



Summer Worship Times BEGIN

May 26 & 27
Memorial Day — Labor Day

At Green Lake Bible Camp Chapel
Saturday at 6:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am

At Faith
Sunday at 10:00am

Happy Easter! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

That may sound odd, considering we celebrated Easter back at the start of April, but the Easter season lasts for seven weeks, so it's still appropriate to say, "Happy Easter!" Also, hopefully by the time you are reading this, the weather is a little less...blizzardy.

As we finish out the Easter season and transition into Pentecost, we are approaching several other transitions. The clutches of winter are finally letting go, and the earth is waking up from its long wintry slumber. Flowers are blooming, trees are adorned with buds and leaves, and all the birds (congregation members and animals alike!) are returning from their warmer southern homes. It is finally springtime.

This month we will be wrapping up our pilot year of our Wednesday evening programming, The Feast. It was by and large a great success and a wonderful addition to our ministry at Faith. Coming together for a midweek meal, contemporary worship, faith-formative classes, and service projects has become a staple for the church lives of many of our families and members. We are happy to end our weekly gatherings on a high note, and we look forward to returning to The Feast again in the fall.

At the end of this month we will transition our worship location to our summer site at Green Lake Stave Chapel. Starting Memorial Day weekend, we invite you to join us for worship on Saturday night at 6pm and Sunday morning at 8:30am at camp, or Sunday morning at 10am at Faith.

Amid the whirlwind of all these transitions, as well as those happening in your own life, I ask you to remember that God's love for us all remains steady.

Easter Blessings,
Pastor Seyward





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Updates in your family?

Please notify the church office of any recent changes including your preferred contact phone and e-mail to office@faithspicer.org or call Joy White at 796.2522.

Faith's Digital Kiosk

Faith has a Digital Kiosk at the Welcome Center. From this very user friendly Ipad you can enter the Faith Lutheran web site, sign up for Simply Giving, or use Sign Up Genius to volunteer to be part of one of the many ministries at Faith. If you are unsure how to use it, just ask a staff member or someone working at the Welcome Center.

Remember: this is how all worship assistants will need to sign up. No schedules will be made and sent out. Thanks for volunteering!

Simply Giving

The Simply Giving program is a modern day stewardship program. It's a convenient, safe and simple way for you to make an "automated offering" to church through electronic funds transfer directly from your checking, savings or even a credit card. You can choose weekly, bi-weekly or monthly and you can choose which day you would like as well. Donations can be for any amount you choose. Forms are available at the Welcome Center and on our website.

OR you can do it all online with a few easy steps:

- ⇒ Go to faithspicer.org
- ⇒ Go to Welcome page
- ⇒ Click on Online Giving tab
- ⇒ Click on Online Giving & Simply Giving tab
- ⇒ First time users: create user profile & get started! It's so easy.

Another Great Way To GIVE!

Check out our Quick Response (QR) code created specifically for Faith Lutheran Church.



What is this QR code and why use it?

When you scan this barcode-like QR code image with a smartphone's QR decoder, it will instantly connect you to the mobile version of the Faith online giving page. Try it yourself! To individuals who are familiar with QR codes, it will provide a quick and easy way to access our web page without having to type out a long web address and locate our link.

Mission Plan for 2018: \$658,521

Year to date, as of March 31:

Offering Received	= \$158,694.04
Actual Expenses	= \$159,422.37
Excess Expenses	= -\$728.33

We are doing very well! Thank you! Giving in March 2018 was \$50,6654.22 versus March 2017 of \$39,921.48. A difference of \$21,519.93 more in 2018. Those who completed their financial commitment forms, thank you. If you still have yours at home, please turn it in as soon as possible.



The Feast

Wednesdays at Faith

Meal

5:15pm-5:50pm

Worship

6:00pm-6:30pm

Education/Service Project

6:35pm-7:35pm

Faith After Hours

7:35pm
Choir Rehearsal

May Menu

May 2 - Sausage Marinara w/penne pasta, Caesar salad

May 9 - Baked ham w/au gratin potatoes & vegies

May 16 - Hamburger wild rice w/jello salad & roll

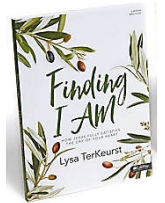
May 23 - Hamburgers & Hot Dogs - Grillin' Out

May Education

Finding I AM

May 2, 9, 16 & 23

Led by McCall Amundson



Finding I AM Bible study continues. Even if you haven't gone to one yet you are welcome to come anytime.

Join Lysa TerKeurst on the streets of Israel to explore the seven I AM statements of Jesus found in the Gospel of John.

