

Faith and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches ELCA

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Pastor's View

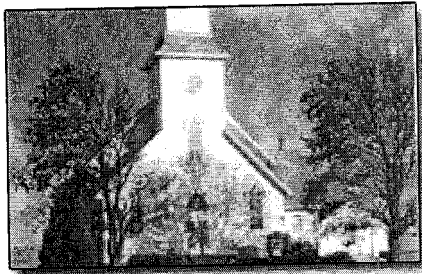
Ministry in the Future - In the near future there will be a continuing shortage of Lutheran pastors in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). There is a shortage of pastors in almost all Christian churches. In the ELCA there is an expected shortage of 1,000 pastors in the next 2-3 years. In the next 10 years there will be over 2,000 openings for pastors. How will this affect the Calamus Lutheran Parish? I have been looking into this concern. When I retire I want the parish to have or be working on a solution to pastoral leadership. What are some choices right now?

1. Calamus Parish becomes part of a "Geographic Parish." This is where 2-5 congregations come together to share a pastor and another certified person. This Geographic Parish model could include other denominations that are in fellowship with the ELCA.
2. Calamus Parish supports an "MDiv Collaborative Learning Program" with a person who wants to become a pastor in the ELCA. This person (from our congregation or another congregation) will serve as a "student-pastor" during the four years of academic online studies. The advantages for the "student-pastor" are: reduced student loans, real-time classroom participation, two campus workshops per year, and site congregational leadership. Calamus Parish becomes a teaching congregation; similar to an intern site. Candidates for the Collaborative Learning Program are nominated by their synods and approved by the ELCA.
3. Calamus Parish uses the "Theological Education for Emerging Ministries" (TEEM) style. The TEEM program provides preparation for those who will provide pastoral ministry in emerging ministry contexts including inner city, multicultural, **rural**, and other communities. Candidates for the TEEM program are supported by their community and will complete a two-year program with Wartburg Seminary. Candidates for the TEEM program are nominated by their synods and approved by the ELCA. Normally TEEM candidates are age 40 or older.
4. The last choice is that Calamus Parish does nothing. Calamus Parish would be hoping that the pastor does not retire or that the Synod provides a pastor right when the parish needs a pastor. The Synod does wonderful things, but that might be a little like a miracle in the making.

The point of this long explanation is that joint council will be looking at these choices in September. When the joint council makes a choice, they will take the next step in reaching the goal of having pastoral leadership for Calamus Parish in the coming years. The council and I will work with the Synod during this process. Please pray about our future. Please pray about our ministry.

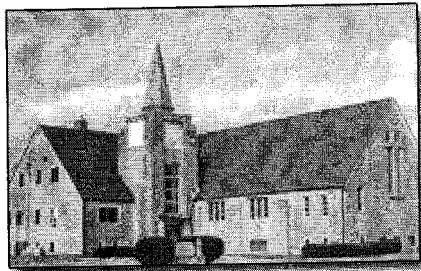
In Christ,
Pastor Bill

**Mark Your Calendar!
One Worship Service Only!**



**Sunday, July 2
9:00 a.m.**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church



**Sunday, September 3
9:00 a.m.
Faith Lutheran Church**

Special Meeting

The Our Savior's congregation will meet on July 16th after worship service to discuss a handicap chair lift.

**Noisy Offering
Collected
July 16 and
August 13**



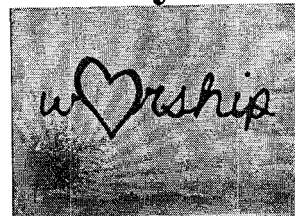
This year's Noisy Offering has been designated for Camp Courageous.

**Summer Schedule
June 4 - August 27**



**8:00 Worship - Our Savior's
9:30 Worship - Faith
(No Sunday School)**

Wednesday Worship



Come join us!

July 12 and August 9
Worship at Our Saviors at 6:30 p.m.

July 19 and August 16
Worship at Faith at 6:30 p.m.

There is no "Coffee and a Little Jesus" in July or August. See you all in September!

