



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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From our Pastor - Devlyn Brooks

Dear Faith Family ...

Thank you to all who were able to attend our confirmation service on April 21. What a wonderful day to celebrate some really great students with a great turnout!

With each passing year, I find it increasingly difficult to say good bye to the confirmation classes that graduate. As I noted during the service, I've known this group of confirmands for half of their life now, and it's been a great joy to get to spend the last three years talking and learning about their faith.

Thank you to this church's parents for the privilege of being able to teach confirmation to your children! It really is a great joy! And a privilege I do not take lightly!

Cross Dedication—May 5

Come celebrate and bless the installation of this beautiful lighted exterior cross given in memory of Pr. Ted Peterson on Sunday, May 5 during worship. Pr. Peterson was Faith's pastor for 27 years. His wife, Mildred and daughters Karen and Dawn will be hear and look forward to greeting old friends.



May Ushers
Nils Hanson
Greg Freitag

And thank you to the congregation for allowing me this privilege as well. Sunday services are wonderful, but there are so many more places and times in which our faith grows, and I know that mine grows every time I get to interact with our youth in faithful settings.

I sincerely thank you for bestowing this charge on me as your pastor!

Faith Forward

I also want to thank the 10 folks who turned out at the first-ever meeting of the effort we are calling "Faith Forward," the initiative that is growing out of our participation in the synod's "Rural Revival" program.

It was exciting to see determination in the eyes of those present and who committed to helping to determine what is to become of our church in its next chapter. It is evident to all of us that we need to define a

new mission, and the general consensus is that that new mission field lies outside the walls of our church.

Those that accepted the invitation to this response team are committing to help our church chart a new way forward, including finding a way that turns our gaze and our mission outward rather than in; a way that still stays true to caring for our members but simultaneously tells our small community, "We see and care for you too."

Faith Family, this work will not be easy, nor quick. After all, we still have the same number of dwindling available sets of hands, the same budget and the same busy schedules all around.

But I will tell you that in our library that night during the first meeting of "Faith Forward," the feeling was electric, hopeful, and made this pastor's heart grow!

Please know that this effort will take the talents of this entire congregation, and so please consider stepping forward if a member of "Faith Forward" asks for your help with a project. It's fair to say that in this endeavor, we need all hands on deck!

A cross installation party!

Another plug for our lighted cross dedication Sunday ...

Please keep Sunday, May 5, on your calendar as we will be blessing and celebrating the installation of a large exterior cross on the east side of the church that will be able to be seen from Highway 75. At night the cross will be lit and will shine Christ's light for all who pass to see!

The cross installation celebration is the culmination of a long-term project led by our church council, and will be a permanent memorial to Pastor Ted Peterson and his family for their years of service to

Faith Lutheran Church. Thank you to Pastor Peterson's family for making this possible!

Pastor Peterson's wife Mildred, and daughters Karen and Dawn Marie and husband Mark Oberly plan to be in attendance to witness the blessing of the cross.

Faith Lutheran Council members are reaching out to members from throughout the years who may have been confirmed or married by Pastor Peterson to inform them of this big day. Please reach out to others in your confirmation classes who might be able to attend the celebration!

Thank you!

Upcoming baptism!

Also, please do not forget that we have another upcoming baptism as well! How wonderful!

We will be welcoming little Eddie, born to Luke Nord and Savanna Hill, on Sunday, May 19. Please join us for this joyful occasion!

Sweet, sweet summertime!

Finally, one more reminder that we will be returning to our summer schedule of meeting for worship on Wednesday nights during the months of June, July and August. Our first summer Wednesday service will be on June 5 at 6:45 p.m.

On those Wednesday nights, we share a family style meal before our summer services starting at 6 p.m. It's always great to be able to break bread midweek with our Faith Family!

Blessings to you this May, Faith Family! ... See you in church!



Interested in becoming a member of
Faith Lutheran Church?

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Welcome
New Members

Birthdays

- 1 Keelee Pfau
- 5 Piper Henderickson
- 5 Drew Byars
- 5 Kase Kappes
- 10 Lori Nord
- 10 Kylie Hendrickson
- 11 Veronica Nelson
- 12 Linda Lucke
- 14 Bruce Slinger
- 16 Amber Nord
- 16 Siriana Heitman
- 16 Flynn Aretz
- 22 Stephen Dockter
- 22 Kevin Olthoff
- 23 Jane Buchholz
- 24 Travis Smeby
- 27 Kelsey Emerfoll
- 30 Linda Jones
- 31 Donna Johnson
- 31 Michael Aigner

Anniversary

- 2 Shawn and Andrea O'Dell
- 4 Mike and Debi Byars
- 5 Steve and Maryann Olthoff
- 19 Mike and Peggy Mastin
- 21 Ron and Cheryl Affield
- 22 Jason and Kyle Hendrickson
- 30 Greg and Pat Freitag

Celebration of Confirmation



Pictured: **Darin Smith,**
Pr. Brooks, Boden
Schroeder, and Brooke
Nord

Congratulations students
who were confirmed on
April 21.

Welcome to **Liam Bryan An-**
dres, son of Alisha Retzlaff and
Kyle Andres, to the family of
Faith. Liam was baptized on
April 7.