Through this interactive, in-depth study, you will learn to:

- Trade feelings of emptiness and depletion for a more personal fulfillment from knowing who Jesus is.
- Stop living like a slave to your circumstances by training your heart to embrace the life-giving freedom God wants for you.
- Gain a better understanding of how Jesus' words 2,000 years ago are so very applicable to the answers we are searching for today.
- **Buying the book through Lifeway or on Amazon would be very beneficial but not necessary.**

Education/Service Project (6:35pm-7:35pm)

May 2

- ⇒ Sprouts w/Hannah Nelsen (pre K - 6th Gr)
- ⇒ I AM Bible Study w/McCall Amundson

May 9

- ⇒ Sprouts w/Hannah Nelsen (pre K - 6th Gr)
- ⇒ I AM Bible Study w/McCall Amundson
- ⇒ Engaging God's Word in Daily Life

May 16

- ⇒ Sprouts w/Hannah Nelsen (pre K - 6th Gr)
- ⇒ I AM Bible Study w/McCall Amundson
- ⇒ Engaging God's Word in Daily Life

May 23

- ⇒ Sprouts
- ⇒ I AM Bible Study w/McCall Amundson
- ⇒ Engaging God's Word in Daily Life

Engaging God's Word in Daily Life

May 9, 16 & 23

How can I get more out of the scriptures? What devotional practice would work for me? Is there a better way to read the Bible? If you have questions similar to these, join Pastors Seyward and Todd for Engaging God's Word in Daily Life on Wednesdays May 9, 16 and 23 during The Feast Education Hour. We will explore a variety of ways in which we may engage the scriptures on a daily basis.

Feast meal volunteers

Don't forget to sign up in August to eat on Wednesday nights this fall! We will also need help once again to set up, serve and clean up the meals. Set up begins at 4:30pm. You can sign up to set up and serve OR serve and clean up. You get to choose. September 12 will be here before we know IT!

No May Service Project



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Meet our new council members!



Landon Fries

I joined Faith with my wife Nicole around 2010. Nicole and I are both originally from the area and moved back home after going to school and working in Fargo, ND for a number of years. We moved back to be closer to friends and family and have a family of our own. Our daughter Claire is 6 and goes to Kindergarten at NLS, our son Levi will be 2 in June. Nicole is a part time Pharmacist at the Prescription Center in Willmar and I work at Nova-Tech Engineering in Willmar on new product development initiatives. We live between Spicer and New London and have a golden retriever named "June". When we can, we enjoy spending time at the family cabin on Lake Minnewaska in Glenwood.



Mari Kooiman

We both grew up in the faith based farming communities of Edgerton, Leota & Chandler in southwest Minnesota. We met in our high school days at Southwest Christian High. The first part of our married life was spent in this area and then 20 years in Central California where Wayne had a business opportunity. Our plan was always to return to southwest Minnesota, which we did in 2008 after Wayne retired his business in California. We moved to Spicer in 2014. After many visits to various churches in the surrounding communities, we joined Faith Lutheran Church. What attracted us to Faith was the welcoming atmosphere, the presence of many youth and our family. We have been married for 46 years and have three children and six grandchildren.

Heath, April & Macy Kooiman live in Sioux Falls, SD, Wade, Audra, Payton, Kamden & Tegan Kooiman live in Bismarck, ND, and Nate, Kodi, Blaine & Kennedy Goracke live in Spicer and are also members of Faith Lutheran.

Two new council members were elected during our Annual Meeting back in January.

Please meet Landon Fries and Mari Kooiman.

Thank you to Brian Paulson and Ron Peterson for their past service on Faith's Council.

Council News

Don Carlson has been volunteering as our Church treasurer for the past 3 years. He will work with us until the end of 2018. We would appreciate your help in finding someone to replace him. Do you know anyone who has good accounting skills? Please contact Don at 612.743.8741 or Don.C@bushmillsethanol.com with your referrals. You can also tell someone on council. We need your input!! Thank you Don for all your diligent work in keeping us on track with our Mission Plan.



Let's Meet!

Council

Thursday, May 10
6:00pm

Mission Resource Team

Monday, May 14
5:30pm

Weekly Faith Bible Study

Thursdays @ 9:30am

Weekly Men's Bible Study

Saturdays @ 9:00am

Bi Weekly Men's Bible Study

2nd & 4th Tuesdays @ 6:30am

Our Church Family

The following members have been listed in our Prayer Concerns during the month of April:

Dorothy Swart
Leland Kallevig
Jim Werner
Kathy Quam
Roger Radel
Kay Rauk
Susan Rime
Darrel Schuetze
Sharon Schuetze
Jean Lindemann

Funerals

Tom Lindemann - April 17

Regular Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8am-4pm

Special Office Hours

Friday, May 18 & 25- Closed
Monday, May 28 - Closed

Summer Office Hours

Begins Week of May 28

8:00am-4:00pm Monday - Thursday
8:00am-2:00pm Friday

The Amazing Collection Bible Study

The women's Bible study The Amazing Collection will meet again in the Fall of 2018. **The first day is Monday, September 10** and we will review Acts and watch the DVD on Romans. We will complete the study in the Spring of 2019 at which time we will have completed the Bible. Anyone who would like to review the last 1/3 of the Bible is welcome to join us. We begin at 8:15am in the Fireside room each Monday morning.

