ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 4 – EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Today we focus on Psalm 100, a psalm of thanksgiving. Sometimes we drift into thinking that our lives are entirely our own-that we have made ourselves into who we are today. Solomon in Ecclesiastes reminds us that this way of thinking is nothing but vanity. The Gospel tells the story of a rich man quite pleased with his own accomplishments; God then requires his life, and all his accomplishments are for naught. But there is an entirely different way of thinking available to us through Christ: know that God is God. When we acknowledge that God made us and what God has done for us, then we are drawn away from sin and evil. And we are drawn toward thanksgiving. When we know God and what God has done for us in Jesus, then our focus is turned from ourselves and toward giving thanks to God.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name! Psalm 100:4

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 Eighth 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

Before Early Service Vern & Janice Dockter Eldon & Betty Lindquist

invite you to make Faith your church home. Greeting you this morning: **After Early Service** Harlan & Verna Fransen John & Carlene Barber

Before Late Service Harry & Sage Briggs David & Luann Zuercher

Preaching this morning is Reverend Samuel Handschke, our Associate Pastor. Reverend Cory Rajek, our Senior Pastor, is our Liturgist.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 8:20 service this Sunday. 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 and sign the Record of Fellowship pad so that complete records may be kept. Thank you.



Guest Book Greeters

Early: Jody Leibel

Late: Lurene Denke

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., July 28, Att. 277; General Fund \$8,765.20; Building Fund \$635.00 (Debt Retirement \$635.00); Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Circuit Bible Camp \$330.00; Mexico Mission Trip \$500.00; Memorial in memory of Royce Loesch \$100.00.

BUILDING NEWS

Thank you for your continued gifts to our Building Fund – We thank you for your gifts last weekend to the Building Fund of \$635.00. The gifts were designated as follows:

The Debt Retirement Account: \$635.00 The Building Fund Account: \$0.00

Men's Softball League Come take in our Friday night games. We are back to our regular Friday night games. Our games this Friday night (Aug. 9) are at 7:00 pm on Field B and 8:00 pm on Field A. Our players really enjoy the support! Thank you to those who come to cheer us on!



Attention LWML members: We are now making the minutes for the LWML meetings available before the monthly meeting so that you can have time to look them over ahead of time. If you want to have them sent to your email address, please contact Loretta Jochim with your contact information at jochim@pie.midco.net. They will still be printed for reading at the meeting.

Walk of Hope Coming Together for Suicide Prevention Saturday, September 14, 2019 Capitol Lake Visitors Center Check-in 8:15 a.m. Walk starts at 9:00 a.m. All proceeds support regional mental health awareness and suicide prevention. Remembrance Ceremony will take place immediately after the walk. Register at AveraStMarysFoundation.org or call 605-224-3451.

Lutherans For Life of SD, Inc. will sponsor up to eight young people (ages 14 to 35) to attend the Lutherans For Life Regional Conference. This one day Conference will be held in Rochester MN on Saturday, September 14. Transportation, lodging and registration will be paid. Applicants will be taken on a first come - first served basis. For more information, contact Jill Johnsen at jjohns8@yahoo.com or 605-354-0147 or 605-458-2670.

FLC Women's Fun Night The LWML will be hosting the annual August Fun Night this year on Monday, August 12th at 7:00 in the Faith Lutheran Gym. The speaker this year will be Belinda Joe from Fort Thompson. She is an educator, presenter and visionary with the Dakota Hunkpati Kunci-uci or Grandmother society which promotes awareness and understanding of her culture. There is no sign up; coffee and dessert will follow the presentation. Please plan on attending and bringing a friend.

Main Street Living New schedule not received as of this printing.

Life Quotes "[L]et us consider how we can encourage one another, how we can help one another in these times in which we are overcome, how we can spur one another on to love and to good works, how we can gather together, not neglecting one another in meeting together but instead gathering in the presence of God, encouraging one another as we wait for that Day to finally appear." *Rev. Dr. Tony Cook, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *www.lutheransforlife.org*

Today: Aug. 4

8:20 am Communion
9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship
1:00 am Worship
1:30 pm Maryhouse Chapel
2:30 pm Aventara (Pierre Care & Rehab.) Chapel
5:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship
6:15 pm Board of Education
7:00 pm Board of Elders
7:30 pm Board of Missions
Mon: Aug. 5
7:00 pm Men's Fellowship
Tues: Aug. 6
8:25 am Staff Devotions
5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball
6:15 pm Board of Property Management

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Wed: Aug. 7 8:00 pm LYF Thurs: Aug. 8 8:25 am Staff Devotions 5:30 pm Board of Early Childhood Education Fri: Aug. 9 7:00 pm Men's Softball-Field B 8:00 pm Men's Softball-Field A Sun: Aug. 11 8:20 am Worship 11:00 am Communion



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

Acolytes for Sunday

August 4

Early: Jayden Nickerson and Kaylie Rathbun Late: Joshua Ryckman and Daysen Titze

August 11

Early: Drew Schuchard and Brilie Schulz Late: Shelby Roman and Michael VanDeWiele

August 18

Early: Hannah Schochenmaier and Chris Schultz Late: Ellie Smith and

August 25 Early: Deni Zeeb and Gracie Zeeb Late: Taylor Warriner and Samantha Zeltinger

* 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.

Introducing to you the Chi-Ro House: Chi-ro is the first 3 letters of Christ (in Greek). The early church used it as a symbol to identify other Christians during a time of persecution. The symbol is on my clergy ring. Looks like an "x" and "p". Pastor.

The Chi-ro house (house apt across the street) will offer a place to go after school for 8th-12th grade kids. WE NEED YOUR HELP! Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex. Please be in prayer about where you can help. For more information contact a member of the Mission Board.

The next work-day will be August 12 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. We appreciate all who are willing to help!

Confirmation Retreat *The Christian Conscience* August 9-10, 2019 Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church and School, Black Hawk, SD. We will explore the Biblical teaching of the conscience, what affects it, what hurts it, and how the Lord Jesus intends to give us a clean, clear, good and joyful conscience through the Gospel. The cost is \$40, which Faith will scholarship for each attendee. The cost covers all Friday night snacks, Saturday breakfast, lunch and snacks, all presentations and activities, and overnight lodging at Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church. This retreat is intended for confirmation youth, so any youth entering into or currently in confirmation are welcome no matter the age or grade (5th-8th grade).

Higher Things is a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Its mission is to help parents, pastors, and congregations promote a Lutheran identity among youth.

