



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
714 N GRAND AVE  
PIERRE, SD 57501

# SEPTEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

*Community, Growth, Gratitude*

## Rally Day September 19, 2010 IT'S A FIESTA!



### Noon Meal with a Full taco bar

- Hosted by our Board of Parish Fellowship
  - A-K bring a dessert to share
  - L-Z bring a salad to share
- Games for the kids 12:35 p.m. on the lawn on the 3rd Street side of our Building
- 2nd Graders receive their Bibles at the 11:00 Service
- Sunday School Award certificates will be given to students at our 11:00 Service
- Installation of All Midweek, Sunday School and Adult teachers at both Services



### *It's a 9 hole Best Ball Scramble!*

On Tuesday night August 31, at the Dunes, our Board of Parish Fellowship is having a scramble golf tournament teeing off at 6:00. There will be pizza afterwards and some prizes. We need at least 15 golfers to do this. Please sign up in the Narthex. We would ask you to list your phone number, handicap and average score and if you're a genuine golfer or just out for fun. Our Board will balance out the teams.

10th Hole event in the garage of Scott & Jean Collision, 2620 Dunes Drive.

So join us for a bit of golf, lots of fun and good snacks afterwards.



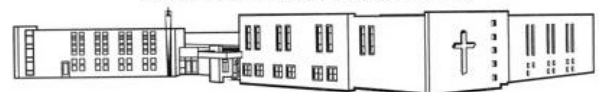
### Faith Evangelical Lutheran Open House Sunday, August 29 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Tour the whole Building, Visit with the Church, Preschool, and Daycare Staff, and enjoy refreshments!



Listen to the Jim Szana Trio  
Visit, laugh, & enjoy!

*Faith Ev. Lutheran Church*



*Community, Growth, Gratitude*



## *Here I Stand!*

These are remarkable historical words. They came from the lips of Dr. Martin Luther at the Diet of Worms. No, it was not a Diet like we understand a Diet, rather a council. Emperor Charles V had summoned Luther to Worms concerning his teachings and writings. He was asked to recant his writings. Finally Luther said something along these lines,

*“Unless I am shown where my writings are contrary to the Word of God...I cannot and I will not recant. Here I stand I can do no other. So help me God!”*

Times really have not changed. It is still the Word of God on which we stand. This Word and the consistent principals that go with it often run contrary to our culture. So it was in the days of the early church.

*“For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.”* 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Sound Doctrine—all churches have teachings. Actually, every organization has principals on which they function. We call our teachings “Doctrine”. What might be some key Biblical Lutheran doctrines—

*The Triune God*

*The Two natures of Christ*

*That Christ’s death paid the Ransom for sin*

*That Christ rose from Death*

*That Life Begins at Conception*

*That Baptism brings regeneration*

*That infants should be Baptized*

*That Christ is really present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion*

These are a few, yet they are some very core Doctrines.

We also believe in the Order of Creation, that Adam & Eve were created by God as a historical human

male and a historical human female. We therefore believe what scriptures say about marriage:

*“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.”* Genesis 2:24

It is because of the scriptures that we establish doctrine and based on good, sound Biblical teachings a church develops a polity of how it practices good order in the life of the church.

The doctrine of Christ’s Church and the polity of a Christian congregation may not always square with the world’s culture. We see that more and more. It is much like a buffet. People pick and choose, hence Paul’s words again,

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Which brings us to one last thought about doctrine. We believe, teach, and confess that the Bible is the Word of God. The Word of God should always be our guide, not culture, about our church teachings and life decisions.

Hence, sometimes we must simply preach up, pray up, and stand up for truth. Luther did long ago, Jesus did so long before Luther and the prophets like Amos even before Jesus.

So as Fall now comes upon us be steadfast in worship, strive to be here every Sunday and seize an opportunity to study the Word in one of our many studies.

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, UAC, Pierre, SD, we stand for something, we really do.

We believe, we teach, we confess. Please take the enclosed Luther seal and place it on your fridge as a constant reminder of the sound Biblical Doctrine upon which our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is founded and continues to proclaim,

“HERE I STAND!”

