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Pastor's View

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe. (Hebrews 12:28)

We are studying Martin Luther in confirmation. We talked about how Luther did not feel his church was offering acceptable worship. He did not agree with some of the church rules and caused such an uproar he was excommunicated from the Catholic Church, which hurt him very much. His followers began a new church and called it the Lutheran Church; named for Martin Luther.

As we all know, worship continues to evolve and today we are seeing fewer people attending worship on a regular basis. Our younger people seem to be less committed to weekly worship. There are many other activities that conflict with Sunday worship. Keeping this in mind, I asked our nine confirmation students to start a new church. They were divided into three groups of three and were asked two questions – What are the most important things your church will do? and How do you get people to come to your church?

I was impressed with how serious the students were as they planned their new church. Here are some of their ideas:

What are the most important things you church will do?

Free breakfasts, community projects, potlucks, youth group, teach life skills, interactive Bible studies such as painting and journaling, two services at the same time (one for adults and one for children), twenty minute service, have a place on the church grounds for people to stay, especially the homeless, have more activities such as basketball with a worship service during halftime.

How do you get people to come to church?

Potlucks, have a fair with children's activities, have a place for the homeless to sleep and then they can come to worship, have worship twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays because people are busy on the weekends, have lots of community activities because people support those who help the community, have signs up around town, have lots of basketball games.

What impressed me most was how much of what they planned included the community. Their plans were not just to serve those who were members of the church, but they wanted to reach out to those who were not a part of the church community. Is that the future of the church? Instead of different denominations, make the church a community that does not have a lot of expectations for those who attend but welcomes everyone for a variety of services and options to bring glory to God. Give this some thought and I would love to hear your ideas.

See you in worship!
Pastor Roberta

All Saints' Sunday – November 7

The church remembers those who have died this past year.

Confirmation

Confirmation classes for all 7th and 8th graders are every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at Faith.

No Confirmation class on November 24.

First Communion Classes

Wednesdays, November 3 and 10
5:00 p.m. at Faith

First Communion for those attending classes will be Sunday, November 14.

Contact the church office of Pastor Roberta for more information.

Naomi Circle Bible Study

"The Gift of the Spirit"

by Rev. Sara Olson-Smith



Wednesday, November 17

10:00 a.m. at Diane Christensen's home

Session 3: The Spirit as the Wind of God

November/December issue of *Gather* magazine

Opportunities for Junior High and High School Students

- **Sunday School** is in the kitchen at Our Savior's every Sunday at 9:25 a.m.
- **Bible Jams** are on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at Faith. All JH/HS students are welcome to come for faith, food, fellowship, and fun. **No Bible Jam on November 24.**

God's Work – Our Hands

The Christian Outreach Committee will conduct an ingathering of non-perishable food items for Wheatland's Carroll Assistance Center.

You are asked to bring donations of canned goods to church through November 14.

The center requests food items that would be used at a Thanksgiving meal. The center will put these items in the Thanksgiving baskets that they distribute.

Noisy Offering – November 21

The Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland will be the recipient of 2021 Noisy Offerings. The offering is collected by the children during worship on the third Sunday of each month.

Thanksgiving Worship

Sunday, November 21, at regular service times at both Faith and Our Savior's.

To contact Pastor Roberta,
please use her cell phone number: **406-478-9518**



October Council Meetings

~ Joint Council ~

God Squad: No Report

Pastor's Report:

- First Communion Classes on Wednesdays, November 3 and 10. First Communion on Sunday, November 14.
- Enjoying confirmation class.

Worship Committee:

- Hanging of the Greens on November 28, the first Sunday of Advent.
- Midweek services for Advent will be Wednesdays, December 1, 8, 15, and 22. Places and times are forthcoming.

Christian Outreach Committee: No Report

Education Committee:

- Christmas program was chosen and will be presented at Our Savior's on December 19.

Feeding the Children:

- Spent \$165.37

Old Business: None

New Business: None

~ Our Savior's Council ~

Old Business:

- Painting still needs to be completed on the bell tower. Everything else is finished.

New Business: None

~ Faith Council ~

No business conducted.

Next Meetings:

Thursday, November 11, at Faith

Please submit December newsletter items to the church office by Monday, November 15.
Thanks for your cooperation!

MINISTERS for November 2021

If you cannot do your task on the day assigned, it is your responsibility to trade with someone or to find your own substitute and notify the church office of the change.

FAITH CHURCH

Ushers:

Larry Schau

Mark Witte

Acolyte:

Kalloway Whitman

Altar Ministry:

Diane Christensen and Larry Schau

Communion Assistant:

Mark Witte

Lectors:

November 7: Heather Grau

November 14: Brian Tulley

November 21: Heather Whitman

November 28: Hanging of the Greens

OUR SAVIOR'S CHURCH

Usher:

Brian Bousselot

Acolyte:

Ryan Olson

Communion Assistant:

Deb Detlefs

Lectors:

November 7: Brian Bousselot

November 14: Neil Holmquist

November 21: Marcia Edens

November 28: Hanging of the Greens

Cleaner:

Jason Bousselot

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NOTE: Sunday worship is also online at www.clparish.org

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>F = Faith Church OS = Our Savior's Church</p>	<p>1 All Saints' Day</p>	2	<p>3 First Communion Class 5:00 pm at Faith Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith</p>	4	5	6
<p>7 Daylight Saving Time Ends All Saints' Sunday 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS</p>	8	9	<p>10 First Communion Class 5:00 pm at Faith Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith Education Committee 7:00 pm at Faith</p>	<p>11 Worship Committee 6:00 pm at Faith Joint Council 7:00 pm at Faith</p>	12	13
<p>14 Bring Canned Goods 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS</p>	<p>15 Newsletter items due in the church office.</p>	16	<p>17 Naomi Circle 10:00 am at Diane Christensen's Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith</p>	18	19	20
<p>21 Noisy Offering Thanksgiving Services 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS</p>	22	23	<p>24 No Confirmation Class No Bible Jam</p>	<p>25 Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>26 The church office will be closed today.</p>	27
<p>28 First Sunday of Advent Hanging of the Greens 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS</p>	29	30				