Hobby Night

Friday, May 11

Bring your supplies, a friend, some snacks/beverage and plan to spend some time visiting and crafting! Call Sonya Erickson for more information at 444.1134. Everyone is welcome. See you there!

Forecaster Submissions Due

Tuesday, May 15

Tuesday's Table

Tuesday, May 15
6:00pm - 6:30pm

Join us for this free community meal!

Women's Bible Study Circles

Wednesday, May 16
9:30am - Lydia/Mary Circle
9:30am - Hannah/Ruth Circle
Thursday, May 24
1:30pm - Rachel Circle

We use the "Gather Magazine" from Augsburg Publishing for our studies. Check your weekly worship bulletins for updates or changes of locations. All women of Faith Lutheran Church are invited to join one of the Bible Study Circles. For more info contact Nona Oie at 796-5554.

Faith On Tap

Thursday, May 17
6:30pm



Adult members of Faith are invited to join us for a lively conversation engaging Faith and Life over a nice cold beer. We will gather Thursday Evening May 17 at 6:30pm at Goat Ridge Brewery in New London. If you have any questions about Faith on Tap or have a topic you would like to discuss please contact Pastor Todd at toddn@faithspicer.org.

Altar Flowers

Would you be willing to provide altar flowers for our worship services? You can order a bouquet or use some fresh flowers from the grocery store OR pick some fresh flowers from your gardens this summer! We even have vases here at church you can use. Sign up on the flower chart by the Welcome Center. Thank you!

Scholarships Available

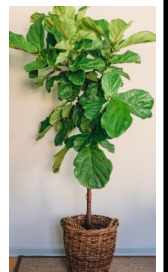
VBS & Bible Camp Scholarships are available. Pick up an application at the Welcome Center. Questions.... speak with Pastor Todd.

Blood Pressure Checks

The first Sunday of each month our Parish Nurse is here to do free blood pressure checks. Head to office 114 on the east side of the gathering area to have yours checked. There will be no checks during the summer months. We will resume them in September.

First Come First TAKE

We have a tree/plant that needs a new home. It's in the Youth Room for anyone who is interested.





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men's BIBLE STUDY

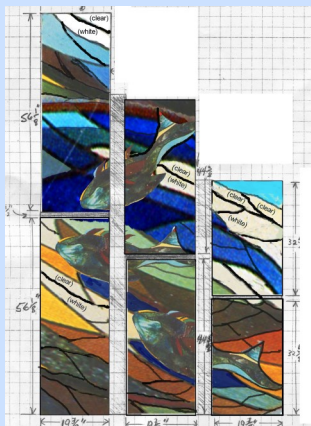


Guys on the Go!

Guys, looking for a good bible Study, but don't always have the time? Join Pastor Todd on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday mornings of each month for **Guys On The Go!** This study meets from 6:30am-7:30am at Faith and uses the Moravian Daily Texts as a basis for our discussion. The coffee is always on and the conversation is good. All men of Faith are welcome!

Stained Glass Project

The stained glass window project continues to move forward. You will notice classroom 118 has been set up to be the work area for this project. Next the stained glass from the old church buildings will be brought in to be cleaned. The next step will be to determine what needs we may have for additional colored glass to complete the design. If you would like to help with this project, just let Pastor Todd know. As we proceed with this project, we have determined that the project will probably cost about \$2,500 as we need to purchase leading, some glass, first aid kit, materials needed in the assembly process, and other supplies. There is a poster in the Gathering Area that shows the progress for the fund raising. If you would like to contribute to the project, you can bring or mail your donation to the church office, or place it in the offering on Wednesday or Sunday. Be sure to indicate that it is for the stained glass window project. Thank You!!!



Spring Clean Up

**Saturday, May 5
9:00am - Noon**

Many hands make light work! Wear your grubs and bring some gloves. Don't forget, treats will be served!

New Members

Class #3 will be held on Sunday, May 6 at 9:45am during coffee hour. New members will be officially welcomed on Sunday, May 6 during our 10:35am worship.

Attention High School Seniors

College scholarship applications are now available at the Welcome Center. The applications are due back to church by Sunday, May 6. The funds for our scholarships come from the Faith Lutheran Endowment Fund. Payments will be sent directly to your college after Faith has received proof of enrollment for the spring semester of 2019 (second semester of Freshman year).



Sermons Now Posted on Website!

Check out Sundays sermons on the Faith Lutheran website - www.faithspicer.org.

You can find recent sermons by clicking on the worship tab and scrolling to the bottom of the page.

We are still looking for team members to do the recording. It's amazingly simple and we really need you. Please contact the church office if you are interested in learning how at 796.2522.

