

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 5 – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER We focus today on the words of James, which call us to an active faith that loves our neighbors. We are forced to ask ourselves: What good is a faith that bears no fruit of love and service to others? Such a question might make us worry about our salvation. Friends in Christ: do not fear; your living, saving faith in Christ will inevitably overflow with His good works. Christ powerfully works in us as we live out our daily vocations. Serve the Lord with gladness.

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? *James 2:1-4*

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 Fifteenth 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 Samuel Handschke, our associate Pastor.

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: www.faithluth.com. 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., Aug. 25, Att. 41; General Fund \$25.00; **Sun., Aug. 29, Att. 259;** General Fund \$6,643.71; Building \$50.00; Love Fund \$115.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Endowment Fund (Undesignated) in memory of Marie Umiker \$20.00; Endowment Fund – Generations \$50.00; Endowment Fund (Undesignated) in memory of Lois Schmidt \$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.

Faith Lutheran Daycare is selling Little Ceasar's Pizzas to raise funds for the daycare. If you are interested in purchasing, the Board of Early Education will be taking orders between services on **September 12th**. Thank you for your support, God Bless!



District LWML Fall Retreat here in Pierre The retreat is being held on September 17 & 18. Please take this opportunity to gather with women across the state to have a fun time together as we share in Bible study, in gatherings, worship and meals! The theme of the event is: God's Quilt of Comfort: Wrapping up in the Psalms". The **sdlwml.org** website contains the schedule and the list of things for the ingathering. These items will go to PARS here in Pierre. Please contact Anita Marso or Jan Larson if you have questions. Thank you!

Congregational Voter's Meeting The Voter's meeting on the calendar for September 12 has been rescheduled for Tuesday evening, September 21 at 6:30. The purpose is for the congregation to decide if we want to call Pastor Sam as our senior pastor and call an associate pastor or start the call process for a senior pastor and keep Pastor Sam as associate pastor.

100th Anniversary of Messiah Lutheran Church, Murdo, SD on September 19th, 2021. 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.

100th Anniversary The members of Zion Lutheran Church, Presho, SD would like to invite you to our 100th Anniversary celebration on Saturday, September 11, 2021. It will begin with worship service at 11 am followed by a catered dinner. There will be a short program after the dinner.

The Lord has blessed us with 100 years of worshipping Him in our church. Through blizzards, heat, drought and sicknesses, we have survived with the help of God. We want to show our thankfulness to Him by singing praises and saying prayers of thanksgiving. We hope you can join us on our special day, Saturday, September 11, 2021. God's blessings to you. Zion Lutheran Church

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.

“Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!” Psalm 96:3. That is certainly what took place last Sunday when Mariachi San Pablo blew trumpets and made beautiful music at the park last weekend proclaiming the Gospel boldly with love. Thank you to Faith Lutheran for your support of this event. Many souls were reached that God specifically planned to attend. Praise the Lord! In addition, over \$3,000 was donated during worship services and the public concert. What an amazing day God gave us! We are especially thankful to the South Dakota LCMS District Harvest Grant for their generous funding and to Thrivent Financial for Thrivent Action Team dollars. Thank you to everyone who rolled up their sleeves and helped with publicity, tables, setup and take down, decorations, food, housing, inviting people, and of course just being there with your friendship.

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 - “The Sound of Doors Closing” - A man's mid-life crisis and the effect it has on his family.

10:30 AM - Rev. Christopher McCarthy, pastor at First & Emmanuel Lutheran Churches in Wall & Creighton, presents a message titled “He Groaned.” This sermon is based on Mark 7:31-37. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes “The people you tell today are the ones who get to tell the next group of people yet to be born. Someday our children will be telling their children about their Savior, knowing God's Word and His story of grace, because you model it and share it every day. Because you put your trust in God.” *Linda Buxa, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Sept. 5

8:30 am Communion

9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship

11:00 am Worship

Mon: Sept. 6 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tues: Sept. 7

8:00 am Staff Devotions

Wed: Sept. 8

6:00 pm Midweek Parents Meeting

7:00 pm Wednesday Worship w/Communion

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Sept. 9

8:00 am Staff Devotions

11:30 am Ministerium

7:00 pm Faith Circle

Sat: Sept. 11

11:00 am 100th Anniversary at Zion in Presho, SD

Sun: Sept. 12 RALLY DAY

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study (Revelation)

11:00 am Communion

12:00 pm Rally Day Meal

FAITH LUTHERAN YOUTH



Education year begins September 12

We are excited to begin the education year. Students age 3 through 8th grade are invited to our Sunday School classes. These will begin **Sept. 12** from 9:45-10:45AM. This class time is focused on sharing God's story with the students. They will learn about the various people involved in this story, men and women from the Old and New Testament.

We also invite students in 2nd grade through 8th grade to Midweek classes. All parents of Midweek students will meet on Sept. 8 from 6:00-7:00PM in the sanctuary. This time will cover classroom expectations and allow us to address any concerns. Classes will begin the next **Wednesday, Sept 15**, from 6:00-7:30PM. This time is focused on the teachings which God gives in his Word.

Both of these times, Sunday School and Midweek, are focused on different yet complementary aspects of God and His Word. Students are encouraged to attend each class.