Prayer Requests

Jane Buchholz—Sheyenne Crossing
Long Term Care West Fargo, ND

Arlene Nelson—Eventide Senior Liv-
ing Moorhead, MN

Keith Nelson—at home in Wolverton, MN

Alice Poppel - Farmstead Care Moorhead, MN

Please keep these people in
your prayers. Drop them a
note or give them a call.
Please let Pr. Devlyn know

Faith Women's Annual Spring
Mother-Daughter-Other
Gathering

Saturday, April 27
10 a.m.

Spring

Reaching for your Lucke Stars: My STEM Story
Our own Kaela Lucke will speak on her career
choice of being a Meteorologist and her work
with NASA.



PATHWAYS SPRING WORK DAYS

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! WE NEED
YOUR HELP PREPARING OUR SITES
FOR THE SUMMER AHEAD!**

Camp Minne-Wa-Kan
Saturday, May 4th
9:00am-3:00pm

Camp Emmaus
Saturday, June 1st*
9:00am-3:00pm
*Friday night lodging
available for volunteers

**Many hands
make light
work!**



Learn more and sign up by visiting: pathwaysbiblecamps.org/spring-work-days

GARAGE SALE

**MAY 11TH, 2024
08:00AM-2:00PM**

**2002 19 1/2 ST S
MOORHEAD MN 56560**

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE FAITH
LUTHERAN LYO WHO ARE ATTENDING THE
ELCA GATHERING

FLC Council Minutes

April 3, 2024

Members Present: Sara Aigner, Wayne Krump, Keith Kragerud, Lisa Miller, President Tina Aigner, Greg Freitag and Duane Nelson.

Others Present: Pastor Devlyn Brooks

Opening Prayer: Pastor Devlyn Brooks

Devotions: Duane Nelson

Preliminary Business

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 1, 2024, 7 p.m.

Devotions: Tina Aigner

Communion Assistants: Sunday, April 7 – Dike Krump and Sunday April 21 – Sara Aigner

Secretary's Report - Approved

Treasurer's Report – Approved

Pastor's Report – It's been a busy month. Good feedback on Lenten services. LYO activities are a major focus. April 6 funeral and April 7 baptism. Three students will be confirmed on April 21. Pastor has also been supporting members of the congregation. There will also be a baptism in May. The Council expressed concerns about Pastor Brooks supporting Faith Lutheran more than half time and asked him to make Council aware when the work load is too heavy.

Committee Reports & Assignments

Education & LYO – Lisa Miller – Easter breakfast was a success along with the auction, the LYO members held as a fundraiser for the National Youth Gathering that morning. A garage sale is planned for May.

Endowment – Duane Nelson – Duane asked how much more money the LYO members need for the Gathering. We will try to find the amount out.

Faith Women – Sara Aigner – The spring gathering/mother, daughter, other program is April 27. Kaela Lucke Rosencrans will provide the program and discuss her work as a meteorologist. There are new guidelines for serving funerals.

Property & Maintenance – Keith Kragerud/Wayne (Dike) Krump – The new basement bathroom will have a new doorknob installed. The brass cross on the altar is loose. The altar ring needs to be moved back.

Old Business

-Peterson Memorial – Dike and his brother will install the cross on April 5. Council will serve cake and coffee at the dedication on May 5. Jessica Nelson will be asked to bake a cake. Sara will ask Jennifer Gylland if she will provide special music for worship. Tina will ask Ross Aigner if he will say a few words at the dedication. The Peterson family will be in attendance. Council members are encouraged to spread the word about the event.

-Rural Revival – Next steps were discussed. We named the project "Faith Forward". We need to revisit our mission and identity to see what differentiates us from other congregations around us. We are in a great location to draw people into our congregation. President Tina Aigner will define a committee which all members are welcome to join. Members will be invited to join the committee during a church service, via an email will go to all those on the newsletter email address list, and the opportunity will also be listed in the bulletin. Tina will bring the group together prior to the May 1 Council meeting. This group will be asked to attend the May 1 Council meeting.

Other Old Business

– The choir loft floor will be refinished in May.

New Business

Confirmation Gifts – Lisa and Sara will take care of purchasing the gifts.

Other New Business – Lisa reported that a new vacuum cleaner may need to be purchased.

Motion to Adjourn

The Lord's Prayer

Submitted by Sara Aigner, Secretary

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Worship Schedule

Sunday, April 28—Lay Service—Ross Aigner

Sunday, May 5—Pr. Devlyn - Communion and dedication of cross (last Sunday School)

Sunday, May 12—Lay Service—Sunday School Takeover—*Happy Mother's Day*

Sunday, May 19—Pr. Devlyn—Communion and Baptism (Eddie Nord)

Sunday, May 26— NO SERVICE

10:00 am worship 11:00 am coffee fellowship

Wednesday, June 5—Begin Wednesday Night Services at 6:45 Supper served at 6:00

Meeting & Event Schedule

Saturday, April 27—Faith Women Spring Gathering (See flyer on page 4)

Wednesday, May 1—Council Meeting at 7PM

Saturday, May 11—LYO Garage Sale (See flyer on page 4)

Sunday, May 19—Faith Forward meets after worship