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Our Savior's
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Pastor's View

Easter - We worship with "He is Risen!" "He is Risen Indeed!" I hope that you have been spiritually filled during this Easter journey. We journey through Easter towards Ascension and into Pentecost. Spiritually during Easter we can focus on our Baptism and Communion as it relates to the risen Lord and Savior.

Adult Class - We invite you come and be part of the fun. There has been a building of trust between pastor and all of us gathered together on Sunday Morning. It is hard to start something new; like coming to something you have never done before. Come and grow in faith and fellowship.

Mom's Bible Study - "Coffee and a Little Jesus" - Heather Grau is hosting a bible study and talk time about our faith. Moms and children are welcome. They will meet the first Tuesday of the month at 9 am. Call Heather at 563-424-0507 or email grau.heather@gmail.com.

1st Communion Class - We will be offering 1st communion classes for all ages of persons. If your child has questions about communion I would encourage them to attend the classes. If they have already had one class it might be helpful if they would take a refresher class. This is a two lesson class. We will use a DVD called Sacraments in Action and the book "A Place for You." Please call the office if you are going to attend. The dates are May 11(F.) & 18(O.S.) at 6:30. I am looking forward to the class time with you and your student.

Noisy Offering - In April our Noisy offering will go to the Syrian Refuges. Lutheran Disaster Relief is the contact agency for us. The offerings will be sent to the synod office and they will send the

offering on to LDR in our name. A designated offering is 100% to the people in need.

Middle East and Europe Refugee Crisis

The Situation: A record number of people are fleeing war and poverty in the Middle East in search of a better way of life - especially Syrians. Although they come from different countries, for various reasons, they share a common goal: hope for a brighter future. Many have fled with only the clothes on their backs. The situation is life-threatening.

Our Response: As a church, we are called to respond. Over the last four years, since conflict in Syria began, Lutheran Disaster Response has committed over \$1 million to help Syrian refugees who have been displaced because of bombardment, civil war and the growing threat of ISIS.

Working with our companion churches and partners, Lutheran Disaster Response is providing food, diapers, blankets, water, health kits, hygiene kits and psychosocial services, in addition to continuing support of refugee camps.

"In the face of evil, we remain confident that the good news of Jesus Christ liberates us and gives us the freedom and courage to discover and boldly participate in what God is up to in this world. 'The Gospel also frees us from fear to see others as brothers and sisters for whom Christ died and lives'" (*ELCA Social Message on Terrorism, 2004*).

Confirmation - Confirmation will be here before you know it. What can you do? Please pray for these young people as they move into a more adult life in faith. This is a hard transition to make. The transition involves moving from your parents
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telling you have to go to church to attending church on your own. Pray for our youth. Pray for the parents. There is also the item of what do you get for a gift for the young person. Of course the easiest is a card and money. But if you want to go a little farther; a book of faith would be wonderful. Some books might be a Concordance, or a Bible Dictionary, or a book of faith stories. Pray for our youth.

Upcoming Dates –

- April 5 Mothers bible study
- May 6 & 7 Synod Assembly
- May 2, 9 & 16 VBS for the Kids
- May 11 & 18 Classes for First Communion (attend both)
- May 15 – Confirmation
- May 22 Celebration of First Communion

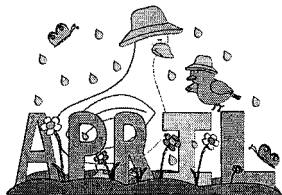
- Pastor Bill

The Noisy Offering will be Collected on April 17

The ELCA Disaster Response (emphasizing the Syrian refugee crisis) has been selected by the church councils and committees to be the 2016 recipient of the Noisy Offerings.

♪ **April Choir Rehearsal**
Wednesday, April 13 – 8:00 p.m.
Faith Church ♪

May 2016 Newsletter Items Due
April 20, please.
Thanks for your cooperation!



