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Faith In Action

Worship, Learning and Service Opportunities 2017-2018

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Faith Today for Faith Tomorrow

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Faith Lutheran Church is a member of the Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ and a part of the Augustana District of LCMC.





Important 2017-2018 Dates

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September

- 10 Fall Extravaganza
- **17** Sunday School Classes and Adult Education Hour Begin 3-year old Children receive Bibles during 10:10 Worship

<u>October</u>

- **3** Meatball Supper
- **11** Faith by the Fire
- **29** 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Celebration Second Grade Students receive Bibles during 10:10 Worship

November

- **5** Confirmation Service
- 22 Thanksgiving Eve Service
- **23** Thanksgiving Day Service (Church Offices Closed)
- **29** Advent Services Begin (Chili/Soup Supper)

December

- **24** Christmas Eve Services
- **25** Christmas Day Service
- **30** FLY New Year's Eve Eve Party

January

28 Annual Congregational Meeting First Communion Instruction Begins

February

- 11 Valentine's Day Dinner
- **14** Ash Wednesday two services with Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes followed by weekly Wednesday evening Lenten Services

March (HOLY WEEK)

- 25 Palm Sunday (regular worship times)
- 29 Maundy Thursday two services (First Communion)
- **30 Good Friday** services at Faith and Christ the King
- 31 Holy Saturday

April

1 Easter Sunday four service options with Holy Communion Easter Breakfast served from 7 - 10 a.m.

For up to date information check the website at FaithLC.com, watch the weekly bulletins, E-newsletters and the monthly Faith Matters.

To Subscribe to these publications if you are not receiving them please contact Wendy Magruder at 320-234-8403 or wendym@faithlc.com.

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Enhancing the Life of Faith

Spit-n-Shine is a group of volunteer cleaners who take immense pride in keeping Faith's building spic and span. They meet on Thursday mornings to divvy up the various tasks involved. When the cleaning is done, there is plenty of time for coffee and conversation. Extra hands are always needed, especially during the winter when the snowbirds are gone.





Bulletin and Newsletter Crews meet weekly or monthly to prepare bulletins for worship and newsletters for mailings, with coffee and treats to follow. Others deliver bulletins to members who are homebound. For more information on the schedules, contact Wendy Magruder.

Front Desk Volunteers are a huge help to the staff, answering the phone and greeting people who walk in. They cover the office during lunch breaks and meetings, and help with projects for the staff.



God's Gardeners tend to the beautiful plants and landscaping around the church, especially in the spring and fall. Other volunteers mow and trim the lawn during the summer. If you like working outside, this is the place for you.

Decorating Committee helps with seasonal decorating inside and out.

Caring Card Ministry involves people working from home to send cards to members who are hospitalized, grieving or celebrating a birthday over 80. Supplies and postage are provided.



2017 Fall Theme

"Here I Stand We Go!"

Building a Church for the Next 500 Years.

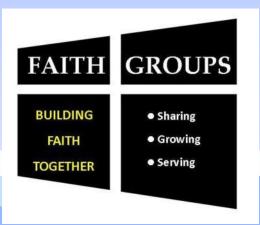


Weekly themes will reflect Martin Luther's Seven Marks of the Church:

- The Word of God
- Holy Baptism
- Holy Communion
- Office of the Keys
- Ministers
- Prayer/Public Praise/Thanksgiving to God
- The Holy Possession of the Cross (Suffering)

The celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation will include these weekly topics. The fall theme will be accompanied by a special Faith Seeds lesson each week for children. Faith Group meetings for adults will meet at various times throughout the week from September 17 through November 4. Faith Groups are small groups that meet weekly for discussion and fellowship with a devotion booklet and video presentation that accompanies the weekly theme.

Please contact Marsha Schmit at 320-587-2093 or marshas@faithlc.com for more information or to join a group.



Faith Comes By Hearing

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship: September - May

- 8:00 a.m. First Word service in the Sanctuary Traditional Liturgy and Format with Holy Communion 1^{st} & 2^{nd} Sundays of the month
- 10:10 a.m. Sanctuary service Traditional/Contemporary Blended Format with Holy Communion 1st & 2nd Sundays of the month
- 10:10 a.m. *Foundation* service Contemporary Worship Format with Holy Communion 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month
- 7 p.m. *Compline* service Contemporary/Contemplative Service the first Sunday evening of each month
- 6:30 p.m. Mid-week services on Wednesday evenings during Advent and Lent



Service Broadcasts

KDUZ Radio 1260 AM Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

HCVN TV Ch. 10 Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10:00 p.m.

Audio recordings of sermons are posted on the website: FaithLC.com and on the Facebook page: FaithLutheranHutchinson

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Building Faith in Children

Educating children is a key building block for a lifetime of faith. Here are ways you can help to lay those foundations.