Pastor Brad Urbach

Pastor Levi Willms

## Building Fund

**Bank West Short-term loan** As of our 8/8/10 Board of Stewardship meeting, another \$5,500.00 has been paid toward our Bank West loan. The \$56,000 loan has now been reduced to \$39,500 in the last two months. We do have some interest to pay over and above that amount.

**It's complete!** The last touch is done in the St. Matthew room. Vern & A.J. Lenz took the cabinets that were in the old office workroom and with some mighty fine carpentry and a new counter top have successfully provided a wonderful cabinet unit complete with a bulletin board. Thanks Vern & A.J. for a job very nicely done!

**St. Mark Update** Leidholt, Mc Neely & Leidholt have run the duct work and the vents in the St. Mark Room. The HVAC for this room is now complete. The wall boxes and lights have been installed. This was a gift from Todd's Electric. Mark Undeberg and Jay Fredrich have sealed the floor in the St. Mark Room.

**What about the St. Luke, John, & Paul rooms?** These cannot be completed until the elevator is installed as per building codes for the City of Pierre. Once the Bank West loan is retired, an elevator fund will be started.

**Old Daycare Cubbies** If anyone would have use for the old Daycare cubbies they may have them, first come, first served. They might make nice shelves or cupboards for the garage or your kid's rooms. They are downstairs in the old Daycare area. First come, first served. Actually, everything in the old Daycare is no longer used and may be taken except the items inside the old Crib Room. Tuesday night September 7 is the cut off time. Otherwise the Trustees will remove all the materials

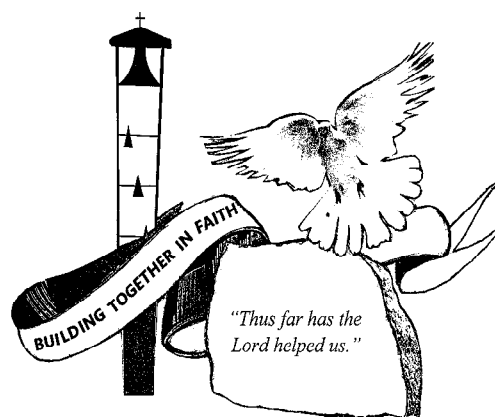
**Building Fund Envelopes** As members choose to extend their Building Fund giving by six months we would ask you to use the monthly envelope in your church envelope boxes and each month we will provide one additional envelope. If you need additional envelopes, please use the remaining chartreuse envelopes found on the Oak Table in the Narthex.

If you have extra "Hot Pink" Building Fund envelopes, please return them so we don't have to print any more than we have to. Thank you.

**Our New Cup** We want every family to have one of

our new Christian Family Life Center mugs. Please pick one up for your family today.

**Dedication Day Bulletins** are also on the cup table if you desire to see the day's events, please pick one up. Services from that day will be available on DVD, if you would like one let us know.



## Preschool News

Preschool will be starting soon! We will be having our Get Acquainted Night on Thursday, August 26. Classes start on September 13 & 14. Currently, we have three openings in our Monday, Wednesday, Friday morning class. We are very blessed to have our three teacher aides returning; Donna Gohl, Cathy Califf, and Anita Marso.

Our theme this year is the forest and we will be doing a special unit on trees and the creatures who live in them each month. One of our first projects is to make a giant tree which will be part of our classroom all year.

Thank you for saving those soup labels, Dakotamart slips, and 5-cent milk caps. They all add up to help us purchase new items or replace ones that wear out.

Thank you especially for your help and support over these many years. God bless each of you!

Jan Larson, Director

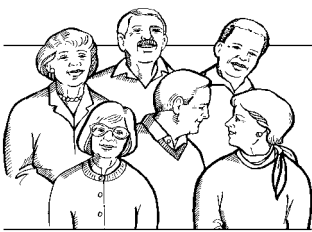
## *A Second Memorial Stone!*

What's new in the Memorial Garden? We have had a planting of Flame Grass and three Delphiniums.

A second Memorial stone has now been added. Stones will be added as we have another set of names for a full stone.

