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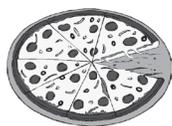
Faith Ev. Lutheran Church
Pierre, SD

Paint & pizza work morning

Saturday, January 9, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

We need:

- Lots of hands to paint the upstairs block walls with the paint called "Block Filler". Please bring a roller and a 1 ¼ roller brush for this project.
- Regular roller brushes and paint brushes are needed to prime the "Alpha" room.
- Keep posted for other tasks we may be able to accomplish on the 9th.



Then at noon we will finish up with pizza provided by our Fulfillment

Committee, and we will call it a day!

Auction & rummage sale fundraiser



Clean out your closets and garage for a good cause!

An auction and rummage sale will be held in our new Christian Family Life Center on Saturday, February 6. The money raised from the event will be used to purchase a dishwasher and other kitchen appliances for the new Fellowship Hall.

The congregation is invited to donate household items to be sold at this event - such as furniture, electronics, sporting goods, jewelry, home decor, books, tools, toys and more.

Donations of non-material things such as skills or activities

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Hong Kong bound

On Sunday, January 10th, the Board of Missions & Evangelism will host a morning coffee fundraiser for Norm Neilan and Nick Hill. Norm and Nick are going to Hong Kong on a short-term mission January 28 to February 7.

We are grateful for Nick's and Norm's interest and commitment to this trip, and we wish to help them greatly with the cost of the trip: the flight and lodging will cost \$1,800 per person.

So please stay after the early service on January 10th or come early to late service on the 10th and enjoy goodies and fellowship and be generous to a great mission outreach on behalf of our congregation.

There will be photos and other items to view during our morning Mission Benefit coffee!

A really noisy offering!



The Season of Epiphany will start out with a real racket.

On Wednesday, January 6, the Day of Epiphany, our 8th graders will lead us in our Epiphany Worship Service at 7:30. They will share the lessons and portray the Magi who came to worship the Baby Jesus.

Then, as the wise men brought gifts, so on this night we will bring a very noisy offering of all the change we have saved over the past several weeks. We will pour the offering into a wheelbarrow, which will be a bit noisy.

Pickle jars, coffee cans & shoe boxes

Many months ago, we asked the congregation to begin saving their coins for a very noisy offering. This is a really fun and painless

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Faith Lutheran Family Swim Night

Sunday, January 10th at the Pierre Aquatics Center
5:00-7:00 p.m.

Pizza, drinks and cookies provided at 5:30 p.m.
FREE! -and- You can invite all the friends you want!

Please sign up in the Narthex so we have a general idea on how much pizza to order

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way to help us close the financial gap as we near the end of the Building Phase of our "Building Together in Faith" campaign.

The idea was to:

- Have everyone in your family save your change in a pickle jar.
- Then, when the pickle jar is filled, pour your change into an empty coffee can, and continue collecting coins.
- Then, when the coffee can is filled pour it into a shoe box, and
- Then, at whatever stage you are at - pickle jar, coffee can or shoe box - bring it to church in the season of Epiphany (which begins Wednesday, January 6 until Ash Wednesday) so we could have a very noisy offering as we complete the final remodeling for our transition into the new Building.

Why a pickle jar, a coffee can, or a shoe box?

Well, a **shoe box** because lots of shoes will use the new facility. In addition to serving as a Fellowship Hall, we also expect lots of tennis shoes (belonging to people of all ages) to make their way through the addition for exercise and activities such as walking, volleyball, basketball, and LYF and JYM dodge ball.

A **coffee can** because lots of coffee will be prepared and consumed in that new Fellowship Hall.

And a **pickle jar** because Pickle Ball is a growing game in our community and throughout this country. Pastor Urbach is eager to share the new games with a lot of people in the parish and the community.

Why not have a special Epiphany Celebration for the first day of our "very noisy offering" and sing the Wise Men hymns, and have a big Epiphany star and read out the Matthew 2 account why, perhaps we could even have Wise Men.

Good idea! Let's plan on a wonderful January 6 service at 7:30 p.m.

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are also welcome - such as carpentry skills, a fishing or hunting adventure for an afternoon or day, house-cleaning, preparation of a special meal, tutoring, use of a vacation property, and other fun and useful activities. Gift certificates are also a great option.

Items may be dropped off at the church the evening of Thursday, February 4 -or- on Friday, February 5 until 7 p.m. When dropping items off, please indicate whether they are intended for the auction or the rummage sale. Please mark suggested prices on rummage sale items.

Then be sure to join us for this fun event! Don Bourk has graciously agreed to be the auctioneer, and Larry Coyle will clerk the sale. The Faith Lutheran LYF will serve lunch during the event.

Sat., Feb. 6 at
Faith Lutheran

Rummage Sale
8 - 10 a.m.

Auction
10 a.m.

(Note: any rummage sale items not sold by 10 a.m. will be added to the auction)

Donations of items
for the auction &
rummage sale
are welcome!

Out of the Blue

❖ It has happened again – in a Christmas greeting card to Pastor Urbach a former member has sent yet another \$500.00 check for the Building Project.

