

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Sunday, January 22, 2012

8:00 AM Worship/Education
 9:30 AM Worship/Education
 9:30 AM Faith Forum
 11:00 AM Worship @ *the Gathering*

Monday, January 23, 2012

4:30 PM Building Committee
 6:00 PM Soup Supper
 6:30 PM Congregational Meeting
 6:45 PM Gathering Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

Bulletin Announcement Deadline
 8:30 AM Boot Camp
 9:15 AM Tues. Bible Study (Westview)
 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 4:00 PM Kid's Club
 5:30 PM Kid's Club Choir
 5:45 PM Den 5
 6:30 PM Den 7
 7:00 PM Tues Bible Study
 7:00 PM Wildlife Project Bowl

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

5:00 PM B.Y.G.
 6:15 PM IGNITEconfirmation
 6:30 PM Faithful Ringers Rehearsal
 7:30 PM FLY
 7:45 PM Faith Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 26, 2012

7:00 AM Men's Text Study
 8:30 AM Boot Camp
 6:30 PM Den 3
 7:00 PM 4th Thursday Book Club

Friday, January 27, 2012

8:00 AM Faithful Grounds
 8:00 PM AA/Alanon

Saturday, January 28, 2012

8:00am-10:00pm Crafting Event

Sunday, January 29, 2012

8:00 AM Worship/Education
 9:30 AM Worship/Education
 11:00 AM Worship @ *the Gathering*

Faith Lutheran Church Weekly

Welcome To Worship!

On this winter's day, enter into the warmth of Christian friendship. We are blessed by one another's presence. Should you wish to consider membership in this congregation, please speak with Pastor Dale, Pastor Travis or Pastor Brandy or call the church office at 952-442-2101.



Sunday Worship/Education at 8:00am & 9:30am
Sunday Worship @ *the Gathering* 11:00am

Today at 9:30am in the North Conference Room Join Pastor Dale for a discussion of one of the ELCA's latest and most controversial social statements: Human Sexuality, Gift and Trust. How do your beliefs and your relationship with God affect how you think about human sexuality? How can Christians respond faithfully to the many sexual issues in our society?

Semi - Annual Congregational Meeting

Our January Congregational Meeting will be held on Monday, January 23rd at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will begin with a soup supper at 6:00 PM. The main items on the agenda will be approval of the 2012 proposed budget, and an update on the proposed building project. Please plan to attend and share in the decision making process of our church.

Joining us in Worship!

- This week the 2nd Grade class is in worship at 9:30. Please welcome them.
- Next week the 1st & 2nd grade class will be in worship at 8:00 and 1st grade will be here at 9:30.

Church Staff

Senior Pastor:

Dale Peterson

Associate Pastor:

Travis Gerjets

Brandy Gerjets

Faith Formation:

Mary Toufar

Communications:

Jean Krukowski

Financial Coord:

Mike Christopherson

Volunteer Coord:

Susie Watts

Custodian:

Carl Bredberg

Nursery Attendants:

Alana Kiel

Jenna Lund

Music Staff:

Lea Ann Burau

Shelly Hilgers

Becky Oberlander

Aaron Olson

Stephanie Peoples

Kay Young

Office Hours:

8am-5pm

Monday - Friday

8am-7pm

Most Wednesdays

952-442-2101

Phone

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Check All That Applies

I am a member. I am a Visitor. I am new to the community.

I would like to learn more about Faith Lutheran.

I would like a call from the pastor. I would like to transfer my membership.

I would like to learn more about membership at Faith Lutheran.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Camp Schedule // summer brochures available SOON!

Contact Mary Toufar for all Camp programs

- Andy's Gang at Shores of St. Andrew – New London, MN // June 24-29
Current Grades: 2nd – 5th
- Chrysallis Crew at Green Lake – Spicer, MN // June 24-29
Current Grades: 6th – 8th
- Wapo Seeds at Lake Wapogasset – Amery, WI // July 27-29
Current Grades: 2nd – 3rd
- Youth Camp A at Lake Wapogasset – Amery, WI // July 29 – August 3
Current Grades: 4th – 6th
- Youth Camp B at Lake Wapogasset – Amery, WI // July 29 – August 3
Current Grades: 7th – 8th

Senior High Summer Trips / forms and deposits due NOW

- Boundary Waters at Wilderness Canoe Base – Grand Marais, MN // July 29 – August 4
Currently in Grade 9 – Form and \$175 deposit due by January 15
See Pastor Brandy
- National Youth Gathering / Citizens with the SAINTS @ New Orleans, LA // July 14-23
Currently in Grades 10, 11 or 12 – Form and \$150 deposit due IMMEDIATELY
It is still possible to sign up for this trip. We are trying to grow our group NOW>
See Mary T

MARDI GRAS – Pancake Breakfast / February 12th HERE!

