

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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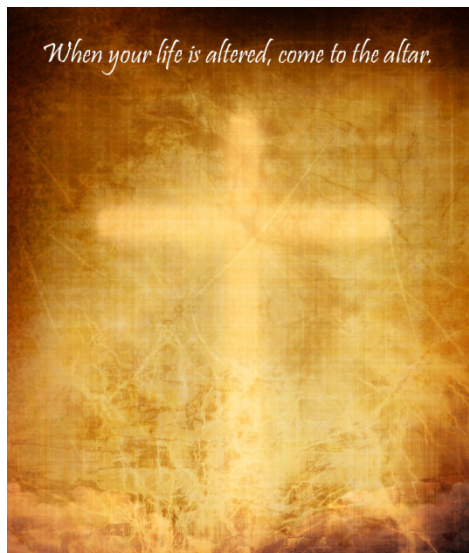
Pierre, SD 57501

# APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

## *A Service of Hope and Healing*

*Choral Service  
for Hope  
& Healing  
Sun., April 17  
7:00 pm  
at Faith Lutheran*

*When your life is altered, come to the altar.*



**A peaceful evening of music,  
scripture and reflection,  
followed by light refreshments.**

**Each person will have an opportunity to write a  
personal prayer or concern, or even just the name of  
someone who needs hope or healing.**

**The notes will be placed in a container.**

**NO ONE WILL READ THEM.**

**This note will be between you and God.**

**The notes will be burned at a later date.**

**The public is welcome.**

## Our 2016 Confirmands

Trever Anthony Adamson

Andrew Minor Axdahl

Paige Emily Brandt

Kamden Nadene Carter

Kaycee Jean Carter

Natalie Lynn Fawcett

Ashlee RayeAnn Hiller

Ladd Hayes Kramme

Land Rhodes Kramme

Savannah Christine Loesch

Brant Malfero

Cassidy Lynn Miller

Bailey Paige Nelson

Maria Elise Noyes

Lane Taylor Pope

Nathan Michael Shoup

Deni Marie Zeeb



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## *A Message from Pastor Barbey*

### **Sunday Adult Bible class**

Starting April 3, the Sunday adult Bible class (meets in the gym) will begin with Judges and just go from there. It is Bible Stories for adults. There is nothing new under the sun as far as God and His people are concerned.

If you want to just listen, you can. If you want to come and discuss, you will be able to. And those who like to read aloud will be able to do that too. The plan is not to drag it out, but to keep going so that we keep the plot perking along.

9:45-10:45 a.m. Sunday mornings. Join in. There are NIV Bibles provided but if you have a translation that you like that you find easier to understand, please bring it. We'll be after the story and not be doing word-by-word study. --DB

### **Pastors' days off**

At the behest of the elders and other congregational leaders, the pastors are more deliberately taking time away from their duties. Pastor Barbey will be taking Monday as his day off, and Pastor Baumann will be taking Friday as his day off.

The congregation's continued flexibility is appreciated, because due to planned events, church holy days, and etc, days

off need to be shifted at times. You know. Real life happens. --DB

### **Kudos to boards, chairpersons, and church council!**

Yes, there is an exclamation mark with the kudos. To those not involved it may not be apparent, but those named above are doing a whole lot of things in a whole lot of new ways. Communication patterns are shifting, volunteer tasks are being talked about, and some are being done in new ways. Because of the overlap involved, it has been deeply heartening to see the love for the Lord expressed in nuts-and-bolts details being attended to, in feelings being noted, in new ideas being aired, and in enthusiasm being expressed. The Holy Spirit is blessing Faith. --DB

### **Thanks for kindnesses**

This is Pastor Dan. Thank you for reminding me of your name. Thank you for welcoming me into your congregation and community. Thank you for letting me overhear how much you appreciate your congregation and wish for its continued joyful growth. Thank you for on-going reminders to me not to apologize, but to be myself. This all means so much.

PS. I probably still will apologize. You can just know it's a bad habit.

