

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 5 – THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS



AS WE GATHER It is hard to think of Jesus as a baby, born of Mary, but even harder to think of Jesus growing up as children do. Our Lord grew and became strong not only in body as a man but in wisdom and the favor of His heavenly Father who sent Him. He is a pattern of our own call to grow up into Christ, our Head, leaving behind the childish ways of unbelief and rebellion, and learning the path of faith and obedience from Him. We hear today a call to grow up into Christ and to live as His holy, beloved, and righteous brothers and sisters, loving the Lord’s Word and His house as did Jesus!

*After three days they found Him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.
Luke 2:46*

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 Second Sunday after Christmas! 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:



<u>Before Early Service</u>	<u>After Early Service</u>	<u>Before Late Service</u>	<u>Guest Book Greeters</u>
Greg & Cathy Brock	Joel & Jessica Filler	Harry & Sage Briggs	Early: Anita Marso
Terry & Claren James	Steve & Sheila Ingram	LeRoy & Carolyn Kropuenske	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 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.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Christmas Eve, Att. 584; \$9,925.15, Flowers \$86.00, Mexico Mission \$315.00; **Christmas Day Att. 108;** \$2,343.00; **Sun., Dec. 29, Att. 115;** General Fund \$10,196.89; Building Fund \$23,575.00 (Debt Retirement \$23,525.00, Building \$50.00); Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$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 \$23,575.00. The gifts were designated as follows:
 The Debt Retirement Account: \$23,525.00
 The Building Fund Account: \$50.00

As you can see, enough contributions have come in to pay off our debt on the “Christian Family Life addition.” Thanks so much to all for your commitment to paying off the debt. A more detailed report will be in up-coming bulletins.

Many Thanks!!! The LWML would like to thank everyone!!! who donated toys for Pastor Utecht's ministry! This ingathering was able to collect nearly 100 toys for the children at Parmalee (actually 98 packages!). Your generosity was so appreciated. Lurene Denke from our local society was able to go on the trip with Board of Missions and help deliver the toys. Thrivent was also involved to help fund several of the toys. God bless you for your help!

Dear Neighbor - Our family just moved to Pierre, and we are in need of some help.
 We are in search of a woman (or women) who would be willing to watch our 6 month old baby boy, William, at our home. This woman (or women) may not necessarily be in search of a job, but would be compensated very well. We are flexible - if one woman is the right fit, great. If a group of women want to trade off - some do mornings, others afternoons - that is fine too.

We are coming from a situation where an older woman (in her 70s) looked after William. She told us she does it to help her stay young. She was truly a wonderful, loving, and caring woman. We would like to replicate that.
 Please let us know if you are interested or know of someone (or a group of women) who might be interested. Please pray that God introduces us to our solution!
 Sincerely, Maggie, Jeremy, and William (847) 707-4689 Marguerite.Seidel@gmail.com

Bible Bowl 2020 We received word from the South Dakota district on the 2020 Bible Bowl. The book of the Bible is Acts. Students from sixth grade to seniors are eligible to participate. The statewide competition on Saturday, March 28th will be held at our church again this year. For more information or to register please contact Bible Bowl coach LeRoy Kropuenske or Pastor Handschke. You can see LeRoy at church on Sunday in Sunday School Room 2 or on Wednesday in midweek Room E. You can text or call him at 605-280-6974. His Email address is leroy.kropuenske@pie.midco.net. He is “LeRoy Kropuenske” on Facebook. We need three members minimum for one

team. It would be truly sad if we could not field a team as we are the statewide host and the largest LCMS church in South Dakota with nearly 2,000 members!

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.

Life Quotes "As this New Year begins and you make resolutions of things to do for yourself, consider ways in which you could spend one hour a week helping someone in need—at a crisis pregnancy center, a hospice house, a nursing home, etc." Rev. Scott Licht, National Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Jan. 5

8:20 am Communion
9:30 am First Sunday Fellowship
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Worship
7:00 pm Board of Elders
7:30 pm Board of Missions

Mon: Jan. 6

7:00 pm Men's Fellowship

Tues: Jan. 7

8:00 am Staff Devotions
5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball
6:15 pm Board of Property Management

Wed: Jan. 8

6:30 pm Midweek

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Jan. 9

8:00 am Staff Devotions
11:30 am Ministerium
7:00 pm Faith Circle

Sat: Jan. 11

12:00 pm-4:00 pm Lutheran Lay Institute Training

Sun: Jan. 12

8:20 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Communion
1:00 pm American Legion Oratory Contest
7:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

Faith Lutheran Youth

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



Acolytes for Sunday

January 5

Early: Jacob Larson and Elliot Leif
Late: Rylan Derry and Jesalyn Zimmerman

January 12

Early: Ain Peterson and Emiley Rajek
Late: Dayna Martinmaas and Molly Neyhart

January 19

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

January 26

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

* 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.



Open House There will be an Open House at the Teen/Tween After School Chi-Ro (pronounced Kairo) house from **4:00p.m.-5:00 p.m. January 25, 2020**. This white 2 story house is located on the corner of Euclid Avenue and 1st Street. Afterward the Board of Missions will be showing "The Chronicles of Narnia" in the Gym. The movie starts at 5:00 pm.



