



# Faith Matters

## PASTOR'S PAGE PASTOR SCOTT GRORUD

### Who Is Doing *What...* and *Why* Is It Happening in Our Church??

That would be a reasonable question to ask this Sunday, August 2. During the 10:00 worship service, our church is privileged to host an *ordination service* for Karen Seifert. Ordination is a rite that is done only once, when a new pastor first receives a call to a church, to set that person aside for public ministry. We are also privileged to have Dr. Steven Paulson, one of Karen's—and our—favorite professors serve as guest preacher at both services that morning.

Faith has hosted ordinations before, most recently Bob Schaefer's in 2003, but there is a difference with Karen's. Most ordinations, like Bob's, are done in the new pastor's home church, but Karen does not belong to Faith Lutheran. So why is her ordination being held here?

One obvious reason is that Karen is my niece and her grandmother—my mother, Margaret—also belongs to Faith, so there is a strong family connection. But a more important reason ties in deeply to the particular *mission* God has given to Faith Lutheran Church.

Faith has long been a *leader* in the WordAlone Network, a reform movement calling the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) back to its *Biblical* and *theological* roots. Mark Chavez, a pastor on our staff, is deployed by Faith to lead WordAlone, as well as a sister movement, Lutheran CORE (COalition for REform). We have been called to such actions, because, while the ELCA *officially* upholds historic Christian faith and confessional Lutheran teaching, those commitments have

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### Fall is right around the corner and we have some exciting changes...

Here is a sneak peek of the new fall schedule beginning Sunday, September 13

#### Worship Schedule

##### Sunday

**8:00 - 9:00 a.m. - Faith First Worship**

**9:15 - 10:15 a.m. - Faith Praise Worship**  
Praise music with 1st - 6th graders from 9:15 - 9:30 a.m. (everyone welcome) immediately followed by worship.

**10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Faith Celebration Worship**

**6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Greenhouse Worship**  
Located at Faith on Grove

##### Wednesday

**6:30 - 7:15 p.m. - Worship**  
45-minute Worship Service - Preaching theme based on previous Sunday.

#### Sunday Morning Adult Opportunities

Adult Forum  
View of the Day  
Focus on Parenting

#### Faith Kidz Education

##### Sunday

**9:15 - 10:15 a.m. - Sunday School**

**Preschool - Kindergarten** meet in classrooms in South Fellowship Hall

**1st - 6th graders** meet in Sanctuary for music with congregation. Dismissed at 9:30 a.m. and escorted to their classrooms at FLC North.

##### Wednesday

**6:30 - 7:15 p.m. - Children's Church**  
Children attend the worship service with their parents and are excused during sermon for Children's Church.

**More details to follow in the September newsletter and bulletin announcements!**

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#### Worship Service Schedule for Faith Lutheran Church

**Sundays**

**Faith on Main**

**8:30 & 10:00 a.m.**

**Faith on Grove**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Wednesdays**

**Faith on Main**

**6:30 p.m.**

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deeply eroded in its *actual* day-to-day life. Churches like ours have been compelled to **stand up** for the faith as it was handed down to us.

That is the faith that my niece, Karen, received from her parents and the churches she attended as a child.

During her seminary years, however, she began to experience more and more conflict between her faith and the reality of the ELCA today. As she also **took a stand**, it became harder for her to navigate the ELCA system for new pastors. Sadly, seminarians who are committed to historic Lutheran teaching are not well treated in the ELCA today and Faith has tried to support them however we can.

Due to her convictions, Karen received no good opportunities to serve in the ELCA, but she found great interest from a group of churches called Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC). LCMC was created by WordAlone and includes churches that belong to the ELCA, some that left the ELCA and some new mission starts. Faith Lutheran belongs to both the ELCA and LCMC as part of our mission to **uphold** and **preserve** confessional **Lutheran theology** today.

Karen has been called to serve as assistant pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Kelowna, British Columbia. Grace also belongs to LCMC—and that made her ordination service problematic. Karen belongs to a church in Iowa that is drifting along with the ELCA and would likely not host an ordination into LCMC. But since Faith belongs to both groups—and fully supports the **bold, faithful** choices that young pastors like Karen are making—our church council felt that it was appropriate and a privilege to host it here.

Besides a joyous event for Karen and our family, her ordination is a living illustration of the unexpected, but vital place where Faith Lutheran finds itself today. Her experience and

commitment are the very reasons that Faith supports WordAlone, has been driven to challenge the ELCA's direction and continues to support bold initiatives like the Institute of Lutheran Theology (ILT), a new kind of seminary committed to **tried** and **true** Lutheran teaching.