*Sermons will only be recorded if we have someone to record them.



Don't forget to check us out on our Facebook page. Daily devotionals from Pastor Todd along with updates on what's happening at Faith!



BLUEGRASS WORSHIP

May 26 & 27
June 30 & July 1

At Green Lake Bible Camp Chapel
Saturday at 6:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am
At Faith
Sunday at 10:00am

Green Lake Blue Grass Band Caramel/Cinnamon Rolls Sunday May 26 & 27

Faith's Summer worship schedule will kick off with the Green Lake Blue Grass Band on Memorial Day Weekend.

Join us at camp on Saturday, May 26 at 6:00pm for worship and then a bonfire with s'mores on the beach **OR** Sunday, May 27 at 8:30am for worship then coffee and rolls on the lawn.

Help Make Worship Happen

Summer is soon approaching (believe it or not)! Please don't forget we will continue to need worship assistants throughout the summer.

This is a great way to get involved and meet new people. It's not hard and you will get a lot out of it. If you have questions on specific duties of a position (greeter, usher etc.) please contact Joy in the office.

To sign up go to our website: faithspicer.org and use our sign up tab. It will give you different areas in which you can volunteer. If you have questions please contact Joy in the church office for help.



News From The Southwestern Minnesota Synod

This year's synod assembly (June 8th and 9th) will kick off with learning opportunities and workshops. We are asking all participants to sign-up for the activities you wish to attend. These workshops are *open to the community!* Therefore, if you plan to attend a workshop, please sign-up online. This is to give us a general idea how many people may be attending each workshop. Workshop times, descriptions and sign-up will be posted soon on the synod website www.swmnelca.org.

Meals on Wheels!

During the month of June, members of Faith Lutheran are needed to deliver meals to homebound residents of our community. You are encouraged to sign up for a week of meal deliveries in June. This is a fun and easy way to serve God by serving others. Meals are picked up at the Dethlefs Center at 11:00am. Delivery to our local elders usually takes about 45 minutes and includes only about 5-8 stops. While one person can easily do it by themselves, two people make it so much easier and fun. Children especially enjoy participating in this service to our elders and make great helpers! Please sign up on Sign Up Genius to participate in this important community ministry.



Thank You

Thank you to Jennifer and Harley Davenport for providing the new table centerpieces that brighten up the dining area!

Thank you to Anita Lewison for decorating the outdoor flower pots for the spring season! They look great!

To all of the volunteers who helped with the education and activities of Faith Lutheran's children and youth. It takes a church to raise and nurture the faith of our youth. We appreciate the wisdom and care you show them.



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Faith Family Camp at Camp House

When: August 9-12

Where: Camp House, Brimson, MN (Near Two Harbors)

Who?: Faith Families of any size or age

Cost:: \$230 per adult, \$115 per youth, \$690 max per family

Located in in Brimson, Minnesota, Camp House offers a family camping environment in the beautiful north woods. **Our Camp House week will be**

August 9-12. Intergenerational family camping at Camp House offers families a chance to get away and reconnect with one another. Camp House can serve as a launching point for families to explore Minnesota's North Shore and visit places like Split Rock Light House, Gooseberry Falls, and Duluth. While at Camp House there are lots of things to do, swimming, fishing, and canoeing Lake George, hiking around the lake, berry picking, baking pizza in the wood fired oven and singing around the campfire. **Camp house has special rates of \$230 per adult \$115 per child with a family max of \$690.**

If you are interested in attending camp at Green Lake Lutheran Ministries, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center. **If you want to attend Faith Family Camp at Camp House, please sign up on the sheet outside of the church office.**



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to John Nelson, son of Jim and Kris Nelson, as he has received a call to serve as the Associate Pastor of St. Philips Lutheran Church in Wilmington, Delaware. We give thanks to God for calling John into the ministry of Word and Sacrament. John will be ordained and installed May 12 at Saint Philips!

Faith Lutheran Seniors

Day at Dethlef Center

Wednesday, May 16

Sarah Lockwood invite's Faith Lutheran Church seniors to spend the morning and lunch hour at the Dethlefs Center on Wednesday, May 16. A wonderful presentation will be given at 10:00am by Spicer gun smith, Pat Laib, entitled, "Civil War Story: An Act of Kindness." This presentation is open and free to the public. It is the true-life story of his great grandfather's time of hope and kindness in the midst of devastation. The senior lunch will be served at 11:30am following the presentation. Menu: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans and pears for dessert.

Sarah would love to see this as a monthly opportunity for great fellowship and outreach at the Dethlefs. **Reservations for the meal need to be made no later than noon the day before the lunch by calling 796-5208.** A donation of \$4.50 for anyone over the age of 60 and those under 60 will be asked to pay \$7.25.

