

Faith Lutheran Church

September 2012 Newsletter

714 N. Grand Avenue

Pierre, SD 57501

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Rally Day September 16, 2012 IT'S A FIESTA!



Noon Meal with a Full taco bar

- Hosted by our Board of Parish Fellowship
 - A-K bring a salad to share
 - L-Z bring a dessert to share
- Games for the kids 12:35 p.m. on the lawn on the 3rd Street side of our Building
- 2nd Graders receive their Bibles at the 11:00 Service
 - Sunday School on the 16th is from 10:00 to 10:45
- Sunday School Award certificates will be given to students at our 11:00 Service
- Installation of All Midweek, Sunday School and Adult teachers at both Services



Golf Scramble



Our Annual Golf Scramble will be held
**Thursday,
September 13
at 6:00 p.m.
at the Dunes**

Our Board of Parish Fellowship is hosting this event. There will be different challenges at each hole for the participants to try. We need at least 12 golfers to do this. Please sign up in the Narthex. We would ask you to list your phone number, handicap and average score and if you're a genuine golfer or just out for fun. Our Board will balance out the teams.

10th Hole event in the garage of Scott & Jean Collison, 2620 Dunes Drive.

So join us for a bit of golf, lots of fun and good snacks afterwards.

We will be rotating between the Dunes and the Trails in the years to come.

Rally Day Pancake Feed

Sunday, Sept. 16
9:20-10:45

Our High School youth will host a pancake and Sausage Feed on Sunday, September 16 as a major fund raiser to send a large group of our High School youth to our Synod's July 1-5, 2013 Youth Gathering in San Antonio.



There will be a free-will offering to support the trip.

The Rally Day Special Breakfast will be served from 9:20-10:45. Please note Sunday School will start a little later on the 16th to enable teachers and students to have pancakes as well.

Come out for a great Rally Day Breakfast hosted by our High School youth.

A Message from Pastor Urbach

Pastor's Potpourri

Greetings to you in the Lord Jesus, God's Heavenly Bread of Life, in the midst of our life table.

Summer has been a potpourri of activities, all different but when blended together, it has made for an interesting summer for the "older" Pastor.

Perfect Attendance record comes to an end! One of my early life accomplishments was never missing a day of High School. Then in my adult years I had a humble pride that I never missed a Sunday, or a Lenten Wednesday, or a special service because of illness. It finally came, after 41 years of perfect attendance, I missed a Sunday because of my right knee replacement.

Surgery As I write this I feel I have made good progress, with a way to go yet. Between the knee, a gall bladder removal, and some muscular issues, well, here's to a better 2013.

New Egg In the midst of weddings, funerals and VBS, I did receive a new egg to add to my world-wide collection. Holly Lindbloom and Sam Gilkerson had a fun wedding and off to Jamaica they went on a honeymoon. So, now I have an egg that's from Jamaica. A young couple on a honeymoon and they find their Pastor a cool new egg. I must also thank Irene LaFurge who spent some time reorganizing my collection of eggs, Husker stuff, etc., into a more presentable manner.

Pastor Baumann What a welcome entrance we extended to Joshua and Margaret. Since I have been putting this knee surgery off I can't begin to tell you how nice it is to have help and such good help on top of it all. Pastor and his family seem to have settled into "642" rather well. This newsletter extends a more detailed thank you but I must say one more time— What a grand day it was in the Kingdom of God for Joshua, his family, and for all of us!

The Elevator One of our Christian Family Life Center's 2012 recent additions is the elevator. By code, it was a piece of equipment needed to be added so we could finish the second floor. In this past week I experienced first-hand the joy of the elevator. While meeting with Shawn Williams of Todd's Electric I was grateful, with a wounded right leg, to have an elevator. So thanks again to all the scores of you who made this vital piece of equipment for our Christian Family Life Center possible.

The Word At Pastor Baumann's Ordination, our Processional Hymn, which is a popular hymn for Seminarians, stated this:

"Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness, Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!"

Your Pastors, your Board of Elders, and your Board of Education believe this to be true. That is why God's Word is read in public worship, preached in Sermons, it is taught in Sunday School, Midweek and many Adult studies. That Word was made manifest in Jesus Christ, God's son born in Bethlehem. Please look for opportunities this fall to gather around the "Word made flesh" in worship and the word of God studied in a Bible study.

Lutheran Malaria Initiative (LMI)

is a noble, life-saving project that joins Lutheran World Relief, the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, and the United Nations Foundation with a common goal of eliminating malaria related deaths in Africa by 2015. Did you know malaria claims the life of one child every 45 seconds? There are more than two million cases a year and nearly one million deaths.