Please help



Basket Raffle

The annual Basket Raffle is held in conjunction with Calamus Fun Days. This year it will be Saturday, August 19th.

Anybody may donate a complete basket ready to go or donate items to be put into baskets. Please drop your donated baskets or basket items off at Faith or Our Savior's. It's really fun to see how creative you can be!

The basket raffle recipients are Calamus Fire Department, CALCO, and Calamus Library.

If you would like to give a monetary donation to the basket raffle, you may give it to Mary Timmerman or Sharyl Banowetz or drop it off at the church office during office hours.

Please call Mary Timmerman at 563-940-0423 if you have questions.



Build a Float

Meet at 7:15 on Thursday, August 17th at Dirk Braet's shop to prepare a float for the Calamus Fun Days Parade.

Worship in the Park



**Calamus Community Park
Sunday, August 20
10:00 a.m.**

*Bring lawn chairs or blankets
(Rain Site - CALCO Building)*

There will be no worship services at Our Savior's Church or Faith Church on August 20

Normal schedule resumes August 27

Fall Worship Schedule

Beginning September 10



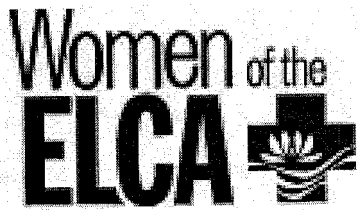
**8:00 a.m. Worship
Faith Church
505 Second Street**



**9:25 a.m. Sunday School,
God Squad & Adult Class
Our Savior's Church**



**10:30 a.m. Worship
Our Savior's Church
2589 - 190th Avenue**



**Naomi Circle Bible studies
are from *Gather* magazine:**

***All New
Ready or Not***

Stand With The Least Of These



Friday, July 21 – 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Lois Wessels

Leader: Jeannene Boussetot

(Crossroads Garden Cafe in DeWitt)



Upend The Tables



Friday, August 18 – 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Marsha Witte

Leader: Marsha Witte

(at Marsha's home)

News About Our People



Ella Margaret Olson, son of Nate Olson and Kelly Olson, was baptized at Faith Church on June 11, 2017. Ella's sponsors are Andrew Elmore and Heather Grau.

Welcome to the Calamus Lutheran Parish, Ella!



Colorado Peaches

St Paul's United Church of Christ in Wheatland is selling Colorado peaches.

Cost is \$30.00

18-20# box, 35-40 peaches per box.

Half boxes for \$16.00

Call:

Judy Boedeker at 563-374-1013 or

Teresa Pewe at 563-374-1381

The tentative delivery date is the first week in August.

Fall Bible Study

This fall there will be a Bible study offered to all who want to attend.

It is based on a book by Joyce Meyer called "Power Thoughts: 12 Strategies to Win the Battle of the Mind."

The theme will be to renew your mind and transform your life. We all have tapes running in our heads; sometimes the tapes tell us to do healthy things and sometimes they lead us to do unhealthy things.

Let Pastor Bill know what day and time work best for you.

I would appreciate having items for the September newsletter by August 21.
Thank you! Rebecca



At the June Council Meetings

Joint Council:

Pastor's Report:

- Request received from Family Promise to assist a family in poverty. Pastor will share hard copies of information with council members. Item tabled.
- Three types of congregational leadership are being researched. Pastor Craig Nessen will present an evening program to all parish members in September.
- The next Group Study will use the book "Power Thoughts" by Joyce Meyer.
- Pastor's vacation schedule will be July 5-6 and July 20-August 7.

Pulpit Supply:

- July 23-Seminary Intern or
 - President of council, no communion.
 - July 30-hire a Pastor, communion will be held.
 - August 6-Seminary Intern or President of council, no communion.
- Celebrate Pastor's 40th ordination anniversary on September 3. One service at Faith at 9 am with meal to follow.

Worship Committee:

- 12 attended the Wednesday Evening Worship Service at Our Savior's on June 14.
- WOV or ELW abbreviation or colors will reference the appropriate book in the Sunday bulletins or hymn boards.
- We will be using the Semicontinuous readings for worship beginning in July.