Pastor Randy has been instrumental in the formation of ILT and Karen's father, Pastor Tom Walker, serves as ILT's Dean of Administration. (It is amazing how God has drawn all the different strands of this story together and centered them in Faith Lutheran!) ILT will begin its first series of seminary-level classes this fall, in which Dave Wollan and two colleagues in town will participate. Plus, Dr. Jim Nestingen, one of the great Lutheran teachers of our generation, will soon partner with our church as a parish-embedded teacher for ILT (at no additional cost!). Randy will tell you much more about that later, but for now, trust me that this is an **incredible blessing** for us.

As you can see, Karen Seifert's ordination this Sunday has quite a back story, one that interconnects deeply with the **particular mission** of our church. That it will take place here is a reminder and an affirmation of the commitment Faith Lutheran has made to be a **bold, confessional witness** in this theologically troubled time.

At the same time, I recognize how complicated the story is. If you have questions about any of this, I would love to visit with you and try to explain it further. I do hope you can attend worship this Sunday to witness Karen's ordination and support her at this key time in her life and ministry.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Scott

## Remember our Faith members in Nursing Homes

### Burns Manor

Valerie Fimon  
Ken & Margaret Fredrickson  
Alyce Hartwig  
Genevieve Petersen  
Agnes Rettman  
Betty Saxrud

### Camilia Rose Care Center

Vera Jannicke

### Dassel Lakeside

Lorraine Burch

### Glencoe

Mildred Schwarze

### Hector

Jerome Lindquist

### Emmanuel - Litchfield

Pete Hoefs

### Please remember all those who are serving our country through active duty:

Master Sergeant Todd Butler (Air Force ~ Iraq ~ Brother of Matt Butler)  
Lee Johnson (Fort Bragg, NC ~ son of Geri & Ralph Johnson)  
Lt Katie McCormick (granddaughter of Liz & Don Krasen)  
CAPT Gail Hathaway (Pearl Harbor ~ daughter of Marlin & Ruth Torgerson)  
CAPT James Lapse (active duty ~ nephew of Lorraine Burch)  
Randy & Brian Raveling (Marines ~ nephews of Jeanette Fauskee)  
Stephanie Lins (Navy ~ niece of Jeanette Fauskee)  
Jerod Paulson (Navy ~ nephew of Jeanette Fauskee)  
Kelly Davis (Iraq ~ friend of Justin & Kim Grob)  
Willy Eckstrom (Afghanistan ~ son of Dean & Karen Eckstrom)  
SFC Guy Sing (Iraq ~ nephew of Tony Sing & cousin of Darlene Karg)  
Major Jon Lovald (Iraq ~ son-in-law of Barb & Dennis Wedge)  
Brianna Lauer (Afghanistan ~ Daughter of Brenda Meyer)  
Kevin Lecy (England ~ friend of Dan & Judy Blade)  
SGT Derrick Ruether (Iraq ~ cousin of Tania Krueger)



Did you know that we are nearing the halfway point of the 40 Weeks of Faithfulness? Prayers continue for each Faith family and phone calls are being made to check in too. Please join us in praying for the families listed below for this month.

<b>Week Eighteen August 2-8</b>	<b>Week Nineteen August 9-15</b>	<b>Week Twenty August 16-22</b>	<b>Week Twenty-one August 23-29</b>	<b>Week Twenty-two August 30 – Sept 5</b>
Gene Jutting	James & Karen Klatt	Jeff & Tania Krueger	Dennis & Sandy Langehaug	Wes & Angie Lohrenz
Ellen Juul	Dorothy Klitzke & Richard Klitzke	Melissa Krueger	Jean Langert	Mary Jo Loncorich
Cheryl Kaczmarek	Jayson & Sandy Knick	Ray & Lucille Krueger	Dave & Amy Larson	Tara Loomis
Deborah Kahle	Bonnie Knorr	Richard & Pat Krueger	Glenn & Cathy Larson	Ellsworth & Dolores Lorentzen
Raymond Kamrath	Paul & Bobbi Knudson	Brad Kruse	Keith & Jamee Larson	Brad & Jeri Lueneburg
Deserie Karels-Todd	Paul & Diane Kobernusz	Todd & Denise Kruse	Steve & Darlene Larson	Edna Lund
Carlie & Kay Karg	Mark & Lori Koelln	Clarence Kulberg	Meghan Lauer	Roger & Judy Lund
LeRoy & Darlene Karg	Nancy Koelln	Dave & LouAnn Kulberg	David Lennon	Ralph & Donna Lundahl
Wayne & Ramona Karg	Patty Koelln	Fred Kuras	Paul & Lana Lenz	Stephanie Lundeen
Brad & Kris Karl	Maizie Koenig	Marvin & Barb Kuras	Rodney & Lore Lewerenz	Melissa Luthens
Gerald & Ida Karstens	Jurene Kohn	Rachel Kurtz May	Tom & Michelle Leyde	Matthew & Terri Lynaugh
Warren & Amy Kelm	Robert & Susan Kohn	Kurt & Connie Kurtzweg	Shawn Libor	Dick & Renee Maahs
Clifford Kieper	Ruth Kolbe	Mark & Jennifer Kuseske	Bertha Lien	Gordon & Kate MacDonald
Helen Kieper	Josh & JoLynn Kosek	Larry & Tinka LaLonde	Alan & Lara Liepold	Kathy Machtemes
Eric & Tara Kilian	Carol Krage	Cheryl Labat	Mike Ingebretson & Jerri Liestman	Howard & Virginia Madsen
Steve & Janet Kilian	Donald & Liz Krasen	Eleanor Lack	Gary & Diane Lietzau	Gerald & Sabrina Maidl
Rodney & Tammy Kirchhoff	Vern & Diane Krentz	Patricia Lambert	Jerome Lindquist	Tom & Michelle Malchow
Jeff & Julie Kirchhoff	Jim Almquist & Patti Krippner	Phyllis Lamp	Dave & Sarah Lipke	Gwyn Malecek
Charles & Shirley Kisling	Daniel Krueger	Keith & Lynn Lange	Cheryl Lohrenz	Donald Mallinson