Open House
Bridal Shower
 HONORING BRIDE-TO-BE
Bri Forsyth
 Saturday - May 5 - 10:00am
 Bride to be of Ryan Johnson, son of Michael & Sheryl Johnson at Faith Lutheran Church.
 All are welcome!



Faith's Chancel Choir Presents...



Concert of the Year

Sunday | May 20 | 4:00pm

"How Can I Keep From Singing"

Join us for our annual Concert of the Year at 4:00pm on Sunday, May 20. The concert will include favorite anthems from the past church year. We will also feature vocal and instrumental solos from members of the choir. Coffee and treats will be offered at the end of the concert and a free will offering will be taken. Come and "sing in the spring" with the Faith Chancel Choir's Concert of the Year!

Faith After Hours

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays in May

7:35pm

Everyone is welcome! Come and lend your voice to the choir and praise God with music!

Chancel Choir Sings

May 13 & 27

Both services

Regular Worship Times

Wednesdays 6:00pm-6:30pm

Sundays 8:30am & 10:35am

Summer Worship Times

Begins May 26 & 27

Saturdays 6:00pm Green Lake Bible Camp

Sundays 8:30am Green Lake Bible Camp

Sundays 10:00am Faith

May Scriptures

May 6 ~ Acts 10:44-48, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:1-6

May 13~ Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

May 20~ Acts 2:1-21, Romans 8:22-27, John 15:26-27, 16:4-15

May 27 ~ Isaiah 6:1-8, Romans, 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

Sunday School News

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation

Sunday, May 13

9:45am

We would like to show our appreciation with a teacher breakfast right after the opening of Sunday school.

Please report to the opening time with the children and then we will disburse to our breakfast.

There are no words to express the gratitude we have for every single teacher, mentor, parent and youth volunteer who help make the magic of Sunday school and our multitude of Special Events happen here at Faith! We are blessed beyond measure to have such an incredible Children's Ministry Team. Thank you!

Sunday School Kids Sing

Sunday, May 13

10:35 Service

What a great gift on Mother's Day! You get to hear your children sing. Please join us!

Children's Ministry Team Meeting

Tuesday, May 15 at 6:30pm

At O'Neil's

The Children's Ministry Team, CMT, originally started as a group of Sunday school volunteers who would meet to briefly go over the next Sunday school lesson. And has grown into so much more.

Please join us if you have ever had an interest in being part of our Sunday school program, or just come and check it out. It has been great getting to know each other so much better!

Last Day of Sunday School

Sunday, May 20

9:30am

Don't forget to register in August for next year!



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Children, Youth & Family



Grade 5 Receives First Communion

Our Grade 5 students received their first communion on Maundy Thursday. They made their own clay cups along with the communion bread that was served that evening. Congratulations!

Thank you to Kristin Allen who helped with the making of the cups and to Lynda Manselle who helped with the bread making.



L-R: Avery Pederson, Jady Proehl, Jason Klabo, Eli Lippert, Caleb Reich, Daniel Vanderwerf, Henry Vetsch, Brock Buffington and Garret White.



Brock Buffington, Garret White & Jady Proehl making communion bread.

National Youth Gathering
June 27- July 1, 2018 Houston, TX
Meeting Wednesday, May 16 @ 7:35pm

Senior Recognition Sunday, May 20 8:30am Worship Service

Congratulations on graduation! The High School Senior display will be in the Gathering Area at Faith on Sunday, May 13 and 20. If you have not turned in your form and pictures yet please send them to Hannah ASAP at education@faithspicer.org or drop them off at the Welcome Center.

Seniors! You will also be receiving your quilt from the Faith Quilters during worship service.

6th Graders Receive Bibles Sunday, May 20 10:35am Worship Service

All students in 6th grade will receive a NRSV "Here We Stand" Study Bible for confirmation in the fall. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend so you can receive your Bible.

Silent Basket Auction

Faith is having a silent basket auction to help raise money for the kids that will be attending the National Youth Gathering! Please sign up or talk to Hannah Nelsen if you are willing to donate a themed basket. The auction will take place on May 13 to May 20. The bidding will close at 10:30am May 20!



Day Camp at the Lake! July 30 – August 2

Faith and Peace Lutheran Church are partnering up again this summer for Day Camp! We will be at Green Lake Bible Camp from 9-3pm Monday, July 30-Thursday, August 2. All preschool to 6th grade students are welcome to come. The cost is \$25. Scholarships are available. Kids will learn how their faith is a gift from God through Bible studies, crafts, and games. They will have a chance to enjoy the lake and experience camp life.



Registration is due by June 22. So register today. Sign up on the sheet outside the office AND fill out a registration form at the Welcome Desk.

Special Note - Sunday, July 29 we will hold a kick off to Day Camp at 4:00pm at the camp. Please join us!

Praise & Play Preschool



Faith families!

Please spread the word about the only Christian preschool in the NLS school district, right here at Faith~ Praise and Play!

