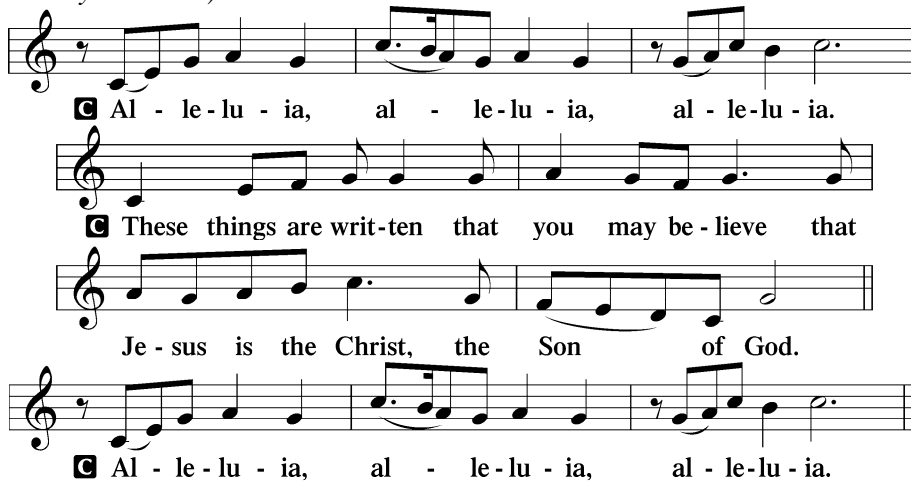
**THE COLLECT**

Lord Jesus, Holy One of God, You have a gracious plan for our lives. By the working of the Holy Spirit, lead us to seek Your will in all things. Keep us in true faith in the fellowship of Your redeemed people until we are gathered into Your glorious and eternal Kingdom, where You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**THE OLD TESTAMENT** *Jeremiah 1:4–10* (*Jeremiah is called to speak for the Lord.*)

**THE SPECIAL MUSIC**    *“The Gift of Love”...Traditional English Melody*  
Adapted by Hal Hopson  
Randy Hartmann, vocalist

**THE EPISTLE LESSON**    *1 Corinthians 12:31b–13:13 (Paul writes of the importance of charity and love.)*



Al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**    *St. Luke 4:31–44 (Jesus casts out demons.)*

**THE SERMON HYMN**    *“Glorious Things of You are Spoken” LSB 648*

**THE SERMON**    *“Plans!”*  
*Jeremiah 29:11*  
*Pastor Joshua Baumann*

**THE NICENE CREED**    *Inside back cover of the Lutheran Service Book*

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER**

**THE OFFERING**    *We gather our tithes, gifts of love, and our “Building Together in Faith” gifts*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**P** Friends in Christ, lift up your hearts to God and pray as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us.

God our Father in heaven, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that Your holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned. Lord, in Your mercy,



**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** May Your kingdom come to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith, that the number of Christians be increased. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** We pray for our Faith family and its friends in the midst of life's joys and struggles... Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may be at peace and rejoice in a good conscience before You that no sin ever frighten or alarm us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles. Lord, in

Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**  
**P** And finally, heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and soul, now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**  
**P** We trust in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Crossed Hands** – The Board of Elders would find it helpful that when you desire to receive the communion wafer in your hand that you extend your hands in front of you. It is a nice tradition that you cross your hands simply placing your top hand crossed in the palm of the lower hand.

**THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**  
**Both services**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**THE PAX DOMINI** ~ *The Peace of the Lord* *John 20:19*  
**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **And also with you.**

**AGNUS DEI**

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

**THE COMMUNION HYMNS**

*"Jesus Shall Reign" LSB 832*

*"Christ the Eternal Lord" LSB 829*

*"Spread the Reign of God the Lord" LSB 830*



**NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon** *Luke 2:29-32*

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**THE BENEDICAMUS**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**THE BENEDICTION** (*With Sung Amens*)

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

**THE CLOSING HYMN** “*Children of the Heavenly Father*” *LSB 725*

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**Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Fourth 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**

Daleen Gore  
Fred & Anita Marso  
**After Early Service**  
Veryl & Pat Huisman  
Ron & Sandy Peterson



**Before Late Service**

Joe & Celeste Saylor  
Jeri Erbe & Carol Harrmann  
**After Late Service**  
Ryan & Kyley Cumbow  
Gloria Welk

**Preaching** this morning is Reverend Joshua Baumann.



**Prayer at the Pulpit** Following both services Pastor Baumann will be by the Pulpit if you have prayer concerns this morning.



**Holy Communion** is celebrated at both services this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord brings us strength and forgiveness to be about His vision and mission. Those confirmed Lutherans who come to the Sacrament of the Altar today are asked to read the communion side of our information card found in the pew rack and to sign the bottom of the reverse side so that our communion records might be complete.

**Morning Fellowship** Join us between services in the CFLC for a fresh cup of coffee and fellowship.

**Sunday School** Our Sunday School will resumes today, January 3. Sunday School is for all children age 3 by September 1, 2015.

**Our Adult Bible Study** Join us as we begin our study on “Living Lent” at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

**Nursery** The Nursery is available during the 11:00 service. It is located in the **F/G Room downstairs**. It is for children ages infant through 5 year olds.

**Nursing Moms** can find a comfortable rocker in the Daycare. This is NOT a Nursery for young children, just a quiet, private place for nursing moms.

**God Be With You!**

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**Our Broadcasts** Our Sonrise and Cable Broadcasts are made possible this week by Marlis & Rick Doud in loving memory of Marlis’ mom Dolly Blucher whose birthday would have been today. Thanks Marlis & Rick, may God continue to comfort you and bless your memories of Dolly.

*Did you know that “Sonrise” is streamed on KCCR live? If you are away, log on to [www.TodaysKCCR.com](http://www.TodaysKCCR.com).*

*The Broadcast schedules are on the traveling Bulletin board, which is in the Narthex.* Our Cable Broadcast is also on our Website. Take a look at [www.faithluth.com](http://www.faithluth.com). **COST:** You may sponsor the radio broadcast of Sonrise for \$30.00. This radio broadcast is on 1240 AM KCCR at 6:40 a.m. on Sunday morning. The cost of sponsoring the cable broadcast of our worship service is \$35.00. This cable access broadcast is televised on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. on Channel 8. If you choose to sponsor both, the cost is \$60.00.

**Sun., Jan. 24 Att. 429;** General Fund \$8,668.50; Building Fund \$1,010.00 (Debt Retirement \$910.00, Building \$100.00); Sunday School \$17.53; Love Fund \$100.00; Thrivent Automatic Withdrawal \$2,530.00 (General \$2,435.00, Debt Retirement \$85.00, Love Fund \$10.00); Contingency Fund \$100.00; Broadcasts \$95.00; Forever Young \$55.00; Flowers \$16.00.

***This Week at Faith Lutheran***

**Today: Jan. 31**

8:20 am Communion  
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study  
 11:00 am Communion  
 6:30 pm 1 & 2 Kings Bible Study

**Mon: Feb. 1**

5:30 pm Youth Orchestra  
 6:30-8:00 pm Tae Kwon Do  
 7:00 pm Men's Fellowship  
 7:00 pm Capitoliens

**Tues: Feb. 2**

8:25 am Staff Devotions  
 6:15 pm Trustees Meeting  
 6:30 pm Choir  
 7:00 pm Men's Fellowship  
 7:30-9:00 pm Pickleball

**Wed: Feb. 3**

6:30 pm Midweek

6:30 pm "Ephesians" Bible Study in the Young Conference Room  
 6:30 pm "Daniel" Bible Study at Ray & Judy Tobin's 1608 Circle Dr., Pierre  
 8:00 pm LYF Youth Meet