-- DB

## **Palm Crosses**



A big THANK YOU goes out to our group of women who spent Friday morning and into the afternoon making the palm crosses for Palm Sunday.

It was a big job splitting the palms, cutting them, making strips, and then folding them into the cross shape. Then, this year, they decided to string them onto plastic cord instead of pinning them all onto the clothing on Sunday morning.

Many thanks to:

Jan Johnson	Sandy Bales
Janice Deal	Rose Marrington
Karen Humphrey	Freda Peters
Lois Erbe	Willy Heien
JoAnn Sanders	Doreen Miller
Lila Houck	Helen Kiepke
Lurene Denke	

**GREAT JOB, GALS!**

## *“In Christ Alone”*

*“On Christ, the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand.” LSB 575*

The home buying process, which Margaret and I were privileged to be a part of this past fall, taught us one valuable lesson: “Choose your soil wisely, because foundation matters.” It matters when purchasing a home. It matters when you brush your teeth, when you do your taxes, when you choose someone to marry and whose church you will join as members. It matters in so many ways. I would rather bathe cats than go through the teeth brushing routine night after night with a reluctant 2-year-old who distains this 3-minute process... but I endure it because foundations matter, good habits matter, and the healthy teeth that go along with those things matter. You are ethical in your taxes because you were taught to obey the governing authorities, and because your parents instilled good Christian morals into you that serve as the foundation of your decisions in faith and life.

Why do we encourage and insist on regular weekly worship and Sunday School at Faith Lutheran from young on? Because brick by brick, week by week, God is laying the foundation that lasts a lifetime, a foundation that has Christ as the cornerstone, one which really, only ultimately matters into eternity. Christ Jesus is the foundation of

our Faith, and the sole source of our Salvation. John 5:39 *“These are the Scriptures that testify about Me.”*

The theme of the 2016 National Youth Gathering is: *“In Christ Alone.”* Our group of 29 youth and adults are leaving Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> and returning back to Pierre Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. How fitting that theme is, as it directs our high school teens and young people to be thinking a certain way about **EVERYTHING** in life. *Jesus Matters!*

The prayer through the National Youth Gathering, is that this becomes our life motto, our first instinct, and our natural tendency. Everything I do is for Christ alone. Our attitude should be the same as that of Christ alone. Have I been wronged or abused? So was Jesus. Only He as the foundation of my life, can grant healing, forgiveness, and restoration where all others fall short. Where do we turn? Who do we trust? Where do we find our hope, forgiveness, and ability to still carry on? It's all in Christ alone, the wounded healer, the One who gave His life as a perfect sacrifice for all.

God, through the shedding of Jesus' blood onto the ground, has redeemed every soiled situation and made it servant to His purposes. God makes alive that which was dead, recovers that which was lost, restores that which was broken, *all through Christ alone!*

Hebrews 6:19 says,

*“We have this hope as an anchor for our soul firm and secure.”* And in Hebrews 12:2 *“We fix our eyes on Jesus the Author and perfecter of our faith...”*

May God grant you His continued grace as we journey from the empty cross and open tomb of Easter to carry Jesus' love to a world and to our community that needs Christ, and Him alone. We believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting—What a foundation to build your life on! I look forward to seeing your continued presence in worship at Faith.

God's Joy and Peace be with You!

In Christ Alone,

Pastor Baumann



## April Life Team News

Faith's Life Team held a planning session to brainstorm ideas for strengthening our congregation as a Gospel-centered life-affirming people. Watch for upcoming events that will give all of our members exciting opportunities to be involved in honoring God by upholding the sanctity of human life. Events on our calendar in 2016 include:

- \*The annual Diaper Derby which will run from Mother's Day through Father's Day and gives us the chance to bless parents in crisis pregnancies with gifts of diapers and baby wipes.

- \*A family movie night which will feature an uplifting film with a pro-life message and include, of course, plenty of hot, fresh buttered popcorn!

