

Faith Lutheran Church 505 2nd Street

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## **Pastor's View**

One Body - One Bread - The Southeastern Iowa Synod has recently been using projects to help congregations focus on a theme each year. This year the synod is asking that we support a local organization that we can be in support with, or start a new project to help our community. We have received a blue bag for each congregation. After we pick a project then we fill the bag, take it to synod assemble for blessing and worship, and then give it and more to what we have chosen. We will put this on the agenda for joint council in February. Let us know what you think would be most helpful to our community.

One Body - One Bread Lent - We are doing a round robin for Lent again this year. There is a Lenten study that is based on the theme for this year One Body - One Bread. It is almost set up and ready to go. We will start on Ash Wednesday and go through Maundy Thursday. Each pastor will have one theme for each Wednesday service. Themes are: One Body, One Spirit, One Hope, One Faith, One Baptism. Lent starts on March 6. Get ready Lent is coming soon.

**2018 (Jan. '19) Annual Meetings** - I would like to thank all the members for attending the annual meeting when the weather was not the best. I will be working on the collaborative motion passed by the congregations. I will be in contact with the person I talked about in the pastor's report. I will also work with the Pcc committee. I will be in contact with the Synod and with Wartburg Seminary. As you might guess, these next will not take place very fast. We will keep the congregation informed by what is going on. Thank You for your support at the congregational meeting.

May God Bless You

Pastor Bill



## Bible Study All are welcome!



"Paul: A Biography" By N.T. Wright

Mondays - February 4 and 18 6:30 p.m. at Faith



## **Meetings with Jesus**

**Session Two** 

By night and day: Coming to faith in Jesus



Naomi Circle Friday, February 15, 9:30 a.m. Crossroads Garden Café – DeWitt



Lydia Circle Wednesday, February 20, noon Crossroads Garden Café – DeWitt

#### "Coffee & A Little Jesus"

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

Kids are welcome!

Tuesday, February 5 – 9:00 a.m. Heather Grau's home 1658 – 257th Street, Calamus

Canaanite Woman When Great Faith Meets Great Action (Matthew 15:21-29 & Mark 7:25-30)

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

## Save-the-Date

Youth-led Worship Sunday, March 24 10:30 a.m. at Faith

## "Treats 4ur Sweetie"



God Squad youth are selling cookies and treats. Buy some for your sweetie.

Orders were due January 27. Call Heather at 563-424-0507 if you missed the deadline.

Orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, February 10, at both churches.

## **God Squad Monthly Bake Sale**

Sunday, February 24

Proceeds raised in 2019 will be used to purchase Good Gifts from ELCA World Hunger.

## **Outreach Committee**

is hosting a

**Soup Supper** 

at

4:00 p.m.

on

Sunday, February 17

**Faith Church** 

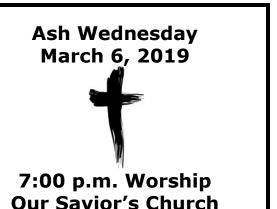
\$5 a person or \$10 for a family

Invite your friends and neighbors!

Proceeds will go to the Calamus Fire Department for the purchase of these items:









Wednesdays - March 13 and 20
Our Savior's Church
Meal - 6:00 p.m.
Worship Service - 7:00 p.m.



March 27, April 3 and 10
Faith Church
Meal – 6:00 p.m.
Worship Service – 7:00 p.m.



# At the January Council Meetings

## **Joint Council**

#### God Squad:

- Reviewed funds raised during Christmas season.
- Received \$250 from Thrivent to help offset cost of jar-mix materials.
- ➤ Currently have over \$4,000 in their accounts.
- Next bake sale is Sun. Jan. 27
- ➤ Individual kids/families will be in charge of organizing each major activity the God Squad puts on.
- ➤ Will offer babysitting during the Annual Meetings at both churches.
- ➤ Valentine treat sale will be starting pre-orders soon.

#### Pastor's report:

➤ Pastor will retire at the end of January of 2020

#### **Worship Committee:**

- > Setting 10 will be used throughout Lent.
- > Setting 3 will be used after Lent.
- Lenten meal will begin at 6 p.m. and worship at 7 p.m.
  - March 13 and 20 at Our Savior's
  - March 27, April 3 and 10 at Faith
- Mid-week Lenten worship will follow "One Bread, One Body" service. Round-robin format for preaching will be used. Service will be about 30 min.
- No meals on Ash Wednesday or on Maundy Thursday.

#### **Christian Outreach Committee:**

➤ Planning a Benefit Soup Supper to raise funds for the local fire department in honor of the two firefighters injured/killed in Clinton.

