# Life Together at Faith Lutheran Church



June/July 2023

The Parish Life, News, and all else for Faith Lutheran Church of Westchester, Illinois – connecting you with His Church.

Faith's Phone: 1(708) 885-0001

1(708) 650-4082 (pastor's cell phone)

Sunday Morning Divine Worship 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Scripture, Prayers, and Preaching 11:00 a.m. (Paused for

summer)

Prayers for Healing, Consolation, and Hope First Sunday of the Month

(it is after Divine Service)

Sunday Adult Bible Study 10:15 a.m. Private Confession/Absolution Upon request.

Reverend David L. Prentice Jr., Pastor - pastor.prentice@comcast.net

Deacon(s): Tim Graves

Sub-deacon(s): David L. Prentice, III

## Sick, ill, in need of pastoral care (any emergency) ...

Call Pat Prentice (630) 567-4082; she knows where I am at all times. Of course, my cell phone is (708) 650-4082. The Web Site will forward me an email (and some have used it). AND, the church phone above will forward your voicemail to me as well. Please remember, I can only offer pastoral comfort and help "if" you contact me. Oh yes, even if in a hospital, they do not call...

# A Note from Pastor Prentice...

The Easter Season is over...He is risen, risen indeed. He has ascended, Christ reigns over all. The Holy Spirit has arrived on Pentecost, the promised helper (and many other things we shall explore in our summer time together). Great! And now as our First Readings (or sometimes Epistles) from the Book of Acts recounts, the Church is at work growing and sharing the Good News, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. But one thing for sure in all of Acts, it takes people, of all shapes and sizes, of different backgrounds, of various skill sets to do the work of the Church. In essence, we represent (as all churches do), the early Church; we are working together to share the Gospel, to create a place where Christ is preached in

safety and beauty, and we are doing great things here at Faith in that work.

We are celebrating 75 years as a mission plant in 2023; and next year, 75 years as a chartered congregation in the LCMS. Many may have thought, "would we get this far." Here we stand! And I pray, many more years to come. But that is where we can take guidance from the Book of Acts, we need all of us to work together in various ways to share the Good News when able, and to plan the future for Faith.

Faith will need leaders, and doers, and people that pray, and I am rejoicing that this is ongoing. But I challenge us all as we plan for 75 more years; it would be wonderful to fill up the Church Council with members willing to "give their voice" to the work of Faith. We do have spots open.

President of Council VP of Council Dir. of Fellowship Dir. of Stewardship Dir. of Evangelism

And according to our by-laws, truly, all other positions are open if someone desires to step up and run. Of course, if you cannot do this, please, still be willing to pray for Faith, be willing to help when able (remember, Directors can have committees of people), and as we celebrate 75 years of mission; share the love of Christ to friends and family.

Blessings to all - Pastor Prentice

## Adding some thoughts:

- We are going to try and hold bi-monthly Council meetings, let's chat.
- How is the outside looking, please thank Mr. Pampenella for the grass work.
- Pastor will be out of the country July 9 to 21st. Only one Sunday will be missed. This is a long awaited (since Covid cancelled trip) planned since 2020. Stay tuned for updates on pastoral care handling in my absence.

## **Reports from the Faith Boards**

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#### Education at Faith (Director Deacon Tim Graves) ...

- 01) The Gospel of Mark is concluding before summer break.
- 02) The next topic (most likely next fall) will be St. John's Revelation.
- 03) Concord, Coffee, and Prayers Please watch the bulletin for upcoming times. We really do want to offer this time for discussion once a month; and in summer, it

will most likely occur after service.

#### Finance at Faith (Director is Rolland Wakeman) ...

Mr. Wakeman keeps a keen eye on the books, and so far, "well done". You can always ask him for any and all updates. We do have the latest update of finances available in the back of church.

# Evangelism at Faith (Director Position is open) ... Properties at Faith (Director is Patrick Prentice) ...

A detailed list is of upcoming tasks is coming up. The committee must meet.

Stewardship at Faith (Director Position is open) ...

Parish Fellowship at Faith (Director Position is open) ...

#### Library Committee ...

Yes, we do have one (Eunice Becker, Tim Graves, and Candy Smith) and work is underway to update our library located in the basement.

The new "library space" or just a nice place to chat is being put together in the sanctuary hall (basement). But we do need some extra shelves, please let the committee know.

## **Around the Parish - Dates and Other Happenings**

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# Monthly Birthdays ... and Anniversaries ... (if we forgot, email us, please)

Lauren Boiko – June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Christine Klesken – June 9<sup>th</sup>

Pastor David Prentice Jr. – June 28<sup>th</sup>

Bridget Patalaki – June 6<sup>th</sup>

Eunice Becker – June 12<sup>th</sup>

Janice Boiko – June 29<sup>th</sup>

Jean Meza - July 15th Jean Graves – July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ed and Candy Smith - June 5, 1971
Steve and Kim Vaughn - June 17, 1995
Pastor and Pat Prentice - June 19, 1982
Tim and Jean Graves - June 28, 1969

Joseph and Christine Klesken - July 4, 1981 Philip and Jan Jecmen - July 16

# Calendar of events, worship, places where Pastor Prentice is ... (Events are also on the WEB, always up-to-date)

June 4 - The Holy Trinity, Divine Service at 9 am

• Bible Study at 10:15 am

June 11 - St. Barnabas, the Apostle, Divine Service at 9 am

- Voter's Meeting
- Bible Study at 10:15 am

June 18 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

• Bible Study at 10:15 am (tentative, made need wrap up)

June 25 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

July 2 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

July 9 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

July 9 to 21st - Pastor will be in Europe. Yes, he can still take a call.

July 16 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost, Office of Matins at 9 am

July 23 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

July 30 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost, Divine Service at 9 am

Summer goodies / let's chat after service over some treats...