

714 N Grand Avenue

Pierre, SD 57501



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

# October 2017 Newsletter

## 2017 LWML Country Fair

**October 21, 2017**

**9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

The annual Country Fair will be held at Faith Lutheran Church Saturday, October 15th from 9 am to 1:00 pm.

The annual bazaar will feature a variety of booths, including crafts, baked goods, produce, collectibles, candy, gift baskets, a "Grandma's Attic" booth featuring used household items, religious cards and gifts, and activities for kids.

In addition, caramel rolls and pie will be served in the morning, and soup, sandwiches and pie will be served for lunch. To-go containers will be

available.

Money raised from the Country Fair is used to help fund not only with programs and projects within the church, but also supports local, regional and national organizations. This year, funds raised at the bazaar will be given to:

### National

POBLO (People Of the Book Lutheran Outreach)

Lutheran Hour Broadcast Ministry

### District

Rosebud Ministry—Pastor Utecht

Main Street Living Broadcast on Sunday mornings

### Local

Pierre Fire Dept. (Smoke Detector Project)  
Meals on Wheels

### In House

Funds for New Audio Visual System in the Sanctuary

Office needs

Hong Kong mission trip sponsorships

Faith Circle Goodie Box Postage

Daycare needs

Ceiling mounted Projectors in classrooms

Transit rides for members who can no



## Trunk or Treat

**October 31, 2017**

**6:00-7:15 p.m.**

Holding a Trunk 'N' Treat Halloween activity is a great way to keep Halloween safe.

It's when several families get together at the church, park their cars in the parking lot, open up the trunks of their cars, and kids come around to each car to Trunk 'N' Treat instead of going house to house to Trick-or-Treat.

Treats, warm cider, hot chocolate and coffee provided by our LYF youth. A well lit area for our Trunk 'N' Treaters, and restrooms available!

We need 30 families to serve as Host Trunks.

We ask our host families to provide 500 pieces of candy, our Board of Missions and Evangelism will supply the rest.



*"Thus Far Has the Lord Helped Us." 1 Samuel 7:12*



<sup>28</sup> For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

October 31, 1517 is an important day for Lutherans. History says that on that day, Martin Luther nailed 95 theses or disputes on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, the location of the University at which he taught. The theses were written against the teachings of indulgences, purgatory, and other beliefs and practices of the church that were inconsistent with the clear teaching of the Bible. As a pastor of Wittenberg's City Church, Luther was concerned about the large number of believers who no longer came to confession and would justify this with the "indulgence" that they purchased. Indulgences, slips of paper sold by officials of the church and signed by the pope, granted God's forgiveness of sins and reduced time in purgatory for the purchaser. In short, the church was selling God's gift of forgiveness of sins that was intended to be free!

Luther's resistance to the practice of indulgences and others was seen as a threat by the leaders of the church and led many in the church at the time to disagree with him. Eventually, the church labeled him as a heretic and excommunicated him. As a result, Luther took his reform movement outside of the church in order to preserve the true teachings of Scripture.

Luther's Reformation movement produced several "pillars" upon which the church is founded. These pillars are as follows:

**Grace alone**—At the center of the Christian faith is the assurance that salvation is based on the free gift of God. Though we are sinners, disobedient children, deserving of God's wrath and anger; God gives us the riches of his love and forgiveness.

**Faith alone**—God's gift of grace is received through faith in His beloved Son, Jesus. When it comes to our relationship with God, our good deeds are powerless. Instead, we do good deeds because God, in love, has established a relationship with us. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Eph 2:8-9) This teaching distinguishes Christianity from all other world religions.



Whereas other religions point to what we have to do in order to be made right with God; only Christianity points to what Jesus has done for us to make us right with God.

**Scripture alone**—The Bible is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. It alone is the source of what we believe, teach and confess in the Christian church.

**Christ alone**—*This final pillar, although not clearly stated, is inherent in Luther's theology.* Our salvation rests solely on the person of and work of Jesus Christ. This teaching makes Christianity both inclusive (anyone can believe) and exclusive (only those who trust in Jesus are saved). "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (3:16) Jesus is the only way to the Father (John 14:6).