All the names over the course of a year will be noted on All Saints Sunday each year.

You may find the Memorial Garden Request forms at the Information Desk in the Narthex or in the Narthex Tract Rack that also has information about the Memorial Garden and the gifts in the Living Room.



### *Seniors' Gathering*

Forever Young!  
Wow, what a turnout and what a meal at our August Forever Young Fish Fry! Not only was a great variety of fish served,

but were treated to onion rings and French fries as well.

A huge thanks to Cordell and Judy Costar for coordinating our Big night, to Ruth Leidholt for setting up and to Vern Dockter and Brad Schultz for preparing all the fish.

Special music was provided by Kristine McCrea, Cordell & Judy's oldest granddaughter and Kristie Hall, long time friend of the Costars.

Our next Forever Young is the third Tuesday of September, the 21st.

## *Official Acts*

On August 19, 2010 our Congregational President, Bob Shoup, officially dismissed the Building Committee and the Fulfillment Committee. We are thankful for their faithful service.

Building Committee: Laurie Schultz, Brent Adney, Scott Collison, Larry Coyle, Diane Deis, Steve Ingram, Jim Russell, Loren Schaefer, Neil Schochenmaier, Bob Shoup, and Forrest Wixon.

Fulfillment Committee: Bill & Tonya Dunn, Bill & Janith Farnham, Steve & Cindy Fiechtner, Steve & Sheila Ingram, Jeff & Deb Karst, Matt & Beth King, and Mike & Ann Shoup.

### *Baptisms*

Ann Marie Tjeerdsma 7-3

Jaxon Christopher Dieball 7-25

Aspen Renee Lenz 7-25

Kaehlyn Danielle Pfeffer 8-8

Kiersten Rachelle Spencer 8-15

Lexi Jane Bales 8-22

Josie Rose Bowman 8-29

### *Funerals*

Fred Duin

Wilma Jochim

Gertrude Mueller

### *Weddings*

Wayne Crawford & Melissa Stewart





## Letters of Thanks

Dear Reverend Urbach and Faith family,

Thank you so very much for the warm reception of the students from Hong Kong and their chaperones. The kindness shown to them will not be forgotten. Their experiences in the Pierre area have been the topic of excited conversation back in their school in Hong Kong. Your willingness to support this effort with open homes, hearts, and pocketbooks has touched many hearts, including mine. Again, thank you, and God's blessings to you.

In Christ's Service

Reverend David E. Schwan, Executive Secretary  
The South Dakota District LCMS

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Dear Pastor Urbach and God's faithful at Faith,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you for a memorable weekend.

Mom and dad had a wonderful 50th Anniversary day filled with lots of memories. The new Family Life Center is an excellent facility and will serve you well into the future.

Thank you for the plaque as a commemoration of my 20th anniversary of my ordination into the ministry and for a memorable day. It was a day to remember how much God has done.

Thank you to the Board of Elders for the kind gift certificate to Applebee's. It provided a nice break for us on our return home.

Pastor Urbach, thank you for your guidance and all you have done for me along the way (except the Baptism).

In Christ,

Rev. Donald R Wagner, Pastor

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## 100th Anniversary

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Creighton, SD will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary on Sunday, September 5, 2010 and cordially invites you to attend. We will worship at 11:00 a.m. with Holy Communion, followed by dinner and fellowship and a 2:00 p.m. celebration service. Our guest preacher will Rev. Dennis McManus who formerly served at Our Redeemer in Philip, SD and served for some time as vacancy pastor.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church is located 20 miles north of Wall, SD on Creighton Road. For more detailed directions, feel free to call the office of Emmanuel and First Lutheran Churches at (605) 279-2454, or e-mail the office at walllutheran@gwtc.net.

We look forward to seeing you at the celebration.

Rev. Curtis Garland





## Operation Christmas Child

Priscilla Circle is sponsoring a project this year called "Operation Christmas Child" or the "Shoebbox Project".

We will be collecting items (that are listed below) and placing them in a "shoe box" (regular size shoe box or small plastic container about the size of a shoe box). Then these gifts will be shipped overseas for underprivileged children or children who were victims of earthquakes, etc.

