



Faith Lutheran Church  
505 2nd Street

## Faith and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches ELCA

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### Pastor's View May 2019

**First Communion** - First communion is being offered for anyone who desires to receive communion during worship. There will be two classes offered, please attend both. The dates are May 7 & 9 at 6:30. If you are planning to attend, please let the office know by Sunday May 5; materials need to be put in place for the students. Class time is less than one hour per meeting. I am looking forward to meeting with the students and parents. First Communion will be offered on May 19, 2019 at both worship services.

**Monday VBS - 2019 Bible School** "The Gospel Story By Colors"

May 6: *Green - God's Wonderful Creation* Genesis 1:1-31

Snack: animal crackers and pudding

May 13: *Grey - Sadness and Gloominess of Sin* Genesis 3:1-7

*Red - God's Great Love* John 3:16

Snack: graham cracker with frosting cross, cup of M&Ms

May 20: *Blue - The Gift of Our Faith* Galatians 2:16

*Yellow - The Promise of Eternal Life* John 14:2-3

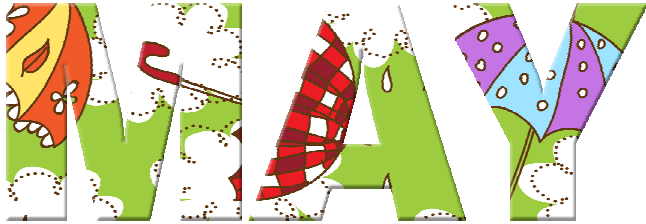
Snack: fruit snacks and teddy grahams

This time with students should be lots of fun and a great learning experience. Thank you to the adults who have volunteered to work with the students on Mondays.

**Adult Bible Study Quote** - N.T. Wright says; "Where does one start to ask the questions of what we like or dislike (in faith). For Paul there was no question about the starting point (of faith). It was always Jesus: "

When we have questions about our faith we must always start with Jesus. Or the phrase, "Keep our eyes only on Jesus and what Jesus has done."

In Christ,  
Pastor Bill



## Gospel by Color



### Bible School

**Three Mondays in May – 6, 13, 20**

**from 3:30 - 5:00 at Faith**

**Kindergarten - Grade 5**

If you are willing to help, please contact any education committee member, or the church office, or sign up in the back of the churches for a specific task. Needed: help in the kitchen, story time readers, snack providers, and supervisors/helpers.

Please register children by May 1.

### Bible Study All are welcome!

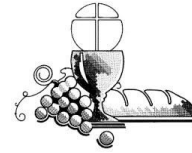


**Dates not decided at this time.**

**6:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church**

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

## First Communion Classes



First Communion classes will be offered for persons of all ages at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, and Thursday, May 10, at Faith Church.

Please call or tell the office if you will be attending.

It is a two-lesson class and you will need to attend both sessions. A DVD, *Sacraments in Action* and the book, *A Place for You*, will be used during class.

If you have questions about Holy Communion, you are encouraged to attend.

Children who have already had classes and are communing may want to take a refresher class.

The celebration of First Communion will be on Sunday, May 19, at both churches.

## "Coffee & A Little Jesus"



You are invited to the Women's/Mom's Bible Study, "Coffee & A Little Jesus" which meets the first Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Kids are welcome!

**May 7 – 9:00 a.m.**

at

**Faith Church  
505 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Calamus**

If interested, please email Heather [grau.heather@gmail.com](mailto:grau.heather@gmail.com) or call [563-424-0507](tel:563-424-0507)

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

**Mother's Day  
May 12**



Holden Evening Prayer  
with communion at both churches.

**LAST DAY of SUNDAY SCHOOL is MAY 19.**

Sunday School and Adult Class  
will resume September 8 at Our Savior's.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**One Worship Service Only  
Sunday, May 26**



**9:00 a.m.  
Faith Church**

**Circle Bible Studies**

**Generation to generation:**

Two-way blessings

By: Christa Von Zychlin

**We learn from examples in Scripture.**



**Lydia Circle**

Wednesday, May 15, Noon  
Crossroads Garden Cafe – DeWitt



**Naomi Circle**

Friday, May 17, 9:30 a.m.  
Crossroads Garden Cafe – DeWitt

**Noisy Offering to be  
Collected May 19**



Recipient of the 2019 Noisy Offerings  
will be the Carroll Assistance Center  
in Wheatland

**Summer Schedule  
Begins June 2, 2019**



**8:00 Worship – Our Savior's  
9:30 Worship – Faith**

*(No Sunday School)*



# April Council Meetings

## Joint Council

### God Squad:

- Income: \$131.17 bake sale, Lenten meal  
Expenses: \$ (100.00) bowling  
Current Balance: \$4,812.60  
ELCA Good Gifts: \$123.17 YTD raised
- 12 youth took part in the youth-led worship Sunday, March 24, at Faith.
- 20 people attended the youth bowling outing.
- Easter Breakfast is April 21 at 8:00 am. with Easter Egg hunt following breakfast.
- Bake Sale will be April 28 at both churches.
- Summer cookout and games is being planned for Sunday, June 2, at noon. Meat provided by Grau. Bring a friend and a dish to share.
- First monthly Game Night planned for Friday, June 14; 5:30 pm social time; 6:00 pm games

