



# Faith News

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## Faith Lutheran Church

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**It is the mission of Faith Lutheran Church:**

*To gather prayerfully as the Body of Christ;  
To grow in faith, love, and service;  
To go into the world joyfully as disciples.*

### Sunday Worship Schedule

Sunday School - 9:00  
Worship - 10:00  
Fellowship - 11:00

*Holy Communion on the first and third weeks of the month*



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### April Ushers

Jay Nord  
Mark Miller  
Riley Miller

## From our Pastor - Devlyn Brooks

Does anyone else feel the buzz! Or is it just me?

I'm talking about the buzz as of late when we gather together as a faith community?

Whether that was for Ash Wednesday, or one of the Lenten education series Wednesdays we've been participating in with the Comstock-Hoff Parish.

Or even at service in our own beautiful church! ... Did you hear that pre-worship fellowship buzz reverberating through the church on March 16? It was powerful! My soul was singing! I felt bad for even interrupting to begin our worship service.

The Men's Group's bingo day was a hoot, and drew in community members for fellowship with us. The weekly exercise nights have been reborn. Our youth continue to host Friday movie nights that draw in others from the community.

We've had several recent visitors who have attended church more than once.

There's lively discussion about partnerships with The Red Silo this coming summer.

Faith Family, just when you might think we'd hit a post-Christmas slide in enthusiasm and participation, it seems that the Holy Spirit has had other plans for us!

And I can't help but think how ironic that is!

I think about the dozens and dozens of hours that our Faith Forward committee, the LYO and other Faith Lutheran groups put into planning events last year to increase our vitality and presence in the community. And how sometimes it has been easy to wonder what the return on all that investment was.

But as of late, the vibrancy seems to just be happening naturally. As if we no longer are having to pull the sled uphill, but maybe rather we're now riding it down the back side!

I've been thrilled by our large participation in the learning series with our faith neighbors to the north. The folks at Comstock and Hoff

# LENT

Wednesday Lenten Services from  
April 2 at Comstock (India, Riaz Aziz)

April 9 at Hoff (Story Telling—Pr. Devlyn Brooks)

6:15pm Suppers  
6:45pm Worship



Palm Sunday—April 13 10am

Maundy Thursday—April 17  
6:45pm

Easter—April 20 8am

Easter Breakfast at 9am

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churches have been gracious hosts, and I love seeing so many of you taking part in this bold experiment of worshipping together!

As for the new faces we're enjoying at church, who knows, maybe the work we did last year to seed the ground is now paying off. I don't have that answer. But I know that the Holy Spirit does!

I don't pretend to be an experiment in church vibrancy and vitality, but what I do know is that things have been feeling really joyful around Faith Lutheran as of late, and it's a tremendous feeling as we continue our march to Holy Week.

Faith Family ... Let's see if we can't pitch in and further the Holy Spirit's efforts a bit!

If you haven't had a chance to visit one of the Lenten Wednesday learning series events yet, it's not too late! Come join us and worship with our faith neighbors!

Maybe invite a friend or loved one to service on an upcoming Sunday. We're seeing new faces, so why not try to double down on our invitations!

Let's start talking to people about our lovely Easter service! Maybe we could interest a neighbor or two in coming to feel the Joy of Easter morning with us! And don't forget the delicious LYO meal after!

Faith Family, I feel no shame in admitting that just when I was most perplexed about how we continue to engineer that vibrancy we all love here at Faith Lutheran, and why it seemed difficult for others to see it, it seems to be materializing before my very eyes!

It's a good reminder to me that sometimes while we do the work, we also just need to trust in God's timing. Amen!

See you in church, Faith Family!

## BLOOD DRIVE



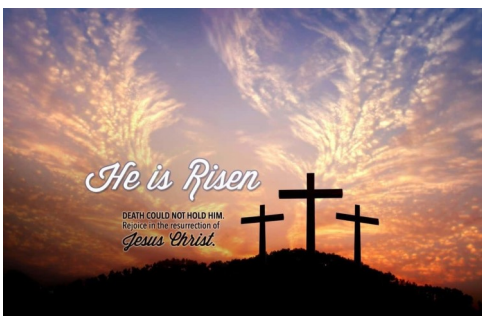
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## WOLVERTON BLOOD DRIVE