We have started taking registrations for 2018-19! Send in a \$35 non refundable registration fee along w/ registration forms - found on our website - faithspicer.org

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Check out what we are up to on our Facebook Page!
Praise and Play Preschool

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT PRAISE AND PLAY PRESCHOOL 2018

Themes: Jesus is alive! Transportation, Beach Week and Earth Week.

Art: Painting with watercolors over a paper with a cross made out of tape, transportation vehicles, beach creatures, recycling robots and pictures of our Dad at work.

Dramatic Play Area: Dress-up clothes, cars, trains and airplanes, under the sea and recycling center.

Stories: April saw many books about the Easter Story. Transportation books and taking care of the earth books as well as creatures under the sea books.

Small Group: A few STEM activities were available: popsicle sticks and clothespins; pipe cleaners, beads, and clips; magnetic blocks. Puzzles with magnetics glued on the back so they could be put together vertically on our white board.

Special Activities: Donuts with Dads and Grandpas was held April 19 from 8:30-9:30am. We served them and then showed them around and sang a couple of songs. In May we will have muffins with Moms and Grandmas. Saturday, April 14 we had a booth at the Kandi Mall in a School Choice Fair.

Bible Stories: Jesus lives! Jesus loves Zacchaeus, Jesus loves the children and the Good Shepherd were our featured Bible stories of each week and at chapel. The children really love the butterflies around the sanctuary.

Other: Parent/teacher conferences were held during April 23-26.

Thank you!! Our Herberger's fundraiser was a big success. Thanks to all who purchased the coupon booklets.

Contact Patsy Cordes to register (320)796-2522 or pandp@faithspicer.org or go to faithspicer.org and print out a registration form.





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Family Promise

For those not familiar with Family Promise, our guests are here in the evening and overnight. During the day, guests are either at their job, or at the Day Center in Willmar, as they work on attaining their goals to eventually establish sustainable housing.

It takes dozens of volunteers every time we host. You can now sign up on Sign Up Genius and we will train you for whatever "job" you wish to take.

In need of Family Promise Volunteers, varying opportunities available - especially in need of volunteers to prepare and serve an evening meal. Typically, meals serve up to 10 people and is a time commitment of 1 hour for serving 5:45pm - 6:45pm. Sign up on Faith website Family Promise sign up or by contacting Kellie Prentice at kattprentice@gmail.com or #320-796-5133.

Our next hosting week will be the week of May 13.

COMMUNITY Garden

It's that time of year again...

Reserve your plot in our Community Garden!

Planting season is just around the corner! If you are interested in renting a plot in our Community Garden, please contact Lynda Manselle. There are a limited number of plots, so don't delay, especially if you're wanting to reserve your same plot as last year. Plots can be rented for a small fee of \$25, which includes freshly tilled soil that is watered on a regular basis -- now there's a deal you can't beat! Please direct all questions to Lynda Manselle at 320.796.6502 or at lmanselle63@gmail.com. Thank you!



Missionary For A Day - MFAD

We support ELCA missionary, Pastor Elisabeth Johnson, and she very much depends on our donations to continue her missionary work in Cameroon. Please consider donating as little as \$7 to support her for a day! You can read more about Pastor Elisabeth and her work in Cameroon from her most recent letter, which is posted outside the main office, or you can read her blog: camerooniangrace.wordpress.com. Thank you for your continued support!



We collect Teal's grocery & GAS receipts. We will receive 1% of all receipts we turn in. No matter what size of purchase you have, please bring in your receipts. All monies we receive go towards our Tuesday's Table meal. Thank you for continuing to help fund our community dinner.

Special Offerings

May: ELCA Youth Gathering
June: VBS Scholarships
July: Praise & Play Preschool

Needs & Giving Opportunities

- * Stained Glass Project
- * Parking Lot Lights
- * New Sanctuary Speakers
- * Family Promise Ministry (air mattresses)
- * Bible Camp Scholarships
- * VBS Scholarships

Memorials are a great way to help fund projects and ministries. Simply write a check and designate the fund you wish to donate to. It's that easy.

This is how we were able to get our bell up and ringing. Don't forget to listen Sunday mornings.

You made it happen!

MN FoodShare Results:

Thanks to your support, The Link Food Pantry had a successful MN FoodShare campaign. The total amount of food donated was 2,507 pounds. The amount of money received was \$14,714. The money will allow the Food Pantry to purchase food locally and expand your dollars through Second Harvest Heartland. Thank you to the NL-S schools, community members, churches and service organizations for your generosity!

Summer Pack:

The Wildcat Backpack Program has been providing 65 NL-S students with weekend food this school year. The backpack committee has expressed a concern for the current backpack students and their accessibility to food during the summer. During the summer, students no longer receive free and reduced breakfast and lunch. The backpack committee decided that the Wildcat Backpack Program should be expanded into the summer providing food.