A combination of education, access to quicker diagnosis and medication, and the use of insecticide treated bed nets, will be the tools to meet the noble goal.

Already our VBS youth, through their VBS Missions gifts, provided nearly 40 bed nets.



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Why Is Stewardship for You?

Stewardship Enriches Us

Stewardship enriches us because it helps us understand the responsibility and privilege we have been given to be God's stewards. By God's grace, He calls us to be His stewards. In spite of our unworthiness, He trusts us to be faithful stewards of His gifts to us. He elevates our status and importance. In His divine plan, He works through us to seek the lost and help those in need. Here on earth, we are Jesus' hands, feet, and mouth. What a joy it is to be used by our Heavenly Father, Who with the power of His Word created all things. We are given the joyful privilege of being the instruments through which God works.

Stewardship enriches us because it helps us develop an attitude of gratitude for who God is and what He has done for us. Through faith, we know life is a gift, and we see God's grace, goodness, love, and mercy at work. Our eyes are opened to see the beauty and majesty of God's creation and the mighty works of His hands. Acknowledging God as the author and creator of all good things (James 1:17), we acknowledge His ownership and our role as stewards. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, we live with an attitude of gratitude. We give Him our thanks and place our trust in Him rather than the things of this world which give us no lasting hope and security.

Stewardship enriches us because it helps us to live abundantly (John 10:10). God promises to bless us spiritually and, at times, materially for our faithful serving and giving. The Apostle Paul wrote, "*Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously*" (2 Corin-

thians 9:6). When we give much, we will receive much. In Proverbs we read, "*A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed*" Proverbs 11:25. God has ordained that, when we give generously, we will receive generously. We cannot live the full and rich life that God wants us to have unless we experience the joy that comes from generous giving and serving.

Stewardship enriches us because it helps us focus on the intimate relationship Jesus wants to have with each of us. Until we have such a relationship with Jesus, our lives have no



value, direction, or purpose. As God's stewards, we are to steward our relationship with Jesus, others, ourselves, and our creation. The relationship we have with Jesus is the most important and the most joyful.

Stewardship enriches us because it helps give our lives purpose and meaning. Through faith, we understand that our gifts and blessings are to do more than just provide for our needs and pleasure. We have a purpose to use all things in His service by helping others and extending His kingdom.

Stewardship enriches us because it helps us to be content. The things of this world can easily become overly

important to us, and we become discontent focusing on acquiring more things. Jesus said, "*You cannot serve both God and money*" (Matthew 6:24). The giving of money is an antidote to our natural desire to be selfish and self-reliant. Acknowledging that our money has been entrusted to us by God and using our money for His purpose helps us put our material blessings in perspective. As the Apostle Paul learned to be content in "*any and every circumstance*", Philippians 4:12, we, too, can learn contentment by being thankful for the blessings God has given us.

Sunday School
September 16
is
10:00-10:45

The time change is to enable our Sunday School teachers and students to be able to attend the Rally Day Pancake Feed hosted by our High School youth.



A Message From Pastor Baumann

Greetings in the name of the Risen Lord Jesus!

My vicarage supervisor, Reverend Paul Krueger, said it best in the ordination service which was held here at Faith on July 15th. If you were able to attend the service that afternoon, you will remember that he used one particular word in the sermon to describe the situation. And that word was: **“Wow!”** The word “WOW!” certainly describes how Margaret and I have felt in our first few days, weeks, and month here at Faith Ev. Lutheran Church. Let’s just say we have greatly appreciated the transition to our life here at Faith and in South Dakota!

It was just the other day that I sat in one of the pews in the sanctuary with the lights all turned off. It was completely dark with the exception of the light coming in through the stained glass windows. With the place empty, silence was all that filled the air as I sat there. In that moment I thought, “Wow!” Not only was the light which was coming in through the stained glass simply beautiful, but a thought had come back to me that I had once had years ago. When I had first committed myself to studying for the pastoral ministry back in college at Concordia Mequon, about 7 or 8 years ago, it had dawned on me at that time that there was some place somewhere “out there” that would need a pastor, a place that really existed, a place which had a worship facility, members, and yes, most

likely, stained glass windows. As I sat in silence in the sanctuary, I sat in the reality of that moment and thought, “Wow God, Thank you. Thank you so much for bringing me here, for allowing me to be with these people, for allowing me to share Jesus in this place and in this community, and for loving people in the way that only you can.” It was a wow moment for me and has been ever since I arrived.