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP – THANKS!**

Thank you to everyone who has helped make the outdoor worship services a success – the people who help with set-up and take-down, the worship sound/musicians/video taper, ushers, the FLC groups who have provided treats, etc., etc. It takes a lot of people to pull it off, and we appreciate all of you!

## FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN (FLCW) BOARD

The FLCW Board met on July 13 with nine attending. Nancy Schultz presented a blueprint of the kitchen renovation drawn up by our architect, the Building Construction Team and the Kitchen Committee. We do not need to be a commercial kitchen, which reduces the expenses. It is exciting!

Thanks to everyone who brought treats and worked at the church coffee hour on July 19 in Library Square - Millie Blake, Heidi Froemming, Bev Fabel, Bobbi Knudson, Pat Krueger, Frances Olson, Carreen Pierson, Alice Poshek, Sharon Romo and Jackie Backen. The proceeds of \$90.70 have been donated to 40 Weeks of Faithfulness.

Our Friday 6:30 a.m. Bible Study group is reading the book "The Five Love Languages" by Gary Chapman. Paul and I read it together on our vacation. After almost 43 years of marriage, we are still learning things about ourselves and each other. It's a great book! These books are available to purchase at FLC North for \$10 each.

Our September General FLCW meeting will be potluck appetizers.

Dates for your calendar:

- \* Monday, August 10 at 5:00 p.m. - FLCW Board Meeting.
- \* Thursday, September 10 at 5:00 p.m. - General FLCW Meeting
- \* Monday, September 14 at 5:00 p.m. - FLCW meeting

Bobbi Knudson  
FLCW Secretary

The Faith Lutheran Church Women (FLCW) Board officers for 2009 are:

- President - Carreen Pierson
- Vice President - Heidi Froemming
- Secretary - Bobbi Knudson
- Treasurers - Darlene Larson & Kayleen Jensen
- FoG Representative - Nancy Schultz
- Funeral Coordinator - Darlene Larson
- Sunshine Coordinator - Alice Poshek

## SENIORS SCENE PASTOR PAULUS PILGRIM

We have another month before gathering as a Potluck Group; but you can get your mind set on it now.

We WILL meet in September---**September 24**, to be exact. But we'll gather in a different place again. Our old gathering place has vanished into thin air (or was it to the demolition dump).

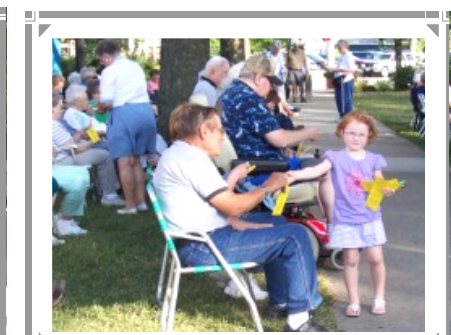
In September we'll hold our meeting at the Village Coop. The address is 1300 Sherwood St. SE. Marlys Ryti has secured the great room for us. We can't announce a program yet, since our planning committee hasn't met. We usually meet early in September, so you have plenty of time to suggest topics, programs, items of interest you would like us to focus on. Of course, we'll have our usual potluck dinner at noon. The time will be here before you know it!

