

Todd Talks...

“Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” John 6:35

There may be no more of a comforting aroma in the entire world than the aroma of fresh baked bread. The smell of bread fresh from the oven has the ability to make us feel at home. For the next several weeks we will hear Jesus speaking about the promise that he is the bread of life. He begins the conversation by filling empty bellies with bread and fish, and then the conversation continues as we are reminded that his love, mercy, forgiveness and grace are abundant blessings that sustain us on our journey. During the upcoming month, I invite you to listen to how we are fed and forgiven, nourished and nurtured by the one who is the bread of life.

See you in worship!

Pastor Todd

Seyward Says...

Introducing our new theme: God Speaks, We Live

As we look ahead to the fall, we are excited to roll out our congregation-wide theme: "God Speaks, We Live." Beginning in September, we will be spending the next several months working our way around the New Testament and exploring two big questions. At worship on Sundays we will focus on God Speaks: What is it that God is saying to us through scripture? And at the Feast worship on Wednesdays we will focus on We Live: How do we live out God's message in our daily lives? God Speaks, We Live will be explored on an intergenerational scale and will be the focal point of not only our worship, but also our Confirmation classes and our Bible studies. We are hopeful that having one overarching theme will create opportunities for church families and friends to have conversations and deepen their faith together. We look forward to jumping into this theme, and we hope you will join us!

Pastor Seyward

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Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For more information, visit the Faith Lutheran Website or
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August 29th

*Kids are invited to bring their backpacks to either Worship service for a special blessing as they start a new school year.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Summer Worship

Sundays at 8:30 a.m.
Green Lake Bible Camp

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Faith Lutheran Church

Please pray for...

Dean Madsen
Pastor Bill Miller
Patty Kruger

Kathy Hinton, sister of Pat Nelsen
Valarie Bast, sister of Val Roberts
Cyndi Johnson, niece of Odetta Hanson

Find our worship services on our Facebook page, website, or YouTube channel



Children & Youth



Kids Summer Club



Vacation Bible School
August 2 - 5th
8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
at Faith Lutheran Church.

We can't wait to see you!

Praise+Play Summer Clubs has been a huge success for our first year of operation. Alyssa Fredrick is our school-age teacher, Pam Fox is our preschool teacher, Hope Palmquist is our aide that floats between the two clubs, and Patsy Cordes is the Director. NLS supplies us with breakfast and lunch free of charge this summer. We have had field trips with the Green Bus and bus driver, Mr. Eli. We also walk to Westside Park and Wildcat Cove as well as our awesome Spicer Library. As warm as the summer has been we had to put a shade canopy in the playground and have had several water day play days on site. We are looking forward to taking part in the Green Lake Bible Day Camp here at Faith. Having Chapel outside in the prayer garden is great! Check out the photos from our favorite field trip to date: Crow River Whitetails, a local deer reserve. The kids fed both fawns and does. We were a little noisy for the bucks to come that close to us. The children got to feel and lift, if they could, antlers from deer, reindeer, elk, and moose. Follow us on our own Facebook page: Praise and Play to see all our fun activities.



Eagle Scout Project and Gaga Ball Pit

For his Eagle Scout project Jack Noeldner built a Gaga Ball Pit behind the Faith amphitheater. Now you might be wondering, what is Gaga Ball anyway? This game is a popular summer camp game at Bible camps. It is similar to dodge ball. But you play within a hexagonal wooden perimeter, about 3 feet tall. There is only 1 ball, and you cannot pick up the ball. You can only hit the ball with your hands. Getting hit by the ball takes you out of the game. No teams, just everyone versus everyone. If you are curious for a more detailed explanation, check out Gagacenter.com.

Opportunities



Faith Lutheran

Meals on Wheels Drivers

Meals on Wheels in August - New London route!

Looking for a simple way to serve those in our community? Sign up to deliver Meals on Wheels during the month of August! This important and needed ministry ensures that our senior community members have access to a hot and nutritious meal. The process is really simple: you pick up the food at the Spicer Senior Dethlef Center (217 Hillcrest Ave) at 10:30 a.m. and follow the included directions to deliver the meals. You should be done within an hour. This is a great way to volunteer in our community, and it can be done alone or with your family! We have a goal to get the entire month filled, so please sign up now!



Wednesday, August 4th at 6 p.m.

Come hear the VBS kids sing & share stories of what they learned this year!

This will be the last Wednesday Worship service until The Feast returns on September 15th. Punch cards will be available soon!

Women, Wine, & The Word

Join us for our Faith women's bible study: Women, Wine & the Word, where we gather in someone's home to enjoy appetizers, wine (or a beverage of your choosing), fellowship, and a conversation-based Bible study! Our August WW&W will take place on Tuesday, August 17th at 6:30pm at Jennifer Davenport's home (3895 60th Ave NE, Willmar). Wine and apps will be provided, and Pastor Seyward will facilitate the Bible study. Please RSVP to Pastor Seyward or respond to our Facebook event, which can be found on Faith's Facebook page.



Join us for Faith on Tap!

Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 12th at 6:30 p.m. Goat Ridge Brewery in New London

We will chat about a different topic each night. If you need childcare, please contact the church office at 320-796-2522.

Looking Ahead...

Stick me on your fridge so you don't miss anything!

8/2 - 9/2 Mon. - Thurs.	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Meals on Wheels *please sign-up on faithspicer.org*
8/2 - 8/5	8 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Vacation Bible School
8/4	6 p.m.	Final Wednesday Worship until Sept. 15
8/12	6:30 p.m.	Faith on Tap
8/17	6:30 p.m.	Women, Wine, & The Word
8/23	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Praise+Play Back to School Night
8/29	Both services	Blessing of the Backpacks
Sundays	8:30 a.m. 10 a.m.	Worship in the Stave Chapel at GLLM Worship in the Faith Sanctuary
Thursdays	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study in the Fireside Room
Saturdays	9 a.m.	Men's Bible Study



* The council took a break from the typical monthly meeting and enjoyed a potluck dinner at Ben Hoffman's home prior to the council meeting in July.

* The potential of seeking the Employee Retention Credit will be explored with Anfinson Thompson to determine what benefit Faith may gain from pursuing it.

* And finally, the council discussed progress on filling the two open staff positions: Property Director and Youth Ministry.

June	
Income	36,936.45
Expense	48,293.63
Net Income	-11,357.18
Other Income/Exp	4,297.22
Inner Fund Transfer	0.00
Net Profit (Loss)	-\$7,059.96