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Lutheran Church
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Pastor's View

We are saved by grace through our faith in Jesus Christ!

In my conversations with people, I find they are struggling to feel hopeful. They tend to feel helpless and anxious. A lot of that has to do with what they are hearing on the news. When you turn on the news, you are bombarded with negative stories. There are killings, bullying, corruption, COVID-19 and much more. It is hard to find anything to make us feel optimistic. For some reason the news media has decided that we would rather hear a negative story and those tend to dominate the news.

I recently read an article entitled “Raising Optimistic Kids in an Era of Pessimism” by KJ Dell’Antonia. The author gave several ideas on how to make your children more positive, but there was one in particular that caught my attention. The author said to involve yourself in your community. The author said it was important for families to involve themselves in the world immediately around them. It is as simple as becoming a part of a group that helps us to feel connected. It is as simple as finding somewhere that makes us feel hopeful.

What is more hopeful than the messages we receive from the good news in our Bible? And where is the easiest place to receive those hopeful messages? At church! I can’t think of a more hopeful message than we are children of God and God’s grace is all we need to live a fulfilling life. We are saved by grace through our faith in Jesus Christ. If that doesn’t fill us with hope, I don’t know what will. Our churches are full of opportunities to raise optimistic children. Bring your family and join others who are learning about God. You will leave with a sense of peace that will take you through the week.

As we begin our fall schedule there are many opportunities for both children and adults to be involved at Faith and Our Savior’s. Come join us!

This author also suggested moderating your news intake. It is good to be informed, but not at the expense of your peace of mind. Turn off the news and pick up the Bible. That is the only place where you can be assured of hearing the good news.

See you in worship!
Pastor Roberta



Sunday, October 4, at 9:00 AM

There will be one worship service in the Calamus Park led by God Squad.

Please bring a lawn chair. If it rains, worship will be at Our Savior's church.

NOTE indoor worship guidelines on the next page.

Confirmation Classes

6:00 PM on Wednesdays at Faith.

The first class is September 23.

All seventh and eighth grade students are invited to attend. Please call the church office to register.

First Communion Classes



First Communion classes will be offered at Faith.

People of all ages are welcome. It is recommended that all children attend class before receiving communion.

First Communion will be on Sunday, October 25, as part of the Reformation Celebration.

If you are interested in attending the classes, please call the office at 246-2622 to register.

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

God Squad Bible Jams

Wednesdays, October 14 and 28
7:00 – 8:00 PM at Faith

All junior high and high school students are invited.
Devotions, discussion, food, fellowship, games!

Noisy Offering will be collected Sunday, October 18.

The noisy offering bucket for loose change will be next to the offering plate.



The 2020 recipient is Lutheran Disaster Response for U.S. Flooding.

All Saints Sunday November 1

On Sunday, November 1, the Christian Church celebrates "All Saints Sunday." On this day, we remember with thanksgiving those saints who have gone before us. At our baptism, God made us saints as well, and wrapped us in the pure, white robes of eternal life.

There will be a sign-up sheet in both churches to add the names of those dear to you who have died this past year. Or you may phone the names in to the church office (246-2622).

November newsletter items are due Monday, October 19.
Thanks for your cooperation.

~ ~ Congratulations ~ ~

To: **Betty Schau** who celebrated her 90th birthday on September 15.

To: **Cora Marie**, daughter of Tim and Molly Olson, who was baptized on September 20, at Faith.

To: **Colton Dosland**, son of Conrad and Beth Dosland, who was baptized on Aug 16, at Faith.

To: **William Morehead**, son of Christopher Morehead and Angela Berry, who was baptized on Aug 30, at Our Savior's.

Worship Service Guidelines for Calamus Lutheran Parish

OUR SAVIOR'S Church - 8:00 AM on Sundays - October 11, 18, 25 in the sanctuary

Pastor Roberta will use the Order of Service provided in a bulletin. Lectors will continue to lector on their designated week.

- Service will be held indoors.
- Seating will be designated by an usher and will be from front to back.
- Bulletins will be distributed. No Hymnals or Bibles will be available.
- Coats should be kept in the pew you are sitting in.
- Families will be seated together if they arrive at the same time.
- Face masks are required.
- A donation plate will be present, but not passed.
- Only the West and Southwest entrances will be open. Movement is restricted to entering and leaving church; do not enter the kitchen, Sunday school rooms, etc.
- The bathrooms are available for use in case of emergency; please flip sign to indicate that the bathroom has been used so it may be sanitized.
- Please attend if you feel well and accept responsibility for your own health and well-being.

