ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 19 – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Jesus' disciples did not understand the prophecy about His death and resurrection. They focused, instead, on their personal greatness. So, He inverted their viewpoint, using a child to explain that true greatness is in humble servanthood, in welcoming even children (then considered to be without status). But our inner passions rebel and war against such servanthood, as James explains in the Epistle. Fortunately, by the gracious gift of faith, in place of personal struggles, we can rely on God, as Jeremiah does in the Old Testament Reading and David in today's psalm. Our Lord is the humblest and therefore greatest Servant, and by His death and resurrection He has proclaimed that God's grace knows no bounds. Confidently, we can follow Him in humble servanthood each day.

Whoever seceives one such child in My name seceives Me, and whoever seceives Me, seceives not Me but Him who sent Me. Mark 9:37

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Seventeenth 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.

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

Preaching today is Reverend Cory Rajek, our missionary to Latvia. Reverend Sam Handschke, our associate pastor, is our Liturgist.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:30 service this Sunday and at our 7:00 pm service on Wednesday. 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.



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

Wed., Sept. 8, Att. 33; General Fund \$70.00; Sun., Sept. 12, Att. 275; General Fund \$8,501.60; Building \$250.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Broadcasts \$60.00; Projectors \$200.00; Endowment Fund (Undesignated) in memory of Marie Umiker \$10.00; Endowment Fund – Generations \$50.00.

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.

Our Sonrise and Cable Broadcasts are sponsored by Leonard & Carolyn Spomer in thanksgiving to God for their children and grandchildren as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Thanks Carolyn & Leonard. May God continue to bless you and your family.

100th Anniversary of Messiah Lutheran Church, Murdo, SD is **TODAY**. Entertainment by the Haakon County "Crooners" will start at 3:00 pm. Special worship and praise service will begin at 3:30. Pastor Brad Urbach will be the featured speaker, Pastor Otten will present the history of the church. Supper and fellowship will follow in the basement. Memorabilia will be on display. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Congregational Voter's Meeting The Voter's meeting is **Tuesday evening**, **September 21 at 6:30**. The main purpose is for the congregation to call a senior pastor.

Sunday Evening "End Times" Bible Study will begin on **September 26, 2021** at 6:30 in the Living Room.

Missing Tables LWML had a meeting this evening (Monday, 13th) and it was brought up that several tables are missing from church. If anyone might have a table that was borrowed for a garage sale or for whatever reason, we ask that you kindly return them. We are in need of many tables for the upcoming Country Fair in October. Sometimes we forget we borrowed them and they get pushed aside and are forgotten about. Thank you so much!

Uncover the Cross Our screen currently covers up the cross. Church council has voted and approved new projectors which will display images on both sides of the cross. The new projectors will eliminate the need for a screen as they will project directly onto the wall. The new projectors will mount directly behind the speakers in the sanctuary, and when not in use, will be relatively out of sight. We are asking for donations from the congregation to help support this project. The estimated cost for new projectors and wiring is \$10,000. Please consider donating to help us achieve this goal of continuing to use images in sermons without covering up our cross.

Love Kitchen Do you like to cook? Do you like to fellowship with your friends in Christ? We would like to start a new ministry here at Faith and we need your help. The Love Kitchen will provide meals to families or individuals in need. Be it an illness, recovery at home, a new baby, a death in the family, or just a general need, we would like to share Christ's love through meals. You can participate in a couple of ways. We would meet together as a group at the church to prepare casseroles that would be frozen and shared when needed. Accompanying the casserole would be frozen or canned vegetables, fresh or canned fruit, and cookies or bars. If



you prefer to cook at home and still be a part of the ministry you can provide cookies or bars. If you do not like to cook you can still participate by being a part of the delivery team. All ingredients and materials will be provided through a memorial gift to the church and will not come out of the general fund. We anticipate meeting one afternoon a month to cook but that could increase if the need is great. If you are interested or have questions you can contact Nancy Shoup at 280-2091. Thank you for your desire to help others through this opportunity.

Trunk and treat is back! We are looking for a minimum of 20 volunteers to set up in the parking lot on **Sunday**, **October 31st from 5 to 6:30 p.m.** You can call or text Kelly VanDeWiele at 280-0468 to volunteer or a sign up is in the back of church next to a bin for any who wish to donate candy.

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. <u>Sept 19, 2021</u>

10:00 AM - "Look to the Mountain" - A hopeless situation becomes more hopeless when a down and out man kidnaps a young girl for ransom money.

10:30 AM - Rev. David Warner, pastor at Our Redeemer & Our Savior in Custer & Hill City, presents a message titled "The Struggle for Peace." This sermon is based on Mark 9:30-37. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information visit: <u>www.mainstreetliving.com</u>

Life Quotes "God has put us in our roles as life-affirming Lutherans in this place at this time. We must continue despite the world's resistance. We must lean on God because He will support us. We must remember He has the words of eternal life!" *Virginia Flo, Regional Director of Minnesota and National Conference Director, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Today: Sept. 19 8:30 am Communion 9:45 am Pastor Rajek's Mission Presentation 11:00 am Worship 3:00 pm 100th Anniversary of Messiah Lutheran, Murdo Mon: Sept. 20 6:30 pm Christ Care Tues: Sept. 21 8:00 am Staff Devotions 10:30 am Women's Bible Study (Enough for Now) 5:30 pm Board of Early Education 6:30 pm Voter's Meeting

This Week at Faith LutheranWed: Sept. 226:00 pm Midweek6:00 pm7:00 pm Wednesday Worship w/Communionan, Murdo8:00 pm LYFThurs: Sept. 238:00 am Staff Devotions6:30 pm Mary/Martha CircleSun: Sept. 26Now)8:30 am Worship9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study (Revelation)11:00 am Communion5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship6:30 pm "End Times" Bible Study in Living Room

FAITH LUTHERAN YOUTH

Early Communion Class – We will meet **Monday, Sept 27 from 6:00-7:00PM**. Students who are interested in early communion may attend this class and begin receiving Holy Communion. Age is less important than spiritual maturity. If your student has expressed interest in receiving communion and you agree that they are ready, then please contact Pastor Sam.