### Pastor's Report:

- Presented list of students to confirm: Ryan Dick, Shalee Edwards, Brenna Henning, Brendan Olson, and Sarah Tulley.
- Suggested considering a service mission trip to Nebraska. Item tabled.
- Suggested next year's confirmation be condensed and completed by the end of January 2020 in order for him to confirm current students. Classes will be held Sundays and Wednesdays. Council gave permission to seek input from parents.
- Motion by Detlefs to hold Music Worship on Sunday, May 12. Pastor will be present. Holden Evening Prayer will be used. Communion will be offered. Three favorite hymns will be sung.
- First communion classes will be held at 6:30 pm at Faith on Tuesday, May 7 and Thursday, May 9. Please register with the office. First Communion will be celebrated Sunday, May 19.
- Pastor will be on vacation on June 9 and July 14.
- Pastor may take vacation June 9-16. Item tabled.

### Worship Committee:

- Holy Week services were finalized.  
Items needed for worship were assigned.

### Outreach Committee:

- Did not meet.

### Education Committee:

- Monday Bible School was discussed.
- Confirmation in January 2020 was discussed and tabled.

### Old Business:

- None

### New Business:

- Motion to purchase an HP Printer/Fax at a cost of \$80. Approved.
- Stephens' Ministry trains lay people to do pastoral ministry to the homebound, shut-ins, and others in need. Cost is \$1,200 per person for a one-week training in St. Louis. Lodging and meals are not included. A trained person could be an asset to a collaborative student serving our parish. This ministry also serves as Christian Outreach

## Faith Council

- Financial reports were approved with a designated balance of \$2,480.02 and a working balance of \$22,691.28.

### Old Business:

- Office phones are working.

### New Business:

- Energy audit completed.  
Council will review and consider changes.
- Motion by Boussetot to donate \$50 to C/W after-prom committee. Shelton seconded.  
Motion carried.

## Our Savior's Council

- No report given.

**Graduating from  
Calamus/Wheatland High School**



These members of the Calamus Lutheran Parish are graduating from Calamus/Wheatland High School: Elizabeth Tulley and Kale Whitman.

Congratulations to you!

During the 40 days of Lent, parish members donated 48 jars of peanut butter for the Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland.  
Thank you!

A tree was recently planted on the Faith parsonage lawn in memory of the Christensen family – Dr. C.J. and Virginia and their daughters, Sylvia and Jane.



Ryan Dick, Shalee Edwards, Brenna Henning, and Sarah Tulley of Faith and Brendan Olson of Our Savior's affirmed their baptism on Sunday, April 28.

Congratulations!



To contact Pastor Bill, please use his cell phone number: **319-231-5262**.

June 2019 Newsletter items are due  
Monday, May 20.

Thanks for your cooperation!

## **MINISTERS for May 2019**

### **FAITH**

#### **Ushers:**

Mark Witte  
Dirk Braet  
Brian Tulley  
Ruth Braet

#### **Acolyte:**

Lawson Perrone

#### **Altar Ministry:**

Mark and Marsha Witte

#### **Communion Assistant:**

Marsha Witte

#### **Greeters:**

May 05: Mark Witte  
May 12: Dirk Braet  
May 19: Brian Tulley  
May 26: Terri Boussetot

#### **Lectors:**

May 05: Dirk Braet  
May 12: Brian Tulley  
May 19: Mark Witte  
May 26: Terri Boussetot

### **OUR SAVIOR'S**

#### **Head Usher:**

Brian Boussetot

#### **Acolyte:**

Nora Glover

#### **Communion Assistant:**

Cindy Burke

#### **Lectors:**

May 05: Joe Morehead  
May 12: Cindy Burke  
May 19: Brian Boussetot

#### **Cleaners:**

Jason and Chad Boussetot

**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.**

# May 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
<b>5</b> 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F	<b>6</b> <b>Bible School</b> 3:30-5:00 at Faith	<b>7</b> <b>Coffee &amp; a Little Jesus</b> 9:00 am at Faith  <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class</b> 6:30 pm at Faith	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class</b> 6:30 pm at Faith	<b>10</b> <b>Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly</b> in West Des Moines	<b>11</b> <b>Synod Assembly</b>
<b>12 Mother's Day</b>  8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F	<b>13</b> <b>Bible School</b> 3:30-5:00 at Faith	<b>14</b> <b>Committee Meetings</b> 7:00 pm at Faith	<b>15</b> <b>Lydia Circle</b> Noon in DeWitt at Garden Café	<b>16</b> <b>Worship Committee</b> 6:00 pm at Faith  <b>Joint Council</b> 7:00 pm at Faith	<b>17</b> <b>Naomi Circle</b> 9:30 am in DeWitt at Garden Café	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b> 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS/GS/AC – F 10:30 Worship – F	<b>20</b> <b>Bible School</b> 3:30-5:00 at Faith	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>  <b>One Worship Service</b> 9:00 at Faith	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	