I am reminded of the goodness of our God and his greatness when I read passages like Isaiah 45:18, “For this is what the LORD says—He who created the heavens, He is God; He who fashioned and made the earth, He founded it; He did not create it to be empty, but formed it to be inhabited— He says: ‘I am the LORD and there is no other.’” It is truly remarkable that when God created the earth, He had us in mind. He wanted His people to fill it, to use it, to work in it, and to worship Him through their daily lives while on it. Talk about the “wow factor!” May the “wow factor” of God never cease to amaze you as you come to this place to worship Him, and as you come into God’s presence time and again to adore and praise His holy name.

As I worship and praise God with the gifts He has given, I am reminded of all those things that I have been blessed

to do in the name of Jesus, & in the name of this congregation. As I reflect back upon my short time here so far, I have been able to: attend and participate in 2 ordinations – one in Sioux Falls and the other in Onida, I have been able to preach 8 sermons, lead 6 worship services, attend numerous board meetings, go on a trip with the senior high youth group to Rushmore Water Slides in Rapid City, attend Circuit Bible Camp in the Black Hills and lead Bible study there, assist with two baptisms, assist with one committal and prayer service, plan the Niobrara Float Trip for the high school youth group, lead 2 nursing home worship services, write and deliver 3 Sunrise radio broadcasts and participate with 2 others, help out with LYF Wednesday night activities, and oversee general congregational concerns when Pastor Urbach was having knee replacement surgery.

In the near future I look forward to a number of different upcoming events which include: planning and leading the JYM 6th-8th grade lock-in on Friday, Sept. 21st here at Faith Lutheran, overseeing our Education Board with involvement in Sunday School which begins on Sunday, September 9th; and Midweek classes as they kick off on Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30. We really hope you are able and planning to be in Worship

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Pastor Urbach's Potpourri (continued)

On November 18, on our Fall Mission Festival, we will have an in-gathering of gifts to partnership with our Synod's 6200 congregations to provide significant gifts to accomplish the goals of the LMI. Our goal is \$7,500. This will take a large number of us making significant gifts. So plan ahead for this wonderful opportunity.

The Haiti Project We again thank you for your gifts that have provided three homes, assistance with building a church, and through our Sunday School children, water purification equipment for a school. All of this we did in the name of Christ. *We are not planning on providing gifts for the Haiti village project in this*



next year. The LMI is our sole outreach mission project.

Well—there you go—a potpourri letter of the parish life together here at Faith in this summer and fall.

A Final Sharing I have set the walker aside and have used a “diamond willow” walking stick that Jack Titus made and gave to me probably 25 years ago. It has reminded me of the scores of people who have gone before us that have made Faith a powerful and mighty place of God. Scores of you don't know the name of Jack Titus. Forty years from now another generation will come and perhaps some will remember our names, perhaps not—but here is the point—

every generation brings its gifts to Christ's Holy Church.

Thank you, each one of you, thank you that in every generation courageous men and women step forward serving, leading, teaching, sharing, loving. Yes indeed, Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church—we praise God for the past and we have a big “Faith for the Future.”

Faith Lutheran—a potpourri blend of God's blessings!

The Lord be with you!

Pastor Brad Urbach

Greetings from Faith Lutheran DayCare

What a summer it has been! We were lucky enough to have all our school aged children (plus some more!) with us this summer for full days. The days have been full of playing outside in the water, going to the pool, going to library activities and readings, and driving around to our summer recreation activities.

The current enrollment at the day-care is 55 total children. We have 10 babies, 10 toddlers, 21 three to five year olds, and 14 schoolers. Our staff consists of 15 teachers, 3 teacher's aides, and 2 subs. We welcomed another 3 new babies into our baby area and still expecting one more by the end of this year! We were blessed with the presence of Becky Darland and Amanda Tinker this summer,

but we must bid them farewell and wish them well in their college endeavors! We'll also see our high school ladies Kaci Deal and Morgan Merriman a bit less, but we're glad that they are planning on staying with us after school! We are so blessed with the staff that we have.

During this summer we have been doing many different themes and messages here at daycare. We have talked about the “Golden Rule” and trying to treat others as we would like to be treated. We have also talked about how much Jesus loves us, and how much he wants us to love each other and treat each other with respect. We have learned about not letting life's little troubles get to us (Pete the Cat books), and how we can

always be happy. We've also learned about how to treat our bodies better and eating healthy so we can serve God and our fellow man better.

We had a really fun summer, but we are also excited for school to be starting. We have a large group starting Kindergarten and we are so excited for them! As one of our newer summer traditions I will be taking the school aged children on a Walmart trip to get a few school supplies for this coming year for them.

We hope that everyone's summer was as fulfilling as ours was!

Your friend in Christ,

Jennifer Carr—FLDC Director



When my son and his family visited in July, one of the requested desserts was apple crisp. As I was peeling apples, my thoughts took me back to Grandpa's farm, and the row of apple trees along the fence line. They were sturdy old trees – decked out in bright green leaves in summer. Undressed in the winter, their bare branches glistened in the slanting sun. I have no idea what variety of apples they produced – “farm apples,” my mother called them. The fruit was pretty sour, but baked in a pie – delicious!