A huge thank you to everyone who made donations to, helped with and/or attended the Music in the Park on Monday, July 27, where the FLCW was serving pie, ice cream, coffee & water.

It was a beautiful evening with a large crowd! The music was great, the weather was perfect and the pies (which were all donated) were delicious! Over \$600 was raised by the FLCW with the proceeds going to the Faith Lutheran Church "40 Weeks of Faithfulness."

We are blessed to have so many wonderful people in our Faith family.

**Thank you!!**



Handing out Faith Lutheran Church bookmarks.



The next Crow River WordAlone Chapter meeting will be held:

Date: Saturday, October 31

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Location: Zion Lutheran Church, Buffalo Lake.

Jim Olson, publisher from St. Cloud, and active WordAlone enthusiast, will speak. His active involvement in WordAlone is inspiring. Jim was publisher of "By What Authority," a book with articles by many authors who articulate issues facing churches today in their goal to be faithful in teaching, life and mission. He also helps the WordAlone chapters get their message out with his background in publishing. You will enjoy hearing him speak, and be refreshed in your own concerns about the Christian church and its message.

Pastor Paulus, Crow River Area WordAlone Chapter coordinator



## WARM COATS FOR McLEOD COMMUNITIES

A coat drive is now organizing in McLeod County communities so no one has to go without this basic winter item. Beginning September 1, donations of new and gently used coats of all sizes will be collected at various locations throughout McLeod County. Collection will continue until October 1 and distribution will take place October 15 and 16.



This project called Warm Coats for McLeod Communities is dedicated to distributing reusable coats, free of charge, directly to local children and adults of McLeod County. "Passing along new and gently used coats is a wonderful way to help local families in need of warm winter coats," according to Bev Bonte, the Common Cup Executive Director.

Look for collection boxes in area businesses, churches and schools beginning September 1.

### DATES OF DISTRIBUTION:

Oct 15 12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the McLeod Co. Fair Grounds in Hutchinson and Pla-Mor Ballroom in Glencoe.

Oct 16 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the McLeod Co. Fair Grounds in Hutchinson and Pla-Mor Ballroom in Glencoe.

Hutchinson and Glencoe volunteers are being recruited. Cash donations and willing hands are needed. Volunteer through the sponsoring agencies or for more information, please contact the Co-coordinators Bev Bonte at 320-587-2213 or Donna Krauth at 320-864-1391.

This project is a combined effort of the Common Cup Ministry of Glencoe and Hutchinson, Heartland Community Action Agency, Salvation Army, McLeod County Social Services and community volunteers.



## ILT Archived Courses

Summer is a great time to view our archived courses which are being offered at the reduced price of \$35.

The following Institute of Lutheran Theology courses are available online:

### Politics, Religion, and Ethics

~ Harold Schlachtenhaufen ~

### Is God Real? How Modern Theology Undermines the Christian Faith

~ Dennis Bielfeldt ~

### Luther: The Three Great Treatises

~ James Nestingen ~

### The Earliest Apostle – Topics and Texts According to Paul

~ Gary Gilthvedt ~

### Key Topics from CORE

~ Mark Chavez ~

### The Pursuit of the Paranormal

~ Fred Baltz ~

### The Screwtape Letters of C.S. Lewis

~ Paul Spaulding ~

**To register, please call the Institute office: 605-692-9337**

Check out our website at:

[www.instituteoflutherantheology.org](http://www.instituteoflutherantheology.org)

Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase.

Martin Luther King, Jr.





# Fai th kidz

ATTENTION completed 6<sup>th</sup> graders going into 7<sup>th</sup> grade!!!!

On Monday, August 24, Faith Lutheran and Christ the King will be going to Summerland! Summerland has a giant water slide, go karts, mini golf, batting cages, and bumper boats!

Bring a friend along too!

The cost for the park and the ride up there is \$14.00 per person. We will leave at 10:30 a.m. and return at 5:00 p.m.

(If August 24 is rainy, our alternate day will be August 31.)

You will receive a flyer in the mail with more information!

Contact Kacie Lange or Dave Wollan with any questions 587-2093.



## Green Lake Day Camp Report

We had a great time at Day Camp this summer. It was July 12-16 and there were 39 kids (combined with Christ the King) who attended. Four counselors from Green Lake Camp came to Hutchinson and led crafts, songs, and games. We even took a whole day to go up to Shores of St. Andrew in Spicer, MN and were able to tie-dye t-shirts, went swimming and got a tour of the camp. On Wednesday night the campers put on a show for all of the parents at a potluck picnic at Christ the King. The week was centered on the awesome message of how we can "Love to Serve" because of God's great love for us.