The summer program will provide larger amounts of food, including fresh items on a weekly basis. The households served will have the option of picking up the food or having it delivered depending on their schedule. The committee is very excited to be able to offer this service to the kids in our community and would not be made possible without your support.

Rib Fest:

Rib Fest is on Sunday, June 10 and the planning committee is excited about the change in venue, music and new rib teams! There are still a couple of spots open for rib teams, so please spread the word. If you have any questions about competing or volunteering, please contact The Link for detailed information!

Paying It Forward:

In August 2017, The Link assisted a family that was facing a financial crisis after a health emergency. Eventually the family was able to get back on their feet and return to a new normal. In March, the family surprised The Link with a monetary gift of \$300 to express their appreciation for the support, but more importantly, to pay it forward. It was a raw and emotional moment. The family was reminded that the assistance was only made possible because of the supporters of The Link. You are the Link!

Tuesday's Table

March Schedule

Serving from 6:00-6:30pm

May 1: No Tuesday's Table

May 8: Evangelical Covenant Church

May 15: Faith Lutheran Church

May 22: Peace Lutheran Church

May 29: O'Neil's by the Open Door

Household Exchange & Food Pantry Hours

Tuesday: 9am-3pm

Thursday: 9am-3pm

3rd Wednesday: 4pm - 7pm

Revive + Redeem *NEW HOURS*

Boutique | Thrift Hours

Tuesday: 9am-3pm

Thursday: 9am-3pm

Special Weekend

May 11, 10am to 3pm

May 12, 9am to 1pm

Stock the Pantry

Key food items: Milk, eggs, bread, cereal, canned fruits & vegetables, noodles and sauce, peanut butter, jelly and tuna. Please contact Chasity at 354.5555 to make a donation of food.

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~God gathers us as a family of Faith to nurture, inspire, and share the love of Jesus with all people~

Women of the ELCA

Happy Birthday

Women of the ELCA May 2018 Bible Study

"All are Welcome"

Our invitation to reflect the hospitality of Jesus

Theme Verse: **Hebrews 13: 1-2**

Quilting

May 14 & 15 - 9:00am-3:00pm

Last days before summer break

No quilting June - August

Lydia/Mary Bible Study

Hannah/Ruth Bible Study

May 16 - 9:30am at Arlys Ousman's

Rachel Bible Study

May 24 - 1:30pm Place TBD

Summer Worship Times Begin

Saturday, May 26 - 6:00pm GLBC

Sunday, May 27 - 8:30am GLBC

Sunday, May 27 - 10:00am Faith

SWMN WELCA Convention

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

St. Cloud, MN

June 29 & 30

More information to come.

Please turn in your Personal Care kits to Nona. Enjoy your summer!

Everyone is invited to join us in our meetings, Bible studies and helping with our mission projects.

Contact Nona Oie 796-5554 for more information.

- 1) Madeline Bisek, Leah Schammel
- 2) Alisha Engelbrekt, Marvin Peters
- 3) Merilee Leonard, Robert Wiley
- 4) Don Anfinson, Kerry Rohner
- 5) Laur'ae Butler
- 6) Emily Hunt, Jill Johnson, Eleanor Prentice, Hayden Thompson
- 7) Lori Bahr, Pat Doty, Tammy Rueckert, Alissa Stai
- 8) Oliver Anderson, Kristi Carlson, Robert Dols, Brittany Holien
- 9) Carsen Hagedorn, Jordan Kosel, Lennie Kramer, Paige Marquardt, Jasmine Nagel, Dylan White
- 10) Nicole Nelson
- 11) Bev Kingman, Daryl Winkelman
- 12) Ian Anderson, Dean Fernelius Jr., Cayla Sandven, Curt Thompson
- 13) Jeff Rohner, Karen Spears
- 14) Zachary Harlow, Sara Martinka, Kari Vauk, Jacob Wangen
- 15) Phyllis Bergman, Astaisha Kardell, Jesse Lippert, Michael Skoglund, Marya Wallner
- 16) Kennedy Goracke, Hannah Hanson, David Kilpatrick, Dean Lindquist, Tory Peterson
- 17) Tayler Harrier, Jared Haug, Ken Kruger, Kate Prentice
- 18) Logan Doty, Matt Hanson, Hannah Lippert, Paxton Teisinger
- 19) Emersyn Barber, Aaron Christensen, Bronson Evenson, Madden Hooper, Linda Mickelson, Mike Peterson, Georgie Rannestad, Connor Solsrud, Stacy Williams
- 20) Patty Broman, Ava Carlson, Stephanie Deering, Abby Torison
- 21) Gene Adams, Dante Fischer, Megan Klabo, Trever Lien, Luther Rauk, Gavin Reed, Julie Schultz, Aubrey Sundstrom, Hazel Vetsch
- 22) Barb Geer, Orlando Hahn Jr., Peggy Hoehne
- 23) Becky Erickson, Kylie Halvorson, Junnette Hovland, Colten Hunter, Sofia Lien, Carson Sampson, Adam Schmiedeker, Ean Shea
- 24)
- 25) Chloe Halvorson, Mahri, Kolar, Jack Michelson, Jaxson Schieeser, Mark Wiley
- 26) James Scheevel
- 27) James Barber, Rachelle Fredrick, Amanda Johnson, Louise Stenberg, Brynlee Wallner
- 28) Abby Christensen, Georgia Goebel, Randy Hall, Ella Olson, Dale Ommodt, Michele Otto, Emmett Strand
- 29) Ben Lange, Stephanie Olson, Sherry Wessels
- 30) Ali Dwyer, Brian Jensen, Debra Lorensen, Jenna Proehl
- 31) Brooklyn Ask, Ann Bisek



