## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 10 – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



AS WE GATHER Today we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. At Jesus' Baptism, God the Father speaks from heaven, revealing Jesus to be His beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descends in the form of a dove. All three persons of the Trinity make their presence known at Jesus' Baptism. All three persons of the Trinity made their presence known at our Baptism as well as we are revealed to be God's beloved children.

We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4

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 Baptism of our Lord Sunday! 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 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. Thank you.

Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: <a href="www.faithluth.com">www.faithluth.com</a>. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

Want to listen to our worship service on your phone? Call 1-888-502-3453 and follow the prompts. It will get you to the live streamed service or if we are not livestreaming it will guide you to the last service recorded. Please let everyone know of this service. For those without a computer this is a way for you to stay up on Faith's worship services.

# LIFE WEEK 2021

Calling All For Life Supporters! LFL is excited to announce a brand new multi-generational online and in-person opportunity: Life Week 2021: Invisible to Indispensable. Plan to join us each day from Saturday, January 23, through Saturday, January 30, 2021, to learn about, share, and build excitement For Life in your home, church, school, and community! Each themed day will explore a distinct aspect of life ministry through local activities, online educational events, and interviews. Top off the week in person or online with mountaintop experiences like the March for Life and



Y4Life in Washington, D.C. Watch for more news on our Facebook page and on our Life Week 2021 page!

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**Dec. 31, Att. 39;** New Year's Eve \$4,412.56; **Sun., Jan 3 Att. 153;** General Fund \$7,233.60; Building Fund \$225.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Mexico Mission \$50.00; Bible Study \$15.00; Endowment Fund (Blessings in Faith) in memory of Judy Farnsworth \$100.00.

**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.

**Annual Report Articles Due** The reports by boards, circles and other entities within the church need to be turned in by January19th. You may email them to <a href="faith@faithluth.com">faith@faithluth.com</a> or drop them off at the office. The Annual Report is our newsletter for February. We typically do not mail out the annual report. You may pick them up on the oak table in the narthex. Thanks.

**2021 Offering Envelopes** are now on tables in the Narthex. **Please pick yours up today.** They are arranged numerically and semi-alphabetically. If you are not attending services due to the Covid situation you may come up any time during the weekdays or weekends and pick them up. This way you can avoid contact with others. **If you give automatically by EFT or phone you still need to pick up your envelopes.** There are special envelopes for Missions, Advent, Lent, Christmas, etc. that may be used. If you cannot find your envelopes let Helen know. She will find them or if you do not already have envelopes, she will issue you a number. Thanks!

**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 <a href="https://www.mainstreetliving.com">www.mainstreetliving.com</a>, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

#### **January 10, 2021**

**10:00 AM**-This is the Life-This award winning program is in black and white. The "God of Love" illustrates that we, as Christians, all have responsibilities. It is a cross we bear.

**10:30 AM**-The message is presented by Rev. Ray Greenseth, pastor at Messiah-St. Paul and Zion Lutheran Churches in Murdo-Draper and Presho, SD. The message is "The Baptism of Our Lord" and is based on Mark 4:4-11. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information go to the web site: <a href="https://www.mainstreetliving.com">www.mainstreetliving.com</a>

**Life Quotes** "The world needs your voice to declare Jesus' words of eternal life. The world needs your voice to declare God's value of life in all of its stages. The world needs your voice to declare God's convictions born of His Word. The world needs your voice to declare that God's word of forgiveness purchased with the blood of Jesus extends to all of us sinners, including those who have chosen abortion. The world needs your voice!" *Rev. David Eibel, Living Word Lutheran Church, Grapevine, Texas – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *lutheransforlife.org* 

**Life Thoughts** Even in a formless, dark, and empty early universe, God made Himself present and powerful (Genesis 1:2). Surprise pregnancies sometimes seem just so uncertain. Terminal diagnoses can feel that desperate. But this Lord buried Himself in our graveyard (Romans 6:4). This Savior sowed life in death's shadowy valleys. We need not let abortion or assisted suicide root us there as residents. The Heavenly Father always comes close and brings His own new creation to blossom.

#### This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Jan. 10

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Communion

2:00 pm Board of Parish Fellowship

5:00 pm Board of Education

5:00-9:00 pm Capitol Cheer

Mon: Jan. 11

5:30-7:00 pm Predators BB

7:00 pm LWML

7:00-8:30 pm 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> girls BB

Tues: Jan. 12

8:00 am Staff Devotions 9:30 am Circuit Conference

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

5:30-7:00 pm 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls BB

6:15 pm Board of Property Management

Wed: Jan. 13

6:30 pm Midweek

7:00 pm Wednesday Worship

8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Jan. 14

8:00 am Staff Devotions

11:30 am Ministerium

5:30-7:00 pm Predators BB

7:00 pm Faith Circle

7:00-8:30 pm 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls BB

Sun: Jan. 17

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Board of Stewardship

5:00-9:00 pm Capitol Cheer

# Faith Lutheran Youth



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

**Sunday School Resumes** Our Sunday School resumes TODAY at 9:45 am.

**Bible Bowl** Increase your knowledge of God's Word in a friendly competition with other students from around the state. Students in 6<sup>th</sup> grade through seniors in high school are eligible for the competition, which will be in March or April. LeRoy Kropuenske will begin coaching interested students now, either in person or through Zoom. Please contact him or Pastor Sam with questions or to sign up.