FAITH Church - 10:30 AM on Sundays - October 11, 18, 25 in the sanctuary

The following procedures will allow indoor worship to be held at Faith Church. Please read the information and comply with these actions so all may safely gather to worship together. Attend church if you accept responsibility for your own health and well-being.

Entry:

- A mask must be worn during worship services.
- An usher will open the exterior door for you.
- Remain on the main floor of the building. Only the main floor restroom may be used. Do not enter the basement or other areas of the church.
- Collect a communion cup when you enter the sanctuary.
- A donation plate is located near the entrance to the sanctuary.
- Place your coat beside you in the pew. The coat rack may not be used.
- Select a pew which is available and fill the church from the front to the back. Pews which are not available are marked with painter's tape.

Worship:

- Pastor Roberta's online service format will be used. The service is printed in the bulletin. There is no need to touch or use a hymnal.
- One verse of hymns will be sung. The verses are printed in the bulletin.
- Pastor will state the Words of Institution. Members will partake of the wafer and juice as directed. Ushers will gather opened containers immediately following communion.

Exit:

- Wipe down any portion of the pew and items that you touched. Sanitizing cloths are located in each pew. Deposit the used cloth in the waste basket provided by the ushers as you are excused from your pew.
- Ushers will excuse members beginning with those seated in the rear of the church.

~September Council Meetings~

Joint Council

God Squad:

- God Squad will lead worship in the Calamus Park on Sunday, October 4, at 9:00 am. If it rains, worship will be held at Our Savior's Church.
- Crop Walk will be virtual this year. Donations will be collected October 4.
- Bible Jams will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 7:00 -8:00 pm at Faith

Pastor's report:

- Continues to visit homebound.
- Will be meeting with confirmands and their parents on September 16 to plan class time.
- Cora Olson will be baptized September 20 at Faith.

Worship Committee:

- October 4 - 9:00 am in Calamus Park
 - Worship led by God Squad.
 - Bring lawn chairs.
 - If it rains, worship will at Our Savior's.
- October schedule for Sundays:
 - 8:00 am - Worship at Our Savior's
 - 9:30 am - Sunday School at Faith
 - 10:30 am - Worship at Faith
- October 25 - Reformation services held at both churches.
- November 1 - All Saints services held at both churches.
- No evening Thanksgiving service or meal.

Christian Outreach Committee: Meetings have not been held since February and no meetings are scheduled.

Education Committee:

- Requested two Christmas Programs be held,

one at each church. Council approved.

- Acolyte training will be held during Sunday School. Boussetot and God Squad will train.

Old Business:

- Rebecca has assumed leadership of the Feeding the Children Program. She will provide monthly reports to the Joint Council. Tabled increasing the bags from 7 to 15 until we see how much money we have and we have a quorum.

New Business:

Next meeting: Thursday, October 15, at Our Savior's

Faith Council

New Business:

- October worship will be held indoors. Faith Worship Committee will meet September 24 to prepare church. Procedures have been drafted and will be noted in bulletin and newsletter.
- God Squad requested permission to paint the stage and clean it up. Motion was approved.

Our Savior's Council

No official meeting due to not having a quorum. Reviewed the Financial Secretary's report and the Treasurer's report.

MINISTERS for October 2020

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:

David Boussetot
Terri Boussetot

Acolyte:

Carter Henning

Altar Ministry:

Diane Christensen
Ryan Dick
Rebecca Hurt

Lectors:

Oct 11: Annette Braet
Oct 18: Yale Christensen
Oct 25: Andrea Shelton

OUR SAVIOR'S CHURCH

Usher:

Shane Glover

Acolyte:

Noelle Steines

Lectors:

Oct 11: Amy Glover
Oct 18: Joyce McCutcheon
Oct 25: Dan Burke

Cleaners:

Deb and Ray Detlefs

October 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Our Savior's worship is in the sanctuary. Faith worship is in the sanctuary.</p>				1	2	3
<p>4 Worship in the Calamus Park (led by God Squad) 9:00 am If it rains, worship is at Our Savior's</p>	5	6	7 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith	8	9	10
<p>11 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS – F 10:30 Worship – F</p>	12	13 Education Committee 7:00 pm at Faith	14 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 – 8:00 at Faith	15 Worship Committee 6:00 pm at Faith Joint Council 7:00 pm at Faith	16	17
<p>18 Noisy Offering for U.S. Flood Relief 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS – F 10:30 Worship – F</p>	19 November newsletter items due in the church office.	20	21 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith	22	23	24
<p>25 Reformation Sunday 8:00 Worship – OS 9:30 SS – F 10:30 Worship – F</p>	26	27	28 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 – 8:00 at Faith	29	30	31 Halloween