

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

"The Lutheran Church of Westchester"



St. Matthias, Apostle

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We are a Church welcoming of all sinners; offering a solution to that sin.

We are L.C.M.S - Confessional, Liturgical, and Sacramental.

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church of Westchester

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Like us on Facebook too (see the web site for "how to", there is a button at bottom)

The Coming Week(s) in Worship / Special Events at Faith -

03/03 The Transfiguration of Our Lord - 9:00 a.m.

(Holy Communion celebrated - Divine Service setting 1)

03/03 Bible Study - 10:30 a.m.

03/06 Lent Potluck - 5:00 p.m.

03/06 Ash Wednesday (we begin Lent) - 7:00 p.m.

(Holy Communion celebrated - Divine Service setting TBD)

Welcome! We are pleased that you have come to worship with us today and we pray that you have been blessed by God and His Word.

- Relax and enjoy your time with us. If you have small children; we know they wiggle and squawk some; so do not be embarrassed, they are welcome at Faith.
- Yes, we have a "cry room", but really, it is a place for you to sit and let them "get it out" (or take care of some little one chores), and then let the little ones come back into His House.
- In the parts of the service that say "stand", if you cannot, then sit, no problem.
- If you want to know more about us, then sign the register and make it plain so we can contact you later. Ask the usher for a welcome packet too.
- The rest rooms are downstairs, just watch your step.
- If you need a little help, just ask; there are many people here that are willing to lend a hand.
- We like to sing at Faith, so if your voice is not so good "who cares?" But do look over the words at best, good hymns are good instruction. Yes, some hymns are harder, but Pastor will always "sing out more" and try to lead us on.

**** Prayer Ministry at Faith Lutheran ****

(Please note) - You may ask for a prayer before we begin worship at anytime. I mean it,

anytime before the Invocation.

**** NOTE **** I understand privacy is a concern for all, so prayers will only be listed here or announced with the OK from those in need. We want to pray as a family of Faith whenever possible, we really care.

For the world we live in, for His Church -

- For good and wise government. (Always)
- First Responders (Police and Fire) (Always)
- We pray our little Church is guided forward by the Holy Spirit. (Always)

Comfort, health, recovery, grieving and hope (Faith family and friends) -

- Belinda and Hugo Gonzalez (Pat's niece and husband) - multiple health issues. She is seeking more opinions.
- Baby Maggie (Mrs. Becker) - home from hospital, still needs prayers.
- Mrs. VanTholen - hand surgery recovery.

As Age takes its toll / Long Term Needs (Faith family and friends) -

- Pat Basile (A)
- Zafer (Kim's relative) - Stage 4 pancreas cancer. (L)

Anniversary of Marriage and Birthdays of our members -

Samantha Prentice – March 1st

Please remember our Church members who cannot make it - do not hesitate to call or write them (pray for them):

Larry and Kuni Dvorak

**** Faith being Mission Minded – sharing Christ's love with others ****

The Website for Faith - You know the drill, always up to date. Please, tell a friend; and offer suggestions.

**** Faith worship / service notes ****

St. Matthias - We know little about him personally, but we know about his calling to be apostle. His calling happened between Ascension and Pentecost. Some say lots (like dice) were cast, others feel it was a term for votes by the congregation of the early church.

Tradition says he either labored in Ethiopia, or went to Armenia (which was one of the

first nations to accept Christianity). He was said to be martyred around 50 AD at Colchis in Asia Minor. The great cathedral at Trier is said to be his final resting place.

Next week's Bible passages for your study preparation: (Sunday Service)

Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 99, Hebrews 3:1-6, Luke 9:28-36

(For the Celebration of The Transfiguration of Our Lord)

Year C of the Three Year Lectionary Series

Theme for this Day – The disciples and others seek the Lord's will concerning the candidate of His choice to replace Judas as a leader of the Church, the new Israel. Today, we entrust our future to the Lord in prayer. He alone prepares our way. Since our Lord is present with us till the end of the age, He will knit together in love His faithful people with Himself and with one another.

Lent and Easter 2019 -

01) Ash Wednesday - potluck before the 7 pm service, we eat at 5:00 pm. Bring a favorite dish and have some extra for all to try.

02) Schedule is ready and in the back. Also, tell everyone about the website.

03) Midweek is still at noon, no lunch; just some goodies and coffee.

04) Please check out the Tre Ore at our Circuit Church on Good Friday (in schedule), I am preaching, and the Bishop follows.

**** Faith information (all else) ****

Newsletter - Please grab a paper copy of the latest for Late February and March.

The February Prayer Card - is ready and in the back. Do you use them!

Weather and the walk into Church - Yes, like last week, the weather can jump up and make the lot a bit tough to walk through. If you need some extra help, please come early and ask. We do not have the manpower to shovel, but if we must, all hands available will help you get into Church. We do try and salt.

Yet, I know you are hardy souls and will wear you weather appropriate boots, coats, etc. Of course, if you feel it unsafe, no problem with (and I say this as a pastor that cares) waiting for the following week; I would rather have you all safe and well, ready for the following week.