MONDAY, APRIL 14  
4:30PM - 7:30PM  
FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH-  
BASEMENT FELLOWSHIP AREA



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## Birthdays

- 1 Gary Israelson
- 2 Stacy Slinger
- 3 Rose Nino-turner
- 3 Karl Thomson
- 4 Heidi Koehntop
- 4 Tia Schroeder
- 6 Alexa Nelson
- 9 Brady Johnson
- 10 Judy Ness
- 14 Wallace Affield
- 16 Scott Smith
- 18 Margaret Turner
- 24 Gayle Matz
- 24 Katie Olthoff
- 26 Michael Olthoff
- 26 Tim Nicklay
- 27 Heidi Mansager

## Anniversary

- 5 Jeffrey & Diane Nord
- 8 David & Lynn Israelson
- 30 Wayne & Barbara Wise

## Faith Women

Mark your calendars: Saturday, May 10 at 10AM Faith Lutheran's Women's Spring Gathering. Deacon Yvonne Steindal from Crossroads Lutheran Campus Ministry will be our speaker.

Faith Women will meet after worship on Sunday, April 13.

## Community Events

### The 44 Venue: Project update and informational public meeting

Monday, March 31, 6pm

Hosted by the Richland #44 School Foundation Board

At Richland 44 Jr/Sr High School in Colfax Old Gym

### Christine Volunteer Fire Departments 29th Annual Walleye Fry!

The crew will be serving an awesome meal of walleye, baked potato, baked beans, coleslaw, bread, ice cream, and juice/coffee. Bring your family and friends and come out and support the Christine Fire Department.

When: Saturday April 12th, 2025

Time: 4:30-8:30 P.M.

Where: Christine Community Center - Christine, ND

## Lutheran Social Services to Host Events on Aging

### Resources

Looking for resources and services for older adults? Don't miss the **LSS Rural Aging Action Network Service Older Adult Resource Fairs!**

These **free events** are designed to connect older adults, caregivers and community members with valuable local resources, including health care, housing, nutrition, transportation and more.

### 📅 Event Details:

- **Tuesday, April 11:** Breckenridge Senior Citizens Center, 10am-2pm
- **Thursday, April 17:** FARGODOME, 10am-2pm

☕ Enjoy complimentary coffee and snacks while you explore!

Learn more by emailing [lsraanservice@lssmn.org](mailto:lsraanservice@lssmn.org) or calling 888.489.8270.

## Prayer Requests

Arlene Nelson—Eventide Skilled Care, Moorhead, MN

Keith Nelson—at home in Wolverton, MN

Alice Poppel - Farmstead Care Moorhead, MN

Wallace and Bev Nord—Wallace at PAM Rehab and Bev at home in Wolverton

Please keep these people in your prayers. Drop them a note or give them a call. Please let Pr. Devlyn know of any other prayer concerns.

## Position Openings

Please contact the church office if you are interested in either position. Application are available in the church office or by requesting via email at [faith@wtc-mail.net](mailto:faith@wtc-mail.net).

### FLC Worship Arts Director Part-time Position

#### Overview:

Faith Lutheran Church in Wolverton, Minn., is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Together we follow Jesus, love others, and teach His ways that we might make flourishing disciples of Jesus as an intergenerational church. We believe our story, for just about a century, is best told in the countless lives raised up in faith and sent into the world to serve Christ. We seek a part-time Director of Worship Arts to join our staff and add to our development as a church through our worship experience.

#### Position Summary:

The part-time Director of Worship Arts will develop the components of the worship service which enhance the other elements such as the spoken word, prayer, offering and relational aspect of our worship services, special events, and seasonal programs.

#### Responsibilities:

In collaboration with the pastor and other church staff, the Director of Worship Arts will help create, organize and distribute on digital channels our worship services, special events and other items. As such, duties will include:

- Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to any worship service or event to ensure all broadcasting equipment (i.e. computer, microphones, sound system, etc.) is prepared.
- Develop necessary digital slides appropriate to each worship service and special event.
- Supervise the broadcasts of worship services and special events, and troubleshoot so that all livestream broadcasts are seamless to the audience.
- Ensure that all broadcasts are uploaded to appropriate digital channels (i.e. Facebook, YouTube, FLC website, etc.) immediately after service or event ends.
- Assist with other digital media production (Facebook, flyers, website, etc.) as requested.
- Obtain permission from special performers to broadcast their performances.
- Ensure that all parishioners who have opted out of media policy are not broadcast.
- Develop a volunteer program to assist with worship service or program needs when the director isn't available.

#### Qualifications:

- Timeliness, flexibility, team player attitude, organized, oral and written communication skills, and the ability to work collaboratively with a variety of people.
- Familiarity with and ability to use a variety of digital equipment.
- Willingness to contribute to a vibrant and engaging worship experience.