- Mark your calendars NOW for the MARDI GRAS Celebration on Sunday morning, February 12th from 9:00 am until 12:30 pm.
- This is a fundraiser for our youth who will attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans during July
- Mardi Gras traditionally stands for a period of celebration from Epiphany to the day before Lent.
- We are familiar with the secular celebrations in New Orleans which makes this a VERY appropriate event for this gathering.
- There will be a couple do it yourself projects available at the breakfast // FAITH t-shirts to spray paint & take with you, Beaded Bible Bookmarks, & other fun

FOOD for KIDZ – a food packing event HERE on February 8th

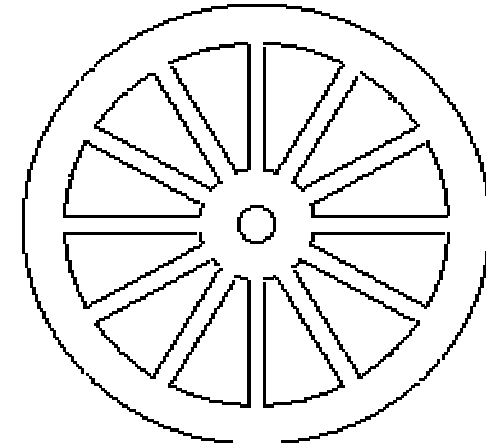
- Wednesday evening – February 8th all of our kids from BYG as well as IGNITE Confirmation will be packing meals for hungry children around the world. We partner with FOOD for KIDZ out of Stewart, MN. This year as one of our mission offerings we will be raising money for Feed the Children International. This offering will help to pay for the meals that our youth will be packing.
- Thank you for your prayers and your donations.

January is Volunteer Recognition Month at Faith

Today is “Add a Spoke to Faith’s Wheel Day.” Volunteers are like wheels. They are always going further and further to get to our destinations. They never stop! Today think about who you would include in Faith’s Wheel of Volunteers and add their name to a spoke on the wheel provided below. The next time you see the people on your wheel, remember to thank them for all they do here at Faith Lutheran. On January 29th we will be having a slide show about the many volunteers here at Faith. Come and see some of the faces that make Faith Lutheran’s many programs and events run so smoothly.

Thank you! Susie Watts, Volunteer Coordinator.

**Faith's Wheel
of Volunteers!**



*Have you
changed to all
cell phone
service and
dropped your
land line? Did
you inform the
church office?*

Change of address, phone or email?

If you know you have had a change of home address, home phone, primary cell phone, or primary e-mail, please e-mail or leave a message with Susie at church.
susie@waconiafaithlutheran.com (952)442-2101 ext. 109

FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA
800 Waconia Parkway North, Waconia MN 55387
Phone 952/442-2101 We're on FACEBOOK
www.waconiafaithlutheran.com

New Members

We are excited to once again welcome new members to the congregation! If you are interested in joining Faith, you are invited to New

Member Orientation on Tuesday, January 31st. The gathering begins with a light supper at 6:30 and orientation at 7:00. Childcare can be

provided. Please call the church office (442-2101) to sign up. New Member Sunday will be February 12.



Membership
Class

Faith Lutheran Church to conduct a Feasibility Study

We need your participation

The leadership of Faith Lutheran Church is conducting a feasibility study that is designed to both listen and learn from our members so that we might make sound decisions for our future. To accomplish this we have selected Mark Davy & Associates, a consulting firm based in Minneapolis with over 22 years of experience to conduct a study which will focus on six major areas:

- How informed the members are regarding our financial situation
- How important the members believe the proposed initiatives are to our future
- The strengths of our congregation
- The areas of concern regarding a campaign
- The level of potential volunteers within the congregation to conduct a successful campaign
- The level of financial support available

The study will take place over the next month and the process used will involve confidential personal interviews on February 7th & 9th and mail surveys. Your participation is extremely important. Once completed, a report of the results will be prepared for the leadership in order to determine the next steps.

If you receive a survey and would like to be interviewed please call Mark Davy & Associates at 952-929-0444 or e-mail at info@markdavyassociates.com.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS - CONTINUED

MEETINGS SCHEDULED – January 30, 2012

- Sunday School Staff Training meeting for “The Four Friends” unit at 6:30 pm
- Children, Youth and Family Team Huddle Meeting at 7:15 pm

Bible Study Series: Praying the Bible

Come and join Pastor Travis for a series focused on reading the Bible with “more soul.” This Bible study will meet Wednesday, February 1st, 8th and 15th @ 6:30pm in Bayview Elementary School. You are invited to attend the whole series or just a single session. Hope to see you there!

Family Mission Trip: Texas

This summer (June 9th – 15th), families with youth in grades 6-12 are invited to participate in a mission trip in San Juan, Texas. *Registration forms are due the first week in February, but late registrations will be accepted if space is still available.* Junior-high students are encouraged to travel with a family member; senior-high students may travel independently if a parent or guardian is unable to participate. Questions? Contact Pastor Travis.

4th Thursday of the Month Bookclub will be meeting on Jan. 26 at Mocha Monkey, upstairs at 7PM to discuss *Heaven is for Real* by Todd Burpo with Lynn Vincent. It is the story of Colton Burpo's trip to Heaven and back following an appendectomy surgery. "Heaven is for Real will forever change the way you think of eternity, offering the chance to see, and believe, like a child" states a book review. Invite a friend to read the book and join us for discussion and fellowship.

Blood Drive Thank You:

Thank you to everyone that supported the Memorial Blood Drive at Trinity Lutheran Church on Tuesday, January 10th. With your help, 56 units of blood were collected which means **168 lives** were impacted/saved! The next blood drive will be held at Faith Lutheran Church on Tuesday, March 6th. To sign up for an appointment or for any questions, please contact Beth at [952-913-6624](tel:952-913-6624).

January Mission Offering: Faith Beyond Boundaries ~ Redeemer Lutheran Church, Mpls.

Faith beyond boundaries is the effort of our congregation to partner in our mission to serve the live Christ with other Christians throughout the world. As a people who are blessed with a comparative abundance of financial resources one of the gifts we offer to our partners is to share our offering with our partners churches. This month we share with our brothers and sisters in North Minneapolis.