Sunday School Teachers are needed for students 3 years old - 6th grade. They can team teach, rotate with another leader or help out for just a part of the year. Extra help is always needed to prepare for the annual Christmas program which will be held on Sunday, December 17, 2017.

Faith Seeds is a special time for children during the worship services. Faith Seeds leaders prepare and present a short lesson based on the Bible readings for the day. They serve on a rotating schedule and the pastors are glad to help with preparations.

Sprouts Leaders present a prepared, ageappropriate lesson to children 3 years old to 1^{st} grade during the sermon at the 10:10 Sanctuary and Foundation worship services. Sprouts meet in the youth gathering space beneath the sanctuary.



Release Time Helpers walk with students from Park Elementary to Faith and back on Wednesday mornings, and help with activities at the church. One mission activity these children do is the Operation Christmas Child Boxes.

56er's Volunteers help oversee this ministry after school on Wednesday afternoons, any time from 2:30-5 p.m.

Confirmation Small Group Leaders work with small groups of confirmands later on Wednesday afternoons.

Confirmation Mentors meet at scheduled times during the school year with one or two confirmands for guided conversation. An annual service project that these students participate in is Trick-or-Treat for the food shelf. This year's event will be on Wednesday, October 25.



Operation Christmas Child Boxes

Trick-or-Treat for the Foodshelf

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Serving to Support Worship

Ushers and Greeters welcome people as they arrive for worship and serve during the service.

Lectors read the Bible texts during the worship services. These readings are prepared ahead of time.

Altar Guild members prepare for communion services, wash the communion ware and put it away after services.

A/V Technicians run the sound board during worship, record services for TV broadcast, record sermons for Faith's website and run PowerPoint projections during the service. No experience is needed and training is provided.



Nursery Attendants provide a vital service to families with young children during the Education Hour and during the Sanctuary and Foundation worship services. Faith's insurance carrier requires that a background check be done on all nursery attendants and youth volunteers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Communion Bread Bakers provide the bread for Holy Communion at the First Word and Sanctuary worship services on a rotating schedule. A special recipe is provided.

Funeral Helpers call members to serve and/or usher at services, set-up, serve and clean-up after the luncheon.

Faith Seeks Understanding

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Learning Opportunities for Children - 6th Grade

Fall Extravaganza (Sunday School Kickoff)

Sunday, September 10 from 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m. There will be food, games and activities for all ages.

Sunday School weekly at 9:15 a.m. September – May for 3 year old children - 6th grade students.

Elementary Release Time Wednesdays at 9 a.m. October - May for 2nd-5th grade students who walk with a chaperone to Faith and back to school. Please dress for the weather!

Permission forms will come home from school.

56er's Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. beginning September 13 - April for 5th and 6th grade students. (Transportation from school provided)

Faith Seeds

A time for children to come forward during worship services for a time geared specifically to them. Parents and big kids are invited, too!

Sprouts

At the 10:10 a.m. services, after Faith Seeds, children ages 3 years old - 1st grade are invited to join a leader for an age-appropriate lesson during the sermon.

First Communion Instruction for 6th grade students during the Sunday School hour in the spring beginning on Sunday, January 28, 2018. First Communion will be celebrated on Maunday Thursday, March 29, 2018.



Sunday School



Faith Seeds with FLC Puppets



First Communion Chalice Making

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Learning Opportunities Youth 7th Grade - College

Middle School Release Time is at 9 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month beginning September 19 - April 10. This is a time for middle school students to dig into their faith with area youth directors. Students walk to Oak Heights Church. Permission forms will be available at the school.

Middle and High School Bible Studies are offered at a variety of times and locations, please contact Gladys for specific information.



Confirmation for 7th and 8th grade students is on Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 3:45 p.m. September - May. Transportation from school is provided. They also participate in a fall weekend confirmation retreat so watch for details coming soon!

Faith Lutheran Youth (FLYouth) is for students finishing 8th grade through high school. They meet every Wednesday at 7 p.m. all year. There is lesson time, worship time and lots of fun.



A.P. Theology is for high school students. These students dig deeper through a theological study meeting Friday mornings, 6 a.m. at Caribou Coffee.

Prodigal is an outreach ministry that goes to a number of colleges during the school year. For more information or to connect your college student to Prodigal, contact Gladys Nissen.

Faith Reaches Out

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Missions and Outreach for Adults

In many ways, Faith Lutheran members are active in the Mission Field. Here are some ways to join them:

Sewing projects: Quilting, Prayer Shawls, Baptismal Banners, Pillowcase Dresses, Bandage Rolling, Hospice and Newborn Kits and more.

