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Our Savior's
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Pastor's View

Thank You – Jane and I would like to thank you for the annual meeting Christmas gift. We thank you for all the wonderful blessings that were shared with us this year. Your love is greatly received.

Coming Events - Coming right around the corner is LENT. Make plans to attend. The theme for this lent is “Journey to Life.” Our Lenten season will start on Wednesday March 1, 2017. Our Lenten Wednesday services will again be about 35 minutes long. We want families to attend and then be home before it is too late at night. We will end our Lenten worship services on Maundy Thursday – Journey to community. The five services of lent will be:

- 3/8 Journey to Baptism
Pastor Bill
- 3/15 Journey to Table
Intern Matt Seegert
- 3/22 Journey to Mission
Pastor Jealaine Marple
- 3/29 Journey to Word Pastor Bill
- 4/5 Journey to Death Pastor Bill

Wednesday nights. May God Bless you this Lenten year.

Coming Events – Pastor Bill and Ashley Steffens will be offering a bible study and support group for ladies who desire to share in prayer, fellowship and fun. Please contact Pastor Bill or Ashley with an idea of what day of the week works best for you. The first study will be about 5 weeks long.

In Christ,

Pastor Bill

Luther's Reflection on Lent



*Lord Jesus,
You are my righteousness,
I am your sin.*

*You took on you what was mine;
yet set on me what was yours.*

*You became what you were not,
that I might become what I was not.*

You will get to see Pastor Jealaine and Intern Matthew Seegert preach on two of the

Ash Wednesday Worship



March 1 – 7:00 p.m.
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
(There is no meal on this evening)

Noisy Offering to be Collected February 19



The 2017 recipient of the Noisy Offering will be selected by the 2017 Joint Council and committees.

Council and Committee Retreat



Saturday, February 11 beginning
at 8:00 a.m.
Faith Lutheran Church

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

You Are Invited

Members of the congregation are invited to participate on committees which serve the church and community in a variety of ways. If you are interested in serving, please contact Dirk Braet at dbraet@fbcom.net or 246-2396.



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is now on Facebook.
Find Us! Like Us! Comment Us!

March Newsletter Items Due February 20, please. Thanks for your cooperation

♪ Choir Rehearsal ♪



Wednesday, February 8 – 7:00 p.m.
Faith Lutheran Church

♪ ♪ Come join us—we'd love to have you!

♪ Diane Christensen





At the January Council Meetings

Joint Council:

- Pastor will participate in a Lenten Round Robin sermon exchange with 3—4 pastors.
- Sharyl Banowetz will be invited to join the Education Committee.
- Location and times of Lenten services were determined.
- A simple liturgy will be used to accommodate the rotating pulpit exchange.
- It was agreed the four joint Sunday worship services were appropriate for the weekends of Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and the Sunday after Christmas for attendance.
- Sunday School presented "Gift of Love" on January 8.
- Applications are in Pastor's office for the secretary position.
- Annual meetings will be held January 29, 2017 – alternate date is February 5. No Sunday School or Adult Class will be held on that day.

➤ Joint Council and Committee Retreat will be held on February 11 or 18 from 8—11:00 a.m.

Faith Council:

- Approved financial reports with a designated balance of \$1,954.79 and a working balance of \$35,990.51.
- Because water and sewer lines have been freezing in the north entry and bathroom of the parsonage, approval was given to remove the old fill in the crawl space and insulate the perimeter wall and joist area with spray foam with cost not to exceed \$1,000.
- Braet made brackets for the insulated curtains in the stairway and re-hung them.
- Recipients are being discussed for the 2017 Noisy Offering.
- Although Mark Witte and Brian Tulley's council terms expired in 2016, they have been requested to serve on the PCC Committee until a secretary has been hired.

Our Savior's Council:

- Financial reports were approved with a balance of \$908.05.
- 2017 Proposed Budget was approved.
- Melissa Jacobsen will replace Dan Burke on council when his term is up at the end of this month.

Our Savior's Monthly Financial Report

December 2016

Beginning Balance.....	\$	3,460.70
Deposits	\$	8,763.98
Disbursements.....	\$(11,316.72)	
Ending Balance	\$	908.05

News About Our People

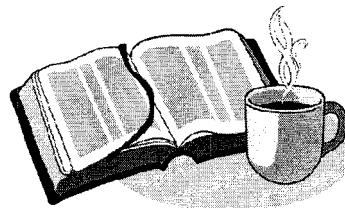


A funeral service was held for Donna Olson on January 13, 2017 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Donna passed away on January 10, 2017 in Stoughton, Wisconsin.



