

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2 – THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



AS WE GATHER We consider today Jesus’ incarnation and presentation in the temple. As Jesus comes down from heaven, the world will never be the same. The Word becomes flesh and dwells among us, changing the world and us. As you listen and sing of God’s salvation this day, consider God’s transformative power. Nothing is too big for Him. He transforms us from sin to forgiveness, and He transforms us again today.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. . . . He took Jesus up in his arms and blessed God. Luke 2:25, 28

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 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany! 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. Greeting you this morning:



Before Early Service

After Early Service

Before Late Service

Guest Book Greeters

Eldon & Betty Lindquist

Bill & Liz Markley

Tom & Jackie Smith

Early: Donna Gohl

Freda Peters

Late: Laurie Schultz

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



First Sunday of the Month Fellowship Join us for coffee and goodies in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a combination 1st Sunday/New Member Reception. We thank the ladies of the Altar Guild for hosting our gathering today.

New Members Jon Winkler, Matthew & Stacy Cwach & Joseph, Jim & Jan Johnson, Richard & Mauna Wipf, Cory & Angela Schwartz, Zach & Hannah Buchmann & Gabriel & Marcus, Megan Schaap and Josh Boyle.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., Jan. 26, Att. 337; General Fund \$10,497.08; Building Fund \$55.00; Sunday School \$10.92; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; SD District LCMS Financial Aid to Daycare Families \$3,000.00; Bible Study \$40.00; Memorials for Shirley Douglas Vander Laan and Tillie Scott \$200.00.



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Souper Bowl Sunday



Souper Bowl Meal Today, February 2nd brings our Friendship Sunday, New Member welcome and our Souper Bowl Meal. Invite someone to come to church with you today and then stay or come back for our Souper Bowl Meal at noon. Soup will be provided. Members are asked to bring desserts and salads.

Women’s Fellowship Opportunities Mary/Martha Circle would like to extend an invitation to the women of Faith to sign up for one of the following groups.

1) Afternoon Devotional Coffee; 2) Barre/Low Impact exercise @ Cronin Studio; 3) Faith Gardeners; and 4) Bunko Card group. Our goal is to promote friendships through common interests. **Sign up lists are on the large bulletin board outside the Grand Avenue side sanctuary doors.** You will be contacted if enough interest is shown, and meeting times can be arranged. In Friendship, Mary/Martha Circle

Offering Envelopes If you have been coming regularly and have given offerings in the past year, please check the table outside the sanctuary to see if you have envelopes still on the table. Please take them home even if you have automatic giving or are giving by phone, etc. We will not send them out. It just makes it confusing when giving new members envelopes to know which envelopes are really available. **If you do not have envelopes and would like some please let the office know and Helen will assign you a number.**

The LWML is having an ingathering of items for hygiene kits for the Orphan Grain Train. We will be collecting items in the Narthex near the display through the month of **January until February 9**. Please help us as we gather these items for people in need:

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| 1 bath towel (new, dark color) | 1 washcloth (new dark color) |
| 1 bath size bar of soap (in package) | 1 toothbrush (in package) |
| 1 sturdy comb (new) | Thank you for your help with this project! |

Goodie Boxes Faith Circle will be calling Faith member parents with students attending higher education schools. The Circle sends Goodie boxes twice a year (Halloween and Valentine's Day) to their school mailing address. To make sure their package arrives at school we need to confirm their mailing address. Please be so kind and return telephone/text messages with this information. With some assistance from Wal-mart and LWML we are able to provide them with home baked goodies, store treats, an inspirational message and postage. Thank you parents, Wal-mart and LWML. The members of Faith Circle



FREE TAX HELP Beginning Monday, February 3rd through April 15, 2020, certified volunteers will provide free Income Tax service for seniors and middle to low income taxpayers. Tax assistance will be provided on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from **1:00 PM to 4:30 PM** at the **Pierre Area Senior Center** located at 401 West Pleasant Ave. You must bring **SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS** for everyone listed on your tax return, photo ID's and your 2018 Tax Return. If your plan to itemize, please bring all expense records. All taxpayers and spouses are required to sign their tax returns **BEFORE** they are filed electronically.

Annual Reports are on the oak table in the narthex for you to pick up. The February calendars are there also. The annual report takes the place of our February newsletter. These will not be mailed out to you this month. If you want one you must pick it up in the Narthex.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Feb. 2

- 8:20 am Communion
- 9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship
- 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
- 11:00 am Worship
- 12:00 Souper Bowl Meal
- 1:30 pm Maryhouse Chapel
- 2:30 pm Aventara (PCRC) Chapel

Mon: Feb. 3

- 7:30 am-3:30 pm Daycare Training
- 7:00 pm Men's Club

Tues: Feb. 4

- 8:00 am Staff Devotions
- 10:00 am *Perseverance* Women's Study
- 5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball
- 6:15 pm Property Management
- 6:30 pm Choir

Wed: Feb. 5

- 6:30 pm Midweek
- 6:30 pm *Real Jesus* Study at Steve & Vona Johnson's
1906 Brighton Court, Pierre
- 8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Feb. 6

- 8:00 am Staff Devotions

Sun: Feb. 9

- 8:20 am Worship
- 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
- 11:00 am Communion
- 6:30 pm *End Times* Study
- 7:00 pm Board of Elders
- 7:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship
- 7:30 pm Board of Missions

Faith Lutheran Youth

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



Acolytes for Sunday

February 2

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

February 16

- Early: Nathan Shoup and Eric Spitzer
- Late: Andrew Axdahl and Caleb Davis

February 9

- Early: Deni and Gracie Zeeb
- Late: Taylor Warriner and Samantha Zeltinger

February 23

- Early: Katelynn Axtell and Emma Reitzel
- Late: Cassidy Miller and Jesalyn Zimmerman

* 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.

Chi-ro House Donations A piggy bank is set up by the Chi-ro sign-up sheet on the information desk in the Narthex. Monies will be used for a variety of items from stocking pizzas & water, to supplying household and maintenance supplies. Thank you and please sign up if you'd like to help in other ways.



Sunday School Singing Change – Sunday School students, our day for singing has moved from March 1st to March 8th. Please plan to attend on March 8th for singing at the 11:00AM service.

Preschool 2020-2021 pre-registration forms are in the basket on the information table in the Narthex.