BASKETS of PROMISE



During Lent, the parish took part in the **Baskets of Promise** campaign. **Thank you** for the bath towels, soap, toothbrushes, combs and nail clippers.

The goal was to collect items for 40 Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. **There are enough items to fill 55 kits!**

The **Personal Care Kits** give people around the world tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations, like those displaced by natural disasters or fleeing violence.

The kits will be assembled and blessed on April 10. Then shipped to Lutheran World Relief on April 16.



To: The Families of Sunday School Children

From: The Education Committee

The LWR Personal Care Kits will be assembled during Sunday School on **April 10**. The response to this project has been amazing!

The kids will sing at the beginning of worship at Our Savior's on Sunday, **April 24**. Families may attend worship at either church, but are asked to remain at Our Savior's until after the singing.

God Squad is organizing a visit to Wheatland Manor during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, **May 1**. Parents are asked to take their children to Wheatland instead of Our Savior's at 9:30.

Bible School will be held after school on the first **three Mondays of May**. Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to participate. Older students are encouraged to serve as group leaders.



At the March Council Meetings

Joint Council:

- Worship Committee finalized Holy Week worship services.
- Christian Outreach Committee has set June 10 for Movie Night at Our Savior's.
- Education Committee has planned for the Sunday School children to sing at the 10:30 service at Our Savior's on April 24; Vacation Bible School theme will be "Acts of Kindness and Love."
- Parish members will serve the CALCO breakfast on March 20 and should bring baked goods to be served.

Faith Council:

- Approved financial report with a designated balance of \$945.77 and a working balance of \$32,305.98.
- Discussion continues regarding the installation of a railing on the north side of the entry steps as it will require the extended portion to be removable for funerals.
- Spring Clean-up will begin at 8:00 a.m. on April 2 – rain date will be April 9.
- A copy of the original blueprint of the church will be framed.
- Faith Council members cell phone contact numbers will be sent to the secretary.

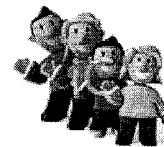
Our Savior's Council:

- Financial reports were approved with a balance of \$1,931.64.
- Lowden Plumbing and Heating will working on the new water line.
- A bid from Chris Forret for mowing the cemetery was accepted.
- Lenten offering will be used for benevolence.
- Committee lists and phone numbers were updated.

Our Savior's Monthly Financial Report February 2016

Beginning Balance.....	\$2,467.84
Deposits	\$5,307.32
Disbursements.....	\$(5,843.52)
Ending Balance	\$1,931.64

News About Our People



Jack Dean, son of Adam and Leah Warnemunde, by means of Holy Baptism, was welcomed into the family of God and the membership of Faith Lutheran Church on March 20. Jack's sponsors were Angie Poen and Lance Goettsch. Welcome to the Calamus Lutheran Parish, Jack!

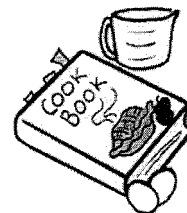


A funeral service for Arvella Pewe was held at Faith Church on Monday, March 21. Arvella passed away on March 17. Burial was in Dixon Cemetery, Dixon, Iowa.



Caleb John, son of Luke and Jessica Shelton, was born on March 23. Congratulations to all!

Looking for a New Recipe?



Our Savior's Cookbook, filled with delicious recipes is still available— if interested, please contact
Jason Boussetot
1866 – 265th Street, Calamus

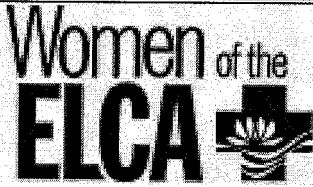


The Sweet Scent of Forgiveness



"Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it."

- Mark Twain



Christian Citizenship 101- Paul's Letter to the Philippians



"Keep On Keeping On"

Theme verses – Philippians 4:4–23



Wednesday, April 13 – 2:00 p.m.