Thank you parents for bringing your children and for helping with snacks and the potluck. Thank you to Abbie Nistler, our youth helper. Thanks to Steve and Sue Graff for hosting an evening meal and opening up their home for the camp staff to stay at. Also, thank you to Dick and Dorothy Desens for hosting an evening meal at their home as well.

We had a ton of fun and can't wait for next year!

## Back to School Supply Drive 2009

For many parents and children, the thought of going back to school in the fall is not a pleasant one. Many dread the return because of the added pressure of not having the right clothes to wear, not having the nifty new hair cut, and not having all the required school supplies that are on the list. Common Cup Ministry and the Salvation Army would like to make going back to school easier for some of these children and need your help. Please consider a financial donation or donating some, or all of the items listed here. You can drop them off at FLC North or Faith on Grove by August 24. Cash donations will be used to purchase supplies not donated. The dates of distribution of the backpacks and supplies will be August 26, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., and August 27, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at St. Anastasia School gym in Hutchinson and First Lutheran Church in Glencoe.



Common Cup  
Ministry

Parents may request supplies for their children using the official request form. Forms are available in the church office or you can call Common Cup to have a form mailed to you.

Volunteers needed during the distribution and for set up. Contact Common Cup Ministry at 587-2213 for more information. If you have any questions, please call Jackie in the church office. Thank you!!

Box of 24 crayons

4 oz bottle of glue

#2 pencils (12)

Spiral notebooks (4)

Highlighting markers

3 1/4" Computer Disks

4pk dry erase markers

Compasses

Protractors

Erasers (2)

Looseleaf paper

Calculators

Black, blue & red pens ( 2 of each)



Box of colored pencils

Pencil sharpeners with covers

Plastic Pocket folders (3)

Black fine line Sharpie markers

Box of color markers

Prang Water Colors

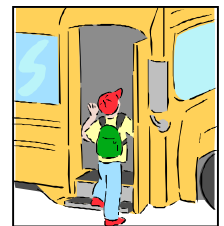
Rulers

Pencil Box

Scissors (Fiskars)

3 ring binders

Thesaurus



Check out our new FLC website at [www.faihtlc.com](http://www.faihtlc.com) (it is still "under construction" but has lots of new features!) It has lots of photos from Club 218, Outdoor Worship Services, Building Project, VBS, etc. Coming soon ... online sermons, blogging, live webcam and much more!

Check out the new site and let Jackie in the church office know if you have any suggestions to enhance the site or would like to help keep it updated.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

The “Empty Nesters” is for those at Faith who are enjoying a bit of freedom after the kids are out of the nest or too busy to hang out with them, retirement is a reality, and are ready to make new friends and help those who are in need. The major focus is having fun, helping others and sharing life-learned interests and abilities with others. Monthly activities include social and service type experiences.



Some of the activities have included: a benefit spaghetti dinner to raise money for those in our church who have lost their employment or are in need, attended the Passion Play at North Heights Lutheran Church, helping with the Youth Famine event, picnic at Janet Swanson’s home, attended the comedy “Alone Together” at the Old Log Theater, helped with spring cleaning at Green Lake Bible Camp and tailgating at an FLC Softball game. Upcoming events include: going to a Twins game, and a fall kick-off picnic in September. Please watch the weekly announcements and newsletters for more event details.

If you are interested in learning more about Empty Nesters, please call Sue Graff at 587-6289, Pastor Paul or Jackie at 587-2093. The next Empty Nesters planning meeting is on Monday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. at FLC North. All are welcome to attend the planning meetings and events!

Everyone is invited to a **Night at the Minnesota Twins**, Wednesday, August 26.

Our local “Empty Nesters” group is organizing a trip to see the Minnesota Twins play the Baltimore Orioles on Wednesday, August 26 at 7:10 p.m. at the Metrodome.

This is the 16th Annual Lutheran Night sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. **This is for all ages.**

Reduced priced tickets (\$22.00, regularly \$31.00, for lower reserved seating) can be reserved by calling Jackie in the church office by August 1. Payment will need to be made by Monday, August 3.

If someone wishes to go but cannot afford the price of the ticket, please speak to Pastor Paul or Jackie. Help will be available. Closer to the time of the event, options for car pooling or other transportation will be given.

## Summer Worship Times

### Sundays

Faith on Main

8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Faith on Grove

6:30 p.m.

