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March 10, 2024

This Week at Faith 3/11/2024 — 3/17/2024

SPRING BREAK – School Closed this week

Mon	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Young People's Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Zoom Bible Study
Tues.	Noon	Women's Guild
	6:00 pm	Church Council
Wed.	4:30 pm	Prayer Vigil
	5:30 pm	Lenten Meal
	6:30 pm	Lenten Worship
	7:15 pm	Bells and Choir
Thurs.	6:00 pm	Young People's Bible Study
Sat.	9:00 am	Stewardship
	10:00 am	Saturday Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Worship/Communion
Sun.	8:45 am	S.S./Bible Study
	10:00 am	Worship/Communion
	11:30 pm	GodConnects (Who Is Jesus Christ)

Daily Readings

Mar 11: Gen. 42:1-34,38, Mark 12:1-12; **Mar 12:** Gen. 43:1-28, Mark 12:13-27; **Mar 13:** Gen. 44:1-18,32-34, Mark 12:28-44; **Mar 14:** Gen. 45:1-20, 24-28, Mark 13:1-23; **Mar 15:** Gen. 47:1-31, Mark 13:24-37; **Mar 16:** Gen. 49:29-50:7, Mark 14:1-11; **Mar 17:** Ex. 1:1-22, Mark 14:12-31.

Attend a Bible Class – where you can meet friends that become family as you learn and grow together in your faith in Christ. We have groups for every age in your family.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Join us for continental breakfast at 8:15 am followed by Bible Study 8:45 to 9:45. Learning and activities for all ages.

Bible Study / Sunday School 8:45 – 9:30 AM

Pre-K – Kindergarten – CLC Youth
Room 1st – 2nd grades – CLC 5th Grade
Classroom 3rd – 4th grades – CLC 7th
Grade Classroom 5th – 12th grade – CLC
6th Grade Classroom

Adults – Pastor's Forum (*Revelation*) – Social Hall

GODCONNECTS Sunday 11:30 am

Adult Class – course in Christianity – Fellowship Hall

Monday Morning Bible Study – 10:00 AM

Adults – *Hosea, Joel, Amos* – Meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

Monday Evening Zoom Bible Study – 7:00 PM

Adult – *Longer Look at the Lessons*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP & BIBLE STUDY

Meeting Mondays at 7:00 pm and Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall lead by Pastor Moore. The group is a special focus on young people. Join us and bring your friends!

SATURDAY HYMN STUDY

Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall on Saturdays, 10:00 am.



Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all people so they may know and trust in Jesus as their Savior for eternal life, grow in knowledge and faith, and show this faith in their daily lives.

PRAYERS

Each week during worship we remember people in our prayers. Please use this list to minister, send a card or note, make a personal visit, and remember these people in your prayers. Please let the church office know of any changes in the ongoing prayer list.

Those ill, hospitalized or struggling:

Robert Truitt, Jean (friend of Harolyn Maynard), Virginia Leffew, Cindy Thomas, Neal Van Valkenburg, Charlene Kolterman, Don Smith, Bobby Ward (Rich and Angie Teschendorf's son-in-law), Gerrie Haferman, Deb Leech, Jeannine Gay, Rod Hinson (son of Paul and Sharon Bowlen), Jerry (son-in-law of Brian and Pat Brugger), Jennifer (friend of Cathy Shanahan), Wenda Halter, Ron VanDenBerg (grandfather of Mike Yurk), Hylie Osenkarski, Jim Vogel, Bob (nephew of Pam and Conrad Schmidt), Candy (friend of Carol Allen), Benson Birdcreek (father of PK3 student), Lauren Colas, John Shanahan, Rachel (Lois Ford's niece), Lauren Boode (friend of Adrienne Davis), Jerry Barnes, Bill Brett, Norma Giffey, Philip Schmidt (Conrad Schmidt's brother), Joe Armstrong.