Free Community Meal In conjunction with Common Cup Ministries, Faith provides a free meal open to anyone in the community, on the first Sunday of each month. If you, your family or group would like to sponsor one of these meals, please contact the office.



High School Free Lunch Hutchinson youth directors and churches provide a free lunch to local high school students each Thursday. Faith provides the food and servers several times during the year.

Annual Rummage Sale and Meatball Supper These events are open to the public. The Meatball Supper will be on Tuesday, October 3, 2017. Watch for details for the 2018 Rummage Sale in April. Funds raised go toward the mission and ministry of Faith.



Common Cup Ministries provides assistance in many ways to adults and children in need. Faith cooperates with many area churches in supporting Common Cup with funds and supplies. See the "Common Cup Corners" in the north and south entryways and find more information on their website at www.common-cup.org. To volunteer with Common Cup, call Bev Bonte at 587-2213.

New Hope Mission Society is a mission organization founded through Faith that support Pastor K.K. Alavi and his son, Abdul Messiah, in outreach to Muslims in India, along with other evangelists to the Muslim world. For more information, contact Pastor Paul Knudson and see the NHMS web site, www.newhopemissions.org.



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Missions and Outreach for Youth

There are a number of ways Faith Lutheran members are active in the Mission Field. A few of the ways the youth can plug in are

Mission Trips - Each summer the youth director plans one or two mission trips for high school students (grades 8-12)and one for college students. These trips vary each year in location and the type of service needed. Join them in 2018 when they go to Toronto, Canada, July 13-21.





Club 218 is a special ministry program that came out of a mission trip 10 years ago. This program allows middle and high school youth to assume leadership roles in working with underprivileged children of the community. A summer day program that provides children with two healthy meals and activities in a faith-based environment.

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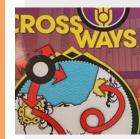
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Learning Opportunities for Adults

Digging Deeper will begin again on Sunday, September 17, at 9:15 a.m. You will find a variety of different adult educational offerings throughout the year, focusing on different topics from marriage and family to Scripture and theological studies. Watch for frequently changing topics and meeting locations.



Paul's Problem Child, A Study of I & II Corinthians will meet on Monday mornings 10:30 a.m. in the Faith Center, beginning on September 11.



Crossways is a 3-year study of the Bible. A new year-one session will begin on Monday evenings, starting on September 18. Year two will resume on Thursday evening, September 14. Year three will start again on Sunday, September 10. Please contact Pastor Scott if you would like to join the new year-one class.

Men's Bible Study meets on Thursday mornings at 6:30 a.m. in the office conference room all year-round.

Women's Bible Studies meet on Fridays at 6:30 a.m. all year-round in the office conference room or at 9 a.m. during the school year in the third floor conference room.

Lectionary study meets year-round on Tuesdays at 12 noon in the office conference room. This is an informal study of the preaching text for the coming Sunday.

Faith Groups are offered for 6-8 weeks in the fall and again during Lent. A devotional booklet and video are provided and groups meet at a time and day of the week that works best for them. See more information on this year's fall theme on

page two of this book.





FAITH GROUPS

Faith Lived in Community

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Fellowship Groups



Faith Family Fun provides activities for people of all ages. Past events have included bowling, swimming, birdhouse building, pumpkin carving/painting, etc. Watch for the next event coming in October.

Mugs and Muffins is a special gathering for women that meets at 9:30 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month during the school year. It will resume on September 16. Each gathering includes muffins, bread, fruit, hot beverages, devotions and testimony to God at work in the lives of women. Bring a mug, bring a friend and we will do the rest.



Men of Faith is a time for men of all ages to get together, with no fancy decorations! Come enjoy food and fellowship with your brothers in faith! This is an occasional event that meets next on Wednesday evening, September 27.



Seniors' Potluck meets at noon the last Thursday of each month during the school year beginning with a potluck meal followed by a presentation. The best part is, you don't have to be a senior to attend! See you on Thursday, September 28, 2017.

Caregiver Support Group is for anyone who is caring for loved ones. A time of encouragement and support, as well as a way to share resources for caregivers. It meets on the last Thursday of each month and the next meeting is September 28 at 4 p.m.

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Make a Joyful Noise

If you like music or singing there is a place at Faith for YOU!



Faith Singers is the church's vocal choir. It is open to all ages and abilities, and sings in worship one to two times per month during the school year. Practices are on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. beginning on September 13.

Ringers of Faith is Faith's bell choir. If you can move your wrists, you can play the bells! This ensemble plays in worship one to two times a month during the school year. Practices are Mondays at 5:30 p.m. beginning September 11.





FLY Band is a group of high school students who lead worship for FLYouth night and at different services though out the year.

Individual Musicians/Vocalists

If you would like to enhance any service by providing special music, contact Paul Cravens and he will be happy to plug you in!

