

335 Main St. S. Hutchinson, MN 320-587-2093 office@faithlc.com FaithLC.com Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022

First Sunday
in Advent

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ ~ Augustana District

Welcome to Faith Lutheran

To all who are hungry, to all who are thirsty and longing for drink, to all who are sinners looking for a Savior, and to all who will come: this church opens wide its doors in the name of Jesus Christ.



Digging Deeper

These adult education options are offered between services at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings through December 18.

Ending and Beginning

In November, Christ the King Sunday marked the end of the church year calendar, and a new year begins today with the first Sunday in Advent. The focus of this time has changed over the years. In this class we will consider various Biblical themes that comprise this time of ending and beginning in the Church.

Meeting in the Faith Center.

Fierce Marriage

This class is a call to couples to put Christ at the center of their marriage, measuring everything they do and say to each other against what Christ did for them. We'll use a curriculum from Ryan and Selena Frederick that will guide us in our pursuit for each other. Join Pastor Dave in the upstairs conference room.

Worship Attendance Matters!

Worship Attendance <u>From Last Week</u>

First Word - 112 Sanctuary - 123 Foundation - 138



The radio broadcast today was sponsored by Kurt Hjerpe and family in memory of his brother Kevin.

Baptized Today

Sunday, November 27, 2022

Hayden Edward Branson



and
Berkley Marie and
Baker David Duenow

Baker David Duenow children of Tyler and Mikayla Duenow

Sponsors: Ryan & Amy Pederson and Jessie & Hannah Duenow

Tuesday Lectionary Study

You are invited to participate in this study on Tuesdays at 12 noon in the office conference room or via Zoom. The texts for next week, the Second Sunday of Advent, are: Isaiah 11:1-10, Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12.

Advents Past and Present

During Advent, Faith Lutheran holds mid-week services each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. This year, the theme of those services will be *Advents Past and Present*. Each week will highlight a person from Christian history whose commemoration day falls during December and how their stories reflect on our lives today. The four people are:

November 30—Santa Lucia

(Come *early* for the soup supper from 5-6 p.m. Please sign-up in advance to bring your favorite soup or chili to share.)

December 7—St. Nicholas

December 14—Katharina von Bora

(Stay after worship for hot cocoa, coffee and Christmas treats)

December 21—St. Stephen

For all four services, we will use the *Holden Evening Prayer* liturgy, combined with Advent and Christmas songs. These services are a great opportunity to pause during the busyness of the holiday season, gather in God's presence to worship, and celebrate Christ's coming into our hearts and lives.



Caregiver Support Group

The Caregiver Support Group will meet early this month, on Thursday, Dec. 1, at 4 p.m. If you would like to join this support group, please contact Pastor Paulus Pilgrim or Marsha Schmit at 320-587-2093.

Seniors' Potluck

Seniors' Potluck is earlier than usual this month, quickly arriving on **Thursday, December 8** at **12:00 noon.** Christmas carols are the



spice of Christmas life, and Austin Willhite will tell us all about them, their history, background, etc., then lead us in singing some of your old favorites. Bring a favorite holiday dish to share and a friend to sing along. *See you at Seniors' Potluck!*

November Is Mission / Hunger Appeal Month at FLC

Our goal for the year is to pass well beyond our minimum annual amount of \$5,000. We are trusting that, moved by the Spirit, we can **double that amount**. The funds raised will be used to support three FLC Missions. The first 45% will be shared locally through Common Cup Ministries. Bev Bonte, the long time director, recently shared the challenges they face meeting increasing needs. International partners will receive 55% of the offerings: 35% to the Bishara Center in India through New Hope Mission Society and 20% through Friends Of Madagascar Mission.

Gifts for the *Hunger Appeal* can be given through offering envelopes marked *Hunger Appeal*, on Thanksgiving, or any time in November.

You can also make an online donation through the FLC website.

Faith Financials

THANK YOU to the family of Faith for responding so generously to help reduce the General Fund deficit that has opened up this year. Currently, the amount needed for the church to break even in 2022 has dropped to about \$170,000. That is already \$50,000 lower than when we first raised this concern! As we have especially given thanks to God for His blessings this past week, please prayerfully consider how God has blessed you to help address this need. To God be the glory!

Nominating Committee Calls

The Nominating Committee has started to make calls to find people to serve on the 2023 Church Council and Ministry Teams. If you receive a message about this, please prayerfully consider serving and respond, even if your are not able to serve. Thank you!

Thanks Giving Tree

A reminder that we are still collecting hats, gloves, and socks for Common Cup Ministries. Donated items can be left by the trees in the gathering spaces outside of the sanctuary and the church office.

Free Community Meal

Sunday, Dec. 4 from 4-6 p.m.



FLCW Christmas Lunch

Invite your family and friends to the Faith Lutheran Church Women's annual **Christmas Lunch** on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 11 a.m.—1 p.m. This event will include beautifully decorated tables, a delicious lunch, door prizes and a parade of prayer shawls. Tickets are \$10 each and are available in the church office until they are sold out.

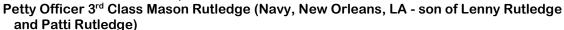
Snow Birds: If it is time for you to head south for the winter, don't forget to update the church with your winter address.

Weather Cancellation Texts: Would you like to receive a text message when there is a weather or other necessary cancellation of events at Faith? If so, please call 587-2093 or e-mail the church office at office@faithlc.com with the phone number at which you would like to receive the texts.

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

Braiden Bjorge (Marines, Jacksonville, NC grandson of Sandy Curtiss) Mike Bjorge (Air Force, son-in-law of Sandy Curtiss)

Gerald Kaddatz (National Guard, southern boarder of the United States, son of Darlene Horrmann)



LT Brett Stadsklev (Navy, Yokosuka, Japan, son-in-law of Judy and Tom Felber) Trevor Wersal (MN National Guard, son of Roger and Laurie Wersal)

Please contact the church office to make any changes or editions to this list.

Pastors and Staff

Pastor Scott Grorud

Pastor Dave Wollan

Pastor Paul Knudson

Pastor Paulus Pilgrim, Visitation Pastor

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TV Broadcast

Live: Channel 7 Sundays at 8 a.m.

Pre-Recorded:

Nuvera Ch. 10 and Mediacom Ch. 8

Sundays at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Tuesdays at 5 p.m.

Thursdays at 10 p.m.

Radio Broadcast Pre-Recorded: KDUZ 1260 AM Sundays at 8 a.m.

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- ◆ Please sign the welcome pads located at the end of the pew in the sanctuary or the clipboards as they are passed around at Foundation. Please include your address and phone number if you are a visitor.
- ♦ If you are interested in becoming a member of Faith Lutheran, please call Marsha Schmit at 587-2093.

<u>Holy Communion</u>

Holy Communion is served at the First Word and Sanctuary services on the first and second Sunday and at Foundation on the third and fourth Sunday of each month.

We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Children who have completed communion instruction are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. All other children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

If you are unable to receive wine, please let the wine server know and grape juice will be provided. Gluten-free communion wafers are also available. Please let the server know and they will be provided.