Hostess: Sharon Boussetot

Leader: Pastor Bill



Friday, April 15 – 10:00 a.m.

(Crossroads Garden Cafe in DeWitt –

Bible Study first and then

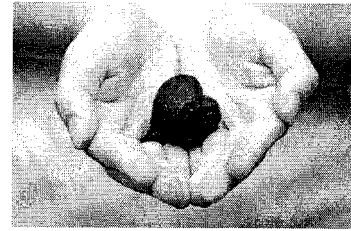
order from the menu for lunch.

*Please make your reservation with Jeannene
by Monday, April 11)*

Hostess: Jeannene Boussetot

Leader: Marsha Witte

"Acts of Kindness and Love" Monday Bible School



May 2nd ♥ May 9th ♥ May 16th
after school until 5:00 at Faith Lutheran
Church,
505 2nd Street in Calamus



Children in Kindergarten – Grade 5



Snacks, music, stories, and activities!



Come for fun after school on the
first three Mondays of May.



The school needs parental permission to
have the school buses drop off children
at the church for Bible School.

Registration by April 24th is required.

Registration forms are available at
the church office and
at Cal/Wheat Elementary.

"Coffee & A Little Jesus"



You are invited to the Women's/Mom's
Bible Study, called "Coffee & A Little Jesus." We will
meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Kids
are welcome.

Heather Grau, 1658 – 257th Street, Calamus

April 5 – 9:00 a.m.



If interested, please email me grau.heather@gmail.com

or call me 563-424-0507

You can also follow on Facebook at
Coffee & A Little Jesus



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- April 1: Trina Knoche
 Karlee Rock
- April 2: Daryl Henning
- April 4: Lindsey Hewer
 Alisha Adams
- April 6: Mallory Bousselet
 Terry Cunningham
- April 9: Rebecca Shorter
- April 10: Norman Bousselet
 Hans Olson
- April 11: Brittany Hoffmann
 James Koch
- April 12: Jeremy Koch
- April 13: Nila Mason
- April 14: Geri Schutt
- April 15: Jeff Henning
- April 17: Nancy Olson
- April 18: Matthew Gronewold
- April 20: Hal Shelton
 Bus Seastrand
- April 21: Michael Hoker
- April 22: Angela Ihns
- April 23: Will Burke
- April 24: Brandon Knudtsen
 Mickenzie Allen
- April 25: Larry Schau
- April 28: Marcella Husen
- April 29: Bryce Erickson
 ♥
- April 6: Oscar and Joan Shelton (69 years!)
- April 7: Paul and Carla Olson
- April 8: Chris & Tara Sersig
- April 9: Pastor Solveig and Michael Zamzow
- April 13: Lonny and Diane Sievers
- April 22: Yale and Brenda Christensen
- April 26: Hally and Dennis Haley
- April 30: Jeremy and Sarah Koch

Thrivent Financial Lunch and Learn Series

**Long Term Care
Friday, April 22, 2016**

Come to a free one-hour presentation on Long Term Care options for you and your family. Developing a long term care strategy can help you preserve your independence, keep you in your home longer, protect your income and assets, and reassure your family about the future.

Join us on Friday April 22 at the Thrivent office in DeWitt, 908 – 6th Avenue. Lunch is provided. Please call 659-2991 to RSVP. this workshop is sponsored by the West Clinton County Chapter of Thrivent Financial.

Bacon Bonanza

Attention Bacon Lovers!

Don't Miss The Third Big Bacon Bonanza
benefiting



Saturday, April 9 from 4—7:00 p.m.
Davenport River
Center Great Hall

Celebrity Chef Diva Q is the guest judge. The winning vendor qualifies for the World Food Championships. Vendors from across the Quad Cities and surrounding areas will be on hand to share their bacon creations. Tickets are \$25 a piece, a family four pack is \$75. Children 5 and under are free. Tickets are available online at www.cuqca.org or by calling Churches United at 563-332-5002.