Christian Outreach Committee:

- June 25- Picnic at the Pond 4pm fishing/games, 6 pm supper Bring meat to grill and a dish to share. Beverages will be provided.
- August 16- Parade Float 7:15 pm at Dirk Braet's shed "Good Shepherd" will be the theme.
- September 10- Movie night at Our Savior's 6 pm supper and 7 pm movie
- October 29-Brunch at Our Savior's
- November 19-Thanksgiving Meal at Our Savior's: soup, meat and cheese. 5 pm worship and 6 pm super

Education Committee:

- The committee continues to plan next year's curriculum.

Faith Council:

- Financial reports were accepted with a designated balance of \$1,343.83 and a working balance of \$39,744.45.
- 12- slot wall organizer research was not completed. Item tabled.
- Council members will assist Braet with video of church contents at a later date.
- The repair of sidewalk near the elevator entryway is completed at a cost of \$1,700.
- Marv Flemmang submitted a bid of \$1,960 for repair of east sidewalk and \$250 for ramp near the south corner of handicap parking area.
- Mulch was spread on May 13 at church and parsonage.
- Orkin is addressing pest control in kitchen.



Our Savior's Council:

- Update on historical society-tabled.
- Guideline changes for dry cleaning cost-tabled. Jason will contact Dan Burke for updated guidelines.
- Accessibility- Jason had a quote from a company in Moline for a chair lift for both stairways. Approx. cost would be \$10,000-\$14,000. Congregational meeting will be held July 16 to discuss the cost.
- Bids on new doors- tabled. Jason will contact Brian to discuss.
- Refrigerator is broken and needs to be replaced. It has been approved for Jason to buy one at Menards for \$399.



Our Savior's Monthly Financial Report

May 2017

Beginning Balance	\$ (1,821.51)
Deposits	\$ 4,365.69
Disbursements	\$ (5,760.55)
Ending Balance	\$ (591.37)

July 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 9:00 a.m. Joint Service at Our Savior's	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	10	11 Committees 7:00 p.m. at Faith	12 Worship 6:30 p.m. at OS	13 Worship Committee 6:00 p.m. at F	14	15
16 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	17	18	19 Worship 6:30 p.m. at F Lydia Circle 12:00 noon Crossroads Garden Cafe	20 Joint Council 7:00 p.m. at F	21 Naomi Circle 10:00 a.m. Crossroads Garden Cafe	22
23 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	31					

MINISTERS FOR July 2017

FAITH

Ushers:

Hale Shelton
Eric Sands
Yale Christensen
Adam Wilhelm

Acolytes:

Ryan Dick

Altar Ministry:

Hal & Andrea Shelton

Communion Assistant:

Yale Christensen

Greeter:

July 2: Duane Petersen
July 9: Jeannene Boussetot
July 16: Joan Shelton
July 23: Yale Christensen
July 30: Lois Wessels

Lectors:

July 2: Ruth Braet
July 9: Jeannene Boussetot
July 16: Mark Witte
July 23: Yale Christensen
July 30: Lois Wessels

OUR SAVIOR'S

Ushers:

Joe Morehead
Brian Boussetot

Acolytes:

Brendan Olson

Communion Assistant:

Dan Burke

Lector:

July 2: Jason Boussetot
July 9: Brian Boussetot
July 16: Marcia Edens
July 23: Cindy Burke
July 30: Dan Burke

Cleaners:

Marcia Edens and 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.

