



Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ
Augustana District

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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.



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Adult Education Opportunities
on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m.

1) The Advent Words—Join Pastor Dave in the upstairs conference room as we examine four important Advent words, as presented by The Bible Project. We will view and discuss the Bible Project videos as they deepen our understanding of the Advent concepts of hope, peace, joy, and love.

2) The Prophesied Christ—This four-week class will consider some of the key Old Testament prophecies that pointed to Jesus as the Savior of the world. Meeting with Pastor Scott in the Faith Center.

3) Leading Worship ~ How Does Worship Happen? Wrapping up this Sunday, in the office conference room.

**Sunday,
December 10, 2023**

Last Sunday Worship Attendance

First Word - 112
Sanctuary - 138
Foundation - 180

Advent Attendance Wednesday - 126



The radio broadcast today was sponsored by Kurt and Mona Hjerpe in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary.

2024 Radio and Flower Sponsorships

The 2024 Radio and Flower sign-up boards are available now. This year there is also a flower sign-up for the Foundation in the north hallway. Thank you for your generosity in providing these gifts.

Seniors' Potluck

Come to Seniors' Potluck this Thursday, December 14, beginning at 12 noon. After we enjoy our potluck feast we will move into our program which will feature "Christmas Carols From Around the World," with Austin Willhite. Bring your friends and we will sing our hearts out!

Christmas Giving Trees

This year the Congregational Life Team and Faith Lutheran are partnering with Chap Ministries to provide gifts for senior citizens! The trees are in the north gathering space and the gathering area off the Sanctuary. Please take a card from the tree and purchase the gift for a senior in need and return it by December 13. Thank you!

Faith Financials

Thank you to the family of Faith for your continuing faithful support of the ministry God has given to us here. The original amount needed by year's end in order to break even has already been reduced by \$100,000! Overcoming the remainder is well within reach.

Offerings given to Faith through 12-3-23	\$721,808.65
Other Ministry Revenue Year to date is	<u>\$ 40,809.51</u>
Total received through 12-3-23	\$762,619.16
Spending estimate is	\$914,229
Amount needed by year's end to break even:	\$151,610

Please continue to give generously as the Lord has blessed you to do so and pray for His steadfast provision for Faith Lutheran.



Nominating Committee

The nominating committee is well into its annual task of calling to find members to serve on the Church Council and Ministry Teams. If you get a call, please prayerfully consider your response. If they leave you a message, please return

the call, even if your answer is a "no." If you feel called to be a part of a ministry team feel free to reach out to Pastor Scott Grorud or Pastor Dave Wollan. Thank you.



Service Opportunities at Christmas Services

+ People are needed to usher on **Christmas Eve morning services at 8 and 10:10.**

♦ Many people are needed to help with the **Christmas Eve services at 2:00, 4:00 (Sanctuary), 4:00 (Foundation) 6:00, and 11:00 p.m.** Help is also needed for the **Christmas Day 10 a.m.** service.

Please let Marsha know when you will be here and can help.

8:00 First Word

Acolytes: Luca Docken and Thode Jones

Computer: Jan Kreie

Music: Sharon Barton

Reader: Bailey Fields

Sound: Dave Skaar

Ushers: Jon Wigen and Gary Bielke

Video: Janet Meier



10:10 Sanctuary

Acolytes: Taryn Loe and Eli Duerig

Computer: Kim Pearson

Music: Lara Liepold, Bailey Fields, and Austin Willhite

Reader: Virgene Shellenbarger

Sound: Joel Sheggeby

Video: Dick Krueger



10:10 Foundation

AV: Jeff Krueger

Computer: Nathan Stowman

Music: Tabetha Dawkins, Leah Kamrath, Evan Boike, and Kaylee Scheevel

Reader: Courtney Corrente

Ushers: Trongard family



Advent Services

“The Mystery of the Messiah” is the theme of Faith Lutheran’s four mid-week Advent services this year. We are using a series of ancient Advent prayers called “The Great ‘O’ Antiphons” to explore different Biblical titles for Jesus and what he was sent to do. These antiphons are the basis of the beloved hymn, “Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel,” which is the theme hymn each week. Mid-week Advent worship is a renewing, reflective break from the busyness of holiday celebrations. Join us each Wednesday through December 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.



Sunday School Children’s Christmas Program

***Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 p.m.,
the doors will open at 3:30 p.m.***

We are serving cookies, water, and coffee after the program in the Faith Center for the children and everyone who attends the program.