Anniversaries & Birthdays

3/11 Abby Schmidt, Karen Miller
3/12 Timothy & Tara Schmidt, Jordan & Lydia Walker, Jennifer Hayward
3/13 Andre Gardin Jr., Bob Huffstetler, Cherry Huntoon, Barry Little
3/14 Archer Byrom, Hudson Byrom, Emily Olsen, Robert Truitt
3/15 Eric & Brantley Prince
3/16 Laina Blanton, Ray Huntoon

Others

A prayer of protection for those serving our country and those who have been deployed: Dillon Tate (Bill Stone grandson), Cody Bandur (Dawn Beiner's cousin), Kyle Stark (Paul Stark's son – Our Savior, Orlando), Matthew Leech (Bill & Deb Leech's son), Terrance Demps II (Fritz's neighbor), Gage Lee (FLS Alum), Wesley Van Gotum (Lisa Miller Truitt's cousin), Anna Cruz (Pastor Gary Held's daughter), Douglas Jensen (FLS Alum), Jack Rotar (Jeremy Fritz's nephew), Jesse Thurman (Brian & Pat Brugger's grandson), Gregory Gillinger.

Prayers for the Wasmund family, missionaries in Korea.

Prayers for our Church and School Staff and School students and families.

Prayers of strength and comfort for the James family (friend of the Barnes') on the death of James; for Deb Heilman on the death of her Aunt Margaret; for Jack and Judy Maines and the Jones family on the death of Darryl Jones.



Lenten Prayer Vigil 2024



"What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!"

Prayer Vigil Wednesdays,
in the sanctuary or courtyard
from 4:30 until the service begins.



An important theme of the Lenten season is the humanity of Christ. In Jesus, God became human and fully experienced the wide range of emotions we all encounter in life. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger, disappointment, grief, and abandonment. That is part of being human. Another part of being human is needing help from each other. God never intended us to be completely self-sufficient. Part of God's plan is for each of us to turn to others for help when we need it. So when you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Stephen Ministers can bring the love of Jesus back into your life. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, talk to one of our Stephen Leaders: *Barbara or Neal Van Valkenburg*. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

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Neal 352.406.2497 nealvanv@gmail.com

OUTREACH

GODCONNECTS
A COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY

Adult membership class – We have formed a new GodConnects adult membership class meeting Sundays 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. More information is available on the flyer in the narthex or by calling the church office.

Passion of the Christ Viewing/Discussion March 23 6-8pm

Just in time for Holy Week, Faith Lutheran is sponsoring a "Passion of the Christ" viewing and discussion that will take place over two nights! Part Bible study, part movie watching, part potluck, come for two evenings of helping prepare our hearts and our minds for Holy week and the joyous Easter celebration after. Middle School and High school students are encouraged to attend, as well, with a parent or guardian. If not attending with a parent, a permission form would need to be signed. **This is not just a youth event-- this is a church-wide event for people of all ages wanting to prepare themselves for Holy week.**

Viewing will take place in the Fellowship Hall and we will relocate if we get too full. Both nights are potluck, so bring some food to share (we'll take care of the popcorn!). Contact DCE Mike Yurk for more information.

Stewardship

Growing in Faith Through Stewardship

*“We give thee but thine own,
What’re the gift may be,
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust O Lord from thee”*

This little offertory hymn was written in 1858 by William Walsham How and published in 472 hymnals over the years. Some members of Faith are old enough to remember singing it as the offertory hymn in one of the Divine Services of our youths, I certainly do or would not have been able to remember it verbatim without looking it up. It must predate the old red Lutheran Hymnal as it was not used in either the page 5 or 15 services. But none of that is the point of this message, it just helps set the context.

As short as this little verse is, its message is powerful.

The first line clearly states that everything we have belongs to God. It is merely on loan to us to manage wisely in effective stewardship.

The second line makes no distinction on the size or value of the gift, be it time, talent, or wealth. In the Old Testament God established the tithe as the required contribution of the first fruits of our bounty. Jesus in His stewardship messages did not abolish the tithe, He admonished us to make our contributions with a cheerful heart. He contrasted the wealthy Pharisee’s gift with that of the Widow and her mite, stating he gave of his wealth to publicly brag while she gave of all she had and thus her gift was much more valuable than his.

The third line establishes that everything we have is a gift from God, our bounty, the talent we have that enables us to earn it and the ability to manage it responsibly.

Finally, the fourth line makes it clear that what God has entrusted to us is to be managed with responsible stewardship. A short, direct, and powerful message. When we at Faith view our stewardship responsibilities in this light, we are encouraged to contribute our time, talent and bounty with a cheerful heart and thus reap the benefits of growing in faith.

Gifts & Memorials

We appreciate these gifts and memorials. If we have neglected to acknowledge a gift or memorial that you have given, please contact the church office.