If anyone would like to join us in this, you may drop your filled box (marked with age group and if for a girl or boy) or you may just purchase some items (there will be a drop box marked for this) and we will get them ready. Another way you could help would be monetary. This would help with the shipping or buying items to finish a shoe box. It costs us \$7.00 per box to ship.

The children's age categories are 2-4, 5-9, 10-14—girl or boy. The labels for the boxes may be gotten at the church. The boxes should not be sealed, just a rubber band around them.

The Project will start September 1 and will run to October 31. We encourage all members to join us in this endeavor and put a smile on some children's faces.

### GIFT IDEAS:

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** pens, Pencils and sharpeners, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

**TOYS:** small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoes, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch-A-Sketch, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.

**HYGIENE ITEMS:** tooth brush, tooth paste, mild bar soap (in a plastic zip bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

**OTHER:** hard candy or lollipops (please double bag these) mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries).

### A PERSONAL NOTE:

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to

the child and a photo of yourself or your family (If you include your name and address the child may write back).

**DO NOT INCLUDE:** Used or damaged items, war related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures, chocolate or food, out of date candy, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as water globes or glass containers, aerosol cans.



## Living Proof Live

Featuring BETH MOORE

Living Proof Live continues to be the perfect mix of Biblically sound messages from beloved Bible teacher Beth Moore and worship leader Travis Cottrell. This Fun, authentic ministry team prepares a unique message from God for each location so you'll experience a fresh encounter with God. You'll leave knowing that the message you heard was created just for you.

They will be in Rapid City, SD at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center/Don Barnett Arena on November 19-20. For tickets and more information, visit [lifeway.com/livingproof](http://lifeway.com/livingproof) or call 800-254-2022.



# LWML *Country Fair*



## Saturday, Oct. 16

Anita Marso, Chair: 224-2769 (marsoFN@pie.midco.net)  
 Kristy Deal, Co-Chair: 224-8739 (Kristy.Deal@state.sd.us)

### Here's how you can help us start getting ready...

#### RECIPES IN A JAR

What is a "recipe in a jar"? You layer ingredients in a pint or quart jar, then we'll add some decorations and a tag that tells the buyer how to use the ingredients to make bars or cookies or soup. Recipes can be found on the Country Fair table in the Narthex. For information, contact Jane Braley at 945-0456. (Recipes in a Jar need to be returned to the church by September 26).



#### GIFT BASKETS

We'll be selling gift baskets again this year, so we need baskets, and items to place in them. Among the items needed: cups, soup mugs, kitchen utensils (wooden spoons, ladles, measuring cups and spoons, spatulas), kitchen items such as potholders, dish towels, and cloth napkins, candles,

and other small gift items. Also needed: wire ribbon, tissue paper, individual packets of hot chocolate, tea, and flavored coffees, plus small candies, such as mints and miniature candy bars. The gift baskets will be assembled on October 2. For information, contact Jan Larson at 224-6574 or by email at larson920@hotmail.com. (Note: items may be left in the coat closet in the Narthex. Be sure to label them "For Gift Baskets").

#### CRAFTS

We need all kinds of arts and crafts for the Crafts Booth, so why not start on some projects now. We can use a large assortment of items including needlework, woodwork, wreaths, centerpieces, jewelry, seasonal decorative items, pottery, paintings, and more. (Crafts may be placed in the coat closet in the NatheX. Be sure to label it "For Crafts Booth". It is helpful if you place a suggested price on the items).



#### COLLECTIBLES

We will once again be having a collectibles table, at which we'll sell collectible toys, figurines and antiques. Please label them "Collectibles", and include your name and suggested price.



#### FOOD FOOD FOOD!

We have a reputation for selling scrumptious homemade pies, cookies, pies, cakes, pies, breads, pies, bars, pies, candy ..... and did we mention pies??? We need TONS of baked goods and candy, so start whipping up those special treats now, and pop them in your freezer until October. We will also be selling homegrown produce, as well as jellies, sauces and salsa.