Laura is looking for people to donate cookies. Contact her if you are able to donate a dozen or two and drop off the cookies in the church kitchen by the morning of the program, December 17.



Christmas Worship Opportunities

Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve Services

2:00 p.m. Candlelight Service designed for families with small children

4:00 p.m. Simultaneous Candlelight Services in the Sanctuary and Foundation

6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Candlelight Service

11:00 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service with Holy Communion

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day Service

10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service with Holy Communion

Come and Dine So Bells Can Shine

You are invited to join the Ringers of Faith Bell Choir and the Worship and Music Ministry team for a special evening featuring a candlelight dinner, Christmas music sung by special guests, followed by the Advent worship service led by the Ringers of Faith. Come support the Ringers as they continue to raise money for bell repair and maintenance.



When: Wednesday, Dec. 13. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 5 p.m.

Tickets will be available between services today. This is the deadline to purchase them. Adult tickets are \$20 and tickets for children 10 and under are \$10.

Menu: Roast beef with gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, cooked vegetable, dinner roll, spring salad, and dessert.

Contact Austin Willhite with any questions at austinw@faithlc.com



Rescheduled!
LAST Chance to
Register is Today!

Book Donation for YWAM

YWAM, a mission supported by FLC, is planning to start a new Bible school in the fall and are looking for the following specific dictionaries and encyclopedias to be donated: Zondervan Pictorial Encyclopedia of the Bible (1975/76/78), Holman Illustrated Bible Dictionary (2009), International Standard Bible Encyclopedia (1915), Anchor Yale Bible Dictionary (2008), Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary (2014) and the Tyndale Bible Dictionary. Please contact the church office if you have any of these editions to donate.



This week's events

Sunday, December 10

8 a.m. First Word Service with Holy Communion

9 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation

9:15 a.m. Digging Deeper

10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service with Holy Communion

10:10 a.m. Foundation Service

4:30 p.m. Happy Birthday, Jesus party

Monday, December 11

Church offices are open

Tuesday, December 12

6 a.m. High School A.P. Theology

9 a.m. Matins

9:15 a.m. Exercise

12 p.m. Lectionary

5:30 p.m. Ringers of Faith

6:30 p.m. P2BC meeting

Wednesday, December 13

7 a.m. Morning Prayer on Facebook

9 a.m. Matins

9 a.m. Faith Quilters

2:30 p.m. 56er's

3:45 p.m. Confirmation

5 p.m. Ringers Fundraiser Dinner

6:30 p.m. Advent Service

7 p.m. FLYouth night

Thursday, December 14

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible study

9 a.m. Matins

9:30 a.m. FACe Group meeting

12 p.m. Seniors' Potluck

Friday, December 15

7 a.m. Women's Bible study

9 a.m. Women's Bible study

12:30 p.m. Bulletin Assembly

7 p.m. Middle School Powerhouse

Saturday, December 16

Church offices are closed

Sunday, December 17

8 a.m. First Word Service

9 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation

9:15 a.m. Digging Deeper

10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service

10:10 a.m. Foundation Service with Holy Communion

4 p.m. Sunday School Children's Christmas Program

Please Pray

The Augustana District Council encourages you, and all district congregations, to continue to join in prayer for specific sister congregations and their leaders each month. This week you are invited to pray for Vernes Lutheran in Trail, MN and Wang Lutheran in Maynard, MN.



Weekly Lectionary Study

Lectionary is a weekly study of the upcoming sermon texts that is open to everyone.

This study meets on Tuesdays from 12-1 p.m. The texts for next week are: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11, I Thessalonians 5:16-24, and John 1:6-8, 19-28.

These texts will also be used for the Matins services.

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

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)

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



Pastors and Staff

Pastor Scott Grorud
Pastor Dave Wollan
Pastor Paul Knudson
Pastor Paulus Pilgrim, Visitation Pastor
Pastoral Associate Jeff Amundson
Rev. K.K. Alavi and Abdul Messiah ~ Missionaries in India
Marsha Schmit, Director of Pastoral Care and Evangelism
Kristen Durst, Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Laura Stowman, Director of Children and Family Ministry
Austin Willhite, Director of Music and Worship
Wendy Magruder, Administrative Assistant
Sara Wegner, Finance Coordinator
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Erika Smith, Nursery Attendant



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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 in the 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.
 - ♦ Thank you for turning off your **cell phones** during worship.
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Holy Communion

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

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.