### Lawn Mowing

Mow and weed-wack church yard as needed throughout Spring, Summer, and Fall using your own equipment.

# FLC Council Minutes

Faith Lutheran Church Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Mar 5, 2025

## Members Present:

Tina Aigner, Sara Aigner, Greg Freitag, Wayne Krump, Mark Johnson, Lisa Miller, Duane Nelson.

Members absent: None

Others present: Pastor Devlyn Brooks

Next Meeting: April 7, 2025 6 PM

Opening Prayer: Pastor Brooks

Devotions for April 7: Duane

Communion Assistant March 16 : Dike

Secretary's Report: Motion by Mark, second by Lisa: Approved

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Tina, second by Greg: Approved

Pastor's Report: Pastor will be attending a 1 day joint theological event with Eastern ND and NWMN synods April 3.

## Committee Reports

Faith Women- Sara Aigner Quilting is still happening.

Men's Group- Wayne Krump: Men's meal service went well. They would like to serve a meal in the spring before field work starts.

Property & Maintenance- Mark Johnson, Wayne Krump: Mark is in contact with a painter about the sanctuary ceiling and the Sunday school rooms.

## Old Business

Goals for 2025-

Music/Worship- Video Enhancement: Pastor has made an advertisement about the position for operating equipment, and discussed it with Renata and Jess. Someone will need to be at each service to operate the equipment. Pay will be \$50 per service.

Adult Education- Tabled until fall.

## New Business

Cake will be served by council March 30 in honor of Mike Nelson's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Need a new person to mow church grounds this season. Decided to post the job on our facebook page, in the newsletter.

The proprietors of The Red Silo approached Pastor about possibly using church basement this summer to hold classes.

Motion to adjourn by Greg, seconded by Mark.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Submitted by Duane Nelson

## The Easter flowers that beautify our sanctuary this Easter Sunday, are given in honor and memory of the following

Ross & Tina Aigner (2L)	<i>In honor of Calvin Engen and in memory of Annabel Peterson</i>
Kristine & Dennis Bohner (M, A)	<i>In memory of Marge and Harvey Reinke and George &amp; Betsey Bohner</i>
Mike & Debi Byars (2M)	<i>In memory of Donald Nepple, George &amp; Arbutus Byars and in honor of Marlys Nepple</i>
Greg & Pat Freitag (2M)	<i>In memory of loved ones in heaven</i>
Dennis & Jane Getz (3L)	<i>In memory of Monte Getz, Getz family and Schulz family and in honor of the Getz and Schulz families</i>
The Hendrickson Family (2A)	<i>In memory of Karen Hendrickson and Kari Wagnon</i>
Tim Nicklay & LaDawn Turner (3M)	<i>In memory of Fred, Steve, and Ron Nicklay</i>
Sheri & Tory Nissen (3L, 2M)	<i>In memory of Glen and Jane Buchholz, Albert &amp; Eileen Buchholz</i>
Diane & Jeff Nord (1L, 1 H)	<i>In memory of Charlotte Hagen, Richard &amp; Beatrice Nord, Murlen &amp; Gerry Hagen</i>
Lori Nord & Harlie Nord (1H, 1A, 2L)	<i>In Memory of Carl Nord, Raven Nord, Donald and Donna McDaniels</i>
Jay & Cindy Nord (H)	<i>In memory of Ayven Grace Peeters</i>

M= Mum L = Lily H = Hydrangea, A = Azaleas

**You may take your flowers home with you after our Easter morning worship service.**

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**Worship Schedule** 9am Sunday School 10am worship 11:00 am coffee fellowship

**Sunday, March 30**—Pr. Devlyn Brooks

**Wednesday, April 2** —Lent Service (India - Riaz Aziz) at Comstock Supper at 6PM worship 6:45

**Sunday, April 6**—Guest Minister: Kristina Waters

**Wednesday, April 9**—Lent Service (Story Telling –Pr. Devlyn Brooks) at Hoff Supper at 6:00  
worship at 6:45

**Sunday, April 13**—Palm Sunday—Pr. Devlyn Brooks

**Maundy Thursday, April 17**—Worship at 6:45

**Sunday, April 20**—**EASTER** Worship at **8am** with breakfast following

**Sunday, April 27**—Lay service—Ross Aigner

**Meeting Schedule**

**Monday, April 7**—Council at 6pm

**Sunday, April 13**—Faith Women after worship