- \*A high-impact and heart-changing outdoor cross display representing South Dakota's unborn lost to abortion. It is a powerful reminder of the devastating toll this abhorrent act takes on our state.

- \* An informative and interesting seminar for our senior citizens and their families that will address end-of-life issues. Featured speakers will be experts from our national Luther-

ans for Life organization who will help us address complex matters from a clear Lutheran Christian perspective.

- \*Ongoing support of our elderly members by our youth through the Grandparent Project.

Life Issues in the News:

We join with all pro-life South Dakotans in thanking our state legislators and Governor Daugaard for the passage of a bill which bans abortions in our state after 20 weeks, and penalizes doctors who do late-term abortions in non-emergency situations. Impetus for the bill was scientific evidence that unborn children are capable of feeling pain at least by 20 weeks gestational age. We praise God for this new protection of His unborn children!

### Forever Young

April 21, 2016

At noon

Regular Potluck Dinner

Bring a friend!

## Got Work Projects?

Faith Lutheran's Men's Club is looking to do a service day on Saturday, April 30 from 9:00 till 1:00 for any members of the parish or community that are shut-ins, elderly, or not capable of maintaining or up-keeping their buildings and property. Outside projects are preferred.



Please contact Pastor Baumann with any information you may have in regards to an opportunity for the men's group to help out. Examples could be: yard work, runs to the dump or recycling, painting or any such things. The April 30 work day coincides with a nation-wide initiative on that day sponsored by Lutheran Hour Ministries Men's Network. All men of the congregation are welcome to be involved. Please contact Pastor Baumann for more info.



## Preschool News

Dear Faith family,  
Finally, spring is filling the air! Even the children who are usually excited about the snow are ready for winter to be done! Praise God that He is faithful with our changing seasons! We are praying that March goes out like a lamb!

During the month of March we are having our lending library for the students. Each week the children pick out a book that they take home to have someone read to them. It is a fun experience for them! We are also having conferences on March 21 & 22. I enjoy meeting with the

parents and visiting about their child. We are registering for next year with openings in all the sessions except the Tuesday-Thursday morning session. Thank you for your support of our program! It is through your prayers and positive comments that we are known throughout the area.

During April we will emphasize WXYZ, the diamond shape, the color green and the number 7. We will be doing our science center where the students bring things to share with the other students. We will also be taking our spring walk and visiting the

SD Discovery Center. Our picnic is May 13<sup>th</sup> this year which will be the final event of the year. Please pray for a beautiful day – it is so nice to know that we have our Family Christian Life Center available if it is not possible to meet at the park. I can hardly believe we are talking about the end of preschool already. It has been a great year – thank you for all your help! Enjoy those nice days that are coming our way!

In Christ,

Jan Larson, Director/teacher



## Daycare News

Greetings, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, from Faith Lutheran Daycare! The children are excited about the change of weather and getting outside to enjoy the nice spring days. During circle time this month, we are having fun learning about a net full of fish, Jesus goes to Heaven, The Holy Spirit comes, and the first Church.

We have received some very generous donations to the center recently. The donations are greatly appreciated! We receive gifts of all items and monetary form from families and we are grateful for all the thoughtful-

ness that goes into donating to our center. Thank you to the members of our church family, board members, parents, and friends in the community!

The kids love making crafts based on our letter of the week. Feel free to view some of the crafts on display in and around the daycare all times of the year. The children are all so proud of their projects!

Please continue to keep the daycare in your prayers as we strive to provide the best childcare possible. If you have any craft

items, coloring pictures, or crayons please let Katie know. We will make use of every resource offered. As always, Dakotamart receipts, box tops and Campbell's labels are always greatly appreciated and offer service to Faith Lutheran Church, our preschool and our Daycare programs. Have a wonderful April!