### Wednesdays

6:30 p.m. at Faith on Main

Summer Outdoor Worship Services will be held in Library Square in downtown Hutchinson at 10:00 a.m. with coffee fellowship at 9:30 a.m. the following Sundays:

**August 9, 16, 23 & 30**

(The 10:00 a.m. service on August 2 will be held at Faith on Main)

**September 6**

**Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on and enjoy a morning of great music, fellowship and spreading of the Word.**

(Rain location is Faith on Main)



## GREENHOUSE GATHERING

### Potluck Picnic

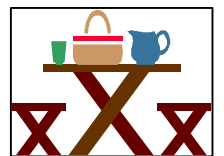
**When: Sunday, August 9**

**Time: 5:30 p.m.**

**Where: Faith on Grove  
800 Grove St**

**Please bring something to share, lawn chairs or a blanket to sit on.**

**Everything else will be provided. Stay for worship at 6:30! Everyone is invited!**



**Thank you to everyone who sponsored a youth for the Vancouver Mission trip!**

**We invite you to join us for a Mission Trip Sponsor Reception.**

**Date: Wednesday, August 12**

**Time: 7:00 p.m.**

**Location: Faith on Grove**

**The night will feature stories and highlights about the trips, the mission trip movie, and rootbeer floats.**

The Friday 9:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Study will be starting a new study on Friday, September 11 at 9:00 a.m. The Bible Study will be on “God’s Reluctant Leaders.”

This Bible Study focuses on the stories of three biblical characters: Jonah, Gideon, and Moses. Sessions explore how God works to create faith within those whom He calls to serve His mission.

Please call Bobbi Knudson at 587-2227 or Jackie in the church office if you would like to attend or for more information. All women are welcome to attend.

“The Project” a local Christian Band featuring **Mona Hjerpe**, Steve Olcott (Youth director at Christ the King), Kirk Hendrickson (Youth minister at St. Anastasia), Adam Krumrie (Worship Pastor at Shalom Baptist Church) and Mike Pierson of Mankato will be performing at Higher Ground Music Festival in Winsted, MN. Festival dates are August 14 & 15. “The Project” will be the Main Stage opening group on Saturday, August 15 starting at 11:15 a.m.

**Just announced - Rachel Kurtz May will also be performing at Higher Ground this year immediately following “The Project.”**

Other artists performing at Higher Ground this year are: Lightswitch, Justin McRoberts, Kutless, Jeremy Camp, Revive, Mark Schultz and Third Day.

Higher Ground Music Festival promises to be an amazing experience! Imagine a Christian music festival that's close to everywhere and features everyone you want to hear. Best of all, you will meet some amazing people who are savoring summer's sundown, just like you. At Higher Ground, they offer a two-day getaway designed to renew and uplift your spirits. Higher Ground makes you feel closer to the music, because you are closer... to all the great bands. Enjoy a festival with the intimacy and simplicity of a classic outdoor concert with great food, fun activities, and events for all ages.

**Discount tickets available now in the Faith Lutheran Church Office. Get them now before they are gone!!**

A two-day pass is \$45 (\$65 at the gate)

Kids 10 & under are free.

### Free Concert!

“The Project” invites you to join them in celebrating the amazing love of Jesus!

**When: Wednesday, Aug. 12**

**Where: Library Square, Downtown Hutchinson**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

“The Project,” a contemporary Christian band made up of musicians with ties to several local churches, will be giving a free concert at Hutchinson’s Library Square on Wednesday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m. Band members include Steve Olcott of Christ the King (drummer), Mona Hjerpe of Faith Lutheran (vocals), Kirk Hendrickson of St. Anastasia Catholic Church (vocals/electric guitar), Adam Krumrie of Shalom Baptist Church (vocals/guitar), Mike Pierson of Crossview Covenant Church, Mankato (vocals, acoustic guitar) and Billy Woodside, also of Shalom (bass guitar). This eclectic group plays a variety of original and cover songs.

Rootbeer floats will be served during the concert.

Donations/free will offering will be taken, with a portion of the proceeds given to support a local ministry.



Please bring a lawn chair or blanket, invite your family and friends, and enjoy some fellowship while relaxing and listening to some great music! Hope to see you there! !

## 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MCLEOD COUNTY AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

### RELAY FOR LIFE 2009

AUGUST 7 & 8

12:00 noon – 7:00 a.m.

West River Park

### Schedule of Events

12:00 noon – bidding for Silent Auction begins

Luminary bags set out on path (weather permitting)

4:30 p.m. – entertainment begins

6:00 p.m. – Survivors’ Reception

7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony/Celebration Lap

9:00 p.m. Ceremony of Hope/Lighting of Candles

6:00 a.m. Clean-up and Closing

Luminaries in honor of a loved one who is living with cancer or in memory of a loved one who lost their life to cancer are available through Penny Stuber, Niki Pokornowski, or Glenda Nelson. They are also available at Downtown Family Rexall Drug.

There is always lots of good food to eat and lots of fun, family entertainment at the Relay.

If you are a cancer survivor please join us at the survivors’ 6:00 p.m. reception.