#### RUMMAGE

Clean out your cabinets, closets and drawers - and bring good quality used items for us to sell in the "Grandma's Attic" booth, such as jewelry, home decor, tools, Halloween costumes, books, plants and other items. No clothing, please. Please mark your items "Country Fair/Attic".

#### What is Country Fair?

Country Fair is the annual fall bazaar at Faith Lutheran sponsored by the LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League).

During Country Fair, numerous booths are set up to sell homemade items such as crafts, baked goods and candy. There is also a "rummage" booth which sells used items. There is a Kids Booth which provides fun for youngsters. Gift Baskets containing items such as household goods are available for sale. We have a produce booth which offers homegrown fruits, vegetables, sauces, and jellies. There is a Collectibles Booth. And, of course, being Lutherans we make sure no one goes hungry. In the morning, we serve caramel rolls, and at noon we have a tasty lunch with an assortment of homemade pies.

Every year, money raised at this event helps with special needs within our church, but even more importantly, much of the money raised is used to assist organizations in our community, and for mission projects in other areas.

Ladies, you don't have to be an LWML member to help in a booth. We can promise that this will be a fun way to meet other women in the congregation, and it provides an opportunity to see friends from throughout the community who attend the event. Be watching the Sunday bulletins for signup information.

Everyone in the congregation is welcome to donate items for Country Fair.

## Central Thought

When a pastor prepares a sermon there are a lot of components. Yet the common element of most sermons was the Seminary teaching of have a “central thought.”

For the past four years we have had a central thought, “Thus Far”.

It was from a remarkable Biblical text:

*Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, saying, “Thus far has the Lord helped us.” 1 Samuel 7:12*

It served our “Building Together in Faith” focus in a Biblical inspiring nature. Our Ebenezer stone in Grace Plaza will be a powerful reminder of this place of our congregation’s history for decades and decades, perhaps even to Christ’s return.

This year three words capture our Central Thought, “Community, Growth, Gratitude.” This is a terrific central thought given to us by Karen Lindbloom.

**Community**—We do serve our community in many ways. In what new ways can we as a congregation serve our community and can our new Christian Family Life Center be helpful to that?

**Growth**—Yes we want to continue to grow. We want to grow in faith, grow in the scriptures, grow in discipleship and yes grow in numbers!

**Gratitude**—Yes we shall be a people of gratitude as we praise God steadfastly in worship, in our prayers and in our cheerful, thankful service of our loving God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

There will be the Ebenezer stone constantly reminding us this year of a very Christ-centered central thought.



## Debt Retirement

**We have 2 goals –**

- 1<sup>st</sup> To retire the Bank West short-term note this fall. As of September 1, this \$56,000 loan has been reduced to \$49,000, to \$45,000, to \$39,500.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> To reduce our \$1,000,000 loan with the SD District Church Extension Fund. Because of special gifts and by taking two advanced payments from the Building Fund we have made, as of September 1, six advance payments.

**What is an advanced payment?** The Church Extension Fund provides us the opportunity to make advanced principal payments therefore saving the interest on that payment.

**Savings?** Yes, with our six advanced payments we have reduced the principal to \$989,755.02 and saved \$28,562.54 in interest.

**Future Payments** – We hope that each month we can make at least one advanced payment from either the Building Fund or the General Fund and additional payments as congregational gifts provide.

**Charts**-You will note the following charts that shows the first 10 payments and the last several payments. You will note the total interest on the million-dollar loan is \$1,097,145.95 if we don’t pay ahead.

Hence – every dollar given toward our Building Fund/Debt Retirement right now is like giving five extra dollars.