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 7:30am-5pm Preschool 6pm-6:30pm Tuesday's Table @ Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic	2 7:30am-5pm Preschool 5:15pm-5:50pm Meal 6pm-6:30pm Wor- ship 6:35pm-7:35pm Educa- tion Hour - last day of Confirmation 7:35pm Faith After Hours (Choir)	3 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 9:30am Bible Study 10:40am Preschool Chapel	4	5 9am Bible Study 9am-12pm Spring Clean Up 10am Open House Bridal Shower for Bri Forsythe
6 8:30am Worship 9:30am Coffee/ Sunday School/ Blood Pressure Checks 9:45am New Mem- ber Class #3 10:35am New Member Welcome Worship *Special Offering - National Youth Gathering	7 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 10:30am Staff	8 7:30am-5pm Preschool 6pm-6:30pm Tuesday's Table @ Evangelical Covenant Church	9 7:30am-5pm Preschool 5:15pm-5:50pm Meal 6pm-6:30pm Wor- ship 6:35pm-7:35pm Educa- tion Hour 7:35pm Faith After Hours (Choir)	10 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 9:30am Bible Study 9:30am Prairie Com- munity Service In Service 10:40am Preschool Chapel 6pm Council	11 6:30pm Hobby Night	12 9am Bible Study
13 8:30am Worship 9:30am Coffee/ Sunday School 9:45am SS Teacher Appreciation Breakfast 10:35am Worship *Opportunity to Serve Cards *Family Promise Week Begins	14 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 9am-3pm Quilting 10:30am Staff 5:30pm Mission Resource Team Meet	15 7:30am-5pm Preschool 9am-3pm Quilting 6pm-6:30pm Tuesday's Table @ Faith *Forecaster Submissions Due	16 7:30am-5pm Preschool 9:30am Lydia/Mary Circle & Hannah/Ruth Circle 5:15pm-5:50pm Meal 6pm-6:30pm Wor- ship 6:35pm-7:35pm Educa- tion Hour 7:35pm Faith After Hours (Choir)	17 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 9:30am Bible Study 10:40am Preschool Chapel 6:30pm Faith On Tap @ Goat Ridge Brew- ery in New London	18 Office Closed	19 9am Bible Study
20 8:30am Senior Recognition Wor- ship 9:30am Coffee/ Sunday School 10:35am Worship *6th Grade Re- ceive Bibles 4:00pm Concert of the Year	21 7:30am-5pm Pre- school 10:30am Staff	22 7:30am-5pm Preschool 6pm-6:30pm Tuesday's Table @ Peace Lutheran	23 7:30am-5pm Preschool 5:15pm-5:50pm Meal 6pm-6:30pm Wor- ship 6:35pm-7:35pm Educa- tion Hour 7:35pm Faith After Hours (Choir)	24 7:30am-5pm Pre- school - last day 9:30am Bible Study 10:40am Preschool Chapel 1:30pm Rachel Circle	25 Office Closed	26 9am Bible Study 6pm Bluegrass Worship @ GLBC
27 8:30am Bluegrass Worship @ GLBC 10am Bluegrass Worship @ Faith	28 Office Closed - In Observance of Memorial Day	29 6pm-6:30pm Tuesday's Table @ O'Neil's	30	31		

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Faith Youth 4th of July Fundraiser



Faith will be in the parade along with selling popcorn and water (only) again this year.
We are looking for water bottle donations (16.9oz bottles), coolers, parade candy, and golf carts.

Please bring in donations anytime.

And if you have a golf cart we can borrow please contact Pastor Todd or Pastor Seyward.

Thank you!

EMAIL: office@faithspicer.org

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Worship Times:

Labor Day — Memorial Day

At Faith Lutheran Church

Wednesdays 6:00pm-6:30pm

Sundays at 8:30am & 10:35am

Education Hour at 9:30am

Fellowship Hour at 9:30am

Memorial Day — Labor Day

At Green Lake Bible Camp Chapel

Saturday at 6:00pm

Sunday at 8:30am

At Faith

Sunday at 10:00am