



Faith News

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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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Food Pantry Item

FLC will no longer be suggesting or collecting food pantry items monthly. With last years successful fall food drive, Faith Women will again conduct an annual food drive this November. Any other collections by other groups will be announced as they are planned.

From our Pastor - Pr. Devlyn Brooks

Dear Faith Family ...

And on to month two of the new year! ... Does anyone else feel as if January flashed by in a blink?

There continues to be quite a busy calendar for our church throughout the month of February, and so I encourage you to study the detailed newsletter calendar that Lisa includes for everyone each month, and also to write these dates in places you frequently look!

Here are some updates ...

Rural Revival program

Please keep this Sunday, Jan. 28, on your calendar! ... Here's why ...

I believe that most of our congregation has now been introduced to Pastor Melissa Pickering from the Northwestern Minnesota Synod's "Rural "Revival" program, who is working alongside the FLC congregation to discuss what the future here should look like.

The congregation will have another opportunity to hear Pastor Melissa talk about the work that she has been doing on our church's behalf this coming Sunday, Jan. 28.

Faith Lutheran's very own Bob Stein will assist Pr Melissa with the service.

But, hold on! There's more! ... We also will have special music from the group known as the "The Prairie Doves," who will be performing during the service. Talk about a big day!

As exciting as all of that will be, please stick around after church for coffee and fellowship time when Pastor Melissa will be hosting a conversation with the congregation about the church, asking folks to share their stories of the past as well as their hopes and desires for the future.

Everyone is invited to stick around and share their thoughts! In fact, we highly encourage it!

Special Music

Sunday

♪ January 28 ♪

Prairie Doves—Folk Music Duo of Nita Velo and Laura Haugen

Conversation with Pr. Melissa Pickering after worship

Presenting an FLC LYO Dinner Night at the church!

I'd be remiss if I didn't also take this opportunity to mention again the awesome fundraiser that our LYO group is producing for the entire community on Friday, Feb. 9!

If you haven't already heard, the youth group is working very diligently to perform a "Murder Mystery Dinner Party" to help raise funds for their trip to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in July.

If you're looking for a unique Valentines day present this year, please consider buying a set of tickets to either the 5 p.m. or 8 p.m. shows on Friday, Feb. 9.

Tickets are \$25 for a single, or \$40 for a pair. And for your money, you'll receive a 3-course meal, the entertainment of participating in the mystery and the opportunity to win a prize package if you solve the crime!

You can visit with any of the LYO families or myself for more information. And remember, attendees do not have to be a member of our church to attend! They just need to want to have a good time and support our youth! Thank you!

FLC's plan for Lent

Can we seriously be talking about Lent? Already? ... Unbelievable!

Lent will kick off on Wednesday, Feb. 14, with Ash Wednesday. We will begin our Lenten services that night with a service that will include the traditional practice of the imposition of ashes. And in addition, we will kick off a Lenten teaching series that night about Moses, which will run for all six weeks of Lent.

If you've been a regular attendee of past FLC Lenten services, you may notice one big change.

In the past, we performed the entire Holden Evening Prayer, led graciously in recent years by Mike Nelson and Veronica Nelson. This year we are moving away from that tradition. While this year some of the Lenten services may feature music from the Holden Evening Prayer, the services won't center on that production as they have in the past.

Also remember, we'll kick off the Wednesday night Lenten services with a family style meal at 6 p.m. (with the exception of no meal on Ash Wednesday), and then we'll move up to the Sanctuary at 6:45 p.m. for service. Services will not be more than 45 minutes.

Looking forward to seeing a lot of folks for this new style of Lenten service! I hope you're as excited as I am!

Blessings to you this February, Faith Family!



Ash Wednesday—February 14

7pm service (no dinner served)

Wednesday Night Lenten Services -

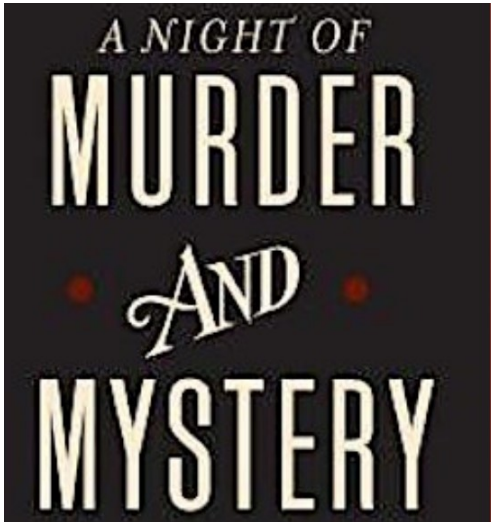
February 21, 28 March 6, 13, 20

6pm Dinner

6:45pm Service

February Ushers

*Carl Nord
Scott Smith
Spencer Nord



Valentines Murder Mystery Dinner February 9, 2024

Join us for a Murder Mystery Dinner Party filled with fun, mystery, food and good times! Enjoy a 3-course meal and solve the crime!

Tickets: \$25/person or
2 for \$40 .

After February 1st:
\$30/person

February 9, 2024

Two Showings
5:00 pm and 8:00 pm

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PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FROM ANY FAITH LUTHERAN LYO MEMBER OR MESSAGING WOLVERTON FAITH LUTHERAN LYO ON FACEBOOK TO ARRANGE.

Everyone is welcome!