**Thurs: Feb. 4**

7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
 8:25 am Staff Devotions  
 11:30 am Ministerium  
 6:30-8:00 pm Tae Kwon Do

**Sun: Feb. 7 Friendship Sunday**

8:20 am Worship/Installation  
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study  
 11:00 am Worship/Installation  
 12:00 Souper Bowl Meal  
 1:30 pm Maryhouse/Parkwood Chapel  
 6:30 pm 1 & 2 Kings Bible Study



**BUILDING NEWS**

**Thank you for your continued gifts to our Building Fund** – We thank you for your gifts last Sunday to the Building Fund of \$1,095.00. The gifts were designated as follows:

The Debt Retirement Account: \$995.00  
 The Building Account: \$100.00

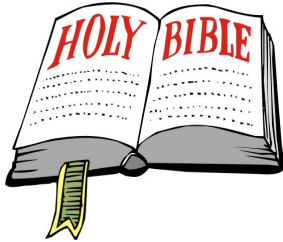
**Debt Retirement** Along with our February 1<sup>st</sup> payment we are able, with the congregation's generosity, to send in another five principal payments. This brings our principal down to \$448,218.81 and saves us another \$7,900.92 in interest. **THANK YOU!!**

**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 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 Study** The Tuesday morning Ladies Bible Study class will resume meeting on Tuesday, February 16, at 10:30. We will be reading and discussing "Living a Chocolate Life."



**Bible Bowl 2016** We have received word from the South Dakota District on the selection of topics for the 2016 Bible Bowl. The book of the Bible will be selected chapters of Exodus. The catechism part is the Ten Commandments. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition on Saturday, April 2nd will be held at our church again this year. For more information or to register please contact Pastor Baumann or Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske.



**Little Dresses for Africa.....**LWML is once again doing Little Dresses for Africa. There will be a work night to assemble kits on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>** at 7:00 pm. Thank you for the donations already received. Items still needed are new or gently used pillowcases that have been washed, 1/4" elastic, flat buttons, and trim.

There is a labeled tote in the narthex to place donations. Dresses will be available for sewing after February 8<sup>th</sup>. Completed dresses can be placed back in the tote. Dresses are due back by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions, please contact Doreen Miller at 224-9955. Thank you all for helping make this project a success!

**Save the Date!** Purity Ball February 6, 2016 7:00 pm at CJ Callaways For girls 12-18 and their dads. Unforgettable evening, desserts, Father/Daughter Covenant, dancing. Cost is \$20 per ticket. Sponsored by Alpha Center. Register at 605-361-3500 or [www.alphacenterfriends.com](http://www.alphacenterfriends.com).

**FREE TAX HELP** Beginning Monday, February 1 through April 13, 2016, certified volunteers will provide free Income Tax service for seniors and middle to low income taxpayers. Tax assistance will be provided on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm at the Pierre Area Senior Center located at 401 West Pleasant Avenue.

All taxpayers are required to bring photo ID's and Social Security Cards for identification, their 2014 Tax Return and all 2015 income statements such as W2's, 1099's, and all information relating to interest, dividends, etc. If you plan to itemize, please bring all expense records.

All taxpayers and spouses are required to sign their tax returns before they are filed electronically.

**Life Quotes** “Since the fetus is a creature already alive and in the process of development, to kill it is to choose death over life. At what point shall we allow this choice? For me the answer is—at no point, once life has begun. At no point, I repeat, either as life begins or as life ends, for we who are human beings cannot, for our own safety, be allowed to choose death, life being all we know.” *Pearl S. Buck, author of The Good Earth and recipient of the 1938 Nobel Prize in literature – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

**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 contact Main Street Living directly through our e-mail? The address is [mainstreet@sio.midco.net](mailto:mainstreet@sio.midco.net). We appreciate all comments and will answer all questions. We are always open to suggestions! **January 31, 2016**-Kid's Crossing-Miss Jess tells us about Jesus the great healer. Her favorite story was about the blind man Jesus healed by putting mud on his eyes. It was his faith that healed the man.

