

February 2024

Faith Connection

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 AM
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Faith Lutheran
Church —
Marshfield



FEBRUARY 2024 Newsletter

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God." -- Colossians 3:16

Dear Faith Lutheran Members & Friends,

Lent begins on Valentine's Day this year as Ash Wednesday falls on February 14th. What a perfect day to reflect on God's great gift of love for us in sending his son, Jesus Christ, to be our Lord and Savior.

This year's theme for Lent is "Our Walk with Jesus: The Music of Our Lives." We all have favorite hymns/songs that speak to us and our Christian faith in unique ways. Would you be willing to choose a hymn/song and share about what it means to you (2-3 minutes, video or live)? We might even sing the song in worship or at least listen to a recording of it. It doesn't have to be religious – secular music can speak to our faith, too. Youth are also welcome to participate!

In addition, we will have a special walking program called "Here I Step." Did you know that the distance between Nazareth and Jerusalem is 80 miles? If you walk 2 miles a day during the season of Lent (with Sundays off to rest), you will cover a total of 80 miles. In addition, during Lent you will be invited to read through the Gospel of John using a daily reading plan. You can even go on YouTube and hear an audio recording of John's Gospel. Why not listen to it while you walk each day?

The Season of Lent gives us the opportunity to grow in our discipleship as we journey to the cross with Jesus. This year let us all sing songs and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in our hearts on our Lenten walk with Jesus.

In Christ, Pastor Heather

To Be Remembered in Our Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers. Names will remain on the prayer list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

Lloyd & Diane Mueller's great granddaughter Lucy; Stan Panek; Brianne Thompson; Janeen Dietsche; Alice Kapla; Ken Swenson; Kenneth Post; Ruth Stram; Barb Klawitter's son-in-law, Dan Wolf; Paul Kapla; Tom Krake; Maxine Morgan's brother, Keith.



Family Education & Youth

Education & Family Highlights

Adult Education

Adult Education wraps up the current part of No Experience Necessary bible study this month. Take advantage of this fellowship - grab a cup of coffee and join them Sunday mornings following worship.

February Birthdays!

This month we celebrate Alexis Rhode's Baptismal Birthday on Feb. 14.



First Communion

First Communion classes are happening for students in grades 2nd, 3rd, and 4th as we write this. The two-night sessions cover the understanding of communion as sacrament and its role in faith development for our young church members. A date for Church Service Participation will be announced later.

GLOW

GLOW students completed their fall service project for the SOS Food Pantry. A donation check for \$100 dollars was sent. GLOW and Confirmation teachers met in February for discussion and planning while students worked on service projects, voted on their choice for the new Church Logo, and had fun.

Upcoming Events

Upcoming special events include our next Kids Night OUT on Friday evening, February 16, from 5:30 - 8:00 pm, open to students in Kindergarten thru 5th grade. Drop the kids off for a light supper, games, and fun.

Cafe of Faith for parents of our GLOW students will be Sunday morning, February 25, following church. Make breakfast plans to enjoy a great meal cooked and served by our youngsters. The kids are looking forward to this!

The Education and Faith in Action teams are combining their talents to host Soup Supper on the 28th. Save the date!

Education Mission Team meets Monday, February 5th, at 6:30 pm.

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Annual Meeting will be Sunday February 18ⁿ. Annual Reports are ready to be picked up from office or see your email.

News from Faith Lutheran Youth

FLY on Sunday Morning

Our next Gathering is Sunday, February 4 in the Youth Room in the lower level at church. Access is through the north stairway by the Entrance and then straight ahead through the room with the foosball table. We will meet from 10 to 11 AM.

Last time we talked about the Book of Ecclesiastes, watched a BibleProject video explaining this unusual book in the Wisdom series of the Bible, listened to a related 1970's song by the Byrd's all around the theme of "Not Yet".

Auburndale Middle School recently conducted Auburndale's Middle School Spelling Bee. Students were chosen by winning the smaller-scale classroom bees.

The 2023 Spelling Bee champion and member of the FLC Mentor program, Marti Anderson. Congratulations to Marti, and to all participants.