A funeral service was held for Florence Petersen on January 17, 2017 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Florence passed away on January 14, 2017 in DeWitt, Iowa.

Coffee & A Little Jesus[®]



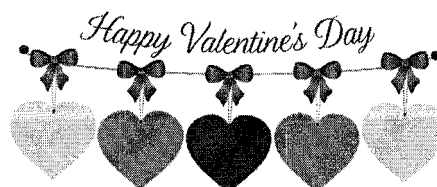
You are invited to the Women's/Mom's Bible Study, "Coffee & A Little Jesus." We will meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Kids are welcome.

**Heather Grau, 1658 – 257th Street, Calamus
February 7 – 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

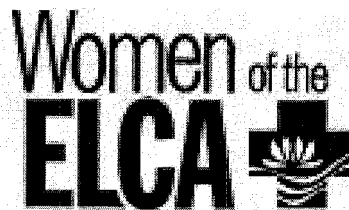


Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 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
 Joel Olson
 Katie Banowetz
 Kodi Gasper
 February 25: Robin Costello Smith
 Melisa Jacobsen
 Carol Christensen
 February 26: Allison Cunningham
 Brennan Koch
 February 27: Sharyl Banowetz
 Tim Hellyer
 Delores Lahann
 February 28: Samantha Wingate
 Brandon Wingate
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 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.



"Galatians - Christian Faith and Christian Freedom"



"Children of God Through Faith"

- Galatians 2:19 - 3:29

Wednesday, February 15 – 2:00 p.m.

Hostess: Kay Olson

Leader: Pastor Bill Runaas, Jr.



Friday, February 17 – 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Lois Wessels

(Crossroads Garden Cafe, DeWitt)

Leader: Jeannene Boussetot

*"Love is patient; love is kind; love is not
 envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It
 does not insist on its own way; it is not
 irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in
 wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It
 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all
 things, endures all things... And now faith,
 hope, and love abide, these three; and the
 greatest of these is love. "*

- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 13

Faith Congregation 2016 Annual Meeting Notes



- ▶ On January 29, 2017, President Mark Witte called the Faith Annual Meeting to order with 28 members present.
 - ▶ Pastor William Runaas led devotions.
 - ▶ 2016 Annual Meeting minutes were read.
 - ▶ Pastor's report, congregation and committee reports were reviewed and approved.
 - ▶ Financial Secretary's report, Treasurer's report and Audit Committee's reports were presented and approved.
 - ▶ The 2017 Proposed Budget was presented by Brian Tulley and was approved.
 - ▶ Brian Tulley and Mark Witte completed their council terms. Pat Grau and Donna Petersen nominated for a first 3-year term; Eric Hoffman was nominated for a second 3-year term. All nominees were elected.
 - ▶ Brian Tulley, Mark Witte, Doreen Henning and Yale Christensen will serve as the 2017 Nominating Committee.
 - ▶ Hal Shelton will continue to serve as the congregational member of the Parish Coordinating Committee; two members of Faith Council will also be selected to serve.
 - ▶ Annette and Dirk Braet will serve as delegates to the Synod Assembly.
 - ▶ Mark Witte stated current communion practice will require an amendment to Faith Constitution. A special congregational meeting for the sole purpose to meet a 60-day requirement to vote to amend the Section C8.04.01, Part B Constitution By-law will be called on April 2, 2017 at Faith Church.
- Amendment proposal to be voted on reads:
"Communion will be open to all ages, with parental consent, after taking a First Communion Class which will precede the celebration service."
- ▶ Brian Tulley and Mark Witte were thanked for serving on Faith Council.
 - ▶ Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Faith Council Officers:

President – Dirk Braet; Vice-President – Eric Hoffmann; Secretary – Terri Boussetot; Treasurer – Yale Christensen; Financial Secretary – Doreen Henning.

Our Savior's Congregation 2017 Annual Meeting Notes



- ▶ The meeting was called to order on January 29, 2017, by President Dan Burke.
- ▶ Devotions were led by Pastor William Runaas.
- ▶ Minutes of 2016 meeting were read and accepted.
- ▶ Committee reports and financial reports were reviewed and accepted.
- ▶ The 2017 Proposed Budget was reviewed and approved.
- ▶ Dan Burke has completed his second 3-year term. Deb Detlefs will serve her second 3-year term and Melissa Jacobsen will begin her first 3-year term.
- ▶ Linda Whitman volunteered to serve as a delegate to the 2017 Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly.
- ▶ Meeting adjourned.

Our Savior's Council Officers:

President – Joe Morehead
Vice-President – Deb Detlefs
Secretary – Megan Will
Treasurer – Jason Boussetot
Financial Secretary – Cindy Burke

Leaving Heart prints in Guatemala How many heart prints will you leave today?