Our Stewardship Theme for 2024:

**“GROWING THE FUTURE”
IN Faith, AT Faith.**

Based on the Bible Verse:
Proverbs 3:9

**“Honor the LORD with your wealth,
with the first fruits of all your crops.”**

Watch for more to come as we launch this Theme. Your Stewardship Team



Your gifts and offerings are crucial for our congregation to fulfill God’s calling in our community. We thank all those who have continued to give during these trying times. We have many ways for you to provide offering to your church during this time away from the campus. You can mail them to the church or make bill pay arrangements through your bank, but did you know that you can now make your tithes and offerings safely and securely online? Just go to bit.ly/FaithEustisGiving to provide your offerings & gifts today!

Wednesday Lenten Meals
Join Us for a Jolt of Food, Fellowship & FAITH

Serving from 5:30PM – 6:30 PM
With Dessert & Beverages

Wednesday Dates & Host:

March 6 - Social Ministry – Soup Supper

March 13 - Social ministry – Fried Chicken

March 20 - Board of Christian Education - Tacos

Easter Breakfast

Wake up early with us on March 31 for our annual Easter breakfast! Biscuits and gravy and pancakes and fruit are all on the menu this year, starting at 8am. In the middle of the breakfast, starting at 9AM, will be the Easter Egg Hunt with prizes! Read more about that below!

Easter Egg Hunt

Starting at 9AM in the Christian Life Center Faith Lutheran will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt! Ages Pre-k-4th grade are welcome to come and participate, with prizes being awarded for golden eggs and brown bunny eggs! This will not be something you want to miss, so please arrive as close as you can to the start to ensure your children get to participate!



Easter Egg Hunt Candy Needed!

If you are feeling generous and love seeing kids smile, the Board of Youth is looking for donations of candy for the Easter Egg Hunt. Drop any donations off in the church office or contact Mr. Yurk!

Subject: Changes to Service Announcements

Dear Members of Faith,

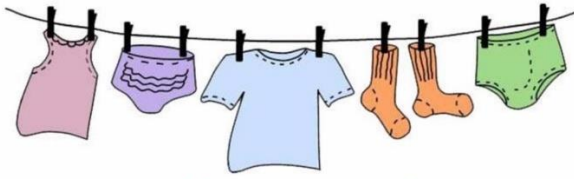
We hope this message finds you well. We want to inform you of some changes regarding service announcements, effective March 10th.

Moving forward, announcements will no longer be made verbally after the service. Instead, they will be displayed on the screens. Additionally, we will be sending out email announcements every Wednesday to keep you updated on important information and events.

Furthermore, any additional announcements will be made in the courtyard. We invite you to join us there for fellowship, cookies, tea, and lemonade. It will be a wonderful opportunity to connect with one another and strengthen our "Faith Family" bonds.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we implement these changes. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Blessings on this Beautiful Day Our Lord has made,
Board of Elders



Undie Sunday!

Women's Guild is collecting underwear and socks for our local children in need. Please help by bringing in new underwear and socks in sizes to fit school-aged boys and girls. A collection basket will be placed in the church narthex. Undies will continue to be collected through **April 7** when all items will be given to Lake County Schools. Distribution to needy students will be facilitated by Student Services. Thank you for your generosity towards our community of needy children!

AGAPE HOUSE NEEDS

Agape House is asking for donations of **Meals-in-a-Can** for the month of March.

Portals of Prayer Reused

Please consider saving your gently used Portals of Prayer devotion books and giving them to Michael Repass. They are being saved for use through the Agape Ministry Food Pantry.

Housewarming Shower for Tiny Homes

Faith's Women's Guild is sponsoring a housewarming shower for one of the tiny homes being built in Eustis on Grove St. Forward Paths Foundation is building 10 tiny homes to house youths who are aging out of foster care at age 18. Some teens are abandoned by their parents and left to navigate on their own. They are enrolled in high school but have no permanent housing or adult supervision. They must find a job, a place to live, and transportation. Without help, very few have the resources or life skills to become successful. One in four of these youths end up incarcerated according to DCF. Forward Paths mission is to provide temporary housing, mentors to help with job skills/finding jobs, education, counseling, materials for everyday living, and donations for necessary items such as a birth certificate, drivers license, uniforms for job or school, etc. Since the tiny homes are in our own backyard, the opportunities to help this excellent organization are limitless. They are hoping to have a grand opening around May 1st. Since we believe that each home will already have furniture, our goal is to provide the rest: bedding, towels and bathroom items, stock a kitchen with dishes, pots and pans, etc. We have established a list which will be in the Narthex for folks to sign up to donate an item or two, if you wish. Please go to their website at forwardpaths.org to learn more about this unique organization that is providing such necessary and blessed relief for unhoused youth. For more information about the shower, you can call Susan Ashcraft 352 459-4419 or Louise Repass 352 408-5772. Thank you so very much for your help with this endeavor!