All proceeds benefit the Wolverton Faith Lutheran Youth Organization



LYO Upcoming Events:

- February 4: Souper Bowl of Caring
- February 9: Murder Mystery Dinner
- February 21: Lenten Supper
- February 28: Lenten Supper
- March 6: Lenten Supper
- March 13: Lenten Supper
- March 20: Lenten Supper
- March 31: Easter Breakfast



LYO Families and others participated in the 10th annual Feed My Starving Children FargoPack. Some 27,000 volunteers packed 9.7 million meals in the span of 10 days. That is enough to feed 26,608 kids for an entire year. Ask the kids about it. It was quite the experience to be a small part of something so large, successful, and meaningful. Thank you church for being the hands and feet of Christ!



Birthdays

- 2 Missy Nelson
- 6 Maci Jacob
- 11 Gabriel Kekko
- 12 Lucas Nord
- 13 Jane Getz
- 13 Kristi Johnson
- 13 Peggy Mastin
- 14 Sophie Aigner
- 14 Beverly Nord
- 16 Kris Bohner
- 16 Jacob Lucke
- 17 Casey Thiessen
- 19 Logan Kappes
- 22 Sara Aigner
- 22 Hunter Aigner
- 22 Emma Cook
- 23 Arlene Nelson
- 25 Allison Smith
- 28 Keith Allen
- 28 Scout Kappes
- 29 Audra Nord

Anniversaries

- 14 Devlyn and Shelley Brooks
- 16 Rod and Margaret Turner
- 21 Keith and Norma Kragerud

Faith Care and Share

Death Announcement—Albert (Abie) Buchholz passed away on January 9. A service will be held at a later date.



Easter Plant Orders

Help beautify the church and honor a loved one by ordering a Easter lily, hydrangea, or mum. The plants can be picked up af-

ter the Easter morning service.

Forms are available in the church office.

Single Easter Lilies @ \$9.50 Triple Lilies @ \$20.00

Mums @ \$9.50 Hydrangea @ \$30.00

Prayer Requests

Jane Buchholz—Sheyenne Crossing West Fargo

Arlene Nelson—Eventide Senior Living Moorhead

Keith Nelson—at home in Wolverton

Alice Poppel - Farmstead Care Moorhead

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.

FLC Council Minutes—January 3

Faith Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

Members Present: Tina Aigner, Wayne (Dike) Krump, Greg Freitag, Lisa Miller, Duane Nelson, and Sara Aigner

Members Absent: Keith Kragerud

Others Present: Deb Byars

Pastor Devlyn Brooks was unable to attend due to a family emergency.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 7, 7 p.m.

February 7 Devotions: Sara Aigner

Communion Assistant: January 7 – Dike Krump, January 21 – Sara Aigner February 4 – Lisa Miller.

Secretary's Report: Approved with one edit. The January 3 meeting was referenced as December 3.

Treasurer's Report: Approved

Committee Reports & Assignments

Education & LYO – Lisa Miller – LYO is hosting a Valentine's Murder Mystery dinner as a National Youth Gathering fundraiser at the church on February 9. See an LYO member for tickets. They are participating in "Feed My Starving Children" on January 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Dome. More participants from our congregation are needed. Let Devlyn or Deb Smith know if you can help.

Endowment – Duane Nelson – A committee member is needed. Greg Freitag will ask Pat Freitag if she would consider serving on the committee.

Music & Worship – Tina Aigner – Pastor Pickering is attending the January 7 meeting.

Property & Maintenance – Keith Kragerud & Wayne (Dike) Krump – Lisa shared that there is evidence of mice in the church. Sara shared contact information for Midwest Pest Control with Lisa. Duane will discuss the bell and the balcony shaking he's noticed with Bradley Nelson.

Old Business

-Peterson Memorial, exterior cross – Keith Kragerud is fol-

lowing up on this.

-Israel Tour – The trip is officially cancelled. The money has not been returned yet.

-Rural Revival Project – There was no update shared at the meeting. Pastor Pickering will attend the January 28 worship service. There will be a question and answer session with the congregation. Bob Stein is leading the service and there will be special music by the Prairie Doves.

New Business

-Deb Byars was at the meeting representing the music and worship committee. The committee would like to schedule special music throughout 2024. Council approved paying for special music through the Bertha Otteson fund. **A motion to provide the committee with a budget of \$5,000 for the year was made an approved.**

-Space Heater – Devlyn mentioned it was very cold in his office. We discussed purchasing a space heater for him, but Lisa said she could adjust the thermostat just for his office. She will make some adjustments and see if the situation improves.

-Sharing of Peace – on hold until we get through the cold and flu season. It will be readdressed in the spring.

-Other New Business – Janelle Krump thanked the congregation for the gift card she received for her contributions as Faith Lutheran's LYO leader.

-Lisa reviewed the manual for our baby grand piano. Disklavier – it has the ability to connect a recording device and save to a laptop so it's believed floppy disks are not required. Lisa will bring this new information to the music and worship committee meeting.

Motion to adjourn

The Lord's Prayer

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Worship Schedule

February

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

Sunday, January 28 — Special Music Sunday— by The Prairie Doves
- Pr. Melissa Pickering and RC Stein leading service
- Conversation after worship—Rural Revival

Sunday, February 4—Pr. Devlyn Brooks and communion
- Souper Bowl of Caring

Sunday, February 11—Sunday School Takeover—Noisy offering will be taken

Wednesday, February 14—Ash Wednesday Service @ 7 pm

Sunday, February 18—Pr. Devlyn Brooks and communion

Wednesday, February 21— Supper @ 6pm Service @ 6:45

Sunday, February 25—Pr. Kristina Waters, guest minister

Wednesday, February 28—Supper @ 6pm Service @ 6:45

FLC Events & Meetings

Council Meeting February 7 @ 7PM

Murder Mystery Dinner February 9 @ 5pm and 8pm