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

Apples always bring to mind a poem, entitled, “Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree.” (Actually, the tune starts running through my head first.) Set to music, it is sometimes sung during the Christmas season. I did a little research and noted that some of the trees mentioned in the Bible include an oak tree at Shechem; palm trees at Elim; the broom tree, under which Elijah slept; fig trees; olive trees; and the Cedars of Lebanon. There is a reference to an apple tree in the Song of Songs.



His beauty doth all things excel;
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

It's easy to see that the apple tree represents Christ, and we know that he described himself as the Tree of Life in the book of Luke. (Interestingly, artists always depict the forbidden fruit, eaten

THE TREE OF LIFE

by Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, as an apple.)

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all; but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

Verse two indicates that our knowledge of Christ's beauty is based on faith. Happiness, contentment and pleasure come from the Tree of Life.

I'm weary with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest awhile:
Under the shadow I will be,
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

When Adam and Eve were forced to leave the Garden of Eden, mankind had to toil to survive. However, he found a place to rest under the shadow of the Apple Tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

It is that fruit of the “Tree of Life” which truly keeps us alive. Feasting on the “Tree of Life” allows us to taste the goodness of Jesus Christ.



In a sense, a “graft” takes place. Obviously, we receive this gift at the Lord's Supper, and when we study and hear the spoken word of God. Singing God's praises allows participants an opportunity to “taste” God's goodness through song. Want to experience love, peace, exhilaration, healing, blessings, fellowship and the Word of God using your voice? Join us for choir rehearsal, Tuesday, September 11, at 6:30. Maybe you'd

prefer a one-time commitment? Consider being a soloist or part of a small ensemble. Taste and See!

Karen Lindbloom
Director of Music

Pastor Baumann's Message (continued)

with us on **Sunday, September 16th** for **RALLY DAY**. A day filled with a Pancake Feed to help support our high school youth group as they attend the National Youth Gathering, enjoy a noon taco fiesta meal, and other activities throughout the morning including the presentation of 2nd grade Bibles, awards for faithful Sunday School attendance, and games with prizes for the youth of the congregation. Wow!!!! May God continue to be with us as a congregation as we reach out to love and serve others with the truth, hope, and promises of our faithful friend and Savior, Jesus the Christ. I am excited to see what God through His Holy Spirit is going to accomplish in these days, weeks, and months ahead as we stand and say “Wow” in the presence of Jesus, our wonderful Lord and Savior.

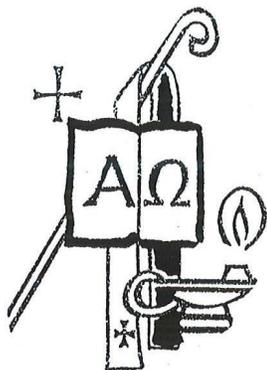
In Joy and Service of Jesus,

Pastor Josh Baumann

Assistant Pastor—Josh Baumann



Ordination Reflections



“...I hope Joshua’s Ordination will be grand.” That was a thought from one of our Elders as we came to the July 15 Ordination.

And grand it was!

The Crowd – We had a church full which sang powerfully. What a joy to hear the full sound of the spoken responses and songs.

The Preacher – Pastor Paul Krueger as always had a strong sermon “from the heart.”

The Choir – “WOW” as Pastor Krueger said. Both anthems were beautiful. “Song of Celebration” by Allen Pote – well, what a response to the Rite of Ordination.

Eight Preachers – and then there were nine with Josh’s grand moment, in addition, one of his classmates who would be Ordained July 22 came to the Ordination as well! Then there were ten.

Family – how nice to have many of Josh and Margaret’s family here. Hope they visit often.

The Banner – yes, the Ordination banner is 41 years old. I guess that tells you about its history. Pastor Urbach’s sister, Penni, made that for her brother’s ordination.

The Stole – the colorful stole placed over Joshua’s shoulders, certainly a highlight of every Ordination, was a stole Joshua received when on a mission trip to Guatemala.

The Centerpieces – we thank Julie Linn for creating the centerpieces. The flowers, the vases, the table tents, some with Pastor Baumann’s favorite Bible passage, St. John

11:25-26 and some with fun notes of information about Pastor Baumann.

The Supper – great sandwiches, wonderful salads, and yes, splendid desserts. We thank our Mary/Martha and Priscilla Circles for coordinating the Event and all the families who brought food.