This month we will celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Several events are being planned to celebrate this monumental event. As a precursor to our observances, during the month of October, I encourage you to take some time to remember Reformation Day and the core teachings of Christianity that were preserved by God through Martin Luther. But most especially, be comforted by the fact

that God continues to work through particular people in particular places to turn people from sin and error so that they might flee for refuge and safety in Jesus Christ alone. Take solace in the truth that God continues to curb us from sin and error and preserve our life in Christ alone through his holy Word and Sacraments. As Luther said in stanza two of his famous hymn, *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*: "For us fights the valiant one, whom God himself elected. Ask ye, who is this? Jesus Christ it is, of *sabaoth* Lord. And there's none other God; he holds the field forever."

A blessed Reformation to you!

In Service to Christ and Neighbor,

*Pastor Coy T. Pji*

# A Message from Pastor Baumann

Psalm 34:1 *"I will extol the LORD at all times; His praise will always be on my lips."*

God's people are a people of praise—praise for God and for all of His wonderful works, especially that great work of salvation won for His by Jesus on the cross and by way of the empty Easter tomb. Because we are a people of praise, God's people take a posture of praise. In Sunday worship and in daily life, we use our bodies to proclaim our praise and love for God our Creator, our love for our neighbor, and our love for Christ our merciful Savior. What posture does your life take on each and every day in response to God's love? Is yours a posture of indifference, ho-hum, so what? If so, I challenge you to move from the arms-crossed Christianity to the arms in action and hands in service posture. Is your posture facing away from God and heading in a different direction like that of Jonah? Then I pray the words of the Prophet Joel for you in Joel 2:12, *"Even now, declares the LORD, 'return to me*

*with all your heart...'"* As we journey into fall, now is the perfect time to get back into the posture of praise with Sunday worship at 8:20 or 11, Sunday School at 9:45, Midweek Wed. at 6:30, Adult Bible Classes, Choir, Hand bells, Circles, L.Y.F., board meetings, personal prayer and daily devotional life, pure language, Godly control of your bodies, marriages that honor and glorify God, etc. We are a people of praise who carry a posture of praise in our daily life in order that we may proclaim God's praise and the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

Other great opportunities to note are:

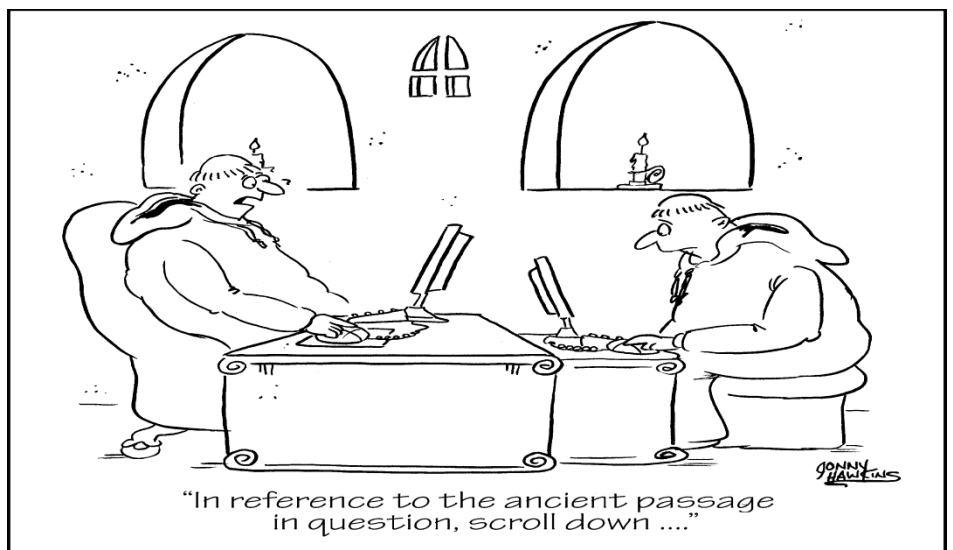
- ◆ A Family fun night at

Mike and Angie Roman's farm (20115 302 Ave) on Friday Night Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm;

- ◆ Trunk n' Treat which is Tuesday Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 -7:15 p.m.
- ◆ Children's Christmas programs are Sunday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> N-3 at 9:45 am and 4-8 at 11:00 am.
- ◆ Aquatic Center Party on Dec. 13 from 6:45-7:45.
- ◆ Friendship Sunday, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in February.
- ◆ Mother's Day Midweek singing is May 13<sup>th</sup> at

*Pastor Josh Baumann*

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# WELCOME HOME!