EWALU Bible Camp Summer Ministry Employment



EWALU Bible Camp, Strawberry Point, Iowa, is looking for young people to share their faith, serve as role models and help foster Christian community. (Camp counselors need to 18 or older). If you are interested, call 563-933-4700 or email community@ewalu.org.

"You can observe a lot by just watching."

"Baseball is 90% mental and
the other half is physical."

"A nickel ain't worth a dime anymore."

"If the world were perfect, it wouldn't be."

"Congratulations. I knew the record would stand
until it was broken."

- Quotes from Yogi Berra

THE SECRET

Today I heard a secret
Whispered in my ear
Today I heard a secret
I was not supposed to hear

I wondered as I listened
How secrets came to be
Why they were ever called a secret
Seems really strange to me

A story told to someone
Of facts, true or untrue
Overheard by someone else
Then whispered to me and you

Don't tell anyone else she said
As she whispered in my ear
A story that was really bad
A terrible thing to hear

Of course, the biggest secret,
The one she didn't know or see,
Was that the secret she was telling
Was an untrue story about ..ME.

- Written by Lois Wessels

and received Honorable Mention in the Iowa Poetry Association book *Lyrical Iowa*

MINISTERS FOR APRIL 2016

FAITH

Ushers:

Mark Witte
Dirk Braet
Brian Tulley
Gary Braet

Acolytes:

Anne Tulley
Sarah Tulley

Altar Ministry:

Mark and Marsha Witte

Communion Assistant:

Dirk Braet

Greeter:

April 3: Dirk Braet
April 10: Marilyn Steward
April 17: Keith Steward
April 24: Mark Witte

Lectors:

April 3: Mark Witte
April 10: Dirk Braet
April 17: Brian Tulley
April 24: Marsha Witte

OUR SAVIOR'S

Ushers:

Joe Morehead
Brian Boussetlot

Acolyte:

Riley Bruns

Communion Assistant:

Brian Boussetlot

Lector:

April 3: Dan Burke
April 10: Joe Morehead
April 17: Amy Glover
April 24: Deb Detlefs

Cleaners:

Marcia Edens
Mark Olson

If You Cannot Do Your Assigned Task On That Particular Day, It Is Your Responsibility To Trade With Someone Or To Find Your Own Substitute And Notify The Church Office Of The Change.

Joy

Almighty God, you give us the joy
of celebrating our Lord's resurrection.
Give us also the joys of life in your service,
and bring us at last to the full joy of life eternal;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 8:00 Spring Clean Up Day at Faith Church Rain Day: April 9
3 God Squad Bake Sale	4	5 9:00 "Coffee & A Little Jesus" Bible Study at Heather Grau's 1658 - 257th Street, Calamus	6 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith	7	8	9 8:00 Rain Date for Spring Clean Up at Faith Church (if needed)
10 8:00 Worship - F 9:25 SS/GS/AC - OS 10:30 Worship - OS	11	12 7:00 Committee Night at Our Savior's	13 2:00 Lydia Circle H-Sharon Boussetot L-Pastor Bill 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith 8:00 Choir - Faith	14 6:00 Worship Committee - OS 7:00 Joint Council - OS	15 10:00 Naomi Circle @ Crossroads Garden Cafe - DeWitt H-Jeannene B. L-Marsha Witte	16
17 Noisy Offering 8:00 Worship - F 9:25 SS/GS/AC - OS 10:30 Worship - OS	18	19	20 No Confirmation Class	21	22	23
24 8:00 Worship - F 9:25 SS/GS/AC - OS SS sings at OS 10:30 Worship - OS	25	26	27 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at Faith	28	29	30

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**Calamus Lutheran Parish
Worship Schedule**



8:00 A.M. Sunday Worship

Faith Lutheran Church

505 Second Street, town of Calamus



9:25 A.M. Sunday School/Adult Class

Our Savior's Lutheran Church



10:30 A.M. Sunday Worship

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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