You do not need an invitation to attend.





**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

June 16, 2009

Present:

Brad Burch (12)	P	Larry LaLonde (11)	P	Heather Vaillancourt (11)	P	Kacie Lange	P
Don DeMeyer (11)	P	Julie Ashbaugh (12)	P	Angie Oestreich (12)	P	Kayleen Jensen	P
Jim DeMeyer (12)	P	Orville Moe (10)	P	Anthony Wegner (Youth)	P	Marsha Schmit	P
Dorothy Desens (12)	P	Patti Rutledge (10)		Pastor Scott	P	Dave Wollan	
David Franzen (10)	P	Paula Schlueter (11)	P	Pastor Paulus		Jackie Backen	P
Mark Guggemos	P	Joe Schultz (10)	P	Pastor Paul			
Kurt Hjerpe (12)		Mary Christensen (12)	P	Pastor Randy	P		

**Opening Devotion** by Pastor Scott was based on I Cor. 15

**Call to Order** by President Mark Guggemos

**Secretary's Report** Motion/seconded to accept the Secretary's report as presented. No discussion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** by Kayleen Jensen and David Franzen. Discussion. Motion/seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. No additional discussion. Motion carried.

**Pastors' Reports**

Pastor Randy - The pastors will try to increase visitation to further communication.

Pastor Scott - He is working with Pastor Randy and staff to proceed to the communication level of 40 Weeks of Faithfulness. Pastor Scott also gave a brief report on the convention at St. Peter.

**Staff Reports**

Marsha - July 5 at 9 a.m. will be the Council's turn to serve coffee in the park for the 10:00 a.m. service.

Kacie - This past week there were 82 children attending Preschool Bible School. Thanks for a great job of organizing that, Kacie.

**Committee/Team/Task Force Reports**

Club 218 has 35 children registered. Club 218 meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday this summer at Faith on Grove. Adult readers and lunch servers are still needed. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

**Old Business**

1. 40 Weeks of Faithfulness

100 households have responded to the 40 Weeks of Faithfulness with donations and/or prayer. Additional households will be contacted to discuss the concept behind 40 Weeks of Faithfulness.

2. Legacy of Faith Update

1)building project updates will continue in Faith Matters and e-mails.

2)Staff is continuing to contact households in the Legacy Campaign.

3)Building Project Team is hoping the South Fellowship Hall and the Kitchen will be completed by September.

3. Meeting of team/task force/committee chairs

This concerns the reorganization of task forces/committees to clarify lines of authority. Office volunteers will contact chair people and ask them about certain ideas, etc.

**New Business**

**Council action: motion/seconded to change the order of new business, #1-congregational meeting moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> position, #2 moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> position, # 3 moved to 2<sup>nd</sup> position and # 4 moved to the 3<sup>rd</sup> position. # 5 will stay in its current position. Discussion. Passed.**

1. Long Range Planning Sub Committee report

A). After the presentation by Deb Marcotte several months ago, the Long Range Planning Sub Committee gathered

information from area Youth Leaders and pastors to assess the need for a partnership between Hutchinson Public Schools and churches as to how children and parents could be better served. From a school prospective, there appears to be a genuine interest in Hutchinson churches taking lead in this partnership. This partnership relates to opportunities through the release-time program, late starts and after-school programming.

Discussion.

**Council action: motion/seconded that Faith Lutheran Church continue to explore a leadership role in the partnership between Hutchinson public schools and Faith Lutheran Church. This exploration includes the need and financial cost of after-school, late start and release-time programs. No additional discussion. Motion passed.**

B). Faith Lutheran has an opportunity to be a leader in the formation of Institute of Lutheran Theology (ILT) as a Designated Teaching Center (DTC). The ILT board has requested that Faith Lutheran Church of Hutchinson, MN and Lutheran Church of the Master of Omaha, NE be ILT's primary teaching centers. In addition, ILT has also requested that Faith Lutheran consider appointing ILT's first embedded faculty person.

Discussion concerned the benefits this will bring to Faith Lutheran.

**Council action: motion/seconded that Faith Lutheran will support the request of ILT of Faith Lutheran being a designated teaching center. In addition, Faith Lutheran Church council supports the appointment of the ILT professor based at Faith Lutheran. There will not be any additional financial obligation to Faith Lutheran Church. No additional discussion. Motion pass unanimously.**

C). Constitution and Lutheran Identity Sub Committee report

Due to serious questions about the theological and institutional health of the ELCA, this group has attempted to anticipate constitutional and organizational issues that may arise as Faith Lutheran tries to find a place in the ELCA. Right now, Faith Lutheran is out of the legal bonds of their constitution. (for example, the use of some designated benevolence funds for mission projects sponsored by Faith Lutheran rather than send the money to ELCA). The constitution and the actual authority of the ELCA needs to be looked at very carefully and may need to be revised.

