ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 23 – THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD



AS WE We consider the Father's words on the Mount of Transfiguration: "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." The Father bears witness to the authority of the Son. Remember God's words to listen to the voice of Jesus.

We also recall the brightness of Jesus shining upon the disciples. Jesus' transfiguration reminds us of the blessing we hear every week at the end of worship in the Benediction for the Lord's face to shine upon us. In the person of Jesus, God's face certainly shines upon us, and we look forward to the day when Christ returns in glory to permanently shine His face upon us.

After six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James, and John bis brother, and led them up a bigh mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clother became white as light. . . . He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." Matthew 17:1–2, 5

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 Transfiguration Sunday! We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and Godspeed 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
Bill & Tonya Dunn
Marvin & Mary Buxcel

After Early Service
Matt & Beth King
Eugene & Eleanor Kreitman

Before Late Service Scott & Jean Collison Norma Schilling Guest Book Greeters
Early: Anita Marso
Late: Lurene Denke

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 11:00 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.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., Feb. 16, Att. 243; General Fund \$8,512.60; Building Fund \$425.00; Sunday School \$27.90; Love Fund \$110.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Chi-Ro House \$100.00; Refund \$18.79.

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Mortgage Burning Celebration Join us TODAY, February 23, 2020 between services (9:45) for a mortgage burning celebration with refreshments and bounce houses for the kiddies. There will also be an All Boards Fair to let everyone know just what each Board does and how they help our church run efficiently.

Forever Young This month Forever Young will be this **Wednesday**, **February 26 at noon** after our 11:00 am Ash Wednesday worship service. Chicken will be provided, please bring a side dish to share. This is a nice time of fellowship to begin our Lenten journey. Everyone is welcome.

Mardi Gras! Come for fun, food, bouncy houses and games on Tuesday, February 25th from 5:30-7:00 in the Faith Lutheran Gym.

Mardi Gras volunteers are needed to help with games and/or cleanup. Please sign-up on the poster near the office.

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) No Impact Stretching and Strength exercise in CFLC; 3) Faith Gardeners; 4) Bunko Card group; and 5) Quilting 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

River Cities Public Transit Anyone needing transportation to church services or other church functions can call River Cities Public Transit (945-2360) for a ride. As long as you **call the day before** you need the ride and let them know you are coming to Faith Lutheran, you will not need to pay for the ride to church or back home. This is a service provided by the church as we want all our church family to have access to all our church functions.

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.



Dartball The state Dartball tournament will be in Sioux Falls on Saturday, March 14. **We have a small group interested but need more to make a full team.** We are meeting every Monday evening at Faith Lutheran to practice. Anyone interested in playing can call John Barber at 220-2660

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.

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-This is the Life-"Out of Bondage" examines the Christian approach to alcoholism.

10:30 AM-Rev. Chris Nitzel, pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hartley Iowa, presents a message "Blinded by the Light" based on Matthew 17:1-9. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information see the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Feb. 23 8:20 am Worship

9:45 am **NO** Sunday School/Adult Study 9:45 am Mortgage Burning Celebration

11:00 am Communion Mardi Gras set-up in gym 6:30 pm **NO** *End Times* Study

Mon: Feb. 24

Mardi Gras set-up in gym

Tues: Feb. 25

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:00 am *Perseverance* Women's Study 5:30-7:00 pm Mardi Gras in gym

6:30 pm Choir

6:30 pm Church Council

Wed: Feb. 26 ASH WEDNESDAY 11:00 am Ash Wednesday Worship

12:00 Forever Young Chicken Meal

5:30-6:30 pm Soup Supper

6:30 pm Midweek

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

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Thurs: Feb. 27

8:00 am Staff Devotions 6:00 pm Rebekah Circle 6:00-9:00 pm Softball

Sat: Feb. 29

9:00-11:00 am Tennis

Sun: Mar. 1

8:20 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study

11:00 am Worship

6:30 pm End Times Study

Faith Lutheran Youth

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

Acolytes for Sunday February 23

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

March 1

Early: Kamden and Kaycee Carter Late: Ladd and Lane Kramme

March 8

Early: Maria and Ellie Noyes

Late: Ayvrie Kaiser and Alyssa Stahl

March 15

Early: Collin Pope and Paige Brandt Late: Natalie Fawcett and Jazmine Yaeger

March 22

Early: Kennady Hanig and Simon Hill Late: Trenton Gore and Nathan Haberling

March 29

Early: Lane Hedglin and Ajaye Hicks Late: Addison Cumbow and Emily Lingle

* 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.

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.

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.