## **Education Committee:**

➤ Did not meet

#### **Old Business:**

> None

#### **New Business:**

None

#### PCC:

- ➤ Pastor's raise will be \$1,000 total (\$500 per congregation). The raise will be reflected in the upcoming budgets to be approved at the Annual Meetings.
- Approved Pastor's health saving cafeteria plan raise to \$2,600 (\$1,300 per congregation).

#### **Faith Council**

#### **New Business:**

- Financial reports were approved with a designated balance of \$2,298.55 and a working balance of \$24,149.92.
- ➤ 2019 budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting.
- Eric Hoffmann completed his second 3-year term.
- Terri Bousselot completed her first 3-year term and is willing to serve a second 3-year term.
- > Pat Grau will inform the nominating committee of vacancies.
- Pastor Bill thanked Faith for the monetary Christmas Bonus.

## Our Savior's Council

#### **Old Business:**

- Exterior lights have been installed; some are automatic and others are switches
- Clean-up from break-in is complete.
- Discussed Chasuble repair options.

#### **New Business:**

#### Parsonage Upkeep:

- Discussed items requested by new renters. Most significant was the need to replace garage doors. Decided to adjust budget \$1,000 for Parsonage Maintenance to help cover cost. Will call Dan's Overhead Doors to get an estimate.
- We would be willing to do the gravel work if it saved on dump truck cost.

#### **Auditing Committee:**

Meeting scheduled for Jan. 13 after Sunday Service.

## Birthdays

February 1: Carla Olson

February 2: Madison Eschbach

February 3: Connor Gasper February 5: Hailey Glover

February 6: Susie Lahann

Trent Wilhelm

February 8: Steve Grau

Kay Olson

Aubree Kloostra

Calvin Steines

February 9: Rebecca Barnes

Chad Olson

Audrianna Schroeder

February 12: Oliver Barnes

Lester Peters, Jr.

February 14: Billy Duke

February 15: Christopher Henning

February 16: Kevin Peters

Hannah Braet

Pat Grau

February 17: Blaine Henning

Sabrina Schutt

Katrina Harkness

February 18: Abigail Grau

February 19: Brianna Williams

Nate Olson

Diane Sievers

Amber Hesse

February 20: Travis Willet

February 21: Michael Easterday

February 22: Kinnick Christensen

February 23: Brad Johnson

Katie Banowetz

Kodi Gasper

February 25: Robin Costello Smith

Melisa Jacobsen

Carol Christensen

February 26: Allison Cunningham

Brennan Koch

February 27: Sharyl Banowetz

Tim Hellver

Delores Lahann

February 28: Samantha Wingate

**Brandon Wingate** 



## Wedding Anniversaries

February 7: Kendra & Dave Rock
February 15: Kathy & Jim Willet
February 17: Sherry & Delores Lahann
February 18: Lynn & Katie Olson
February 20: Heather & Mike Whitman

If there are errors or omissions in the birthday or anniversary list, please notify the church office at 563-246-2622.

#### **MINISTERS for February 2019**

FAITH OUR SAVIOR'S

Ushers:Ushers:Diane WilhelmShane GloverHerb WilhelmDan Burke

Adam Wilhelm

Ethan Wilhelm

Acolyte:
Brendan Olson

Acolytes:
Isaac Wilhelm

Isabella Gentile

Communion Assistant:

Deb Detlefs

Altar Ministry:

Diane and Herb Wilhelm

February 3: Amy Glover
February 10: Jason Bousselot

Communion Assistant:

February 17: Dan Burke

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Greeters: Cleaners: Marcia Edens and Mark Olson

February 10: Diane Christensen February 17: Brian Tulley

**Lectors:** 

February 3: Annette Braet February 10: Terri Bousselot February 17: Brian Tulley February 24: Marsha Witte

February 24: Sharyl Banowetz

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.

# February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F	4 Adult Bible Study 6:30 pm at Faith	5 Coffee & a Little Jesus 9:00 am at Heather Grau's home	6 Education Meeting 6:00 pm at OS Confirmation 6:00 pm at Faith	7	8	9
8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F	11	12 Committee Night 7:00 pm at Faith	Confirmation 6:00 pm at Faith	14 Worship Committee 6:00 pm at Faith Joint Council 7:00 pm at Faith	Naomi Circle 9:30 am in DeWitt at Garden Café	16
17 Noisy Offering 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F 4:00 Soup Supper at Faith	18 Adult Bible Study 6:30 pm at Faith	19	Lydia Circle Noon in DeWitt at Garden Café  Confirmation 6:00 pm at Faith	21	22	23
24 Bake Sale  8:00 Worship – OS  9:30 SS/GS/AC – F  10:30 Worship – F	25	26	Confirmation 6:00 pm at Faith	28		