ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 28 – THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Without the truly good news of the Gospel we cannot see the hard truth that we and all people are poor sinners who deserve nothing but punishment from almighty God. It takes the Gospel to open our eyes wide to the severity of God's Law, which our Savior took on Himself in our stead. In Jeremiah's day, and our own, false prophets proclaim an easy peace that requires little change in our daily living. Now, as when Paul was writing, some people in the Church think the freedom Christ won for us can mean a disregard for God's Law. And when Jesus was calling disciples, He had to warn them (and us) that some of their own family members would actively oppose their following the Lord. But the Gospel announces what is real and good: God has kept all His promises in our Savior Jesus Christ. His death shows the enormity

of the punishment we deserve, and His resurrection assures us of eternal life. Because our Lord gave His life for us, with eyes wide open we can lose ourselves in service to Him and with the psalmist "sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever" (Psalm 89:1).

[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword." Matthew 10:34

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 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 invite you to make Faith your church home.

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

Holy Communion is celebrated at both services 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. Thank you.



Individual Communion There will no longer be communion between services but anyone wishing to receive communion other than at the service may call the office to set up a time for you to commune.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sun., June 21, Att. 153; General Fund \$9,154.08; Building Fund \$50.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Bob Shoup Memorials \$25.00; Utecht Ministry \$200.00; Endowment Fund (Blessings in Faith - Undesignated) in memory of Darline Fuoss \$20.00; Thrivent Ins. Policy \$363.10; Dakotamart Receipts \$500.00 (250.00 to Preschool, \$250.00 to Daycare); Church Mutual Ins. Co. \$16.25 (Covid-19 Auto Dividend); Mexico Mission \$130.00.

Endowment Fund When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Lutheran Women in Mission! We will be holding our July meeting on Monday, July 13th in the Fellowship Hall starting at 7:00 PM. Social distancing will be followed (3 people/table) and each attendee is asked to bring their own beverage as there will not be anyone hosting the evening. Please print out your circles activities since March as a help for the secretary. We will be discussing the August Fun Night, Confirmation and Country Fair. We will be sending out an email to those that we have addresses for. Please let your circle chairman or the LWML chairmen know your thoughts on holding these events if you cannot attend in person. We hope to see you there! Questions? Call Anita Marso (224-2769) or Jan Larson (224-6574)

Preschool 2020-2021 pre-registration forms are in the basket on the information table in the Narthex. You may also find a form on our website. The Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday morning class is now full. There are still a few openings in the other sessions but if you prefer one session over another you may want to apply early.





Diaper Derby This year's Diaper Derby is not a competition since the Covid-19 scare put a damper on things. Instead there are two cribs in the Narthex for you to donate diapers and wipes to help those less fortunate. Working together we help God's people heal, bless local families with gifts of diapers and wipes, and honor God's gift of human life.

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.

June 28, 2020 – Rev. Brett Bierman – St. Paul/St. John/Trinity Lutheran, Aberdeen, SD and surrounding areas will deliver the message.

Life Quotes "[T]the family is universal. Individuals meeting from different cultures do not have to explain to each other what a family is. The family lies at the quantum level of human society. Family life is deeply rooted in an area of mystery we do not fully understand. Like a tree, it is living, rooted, and nourished by the soil of the past and reaching up into the future. It is not manufactured. Although socially reinforced, it is not 'socially constructed.' It is a precious Gift." *James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: June 28
8:30 am Communion
11:00 am Communion
Tues: Jun. 30
8:00 am Staff Devotion

8:00 am Staff Devotions 5:30-7:00 pm Pickleball 6:30 pm Church Council Thurs: July 1
8:00 am Staff Devotions
Sun: July 5
8:30 am Communion
11:00 am Worship
7:00 pm Board of Elders
7:30 pm Board of Missions

Faith Lutheran Youth

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

Acolyte Schedule will be posted in the bulletin when the Elder's make the decision to resume this part of the service.



Confirmation Date

The date for Confirmation has been set for Sunday, August 30th at our 11:00 am service. Therefore, the date for Questioning and reading of essays would be Wednesday, August 26th at 6:30 pm.