**Grateful** We are grateful that so many families have extended their giving!



## Debt Retirement Continued

Pymt No	Date Pymt is Due	Payment Amount	Principal	Interest	Loan Balance	Interest Paid
	<b>06/05/2010</b>	<i>Original Loan Balance</i>			<b>1,000,000.00</b>	
1	07/01/2010	5,836.00	1,683.22	4,152.78	998,316.78	4,152.78
2	08/01/2010	5,836.00	1,052.40	4,783.60	997,264.38	8,936.38
3	09/01/2010	5,836.00	1,057.44	4,778.56	996,206.94	13,714.94
4	10/01/2010	5,836.00	1,062.51	4,773.49	995,144.43	18,488.43
5	11/01/2010	5,836.00	1,067.60	4,768.40	994,076.83	23,256.83
6	12/01/2010	5,836.00	1,072.72	4,763.28	993,004.11	28,020.11
7	01/01/2011	5,836.00	1,077.86	4,758.14	991,926.25	32,778.25
8	02/01/2011	5,836.00	1,083.02	4,752.98	990,843.23	37,531.23
9	03/01/2011	5,836.00	1,088.21	4,747.79	989,755.02	42,279.02
10	04/01/2011	5,836.00	1,093.42	4,742.58	988,661.60	47,021.60

Schedule continued . . .

351	09/01/2039	5,836.00	5,581.01	254.99	47,633.95	1,096,069.95
352	10/01/2039	5,836.00	5,607.75	228.25	42,026.20	1,096,298.20
353	11/01/2039	5,836.00	5,634.62	201.38	36,391.58	1,096,499.58
354	12/01/2039	5,836.00	5,661.62	174.38	30,729.96	1,096,673.96
355	01/01/2040	5,836.00	5,688.75	147.25	25,041.21	1,096,821.21
356	02/01/2040	5,836.00	5,716.01	119.99	19,325.20	1,096,941.20
357	03/01/2040	5,836.00	5,743.40	92.60	13,581.80	1,097,033.80
358	04/01/2040	5,836.00	5,770.92	65.08	7,810.88	1,097,098.88
359	05/01/2040	5,836.00	5,798.57	37.43	2,012.31	1,097,136.31
360	06/01/2040	2,021.95	2,012.31	9.64	-	1,097,145.95
<i>Total's . . . .</i>		2,097,145.95	1,000,000.00	1,097,145.95		

## COMMUNITY, GROWTH, GRATITUDE

“Let the desert and its towns raise their voices; let the settlements where Kedar lives rejoice. Let the people of Sela sing for joy; let them shout from the mountaintops.”

Isaiah 42:11

Community. I suspect that when we think of the word “community,” general thoughts of city, town or village probably pop into our heads. Further consideration might bring forth ideas of public and society, sharing, or even common interests. Faith Lutheran Church is made up of a community of believers. Inside that general community are many other entities, separated by concerns, duties, responsibilities, functions, and assignments. One of these is our Music Community.

As we are about to launch fall programs and schedules, I began thinking of Faith’s music ministry and its place in our community of believers. Not long ago, I was reading an article about current directions in church music, and Dr. Michael Burkhardt, internationally-known composer, choral clinician, organist and hymn festival leader, was asked what trends he thought would affect church music in the next five years. Surprisingly, or not surprisingly, these are his answers:

- Increasing passivity in music making and participation;
- Continued and increasing use of sound track accompaniment and full recordings as a substitute for the real thing;
- Continued and increased displacement of the centrality of worship by other church activities and higher prioritization of other life activities.

It’s disappointing to read something like that; yet, when I have gone about recruiting voices for the choir and approaching people to take part in our music ministry, I have been met with every imaginable response. They range from 1) I am too busy; 2) I’ve already put my time in over the years; 3) I don’t want to sing at both services; 4) my family activities are my priority; 4) I’m not sure what I’m doing that weekend or I don’t know my plans yet. 5) That’s my bowling night, or I’m hunting; 6) The choir isn’t as good as it used to be. The list goes on and on.

That’s not to say that family and job responsibilities aren’t important, because they are. However, God also called us to be servants, and the faithful serve God among the faith community as long as they’re alive.

I would ask you to consider your musical gifts and the part they play in our Faith community of believers. First of all, your gifts are exactly that – they’ve been given to you. God determined and distributed them among his children. They weren’t given for your own benefit, but for the benefit of others. When we use our gifts together, we all benefit. However, if you don’t use your (musical) gift, others get cheated.