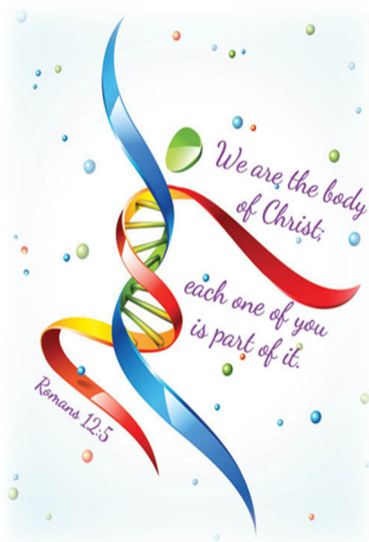
Katie Barrer/Director

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Director

Faith Lutheran Daycare  
(605) 224-4748

# LWML District Convention



**LWML** District Convention is June 3-4 at Faith Lutheran Church, Pierre.

Our theme is "We are the body of Christ; each one of you is part of it." Friday evening worship service is at 7:00 pm and is open to the community. Over the 2 days we will have wonderful speakers, service events, and the opportunity to bring Gifts from the Heart.

Ladies please see registration forms for more details. Registration forms can be picked up in the office. Registration forms must be turned in by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

We will have two projects for our Gifts from the Heart.

Harvest Winds LLC on the Rosebud Reservation at Par-

malee has been operating for well over a year sewing articles for sale to the general public. One of their projects is sewing star quilts. According to Pastor Andrew Utecht they always need GOOD quality cotton quilting fabric and other sewing supplies. This will be one of our projects for our Gifts from the Heart. Quilting fabric may be of any SOLID color of good quality 100% cotton and at least two yards in length. You may also purchase a bolt of the quilting fabric. If you wish, you may furnish material for the backing of larger quilts in WHITE or OFF-WHITE only. The wider backing is made in either 90" or 108" widths. You would buy 2 1/2 yards of either width. They can also use the 3000 yard cone thread in white, off-white, or light tan colors.

The second project is items for the Pierre Food pantry. You may purchase non-perishable food items and paper products for the Pierre Food Pantry.

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*The SD District LWML convention will be held in Pierre at Faith June 3-4, 2016. Volunteers are needed to work at the registration desk during the convention. If you would be available to help for a short time, please contact Marla Mosiman to volunteer. Call 605-222-3313, or email [mmosiman@venturecomm.net](mailto:mmosiman@venturecomm.net) if you can be there!*

## Confirmation Sunday

April 24, 2016

11:00 service

With

Holy Communion



### Official Acts

#### Baptisms

Kendrick Jay Glodt  
Declan Michel Camp  
Castiel Lee

#### Funerals

Margaret Kayser 3/23/16



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## HOPE AND HEALING

*"...we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure..."*

*Hebrews 6:18b & 19a*

Devotions that follow Faith Choir's weekly rehearsals often center on the themes of commitment and caring. When we regrouped last fall for a new season, we were without two of our own. It was decided that we, as a choir, through rehearsals and worship, make a concerted effort and commitment to use our music as a means of supporting, giving thanks for, and lifting in prayer, Marlis Doud and Bob Shoup. Both were dealing with serious health issues, and it seemed fitting to dedicate our music offerings to their healing.

Weekly choir rehearsals, as well as the worship services we sing for, are a commitment. In today's society and culture, especially, it is easy to be committed to something fun, popular and entertaining. Choir often requires extra effort, dedication and selflessness; it can also be inconvenient. However, the music in our folders is a sacred trust. Great messages of truth and hope can be launched from the choir loft.

An idea was brought forth that the choir plan an event inspired by Marlis and Bob. Music and the spoken word, combined to form a service of prayer and meditation,

seemed fitting. The focus would be on hope, healing and restoration – all future-directed. That idea has taken root, and is in the planning stages.

A service of "HOPE and HEALING," led by Faith Choir, our pastors and members of the congregation, will come to fruition on Sunday evening, April 17, at 7:00 pm. The event will feature Scripture, short meditations, prayer and choral music in a restful, healing environment. Attendees will have an opportunity to lift loved ones and others in prayer. An intimate reception will follow.