The Facilities – Do we not just thank God time and time again for a large Sanctuary that could accommodate such a crowd and our spacious air-conditioned Christian Family Life Center so that so many could just sit, eat, eat, eat, and yes, visit?

Thank you to all of you, it was “grand”!



This ‘N’ That

Thank You

Faith Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your hospitality! You have a beautiful facility and we enjoyed staying in it. As a thank you and as a stipend for utilities usage, we would like to leave behind this money. It can be put towards the youth group and their trip to the National Youth Gathering or in any way you desire. Thank you again and God’s blessings on your ministry!

Peace Lutheran Church Young Adults
Thank you again!!!

May our Lord bless your ministry here at Faith!! In Him!

Pastor Tim Lindeman

Land O’ Lakes Caps

Jan Larson recently sent in 3000 milk caps to Land O’ Lakes to be redeemed for \$150.00 for the Preschool. Thank you for supporting our program!



Thank You So Much!

Thank you so much for letting us stay in the church’s apartment.

We have enjoyed our stay here in Pierre and we are happy that Josh, Margaret, and Eliza will be living among such generous, loving people.

Very sincerely,

Paul & Jennifer Utecht

Appointment

President Bob Shoup has appointed Marvin Buxcel to a 2-year term on the Board of Trustees. Thanks, Marvin for serving!

Furnace for Free

One of our families has a Lennox G32 series natural gas furnace in good repair purchased in 2001 to give away. It will heat at least an 1,800 square foot home. They are upgrading with a remodel and desire that this furnace would find a new home.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

On Tuesday, August 28, Faith Lutheran Preschool officially begins with our Get Acquainted Nite! It is an exciting time for parents and preschoolers as they register and get 'acquainted' with the facility and staff of our preschool here at Faith. There are three sessions, one for each of the classes, that meet starting at 6:30 PM. It is always exciting to finally meet the face that goes with the name on the preregistration form! Classes start the week after Labor Day.

Once again we are blessed to have three dedicated and experienced staff members to help me share the love of Jesus with little ones. Donna Gohl, Anita Marso and Joyce Solem will be returning to Faith Lutheran Preschool this fall.

We currently have openings in the Monday/ Wednesday/ Friday session and also the Tuesday/Thursday afternoon session. If you know of anyone who would like to enroll their child; please have them call the church office at 224-2216 or me at 224-6574 to enroll. An enrollment form is also available on our website: www.faihluth.com. Tuition for this year remains the same as last year's thanks to your faithful designating of Thrivent Choice Dollars to our preschool. We also purchased a new camera for the classroom. Thank you! Also, I recently sent in the Land O' Lakes milk caps and am expecting a check for \$150.00! Wow! Thank you for being so helpful in saving those caps.

A special thank you to Jay Fredrich for painting the walls and the white toy shelves in the preschool room – they look so nice and bright now! I appreciate Jay's willingness to go above and beyond the regular duties of keeping our room spotless!

Thank you again for the privilege of working with God's precious little ones! I love being able to tell them about the God who created them, loved them enough to die for them, and lives in their hearts today! We are anticipating a wonderful year and are so thankful for your support and prayers. God's blessings to each of you in the family of Faith.

In Christ,

Jan Larson, Director/teacher

BUILDING NEWS

Building Account—Because of your continued generous gifts to the Building Account we have been able this summer to—

- Put the ceiling in the St. Luke/St. John room.
- Put the remainder of the heating and cooling ducts and grills in the Sts. Luke/John room.
- And put the new lights into the ceiling in the Sts. Luke/John room.
- Drop the water suppression system into the ceiling tiles.

At this point, because the room is used for a lot of youth activities, we are not putting carpet in that room.

Debt Retirement Account You are aware that this summer, through the efforts of our Board of Stewardship, the interest rate on the Church Extension Fund was reduced to 4.125% and

- The Repayment Schedule was

reduced from the original 30-year loan to a 20-year loan

- Our monthly payment was reduced to \$5,395.00 from \$5,487.00.

We have now made 76 accelerated payments for a saving of \$328,543.12 in interest.

Due to the shortening of the repayment schedule, it takes more dollars to make an accelerated payment, for example:

- On August 31 we will make our September 1 payment of \$5,395.00, which consists of \$2,408.60 in principal and \$2,986.40 in interest.
- We hope that the gifts to the Retirement Account will help us make at least one additional accelerated payment. If after our regular payment, we are able to send an additional principal payment of \$2,416.88 we will save \$2,978.12 in interest.

So, your gifts to the Debt Retirement Account continue to save us interest while at the same time reducing the principal on our loan.

Blinds for the St. Luke/St. John room We would like to add blinds to the six windows in the Sts. Luke/John room.

It not only looks nice, but breaks the heat and sunlight in the afternoons and evenings.