With Valentine's day approaching I thought it appropriate to share with you how we are using some of my parents memorial money (Doug and Meryne Henning) that is near and dear to my heart. I am leading a short-term mission trip to Guatemala March 11-18, 2017 and part of the memorial money will go towards some of the ministries we will do there. While preparing my heart for this trip I purchased a bilingual books called "Heartprints" and have enjoyed learning a few Spanish words while teaching my grandchildren what it means to leave a heartprint. The book shows how you can leave heartprints by being kind to one another and ends with "How many heartprints will you leave today?"

I am a member of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church and this will be my second trip (our church's third trip) to Guatemala working with Impacto Ministry. Yes I loved it so much I wanted to go back and I'm sure this will not be our last trip. Our family gave money to go towards some of my favorite ministries such as serving meals and other projects at the two "Happy Tummies" after school programs and also a snack/meal (peanut butter sandwiches & Drink) to one of the schools for approximately 180 children. We are also supporting their "Stitches of Blessing" program in Guatemala. As you know my Mom loved to sew and quilt. We sent funds to purchase a new sewing machine for one of 15-20 women that will learn to sew this year. They start in January and at the end of their program in October they get to keep their sewing machine. Our church group will also be taking quilt packets and other sewing material in our suitcase when we go to Guatemala. Mom's sewing room also had a lot of items that will be packed in my suitcase. What a great way to honor our parents.

Sunday, February 12
Karna Wieck

I will be at both services and adult education to share pictures and stories about some of the ministries that we are doing in Guatemala.

We work with an organization called Impacto. <http://impactoministry.com/>
Impacto Ministries provides year round compassion ministries to local communities including eldercare, medical clinics, construction teams, school supplies, youth programming, food, shoe distribution and more.

MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 2017

FAITH

Ushers:

Yale Christensen
Adam Wilhelm
Diane Wilhelm
Herb Wilhelm

Acolytes:

Magnus Sands

Altar Ministry:

Diane and Herb Wilhelm

Communion Assistant:

Sharyl Banowetz

Greeter:

February 5: Diane Wilhelm
February 12: Mark Witte
February 19: Ruth Braet
February 26: Sharyl Banowetz

Lectors:

February 5: Marsha Witte
February 12: Mark Witte
February 19: Kevin Henning
February 26: Sharyl Banowetz

OUR SAVIOR'S

Ushers:

Shane Glover
Dan Burke

Acolyte:

Brendan Olson

Communion Assistant:

Deb Detlefs

Lector:

February 5: Brian Boussetot
February 12: Marcia Edens
February 19: Cindy Burke
February 26: Dan Burke

Cleaners:

Art and Sharon 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.

Ash Wednesday Worship



March 1 – 7:00 p.m.
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(There is no meal on this evening)

FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 6:00 Confirmation Class - F	2	3	4
5 Bake Sale 8:00 Worship - OS 9:25 SS/GS/AC - F 10:30 Worship - F	6	7 9:00 "Coffee & a Little Jesus" Bible Study at Heather Gau's 1658 - 257th St Calamus	8 6:00 Confirmation Class - F 7:00 Choir Rehearsal - F	9	10	11
12 Guest Speaker - Karna Wreck 8:00 Worship - OS 9:25 SS/GS/AC - F 10:30 Worship - F	13	14 7:00 Committee Night - OS	15 2:00 Lydia Circle H-Kay Olson L-Pastor Bill 6:00 Confirmation Class - F	16 6:00 Worship Committee - OS 7:00 Joint Council - OS	17 10:00 Naomi Circle H-Lois Wessels L-Jeannene B Crossroads Garden Cafe - DeWitt	18
19 Noisy Offering 8:00 Worship - OS 9:25 SS/GS/AC - F 10:30 Worship - F	20	21	22 6:00 Confirmation Class - F	23	24	25
26 8:00 Worship - OS 9:25 SS/GS/AC - F 10:30 Worship - F	27	28				



Valentine Word Search

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 love
 candy
 gifts
 secret

sweetheart
 roses
 saint
 ring
 chocolate
 card

valentine
 hugs
 dance
 friends
 flowers
 fun

be mine
 kisses
 teddy bear
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 pink
 notes



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**8:00 A.M. Sunday Worship
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
2589 – 190th Avenue, rural Calamus**



**9:25 A.M. Sunday School/Adult Class
Faith Lutheran Church**



**10:30 A.M. Sunday Worship
Faith Lutheran Church
505 Second Street, town of Calamus**

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