❖ While it is not a totally out of the blue gift, December brought a \$700.00 gift from the Lynn's Dakotamart "We Care" program. The monies are shared evenly between our Preschool and our Daycare. They are wonderfully helpful gifts to these two ministries. This is made possible through the kindness of Dakotamart and all of you faithfully putting your Dakotamart receipts in the green "We Care" box in the Narthex.

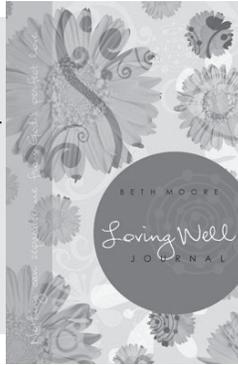
❖ Faith Lutheran received this note in a Thanksgiving card: "At Thanksgiving, I enjoy counting the many blessings that God has placed in my life over the past year. I am amazed at God's abundant provision and His boundless grace. His good gifts warm my heart and remind me of how blessed my life really is. And as I count my many blessings, I am glad to number you as one of the greatest among them. May you be blessed this Thanksgiving with all the good things He has to give. So in thankfulness: To Plant a Garden is to believe in tomorrow. My Mom's second best place to be was her garden – first was church, so I am now enclosing the monetary inheritance she left each one of her kids - \$129.06 to be used to help put together your wonderful garden. She was a prayer warrior and a sweet blessing to us all. Thanks be to God! Donna & Larry Shuck - Thus Far Has The Lord Helped Us!"

❖ Pastor Urbach received this note from Mal & Bernadine Hinckley: "Pastor Urbach, after hearing your sermon Sunday, November 1, 2009 it touched my heart about the lady from Hot Springs giving her money to the Urbach Memorial Garden. I love to spend many hours in my flower and vegetable garden. Mal also loves gardening so we talked it over. We both liked Andrea very much through visiting and laughing with her. Andrea was fun and we have many memories of our time together. We have visited Andrea's resting place many times on our way to our son Robert's church. The location, trees and home church are touching too, we usually stop a few minutes viewing her stone and think of her. Also Pastor Urbach, we are very blessed to have you as a Pastor all these years. Mal is a veteran also, so with all these reasons we would like to donate \$500.00 to the Urbach Memorial Garden. We are thankful to God. Mal & Bernadine Hinckley."

A Women's Retreat is coming in February!

Some people are a joy to love, some are more difficult to love, and we all have to deal with some people who are humanly impossible to love. And in every relationship one truth endures:

A Beth Moore retreat entitled "Loving Well" will be held Friday, February 19th and Saturday February 20th at Faith Lutheran in our new Christian Family Life Center. It will start at 6:00 p.m. Friday and will close Saturday at 1:00 p.m.



We will never be able to love others well until we have been loved well. Only God can ultimately give us the complete love we so desperately need.

Join us at Faith Lutheran for a "Loving Well Retreat" the evening of Friday, February 19 and the morning of Saturday, February 20. This mini-retreat features four heart-to-heart messages from beloved women's Bible teacher, Beth Moore.

Come share an enjoyable and relaxing Friday evening with your friends and ladies from the community. Then join us again on Saturday morning with breakfast served, some fellowship and singing and concluding with Beth's last two messages on "Loving Well."

We hope you will make plans to attend and please invite a friend. The cost is just \$5. A special bag, personal journal, refreshments and breakfast are included in the cost. If you have questions contact Jan Larson at 224-6574 or Daria Bossman at (605) 224-5190 or (712) 251-7763. *(Look for more details in the bulletin and future mailings).*

Gifted Office

We extend our hearty thank you to all who helped make Pastor Willms' office a very attractive office. We say thanks to:

- ♦ Craig Bump for a new desk for the office.
- ♦ Jared Doud for crafting the new cabinets and shelves for the office.
- ♦ The families that provided the gifts for the materials. They are:
Scott & Jean Collison Curt & Roxy Everson
Rick & Marlis Doud Les & Marilyn Wulf
James & Phyllis Douglas

This office just off Grace Plaza is yet another place that gifts of kindness and grace have made possible.

Acts of Kindness

We are grateful to:

- Bob Smith, who is providing all of our fire extinguishers for the addition to our church.
- Jay Fredrich, who is providing all the materials and labor to build cabinets in his work area. That area will have floor tile but no ceiling, so that tall items can be stored. There will be windows in the doors, so that the work area will have a nice open feel to it.

Preschool

Some special thank yous to some special people! Due to a very generous gift from Lari and Linda Ott, the trustees will be replacing the room dividers in the preschool room with a permanent partial wall. This will give the preschool more flexibility in its room arrangement and activities.

Lynn Ormesher graciously made a hand-made paper ornament for each preschooler. These were on her "Scrappin' Ladies" tree at the Capitol. Each child has their photo on an ornament, which they could take home after Christmas!

To each of these people we say "God bless you and thank you."

-from Faith Lutheran Preschool

"Parenting is Prevention"

Two sessions of Milton Creagh's "Parenting is Prevention" program will be held at Faith Lutheran on Monday, January 18th and Monday, February 15th. Each session meets in the Preschool room. Ruby Douglas facilitates the video presentation.