August 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	14	15 Committees 7:00 p.m. at OS	16 Worship 6:30 p.m. at OS Lydia Circle 12:00 Noon Crossroads Garden Cafe	17 Worship Committee 6:00 p.m. at OS Joint Council 7:00 p.m. at OS Float Building 7:15 p.m.	18 Naomi Circle 10:00 a.m. Marshal's home	19 Calamus Fun Days
20 10:00 Worship in the Park If it rains, worship will be in the CALCO.	21	22	23 Worship 6:30 p.m. at Faith	24	25	26
27 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 Worship – F	28	29	30	31		

MINISTERS FOR August 2017

FAITH

Ushers:

Daryl Henning
Doreen Henning
Blaine Henning
Kayla Henning
Ashley Steffens

Acolytes:

Sara Tulley

Altar Ministry:

Ashley Steffens
Doreen Henning

Communion Assistant:

Ashley Steffens

Greeter:

August 6: Diane Christensen
August 13: Ashley Steffens
August 20: Doreen Henning
August 27: Terri Boussetot

Lectors:

August 6: Lucy Lee-Petersen
August 13: Ashley Steffens
August 20: Doreen Henning
August 27: Terri Boussetot

OUR SAVIOR'S

Ushers:

Dan Burke
Shane Glover

Acolytes:

Hailey Glover
Nora Glover

Communion Assistant:

Brian Boussetot

Lector:

August 6: Joe Morehead
August 13: Amy Glover
August 20: Deb Detlefs
August 27: Mark Olson

Cleaners:

Ray and Deb Detlefs

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July Birthdays & Anniversaries

July 1: Ruth Whitman
Davis Braet
Rebecca Hurt

July 2: Jeanne Lahann
Alena Wilhelm

July 3: Ann Petersen
Kaiser Sands
Chesney Olson

July 5: Judy Olson
Grant Hoffmann

July 6: Julie Steines
Art Boussetot
Dane Olson

July 7: Charity Griebel

July 8: Dave Boussetot
Tara Dillon
Chase Olson

July 9: Dick Johnson

July 10: Micullen Sersig
Hally Haley

July 13: Julian Olive-Speer

July 14: Kami Meredith
Lisa Rickertsen

July 15: Kenzie Dirks
Brea Jackson

July 16: Allison Henning
Drew Braet
Joyce Sands

July 17: Tyler Gasper
Zach Shorter

July 18: Grant Olson

July 19 : Diane Wilhelm

July 21: Rod Smith

July 25: Terry Steines

July 26: Katy Petersen
Marcia Edens
Erica Will

July 28: Heather Gronewold

July 29: Jim Gronewold
Riley Bruns

July 30: Faith Will

July 31: Tom McMahon
Michaela Sersig
Pat Shelton

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July 3: Ed & Geneva Meadows

July 5: Brian & Wanda Elias

July 6: Thomas & Rebecca Barnes

July 10: Bret & Dawn Dosland

July 13: Tim & Molly Olson

July 14: Brian & Deb Tulley

July 21: Harry & Jean Olson

July 26: Pr. Sarah & Doug Goettsch

July 27: Jim & Julie Gronewold

July 28: Dan & Cynthia Burke
Dave & Terri Boussetot
Mark & Marsha Witte

July 31: Jamie & Trina Knoche

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Aug 1: Julie Gronewold

Aug 3: Robert Eric Olson
Josh Jacobi

Aug 5: Bret Dosland

Aug 7: Ashlee Trafford

Aug 8: Brian Elias

Aug 10: Lenora Olson

Aug 11: Luke Shelton

Aug 12: Lucas Shorter

Aug 14: Judy McMahan
Leonard Elsner

Aug 16: Alice Schroeder

Aug 18: Ole Olson

Aug 21: Brynlee Berger
Levi Easterday

Aug 23: Marlon Olson
Joshua Birdwell
Ray Detlefs

Aug 24: Diane Christensen
Deb Tulley

Aug 25: Uvonne Youngers
Kalloway Whitman

Aug 27: David Lindaman
Eva Burke
Mary Timmerman

Aug 31: Pastor Jim Higgins
Denise Olson

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Aug 2: Jim & Jeanne Lahann

Aug 11: Mike & Nicole Easterday

Aug 12: Lans & Carla Carstensen

Aug 13: Gerry & Michelle Wulf

Aug 15: Tom & Dallas McMahon

Aug 16: Pr. Jim & Judy Higgins

Aug 17: Ray & Deb Detlefs