*“But in keeping with his promise, we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.” 2 Peter 3:13*

This is the time of year – late September or early October – that annual homecoming festivities and celebrations take place, most often in schools and universities. Homecoming traditionally involves the arrival of the school’s football team’s first home game after being on the road. The school is supposed to herald them back with a big parade and spectacles galore. Alumni are also welcomed back and during this week of celebration, every grade level takes part in all kinds of friendly rivalry to show their school spirit. The ballyhoo culminates in a collective tailgating party, followed by the big game and formal dance. As a student, both in high school and college, I loved homecoming. Its true meaning was about remembering good times and recalling “glory days” with good people; celebrating the past. Coming home.

I’ve heard the phrase, “you can’t go home again,” and thought about its meaning. I grew up in a small farming community in Minnesota. In fact, I just returned from a short visit. My parents still live in the house I was raised in, and all the homes in the neighborhood are still there – even the maple tree in our front yard that turned a vivid red in the fall and dropped its leaves on the drive-

way. Some of the town’s businesses are still there and in the same place – the bank, the drug store and Dick’s Standard; all the churches remain. But much has changed – the creamery is gone, as is the bakery and two car dealerships. City Hall and the fire station have been rebuilt in new locations; the old hospital is now a nursing home. Different families live in our neighborhood. The elementary school building has doubled in size; the old high school with the WPA gym (where the band belted the fight song from the stage and the student body raised a deafening roar by stomping in the balcony) has given way to a sleek modern building with shiny lockers, more classrooms, a larger gym and a brand new media center.

But... it’s still home. Home is a place where one lives permanently as a member of the household. As long as Mom and Dad are still alive, home will be Parkers Prairie. Once they’re gone, it will never be the same. All my living relatives have scattered. Whether or not you want it to, time marches on. Even if you want things to stay the same, people change, your circumstances change. Time doesn’t stand still in the places you leave behind. We don’t return to those same experiences of how life used to be.

We can have fond memories of the past, but they will pale in comparison to our heavenly home. There will come a time when our

mourning here on our earthly home will give way to morning of that Eternal Day. It will be such a contrast to what has occurred here on earth. Our permanent residence will be a perfectly pure, eternal abiding place where we will meet our Creator face to face, and be reunited with all the saints who have gone before us. Truly home.

Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee?

When shall my sorrows have an end?  
Thy joys when shall I see?

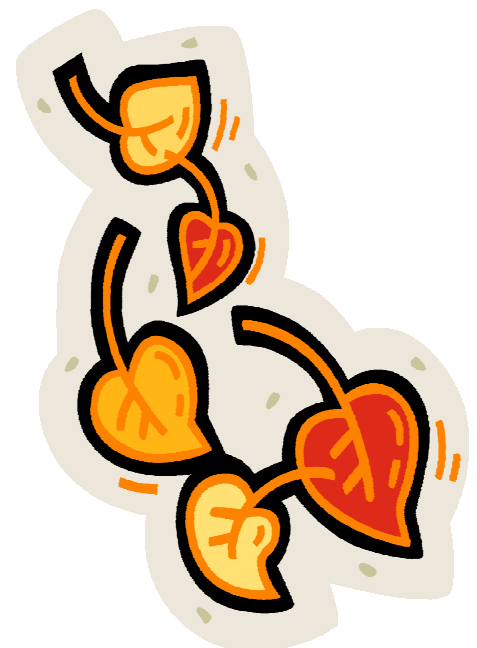
O happy harbor of the saints, O sweet  
and pleasant soil!

In thee no sorrow may be found, no  
grief, no care, no toil.

Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
around my Savior stand;

And soon my friends in Christ below  
will join the glorious band.

O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare for  
that bright home of love



## WITH A VOICE OF SINGING!

Declare ye this and let it be heard!

Alleluia!

Calling all singers!

Faith Choir has already begun rehearsals. Please consider joining an integral part of the worship experience. Faith Choir is one of our congregation's longest ongoing groups. Choir is a great outlet for using one's talent, connecting with friends, improving your physical and vocal health, plus reaping spiritual and musical rewards.

Feel free to come any Tuesday, 6:30 pm, in the sanctuary.



Add your voice to our song!