The Cost of all six blinds is \$667.80. Each window would be \$111.30.

Would you be willing to provide resources for a window, or two? Two are spoken for already. Speak to Pastor Urbach.

The blinds will match the blinds found in the St. Matthew, St. Mark, and St. Paul rooms.





Country Fair

Saturday, Oct. 20 at Faith Lutheran

There are lots of ways you can help us get ready!

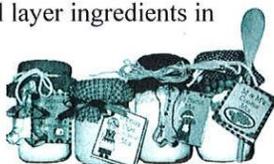
Questions? Talk to Jan Larson (224-6574), Kristy Deal (280-7004) or Donna Leslie (220-1217)

EARLY NEEDS

Recipes in a Jar

Jane Braley - 945-0456 or email jb62155@aol.com

1. **Select a recipe** from the Country Fair table in the Narthex.
2. **Follow the instructions:** you'll layer ingredients in a pint or quart jar as indicated.
3. **Leave the jar** on the Country Fair table by Sun., Sept. 30. We'll do the rest. It's easy!



Gift Baskets

Julie Linn - 280-0175 or email Jrinn@live.com

We will put together about 60 gift baskets suitable for people to purchase as gifts for all types of occasions.

Here are some of the things we need for making gift baskets:

- clean, gently-used small and medium sized **baskets**
- **cups** of all types (including golf and hunting cups)
- **soup mugs**
- small seasonal **serving plates** (about 6 inches across)
- **kitchen utensils**, particularly wooden spoons, ladles, measuring cups, measuring spoons, and spatulas
- **cloth linens:** potholders, dish towels, napkins, placemats
- **napkin rings**
- **baby / toddler items** such as matching cup and bowl, rattles, small toys, coloring books, crayons
- decorative **memo pads & notepads**
- **wire ribbon** in all colors - solids and patterns
- **shredded raffia** (plastic Easter basket grass is not needed)
- clear **cellophane wrap**
- **tissue paper** in all colors
- individual packets of **flavored coffees, teas, hot chocolate**
- **miniature candy bars & wrapped hard candy**

Note: Leave in the coat closet in the Narthex by Fri., Oct. 12. Label items "For Baskets".

PLAN TO BRING

Crafts

All kinds of arts and crafts are needed. Place in the coat closet in the Nathex and label "Crafts". (It is helpful if you place a suggested price on the items).

Jelly - Sauces - Produce

The Produce Booth can use all kinds of homegrown produce, plus canned goods. **Some of the popular items are:**

- Jelly & jam
- Fruit sauces
- Piccalilli
- Apple butter
- Dilly beans
- Honey
- Pickles / relish
- Spaghetti sauce
- Salsa



Baked Goods - Candy

Make treats now, LABEL, and freeze. Hot sellers include:

- Pies pies pies
- Fudge - all flavors
- Divinity
- Cookies galore
- Popcorn balls
- Toffee
- Bars of all types
- Peanut brittle
- Turtles
- Breads
- Caramel apples
- And more!

Antiques - Collectibles - Used Household Items

Cleaning out at home? Our **Antiques & Collectibles Booth** sells collectible figurines, toys and antiques. Please label them "Collectibles". Include your name and suggested price if possible. The **Grandma's Attic Booth** sells used home decor, jewelry, tools, dishes, kitchen utensils, seasonal items, plants, and wall hangings. (No clothing, please). Leave in the coat closet in the Narthex - mark it "Attic".

Country Fair Dates

- Sun., Sept. 30:** Deadline to turn in recipes in a jar
- Fri., Oct. 12:** Deadline to drop off gift basket items
- Sat., Oct. 13:** Gift basket assembly (9 a.m.)
- Fri., Oct. 19:** Set-up / drop off baked goods, candy, etc.
- Sat., Oct. 20:** Country Fair!

Christian Life

2012 Fall Workshops!



Blessings of Holy Communion

- ◆ Friday, Sept. 7
Faith, Pierre
- ◆ Saturday, Sept. 8
Zion, Rapid City
- ◆ Friday, Sept. 21
Our Savior's, Aberdeen
- ◆ Saturday, Sept 22
Faith, Sioux Falls

**The LWML
South Dakota District is
pleased to invite you to our
2012 Fall Workshops.**

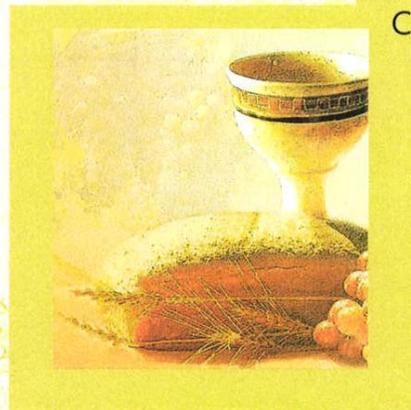
The Rev. Randy Sturzenbecher,
Divine Shepherd, Black Hawk
presents the
Blessings of Holy Communion.

