

#### It's Personal: A Summer Faith Journey

Does it ever seem like you are just going through the motions when it comes to church, attending worship, and your faith life in general? Do you feel a disconnect between what is talked about at church and what happens during the rest of your week? You are not alone in feeling this way, and we are hoping to change that, because when it comes to your faith, you shouldn't settle. This summer in worship we will be exploring scripture that speaks to your real life and can enhance your faith in a new way. We will be getting real with what it means to be a Christian today, and the many obstacles that prevent our faith from thriving. It all begins on June 12th, so please join us for this summer series where we can discover where our lives and our faith join together in an authentic way. After all...it's personal.

Pastor Seyward Ask

In John 14:27 Jesus says:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you...Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

The Church year includes the days of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost and more. Over the years of ministry, I have invited folks to remember these seasons with the pneumonic ACE LEAP. As I think of this interim time with you at Faith Lutheran, you have taught me how Faith Lutheran has wonderful traditions as these seasons unfold with each church year. Thank you for being good teachers for me. Know that I am grateful for my time serving here.

I am now naming that my time as your interim pastor is coming to a close. At the May 19 Council meeting I tendered my two-week notice. My final pastoral acts with you all will be on Pentecost Sunday June 5. I look forward to preaching at both services that morning.

Further, if interim transitions have beginnings, middles and endings, so do active ministries. I first put on the red stole of Pentecost at my ordination in July 1987. Now it is time to retire that stole and the office of word and sacrament that it signifies. That's my plan for Pentecost 2022. My wife, LaRae, is also retiring from her career in public education this June. Together, we look forward to an active retirement still to be defined and then to be explored.

God's blessings upon the Faith Council and Call Committee as they enter further into the discernment process during the summer ahead. I am anticipating hearing about upcoming announcements of special meetings of the congregation. I quote Faith's constitution. C9.01 "Authority to call a pastor shall be in this congregation by at least a two thirds majority ballot vote of members present and voting at a meeting legally called for that purpose."

Come Holy Spirit.
Fall afresh upon us with a generous gift of God's Peace.
Interim Gary Mikkelson

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## Faith Newsletter



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Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Summer Worship Schedule

Please pray for...

Sundays:

8:30 a.m. Worship @ GLLM

Stave Chapel Outdoor fellowship

10 a.m.

following Worship @ Faith

Find our worship services on our YouTube channel or faithspicer.org

- ~ Lila Burmeister
- ~ Brí Johnson
- ~ Matt Plumhoff



# Children & Youth



### LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE STINGERS

TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2022 @ 7:05PM

\$25/PERSON FOR THE 3RD BASE PATIO SUITE

\*\*KIDS 4 & UNDER ARE FREE\*\*

a Faith and Peace Lutheran Churches fellowship event



THE \$25 COST INCLUDES ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BURGERS, BRATS, PASTA, CHIPS, AND CANS OF POP FOR THE WHOLE GAME AS WELL AS SEATING TOGETHER ON THE 3RD BASE PATIO SUITE



### DAY CAMP INFO

WHEN: AUGUST 1-4, 9AM-3PM

WHERE: SHORES OF ST ANDREW

GLLM.CAMPBRAINREGISTRATION.COM
DISCOUNT CODE: NLS2022

When registering, find GLLM Community Day Camp then New London/Spice

Family Canoe Trip
August 8-11, 2022
\$125 Canoer, \$60 Camper



CANOE OR JUST CAMP

The Youth are looking for your donations of cases of bottled water to sell at the Spicer 4th of July Parade as one of our biggest fundraisers of the year! Please bring in your donations by Friday, July 1st to the Welcome Center. Thank You!

Youth Ministry Director AND Wilderness Explorer) is leading a canoe trip on one of the most family-friendly bodies of water in MN. Together we will have two half days and two full days of canoeing,

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worshipping God around the campfire, and so much more! The river is shallow and calm, perfect for the seasoned adventurers alike. For those that don't want to canoe, all of our stops are vehicle accessible. They can travel by car along with us on our journey and camp with us at night! Please see Quentin for more details!

### ■ YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

One of our most successful fundraisers of the year is here! The youth are looking for donations of cases of bottled water to sell at our stand and on Golf Carts at the Spicer 4th of July Parade. Please bring them to the Welcome Center by Friday. July 1st! Thank You

## Opportunities

### MASLC 2022 Tour

The Minnesota All State Lutheran Choir will be having a concert stop at Faith Lutheran Church on Wednesday, June 22nd @ 7 p.m.

These high school students will be in need of housing after the concert until the following morning. Hosts are asked to provide students with a snack after the concert and breakfast in the morning, before returning them to Faith to board their bus. If you are willing to host a student or two or three, please sign-up/call the Welcome Center ASAP 320.796.2522. Thrivent members can also help by applying for \$250 grants to help defray the costs of the choir's tour.

#### **Interim process News:**

First we need to say 'many thousand thanks' to the Mission Site Profile committee for all that you have done in recent months. Thank you Marlene Vossen, Sherri Klaers, Phyllis Jacobson, Tim Renner, Jill Rohman and Patrick Goebel. The Faith Council has approved your work and it has been forwarded to the Synod office for consideration.

Now it is time to pass that profile to the recently elected call committee. We trust that the congregation will keep the following members of the committee in their prayers. May the Holy Spirit guide Doug Gronli, Mary Felt, Landon Fries, Jill Rohman, Erin Hoffman, Heather Thompson and Mike Klaers.

We are delighted to report that the Faith Call Committee was recently formed. They have learned that a congregation's members may identify a pastor whom they feel might meet the congregation's present needs. As the committee proceeds, we have a short window to make Faith's members aware of Pastoral Candidate Nomination Forms that have been set out at the Welcome Center. You can pick up a form at your convenience. Should you like to learn more about the dynamics of such a nomination, you can contact Interim Gary at <a href="mailto:gmikk56@gmail.com">gmikk56@gmail.com</a>



New summer sermon series coming soon!



## Looking Anead...

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

6/9	6:30 p.m.	God on Tap @Goat Ridge Brewery		
6/11 - 6/18		HS Youth Trip to Nashville		
6/14	7:07 p.m.	Lutheran Night at the Stingers!		
6/16	6 p.m.	Council Mtg.		
6/17	6:30 p.m.	Hobby Night in Fireside Rm		
6/22	7 p.m.	MASLC concert		
6/26 - 6/29		MS Youth Trip to Sioux Falls		
6/30	6:30 p.m.	Women Wine & the Word @ Fries home		
Sundays	8:30 a.m. 10 a.m.	Worship @ GLLM Stave Chapel Worship @ Faith		
Wednesdays	7:39 p.m.	LYF HS Youth Group		
Thursdays	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study in the Fireside Rm		
Saturdays	9 a.m.	Men's Bible Study		



Thank You for serving Faith Lutheran as our Interim Pastor in our time of need. We appreciate the time you spent assisting our members in discerning our direction for our next chapter.



YTD Budget 214,591.64	2022	2021	Difference
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	173,990.43	192,703.61	(18,713.18)
214,590.08	210,511.88	199,831.38	10,680.50
1.56	(36,521.45)	(7,127.77)	(29,393.68)
18,153.36	20,061.98	17,187.20	2,874.78
7,500.36	80,367.52	15,138.27	65,229.25
25,655.28	63,908.05	25,197.70	38,710.35
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