## CON BRIO BELLS

Bell Choir will also be starting up shortly. This ensemble rings about four or five times throughout the church year, and rehearses about three weeks prior to the appointed worship service. In other words – we are episodic!



Our members ring a three-octave set of Schulmerich hand bells, and on occasion, a set of hand chimes, and sometimes utilize percussion.

WE ARE IN NEED OF NEW MEMBERS and desire to have a pool of 14 - 15 ringers. Reading and understanding music and rhythmic notation is a must.

We will be practicing the first three Wednesday evenings of October, 4, 11, and 18 at 5:30 p.m.

## Adult Inquirers 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 from 6:45 to 8:00 beginning September 21 in the St. Matthew room of the Christian Family Life Center.

Contact Pastor Baumann for details (224-2216)

## LWML



Will be having our Pierre Zone Fall meeting on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm at Holy Cross Church in Onida. Treats and beverages will be served. Please consider attending the meeting.



**TIME: 6:00PM  
SATURDAY CONCERT**

**AND/OR**

**3:00PM SUNDAY REFORMATION  
WORSHIP**

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JOIN US FOR...

Mariachi San Pablo  
IN CONCERT & IN WORSHIP

**FREE ADMISSION!**  
**DATE: SAT., OCT. 28<sup>TH</sup>**  
**& SUN., OCT. 29<sup>TH</sup>**

# Preschool News

We are off again to a great year at preschool. Praise the Lord! This year, we have many younger children in the program and they are keeping us busy! During the month of October, we will have community helpers visit – most of these are parents of the preschoolers. We are also studying the color orange, the number 2, the letters DEF and the circle. Our Bible stories are about God’s helpers in the Old Testament era.

Throughout this year, we will be using a nutrition unit called “Chef Combo” – who happens to be a puppet that is a chef. We will be borrowing a unit from the Cultural Heritage Center about Plains Indians and learning about their heritage! This kit is wonderful and the children really enjoy learning about different walks of life.

We do not have the children

wear their costumes for Halloween, but we do have a fun time hearing how they are going to dress for Trick or Treating. Please come to Faith Lutheran for a safe, fun parking lot Trunk ‘N’ Treat event October 31 from 6:00-7:15 pm.

We are saving Dakotamart receipts. Thank you for your support on this project.

Fall is in the air –and we have had a great month in Preschool and are looking forward to the whole year. Enjoy these times with your children! We are certainly enjoying them at

## FLC Daycare News

Greetings, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, from Faith Lutheran Daycare! Fall is in full swing here at Faith Lutheran Daycare! We have been blessed with beautiful weather that lets us go outside in the mornings and the afternoons. The children and staff are excited about the change in

weather and in awe of all the colors that surround us this time of year.



This month in our Bible stories we will cover Isaac’s Blessing, Jacob’s

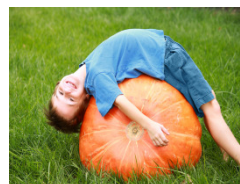
Dream, Jacob and Esau Meet Again, and Joseph’s Colorful Robe. The children really seem to be learning a lot and understand so much when we break things down to their level. Our main goal is trying to teach them that the Bible is the word of God and that

it applies to each one of us.

We are excited for Halloween and the Trunk ‘N’ Treat here at the church! We will be having our own Halloween party here at daycare on Tuesday, October 31 from 3pm-5:30pm. The children, staff, and visitors are encouraged to dress up and bring spooky fun snacks for the party. Please let Jen or Deb know if you would be interested in being involved in the activities.

Daycare can always use donations of items such as Kleenex, baby wipes, craft items, and paper. If you ever want to donate anything you are welcome to drop things off at the **daycare office** anytime.

Your friend in Christ,



## Reformation Day

## Forever Young



### POTLUCK DINNER FOR SENIORS

So, you're retired and want to hang out with some terrific people—then, “Forever Young,” is for you.

Join us every third Thursday of the month at 12:00 noon!

October 19, we will have our regular potluck meal. Bring whatever you would like.

Then, our November 16 get-together will be our Thanksgiving Dinner. Turkey, dressing, and mashed potatoes & gravy will be furnished. Please



## Men's Fellowship

Our Men's Fellowship will meet on the first Monday of October, the 2nd, at 7:00 pm.