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice,

and it told Thy love to me;

But I long to rise in the arms of faith  
and be closer drawn to Thee.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,

to cross where Thou hast died.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,

to Thy precious, bleeding side.

Please join us the evening of April 17. Let's remember that God is rejoicing, even singing over us. Let's join the song!

Karen Lindbloom

## Men's Club Night

Join the men of Faith Monday evening, April 4 at 7:00 for fellowship in the Word and a friendly Bean Bag toss competition. We start at 7. Please bring a snack to share. First time? No problem! It would be great to see you there.

## "WarRoom" Movie Night at Faith

Showing on the "Big Screen" at Faith on Friday, May 27 at 6:30 pm will be the movie:

"WarRoom". There will be popcorn from the popcorn machine. Bring the family and join us on Friday evening, May 27. Sign up on the information table in the Narthex.

## Jacob Shoup Concert

Jacob Shoup is going to be at Faith Lutheran on Friday, June 17, for a 7:00 pm concert. He is releasing his 2nd album, "Storm this Castle." Clear the calendar and join us for a great evening of worship music with Jacob.

## Be thinking...Senior Sunday, May 22

Seniors of the parish are asked to be present in worship at the 8:20 service on May 22. They will be recognized, prayed for, and even called upon to participate in a "Children's Message." Wear your graduation robe. There will be a brief reception between services as well so we can get them on their way.

# FLC YOUTH NEWS

## J.Y.M. Circuit Bible Camp

**\*5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Gr.**

**\*(for the 2016 school year)**

**Mon, June 27, - Thurs, June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016**



**Oahe Downstream  
Campground**

**Cost: \$90 w/ \$30 Faith  
Scholarship**

**Information & sign-up on  
the back table in the**



### ACOLYTES FOR APRIL

**April 3**

Early: Damon Hoftiezer, Brady Hoftiezer

Late: Melissa Hedglin, Jesse Jares

**April 10**

Early: Pacen Banuat, Austin Fawcett

Late: Tucker Berens, Trevor Penrod

**April 17**

Early: Burkelee K.A., Cassandra VanDeWiele

Late: Nate Hill, Ethan Hill

**April 24**

**Confirmation Sunday**

Early: Cassandra Ryckman, Samuel Ryckman

Late: Kassie Tronvold, Kailee Schultz

**TEACHERS of Faith Lutheran Church:** (Midweek, Sunday School, Adult Bible Studies—Men's... Ladies... In-home etc. — along with our Daycare, & Pre-school Staff & Teachers)... Join us for a **NOON LUNCHEON** in the gym with your family Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> after the 11 o'clock worship in your honor! Our way of saying thanks for all that you do! We will have lunch, door prizes, and a small program. We praise God for your all service!

**\*Acolyte Training** **ACOLYTES**  
**Sunday Evening**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup>.** This training is for all 8<sup>th</sup> graders to prepare them for acolyting next summer. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders are to be present from 4:00-5:00 pm on Sunday even-



ing, May 1<sup>st</sup> in the sanctuary at Faith followed by an elder sponsored pizza party.

**Night of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Questioning**—All are invited to attend the evening of questioning for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation students. The rite of questioning is a major moment for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Midweek students and they would be so appreciative of your support. Join us Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary followed by refreshments.

**The Theme for this year's Vacation Bible School will be: *Barnyard Roundup: Jesus Gathers Us Together!*** Our VBS dates for this year are: June 5-9. Sing-ups for adult volunteers, decorations, and helpers will be made available in April.

**OUR LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL** is going to be Sun-

day, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

**MIDWEEK — Our last night of Midweek classes for this year is going to be Wednesday evening May 4<sup>th</sup>** concluding with an ice cream party (outside). We also want to remind our Midweek students that they will be singing on Mother's Day, which is Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at the 11 o'clock service.

**Camp Minneboji...** dates for this summer are set and will be Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration booklets are on the back information table in the Narthex.