Community is one way we can surround and defeat our personal enemy, Satan. In our current climate and culture of “It’s all about me; my needs and ambitions,” we need to look out for the interests of others. We need to walk and work with others, and have others watch out for us, too. In order for the community to experience growth, the community must be nurtured. What better way to ward off the devil and express your love to God than by singing and making music! What better way of declaring gratitude to your Creator than by singing his praises! There have been more songs written about Jesus Christ than any other topic in the world.

I am extremely grateful for those individuals who take an hour or so each week to come to choir rehearsal; for willing accompanists; for those who make time in their schedules to ring bells, to practice a solo or come to an ensemble rehearsal; for those who say, “Yes, I think I can make that work!”

“Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise Him! Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, make music to our God on the harp!”

Psalm 147: 1&7

Karen Lindbloom, Music Coordinator

# Youth News

**LYF Meetings** We will have regular LYF meetings on Wed. nights on August 25th at 7:30 and September 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 8:00 PM in Jon's Place upstairs. We will have an officers meeting on 8th for our new officers at 9:00 to discuss the upcoming year.

**LYF Cookout** We will have a cook-out on August 29th at Pastor Willms house from 5:30-7:00. We will also be electing LYF officers for the coming year.



**LYF presentation on NYG in New Orleans:** The youth will give a presentation of their trip to New Orleans the National Youth Gathering between services on August 29th at 9:45. They will provide coffee, juice, and doughnuts for you as well. Stop by and hear what they have to say and see what they have to show about their awesome week in New Orleans.

**JYM Kickoff** We will have our JYM kickoff on Sunday Sept. 19th from 4:00-6:00. We will play some kickball and eat pizza! Feel free to invite a friend.



**Teachers Needed** There are sign up sheets in the Narthex for Midweek and Sunday School teachers and well as those interested in being substitutes. If you would like to just get your feet wet by helping with someone, let Pastor Willms know

and he will see if there is a place to plug you in to try things out. Thank you in advance for all those who are willing to do such an important part of our church.

**Teacher Meeting** We will have a teacher meeting for all Midweek and Sunday School teachers on Wed. Sept. 1st from 6:30-8:00. Please make every attempt to come for this evening.

## ACOLYTES



### September 5th

Early: Leandra Hoefener & Maranda Olson  
Late: Matthew Green & Logan Lenz

### September 12th

Early: Whitney King & Reed Lindbloom  
Late: Devin Kampfe & Caden Overturf

### September 19th

Early: Cade Larson & Molly Tschetter  
Late: Justin Meier & Brooklyn Voeltz

### September 26th

Early: Carly Niemann & Austin Wagner  
Late: Brittney Munyon & Vance Weber

**Acolytes:** A reminder that on the Acolyte list is all kids from 9th-12th grade. Please check this schedule throughout the year. If you want to give Pastor Willms your preference for which service, or if you need to be removed from being scheduled contact him at [levi@faithluth.com](mailto:levi@faithluth.com) or 224-2216. Also a reminder that if you can't make it to the service assigned, switch with someone. It is also helpful if Pastor Willms has your cell phone to give you a reminder, you can call 224-2216 or email [levi@faithluth.com](mailto:levi@faithluth.com) so that we can update those records.



"Mind if I call ya back? I'm in the middle of a sermon."

# Pictorial Directory

It happens about every 5 years in the life of our Faith family, the helpful Church Directory.

It's great to see the new families in the Directory. The Directory photo sections will contain the story of our "Building Together in Faith" story from the Commitment Event at the Ramkota, to groundbreaking on May 3, 2009, to the Dedication Event and several parish moments that have taken place in the midst of all these special moments.

The Photo settings will take place:

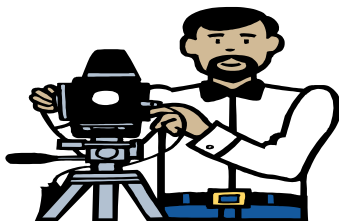
Tuesday, September 21-Saturday, September 25

Tuesday, September 28-Thursday, September 30

Friday, October 1-Saturday, October 2

Plan now to be a part of this Pictorial Directory in the midst of what has been a huge moment in our congregation's 79 year history.