Discussion.

**Council action: motion/seconded that Faith Lutheran Church seek guidance from attorneys on the relative authority of the synod versus FLC and the consequences for FLC should a revised constitution be rejected by the Southwestern Minnesota Synod. No additional discussion. Motion passed.**

2. Estate Planning Seminar

The Building Finance Committee is developing this.

3. Worship schedule

The schedule needs to be modified due to the building project. It is suggested that the first worship time be changed to 8:00 a.m. from the current 8:30 a.m. This service would remain a traditional setting. Possibly the current 9:45 a.m. service be used for Sunday School and a casual worship setting for adults. The 10:30 a.m. service be a praise/worship service with Sunday School music flowing into the beginning of the service. More discussion with Sunday School teachers, music leaders and staff is needed.

**Council action: motion/seconded that in order to promote greater flexibility, the current 8:30 a.m. service be moved to start at 8:00 a.m. discussion that this would not start until fall. Motion passed.**

4. Congregational meeting in July? Possible agenda: Update on building construction progress. House of Study for ILT, Revised budget.

Discussion on the impact of the previous New Business items on a congregational meeting. There was a general consensus to move the meeting to August so that more current information would be available.

5. Other - no additional items

**Communion Helper Schedule** - see agenda

**Correspondence**- none

**Closing Prayer** by Pastor Randy

**Adjournment** motion was made and seconded. Carried.

Next Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday July 21, 2009, 6:00 p.m. at FLC North



**Club 218 is in it's second year of existence and we are having a wonderful summer.**



The program runs Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am - 2:00 p.m. at Faith on Grove and is targeted for children of low-income families. We have 35 kids enrolled this summer, which is the maximum number we can take.

Every day is filled with fun activities such as crafts, games, music, and reading time. We also find time to learn some Bible stories and just play outside. Some highlights of our summer have been a field trip to the bowling alley and Police Station and the Club 218 kids' favorite game: Staff hide-and-seek. With a short time to go (the last day is August 7), I don't think any of the staff can believe how fast the summer has gone. It seems like just yesterday, we were having staff training and preparing for the first day. It has been a blessing to get to know these children and their families. They have impacted us in ways they may not even know.

Thank you to everyone who has helped out in the kitchen or in the reading room. You are a vital part of what we do here. Also, a big thank you to everyone who donated CashWise or Target gift cards. Our biggest expense, understandably, is food for lunch. Your generosity has been a real blessing for our finances and has freed up money for us to do some extra, fun things with the kids.

Thank you for all of your support!

God Bless,

Kirsten Grorud



**Thank  
you!**



### Worship Times

#### **Faith on Main**

Sunday 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

#### **Faith on Grove**

Sunday 6:30 p.m.

#### **Faith on Main**

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

### Nursery - Faith on Main

10:00 a.m. (during indoor services)

### Sunday School

September - May

Sundays at 9:45 a.m. &

Wednesdays at 6:50 p.m.

### Adult Forum - 9:45 a.m.

September - May

All Ages Welcome

### Sunday Live Radio Broadcast

KDUZ 1260 AM at 8:30 a.m. Cost \$145.00.

Sponsorship sign-up chart located in back Narthex.

### TV Broadcast Hutchinson Cable Video Network Channel 10

Faith on Main Worship TV Broadcast, Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Faith on Grove Worship TV Broadcast, Thursday, 6:00 p.m.

### Church Council Representatives

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## FAITH DIRECTORY

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### Lay Ministry

#### **Office Assistant Volunteers**

##### **Monday**

Alice Fransen, Marlys Ryti & Doris Nelson

##### **Tuesday**

Sharon Romo

##### **Wednesday**

Barb Degn & Doris Strand

##### **Thursday**

Muriel Dobratz & Linda Nyman

##### **Friday**

Elaine Blade & Lucille Krueger

#### **Wedding Consultants**

Niki Pokornowski & Janet Swanson

### Music Ministry

#### **Worship Leaders**

Faith on Main

8:30 - Dave Skaar & Shirley Holtz

10:00 - Lara Liepold, Ronda Eckhart & Marc Vaillancourt

Faith on Grove

6:30 - Rachel Kurtz May

#### **Faith Singers Director**

Dave Skaar

#### **Joyful Noise Director**

Sue Graff

#### **Organist**

Shirley Holtz

#### **Ringers of Faith Co-Directors**

Sue Graff & Roxanne Wigen

#### **Worship Pianists**

Lara Liepold, Ronda Eckhart, Carla Wegner, & Marc Vaillancourt

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