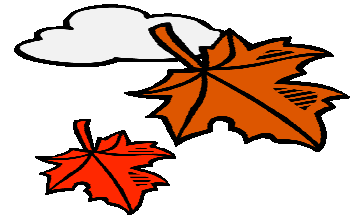
We will enjoy an evening of Dartball. Beverage will be provided, bring a snack to share!

Come for a time of devo-



tion and sharing.

## People of the Bible Lutheran Outreach



## Debt Retirement

Once again—your gifts to Debt Retirement made it possible for us to make an additional Debt Retirement payment.

Thus Far—

- We have made 187 advance payments
- We have saved \$584,084.00 in interest
- Our balance on our \$1,000,000 loan has been reduced to \$238,346.52

We have now saved more on interest than what our principal balance is.

Remarkable! We started accelerated payments immediately with our first payment on July 1, 2010.

Yes, you see correctly, we have saved



Ways you can help us prepare for

# Country Fair

Saturday October 21st

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Theme:

"Leaves are Falling, Autumn is Calling"

## PLAN TO BRING

- Baked Goods (bars, cookies, breads, etc.)
- Fudge & All Kinds of Candy (LOTS of it)
- Crafts/Pottery/Homemade Jewelry/Knitted & Crocheted Items/Items Made of Wood/Weavings
- Jellies & Jams (they are popular, and we need a LOT of them)
- Canned Goods, Salsa, Sauces (salsa sells out quickly!)
- Homegrown Produce & Honey
- Collectibles & Small Antiques
- Gently Used Household Items
- PIES PIES PIES!!!



## SIGN UP TO HELP

We need a LOT of help in the booths. Sign up to help for just a couple of hours, or for the entire event. Why not ask a friend to join you working in a booth? Sign up sheets are on the Country Fair table in the Narthex.

Stop at the Country Fair table in the Narthex:

- For ideas on what to make
- To sign up to bring pies
- To volunteer to help at this fun event



Questions? Talk to Kristy Deal (280-7004)



# FLC YOUTH PAGE

**\*Reminder\*** 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade midweek students should be completing sermon outlines – 12 are required for 7<sup>th</sup> graders, 15 are required for 8<sup>th</sup> graders if 12 were completed while in 7<sup>th</sup> grade, if 7<sup>th</sup> grade obligation was not met, then 20 are required for 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

Join us for **FAMILY FUN NIGHT** Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at Mike and Angie Roman’s house from 6:00 to 9:30. Come and go as you desire. There will be hay wagon and horse rides, a pumpkin carving and decorating contest (bring your own pumpkin!) a campfire, hot dogs roasted on the fire, drinks, snacks, a devotion led by pastor Baumann, a chance to see the Roman’s Camel and more! Open to the congregation and especially to kids and families. Please sign up on the back table in the Narthex so we have a count on how many to expect. Address and location will be listed on the sign up on the back table of the Narthex of the church.



## October 1

Early: Andrew Axdahl, Jonathan Geuther  
Late: Chloe Kaiser, Jesse Jares

## October 8

Early: Cassandra Ryckman, Maria Noyes  
Late: Kamden Carter, Kaycee Carter

## October 15

Early: Nathan Shoup, Carson Tschetter  
Late: Kassie Tronvold, Kenzie Trujillo



## October 22 (Sunday School Sings at 11 o'clock)

Early: Ladd Kramme, Lane Kramme  
Late: Becca Norris, Bailey Siebrasse

## October 29

Early: Cassidy Miller, Paige Brandt  
Late: Kailee Schultz, Christopher Schultz



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**Trunk ‘N’ Treat!** All youth of the community are invited to attend a family friendly *Trunk ‘n’ Treat* activity at Faith Lutheran Church parking lot from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Dress up in your best

costume. We hope you will join us. Our high school youth will be serving warm beverages. Any families who might be able to donate their trunks for this time, and 500 pieces of candy, are encouraged to sign up on the back table in the Narthex. Thank you so very much in advance for providing a safe, friendly activity for our community on the church campus.

**Sunday School and Midweek Children’s Christmas programs** are going to be Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> with the Nursery – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade program taking place at 9:45 and the 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade program at 11 o’clock on the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup>. Christmas program dress rehears-

als will be Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. for Nursery – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade last-  
ing until



10:45, and 11:00 am for 4-8<sup>th</sup> grades lasting until about 12:30 p.m.

**\*Reminder\*** Our Nursery through 4th grade Sunday School youth will be singing at the 11