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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.



The Sunday School Children's Christmas Program is next Sunday, December 18, at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

- Presented by the Pre-K through 5th grade children.
- Doors open at 3:30 p.m.

and children should go directly to their classrooms.

- Children should dress in their Christmas best!
- Parents should save spots for their Pre-K through 1st grade children. They will be sitting with their families after they sing at the beginning of the program.
- At the end of the program a parent will need to go up to the front pews of the church to pick up their 2nd – 5th grade student.

After the Christmas Program is over you are invited to grab a cookie to go at the doors.

If you are interested in donating a dozen cookies please contact Laura Stowman.

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022 Third Sunday in Advent

Worship Attendance Matters!

Worship Attendance From Last Week

First Word - 105 Sanctuary - 104 Foundation - 149 Wed. Advent - 97



The radio broadcast today was sponsored by Dick Lennes in memory of his wife, Sandy.

2023 Sign-Up Boards Available

The 2023 sign-up boards used to sponsor the weekly radio broadcast, provide flowers for worship, or to sponsor one of the monthly free community meals are now available in the sanctuary gathering space. Sign-up for your special date today.



Christmas Serving Opportunities

- Ushers and greeters for 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 4 p.m. Foundation,
 6:00 p.m. and 11 p.m. Christmas Eve services
- Communion servers for the 11 p.m. Christmas Eve service and for Christmas Day at 10 a.m.

To help, please contact Marsha Schmit at 587-2093 or marshas@faithlc.com.

Advents Past and Present

During Advent, Faith Lutheran holds mid-week services each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. This year, the theme has been *Advents Past and Present*. Each week highlights a person from Christian history whose commemoration day falls during December and how their stories reflect on our lives today. Coming up:

December 14—Katharina von Bora (Stay after worship for hot cocoa, coffee and Christmas treats)

December 21—St. Stephen

Christmas Worship Opportunities

Sat., Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Services

* Family Style Service at 2 p.m.

* Simultaneous Sanctuary and Foundation services at 4 p.m.

* Service at 6 p.m.

*Worship with Holy Communion at 11 p.m.

Sun. Dec. 25 Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion at 10 a.m.

Sun., Jan. 1, Services at 8 & 10:10 a.m. (a combined Foundation and Sanctuary service)

Sunday School and Digging Deeper will resume on Sunday, Jan. 8.



Mission Trip Meeting

This meeting is for parents and students going on their first mission trip this summer. Please meet in the Faith Center at 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14. Please contact Kristen for important information if you are not able to attend.

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 Fourth Sunday of Advent, are: Isaiah 7:10-17, Romans 1:1-7, and Matthew 1:18-25.

Faith Financials

Update: Thank you for your generous giving this year, and particularly in the last few weeks. As we approach the end of the year, we currently need about \$134,000 to break even. That's a big number, but in line with years past. With the same level of commitment and response, we can once again reach our budgeted goal! Would you prayerfully consider how God has positioned and called you to give?

A *Joy to the World* invite for Christmas giving went in the mail on Friday, please watch for it and respond as you are able.

Just a reminder that the giving deadline for your 2022 tax statement is Friday, December 30, <u>before</u> 12 noon. Giving after that time will be applied to your 2023 statement.



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

- 1) *Ending and Beginning:* 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.
- 2) *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. Meeting in the upstairs conference room.

Christmas Giving Tree

A reminder that we are still collecting new 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.

Important Notes

- The deadline to order a poinsettia is just a week away on Monday, December 19.
- * The church offices will be closed Monday, December 26, and Monday, January 2.

Winter Parking Note

With the snow and ice that is now in the parking lot and on the sidewalks we respectfully ask if you are able, that you park on the street, across Main St. in the bank parking lot, or in the lot to the northeast across Hassen St. This will allow those with small children and the elderly to park in the lot closer to the building so that they have a shorter walk in the cold and on the uneven ground. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

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)

Petty Officer 3rd Class Mason Rutledge (Navy, New Orleans, LA - son of Lenny Rutledge and Patti Rutledge)

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

Pastoral Intern Jeff Amundson

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Laura Stowman, Director of Children and Family Ministry

Austin Willhite, Director of Music and Worship

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Staff can be reached by calling the office at 320-587-2093 or by e-mailing office@faithlc.com.

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.







- 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.

Holy Communion

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.