- ✦ God's people love to eat and drink.
- ✦ God's people have an insatiable appetite
- ✦ God's invitation to the wedding feast.

Registration begins
at 9:30 a.m. for all
events.

Opening begins at
10 a.m.

Closing at 3 p.m.



FOREVER YOUNG

September 18

That's the third Tuesday

High Noon



We invite our retired and semi-retired members to an enjoyable hour of food, chatter, birthday greetings, and four fast rounds of Bingo!

On the Campus

Perhaps you noticed the two new red rose bushes on Grand Avenue just across from the Memorial Garden. These are a kind gift from Pauline Votteler in memory of her husband Vince.



Thanks Pauline for the added color and beauty to our Campus.

Official Acts

Baptisms

Jamie Lee Rolf 08/03/12

Kaleb Shane Rolf 08/03/12

Christian Alan Stanley 08/19/12

Abigail Marie Stanley 08/19/12

Weddings

Brandon Lounsbury & Jamie Rolf 08/04/12

Erin Titze & Jamey Herr 08/18/12

Funerals

Lydia Thorn 6/26/2012

Henry Gramm 08/07/12

UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY

Our Sunday Morning Bible Class—Our Sunday Morning Bible class this fall will be led by one of our Pastor's each week, and will be centered around the film: *Life at the Back Fence*, written and produced by singer and songwriter Don Wharton. Based on a true story, *Life at the Back Fence* is the common man's journey of faith. Its simple, snappy, and moving dialogue is sure to touch the emotions of a wide range of audiences and spur discussions on several worthwhile topics that are helpful in our relationships with others and in our Christian walk. Our Sunday Morning class meets in between services in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45. The 40 minute movie: *Life at the Back Fence* will be shown Sunday, September 9th, and again a viewing opportunity will take place on Rally Day--Sunday, September 16th. Five discussion sessions will follow in the coming weeks, and will focus on one of the particular scenes of the film which will be viewed at each class. _____

Wilderness Wanderings--Lifelight Class--Lifelight Bible studies seek to provide an in-depth study of the Scriptures and an inside look into the wanderings of Israel in those desert years. What really went on in the desert for those forty years? What was God's plan through that process? How did God lead, shape, and mold His people through tough times in the wilderness? What does God teach us through the Wilderness Wanderings the Israelites went through and through our own? Come find out! The contact for this class is Marv Schweigert 224-5133. Meets Sundays at Church 6:30 PM begins Sept. 16th. _____

MONDAY

Monday Afternoon Women's Study--"*Great Women of the Bible*" - Starting Monday, Sept. 24th, this class meets at 1:30 PM at the church and is led by Karen Lindbloom. In this Bible study, participants will learn about many of the great women God shows us in His Word by studying their weaknesses and strengths, trials and triumphs, but we will especially see God in His abundant grace as He forgives, sustains, and inspires. If you would like to see if this class is a good fit for you, contact Karen (224-5292). _____

WEDNESDAY

The Heart of Jesus--Ladies Study--This class meets at church on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM. "Meet" and study the women who spoke with Jesus, were healed by Him, grieved at His cross, and rejoiced at His empty tomb. This class can be joined at any time and goes for 6 weeks in the fall with a break during the cold winter months resuming again in April for 6 more weeks. The fall dates for this study are: September 19th and the 26th and the first 4 Wednesdays in October. The study kicks off again after Easter on Wednesday April 3rd for the following 6 weeks. Contact Ruth Leidholt (945-1211) or Freda Peters (224-7654) for more information. _____

Wednesday Morning Men's Study--"*Game Plan for Life Part I*" - Join Pastor Baumann and other men from the congregation this fall for Men's Morning Bible study as we take a look at Part I of this exciting study organized and laid out by former NFL coach Joe Gibbs. "Men doing Bible study? Challenging, for sure. But this study, perfect for the average Joe, could easily change that. The coach of the three-time Super-Bowl-winning Washington Redskins and leader of the three-time NASCAR Cup champion Joe Gibbs Racing helps men discover key principals vital to living a victorious life." Meets Wednesday morning at 7:00 am, and for breakfast at 6:30 on the 1st Wednesday of the Month. Starts Sept. 19th. _____

Wednesday In-Home Bible Study—This study meets in homes starting with Bob Miller's home on Sept. 26th at 6:30pm. Join this group for an excellent way to get to know others, for great discussion, and for the opportunity to encourage and be encouraged by others to read the Word of God and explore various topics of the Bible. If you are interested, please contact Bob Miller 224-9955. _____