Yes, you will have any photos you order well before Christmas!



**Wednesday Night Home Bible Study**--Meets in homes starting with Bob Miller's home on Sept. 15th. The class will be studying the book of Job and is led by Bill Bossman. If you are interested, please contact Bob Miller 224-9955. \_\_\_\_\_

## Upcoming Bible Studies

**Genesis--Lifelight Class**--Lifelight bible studies seek to give in-depth study of the scriptures. In this study you will look at the beginnings of the earth and how God began his redemptive plan of salvation through His covenants with Noah and Abraham. The contact for this class is Marv Schweigert 224-5133 Meets Sundays at Church 6:30 PM begins Sept. 19th. \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday Morning Men's Study**--Men of Purpose Series--Weighing Anchor; insights into the Life of Samuel. Come and gather with men as we look into the life of Samuel and see what God teaches us about Himself and about our call to live as men in our families and world. Meets Thursday morning at 7:00 am, and for breakfast at 6:30 on the 1st Thursday of the Month. Starts Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>. \_\_\_\_\_

**Monday Afternoon Women's Study**--Starting Sept. 27th, this class meets at 1:30 PM at the church and is led by Karen Lindbloom. This study reminds us that any fashion makeover doesn't last, but when God does a makeover of our heart and spirit, He can do amazing and long-lasting things in our lives. If you would like to see if this class is a good fit for you, contact Karen (224-5292). \_\_\_\_\_

**Lessons of the Church Year**--This class on Wednesday mornings at church 6:30 AM. They study the appointed lessons for the week and helps to gain a fuller understanding of the text in preparation for what will be taught on Sunday. This class can be joined at anytime and goes throughout the year with a break during the cold winter months. Contact Ruth Leidholt (224-8308). \_\_\_\_\_

**Beth Moore Women's Bible Study**--This class will begin on Sept. 16th and meets Thursday nights at 6:30-8:30. The study is entitled "Breaking Free" and Beth Moore is a phenomenal teacher for women of all ages. In this study Beth leads you through a study of the Scriptures to discover the transforming power of freedom in Jesus Christ. There will be an introduction on Sunday Sept. 12th at 7:00 pm at church. \_\_\_\_\_

**How We Got the Bible?**--This class meets at church Wed. Evenings at 6:30 and is led by Bill Markley. This class will look deep into the history of the formation of the bible, its accuracy, and authority for Christians. It also helps us to defend against many lies that circulate about the formation and authenticity of the scriptures. Starts Sept. 15th. \_\_\_\_\_

**Our Sunday Morning Bible Class** will dive into the Gospel of Matthew. This book is the lead book in the New Testament for a reason. Come and join us as we not only learn about our savior but from Him directly as he shares with us the Kingdom of God that comes in the gift of Himself. Our Sunday Morning class meets in between services in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45. \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Legacy Series:** The most influential person in the faith life of a child is their parents. This class will work with families on how they can teach the faith to their children in the home. The class meets for three weeks with each age group. The first age group is for Birth. Anyone who has had a child in the last year or is expecting a child, or even is hoping to have a child in the next couple of years are encouraged to attend. This class will be on Thursday night from 6:30-8:00 pm starting Sept. 16th. Child Care will be provided. \_\_\_\_\_

**Adult Inquires Class**--A wonderful class for all that covers the basic teachings of our church and helps you understand what makes us Christian and specifically Lutheran as well. This is an especially important class for those who are new with us and who would desire to become a part of our Faith Family. This class meets on Thursday evenings at 7:30 beginning October 14th. Contact Pastor Urbach for details (224-2216) \_\_\_\_\_

**Early Communion Class**--for youth and parents of our 2nd-8th graders. This will cover the basic teachings of the Lord's Supper and prepare youth to begin receiving the Lord's Supper. The class meets Saturday, October 2nd from 9:00-12:00 and then again Saturday, October 9th from 9:00-10:30. Contact the church office (224-2216) to sign up or for more information. \_\_\_\_\_