Rev. Jordon Andreses of St. John Lutheran in Wagner, SD, and Trinity Lutheran of Fairfax, SD brings today's message “Who's Claim Matters” based on Luke 4: 31-44. The hymns: O God Our Help in Ages Past; A Mighty Fortress is Our God; Praise to the Lord, the Almighty will be led by the main Street Living Choir. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired.

# Faith Lutheran Youth - F. L. Y.

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



*Acolytes for Sunday*

**January 31**

Early: Brevin Kaiser, Chloe Kaiser  
Late: Jaden Filler, Kimberlee Geuther

*\*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!*

**Verse(s) of the Week: (NIV)**

**Matthew 6:34** "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

→ **PRAYERS of all types and sorts...** "This week as you pray to the Lord, consider asking God to guide you into the right career, so that when you grow up you may serve God in that profession and serve others in the way He has given you."

**Lord in Your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

**LCMS National Youth Gathering? Upcoming Dates:**

- July 16-20, 2016 the actual gathering date
- *Payment Due Dates per Child \*(May 16<sup>th</sup> amount Tentative)*
  - Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - \$275
  - May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - \$200



**For More Info Check Out:** [www.lcmsgathering.com](http://www.lcmsgathering.com)

→**National Youth Gathering Parent's Meeting:** For those who missed our parent's meeting this past Wednesday or were not able to come, the information is on the desk in the Narthex. Please grab a packet of information and be sure to speak with Pastor Baumann. Thanks!

→ **Mardi Gras** – will be the next major LYF activity. It is Tuesday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Our high school youth will help with the games. 10-15 L.Y.F. youth would be ideal to help out! Set-up will be Monday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. High school youth, come Monday and Tuesday for Mardi Gras Festivities!



→**Lenten Coffee's:** Lenten coffees are a way in which we serve our congregation, and raise some monies for our high school activities and trips, not just the National Youth Gathering. Each high school family in the congregation will be receiving a letter detailing the schedule and the lead family who is responsible for contacting the other families assigned for that week. We ask those assigned to a particular Wednesday to please set up, serve, and clean. Each family is to bring 3 dozen cookies, bars, **or** brownies. We also ask that you please do not just drop items off in hopes that someone takes care of it. Families who do not find their names on this list are welcomed to select a date and join that group

in serving Lenten coffee and cookies. Thanks so much for your support high school families.

→ **Sunday School Children Singing Dates for the Remainder of the Year:**

Here are the Sundays the N-4<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School will be singing at the 11 a.m. service:  
**Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>; Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday); Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>; and May 8<sup>th</sup> (Midweek Children Sing on May 8<sup>th</sup>)**

→ **The Theme for this year's Vacation Bible School will be: *Barnyard Roundup: Jesus Gathers Us Together!*** Our VBS dates for this year are: June 5-9. Captive Free will be joining us as well! Sing-ups for adult volunteers, decorations, and helpers will be made available in April.



- Lenten Worship - 7:00 to 7:45 on Wednesdays during the season of Lent
- Good Friday Baked Potato Meal from 5:00-6:15 pm on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> between the services

→ **Need to talk?** Need prayers and encouragement? Pastor Baumann would love to pray for you, and if possible even with you for anything big or small that may be on your heart or mind. Find him after worship, or in the office for a special opportunity for prayer and conversation.

→ **Got something to share in the youth announcement section?** Please e-mail it to: [baumannj@csl.edu](mailto:baumannj@csl.edu) Thanks!

**Upcoming Youth Dates to Keep in Mind:**

**Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>** → Sunday School Sings in Worship

**June 5-9<sup>th</sup>** → V.B.S. “*Barnyard Roundup*”

**On the Lighter Side:**

How do you count cows?  
*With a cow-culator!*

"Knock, knock. Who's there?  
Cows go. Cows go who?"



No, silly. Cows go "moo!"