THURSDAY

Beth Moore Women's Bible Study on Daniel—This exciting class will begin on Sept. 20th and will meet at the church Thursday nights from 6:30-8:30. The first six weeks will run through Oct. 25th. The class will take the month of December off for the Holidays and for travel, and will pick back up again on Jan 10th continuing through February. The study is entitled: "*Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy*" and is an in-depth study for women to take part in by addressing ways to live with integrity in an increasingly difficult world. This Bible study provides helpful insights from the Scriptures and from the book of Daniel on how to remain faithful to God through all the choices that are out there. The first portion, from Daniel chapters 1-6, deals with Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today. Daniel models how to develop enduring integrity in an enticing world. The second portion, chapters 7-12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Jesus Christ. This is a 13 week study including the introduction. _____

Adult Inquires Class--A wonderful class for all that covers the basic teachings of our church and helps you understand what makes us Christian and specifically Lutheran as well. This is an especially important class for those who are new with us and who would desire to become a part of our Faith Family. This class meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00 beginning October 11th. Contact Pastor Urbach for details (224-2216) _____

SATURDAY

For youth and parents of our 2nd-8th graders. This will cover the basic teachings of the Lord's Supper and prepare youth to begin receiving the Lord's Supper. The class meets Saturday, October 6th from 9:00-12:00 and then again Saturday, October 13th from 9:00-10:30. Contact the church office (224-2216) to sign up or for more information. _____

NAME _____

PHONE _____

Faith Luth. Youth Corner

Upcoming September Youth Events

~ **Midweek Parent's Informational Meeting Sept. 12th @ 6:30 pm** in the church sanctuary. Parent's of children in Midweek grades 2-8 are invited and strongly encouraged to join Pastor Urbach and Pastor Baumann for a brief evening of fellowship and introductions to Midweek.

We will:

- review materials
- layout Confirmation expectations
- meet one another
- answer questions
- see facilities
- be united in common purpose and goal for Jesus

~ **Parent's Informational Meeting Sept. 12th @ 8:00 pm** for any parent with high school age students interested in going to the National Youth Gathering in San Antonio.

~ **JYM 6th-8th Grade Lock-In Friday September 21st** – Join us for a lock-in here at Faith Lutheran with fun, food, friends, Christ, and oh yes... lots of games as well!!? Pastor Baumann would love for any 6-8th grade middle school students from the congregation, along with their friends, to come for a great night of activity and fun here at the church. Mark your calendars for Friday night **September 21st – Saturday morning September 22nd** for a lock-in from **7 pm-7 am**. Come for all, or for only part of the evening.

~ **DON'T MISS RALLY DAY!**

-Sunday Sept 16th– 2nd Gr. Bibles Presented, Mid-Morning Pancake Feed and free-will offering to support youth going to the National Youth Gathering, Noon Taco Fiesta, Games in Pastor Urbach's Back Yard, and more!

Acolytes

A reminder that **all** kids from 9th-12th grade are on the Acolyte list . Please check this schedule throughout the year. If you want to give Pastor Baumann your preference for which service, or if you need to be removed from being scheduled contact the church office at 224-2216. **Also a reminder that if you can't make it to the service assigned, switch with someone and let the office know.** It is also helpful if Pastor Baumann has your cell phone number to give you a reminder, you can call 224-2216 or email baumannj@csl.edu or faith@faithluth.com so that we can update our records. Thanks!

September Schedule

September 2

Early: Jordain Rathbun, Kaci Deal

Late: Faith Kongslie, Julia Jares

September 9

Early: Jessica Chambers, Ethan Leif

Late: Molly Tschetter, Cade Larson

September 16

Early: Brooklyn Voeltz, Nicole Smith

Late: Tanner Monfore, Dawson Monfore

September 23

Early: Colton Shoop, Connor Shoop

Late: Megan Arneson, Whitney King

September 30

Early: Devin Kampfe, Wyatt Loesch

Late: Halie Dunn, Hanna Dunn



Camp Minneboji

A big thanks to our drivers; they were Kevin & Nicki Axtell, Toni Kenefick-Aschoff and Alison Jares.

All who went:

Alyssa Bump went as a counselor, and our Campers were Cassandra & Sammie Axtell, Emily Haberling, Julia & Jesse Jares, Abby Keith, Haven & Burkelee Kenefick-Aschoff, SaVan-

nah Loesch, Brook Miller, Kailee Schultz and Kassie Tronvold.

Julia & Haven attended their last year of camp as Honors Campers and had a great time.

We have been sending youth to Camp Minneboji since 1975. Next year's dates:

June 16-22, 2013