Worship & Music Highlights

- ⇒ Lenten services will include the worship service at 5:30 pm with soup supper at 6:15pm.
- ⇒ Our church is hosting a community Good Friday service at noon. We will join Good Shepherd at 7pm for an evening service.
- ⇒ 70th anniversary celebration will be on Sunday, April 7th with a brunch to follow.

Faith in Action Meeting

Faith in Action – February Newsletter
Faith in Action and Education & Family Ministry Teams are busy planning for our 3rd Annual Egg Hunt, which will be held Sunday, March 17th after the worship service. Currently we are looking through what we already have and making a list of things we are going to need. We are working with the Communications Team to design and make posters and to strategically plan our advertising.

We appreciate the Congregations support in the past and we look forward to having your support for our 3rd event!

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The Annual Meeting of Faith Lutheran Church will be held on Feb. 18th, 2024. 10 AM Zoom option available. Must RSVP.				<i>1</i> 8:30 Quilters Piece Corps 7:00 Choir 7:00 Scout Troop 345	<i>2</i> Office & Building CLOSED	<i>3</i>
<i>4 Fair Trade Sale?</i> 9:00 WORSHIP/ PRAISE BAND 10:00 GLOW/AD ED/FLY 6:00 Cub Scout Parent Meeting Pastor Heather Brown OFF	<i>5</i> Office Closed 6:00 Social Concerns Mtg 6:30 Ed & Fam Team Mtg 7:00 AA 7:00 Al-Anon	<i>6</i> 5:30 Sign Language 6:00 Cub Scouts 384 7:00 Boy Scouts 382	<i>7</i> 12:00 Staff Mtg 5:30 YAT Mtg in ED 1 6:00 First Communion in RR 6:00 Communications UR 6:00 NA Meeting in CR	<i>8</i> 8:00 Finance Team Mtg 8:30 Quilters Piece Corps 7:00 Choir	<i>9</i> Office & Building CLOSED	<i>10</i>
<i>11</i> 9:00 WORSHIP/ ADULT CHOIR 10:00 GLOW Teacher Inservice 10:00 AD ED	<i>12</i> Office Closed 6:30 Facility Team Mtg 7:00 AA 7:00 Al-Anon	<i>13</i> 5:30 Sign Language 6:00 Cub Scouts 384 7:00 Boy Scouts 382	<i>14 Ash Wednesday</i> HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY! 5:30 LENTEN WORSHIP 6:00 NA Meeting in CR 6:15 Youth Soup Supper	<i>15</i> 8:30 Quilters Piece Corps RSVP if on Zoom for Annual Meeting 6:00 Faith In Action 7:00 Choir 7:00 Scout Troop 345	<i>16</i> Office & Building CLOSED 5:30-8:00 GLOW Kids Night Out II	<i>17</i>
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<i>25 Thank Offering</i> 9:00 WORSHIP / ADULT CHOIR JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR 10:00 GLOW/AD ED/FLY GLOW CAFE 10:15 W&M Meeting in	<i>26</i> Office Closed 7:00 AA 7:00 Al-Anon	<i>27</i> 5:30 Sign Language 6:00 NAMI Meeting 6:00 Cub Scouts 384 7:00 Boy Scouts 382	<i>28</i> 5:30 LENTEN WORSHIP 6:00 NA Meeting in CR 6:15 Soup Supper	<i>29</i> 8:30 Quilters Piece Corps 7:00 Choir	Black History Month	

Treasurer Update

General giving for January was \$17,142, compared to \$21,252 in January 2023, and \$23,148 in January 2022.

The 2024 budget, which will be approved at the annual meeting on February 18th, shows 2024 general giving of \$286,000. The budgeted giving for January is \$22,000.



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January 2024 Faith Connection

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Ways to Access the Sunday Service

- 1) In-person worship at 9 AM every Sunday.
- 2) Live-streaming on YouTube at 9 AM every Sunday.
- 3) On the Cable Access Channel 989 on
Sundays at 6:00 PM & Mondays 4:00 PM. ****New Times****
- 4) Watch anytime on our YouTube Channel.
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