Easter Lilies

The Altar Guild has ordered beautiful Easter Lilies to decorate the chancel area of the Sanctuary for our Easter services. These flowers are available for purchase by Faith Lutheran members and friends. **The price is \$10 per plant.**

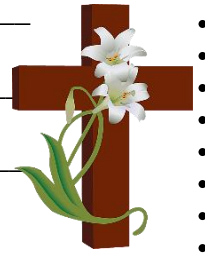
Please fill out this order form. Include the names of loved ones or the occasion as you would like it to appear in the worship folders on Easter. Make your check payable to Faith Lutheran Church and return to the church office **no later than Monday, March 24.**

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

\$10.00 x Number of plants: _____ Total: \$ _____



WISH

[Widowing in Social Harmony]

This is not a grief group. This is a group of women and men who have lost spouses or significant others and want to share in Social Services and activities with those who understand all that one goes through in the process of healing.

We meet monthly. We gather for lunches, for coffee, to see movies, to share, to volunteer in the community and at church. All are welcome and we invite the community as well. Most importantly, we enjoy new friends.

Next meeting: 12:30 pm March 18

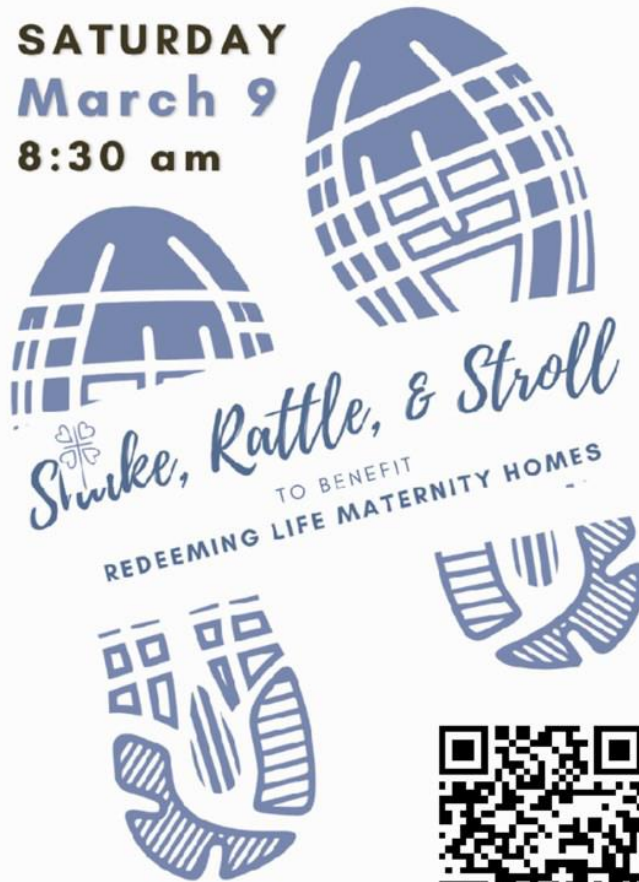
Interested in a distinctively Lutheran retreat that provides the space to rest in God's Word, time to spend in prayer and the opportunity to learn from some of the brightest theologians in the church? Concordia Seminary, St. Louis invites you to attend *Vocatio: Retreat* — a three-day retreat geared toward college students and second-career men and women who are considering serving as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain. **Registration** is free and includes lodging and meals. To register, scan the QR code below, visit csl.edu/vocatio-retreat or Google "Vocatio: Retreat Concordia Seminary." Hurry! Registration closes March 29.



CONCORDIA SEMINARY

Join the Orlando's East & West Circuit churches of the FLGA District, LCMS for a **FAMILY WALK FUNDRAISER**

SATURDAY
March 9
8:30 am



FREE EVENT

LAKE EOLA PARK
ORLANDO, FL

GET STARTED!

- Form a team to fundraise and walk together
- Organize a financial collection at your church
- Recommend a church member for the event planning committee

**For more information, email the Event Coordinator,
Beverly DeLemos bevdel1960@gmail.com**