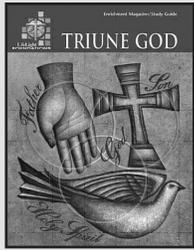
The January session is "High Tech Meets Low Tech". It discusses computer and cell phone use as well as cyber bullying and texting.

The February session is "Behavior Begets Consequences" and speaks about ethics and finances.

Please note that Milton Creagh will be in Pierre on Monday, March 29th and Tuesday, March 30th. A more detailed schedule will be in the February mailing.

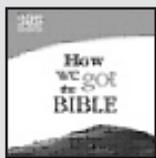
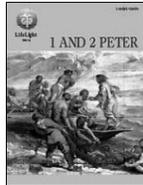
Thank you from Sioux Falls Construction workers
Pastor Brad, Pastor Levi and Faith Lutheran Church members - We wish to thank you for the rolls and coffee you serve us each Wednesday. We appreciate your generous gift and generosity. God Bless.
Sioux Falls Construction
(Norm, Mike, Shannon & Terry)

Upcoming Faith Studies



Triune God--Lifelight Class- In this Lifelight Bible Study, you will take a deep look at who our God is as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and how in the Triune God we see how God works towards our life and salvation. Meets: Sundays at Church 6:30 PM. Contact: Marv Schweigert at 224-5133. **-Begins Jan. 10th-**

1st & 2nd Peter- This class will look at the writings of Peter, the leader of the Apostles, as he writes to the church at large including you and me. Meets: Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Preschool Room at Church. Contact: Bill Markley at 224-5322. **-Begins January 13th-**

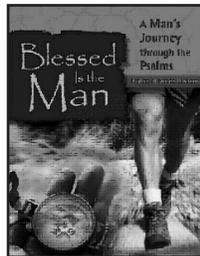


How We Got the Bible-This class will look deep into the history of the formation of the Bible, its accuracy, and authority for Christians. It also helps us to defend against many lies that circulate about the formation and authenticity of the scriptures. Meets: in

homes on Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Contact: Bob Miller at 224-9955. **-Starts Jan. 13th-**

Thursday Morning Men's Study: Real Men. Real Stories. Real Savior.

"Blessed is the Man" brings the Psalms into focus with daily devotions and weekly small-group study. Men, take this journey together through Blessed Is the Man to discover how Christ your Savior builds your character and integrity through His Word. You will read real stories from other men sharing how they deal with the realities of daily life and the challenges and opportunities they face. Meets: Thursday mornings at 7:00 am, and for breakfast at 6:30 on the 1st Thursday of the month.



-Starts Jan. 14th-



Beth Moore Women's Bible Study-The study is entitled "Believing God" and Beth Moore is a phenomenal teacher for women of all ages. Originating from a concept introduced in Isaiah 43:10, Believing God examines what it means to believe God rather than only believe in

Him. Participants study the lives of Abraham and others from Hebrews 11 as examples of people who believed God. Meets Thursday nights at 6:30-8:30. **-Begins Feb. 25th-**

Our Sunday Morning Bible Class time will feature:

- **January 10th:** a fundraiser for the Norm Neilan/Nick Hill Mission Trip to Hong Kong
- **January 17:** an LYF Oatmeal feed on January 17th
- **January 24:** a stand alone Bible Study
- **January 31:** a Bible Study by Dr. James Lamb, director of Lutherans for Life (also the Pastor who confirmed Pastor Willms)

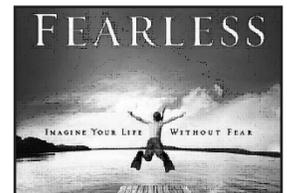
Financial Peace University- Today's economy has a lot of people and families struggling to make ends meet and to get their own family



economy in order. Financial Peace helps to decrease wasted spending, eliminate debt and the interest associated with it, and begin to build savings and wealth. Get yourself and your family on the road to Financial Peace. There will be a free preview on Jan. 10th at 9:45 a.m. and January 14th at 6:30 p.m. Contact Pastor Willms at 224-2216 or by email at levi@faithluth.com. Child care will be provided.

-Class begins Jan. 28th at 6:30 pm-

Fearless- Starting in February we will begin a Max Lucado study entitled "Fearless." Fear seems to be in the driver's seat these days. People are troubled and anxious. Finances are tumbling, rockets are launching, and seemingly solid institutions are teetering. It's tough for folks to know where to turn. "Two years ago I began writing a new book entitled *Fearless*," says Max Lucado. "Little did I know then what we'd be facing now, but God did. The book examines Jesus' statements about fear and encourages us to take heart in difficult times. The antidote to the fear epidemic? Trust. If we trust God more, we can fear less. What a comforting promise."



Monday Afternoon Women's Study- The study is yet to be determined for Spring but will be in upcoming newsletters. Contact: Karen Lindbloom at 224-5292. Meets: At 1:30 pm at the church. **-Starts March 1st-**

Lessons of the Church Year- This class studies 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. Meets: Wednesday mornings at church at 6:30 am. Contact Ruth Leidholt at 224-8308.

-Begins March 3rd and goes throughout the year so you can join at anytime between now and December-