



Weekend Update

Grow in faith... Share Christ's love

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Publications for print from our Web site:

- Weekend Updates
- Monthly Messengers

Welcome visitors

Please stop by the "Welcome Center" located in the lobby for information brochures.

Sunday worship

- 8 and 11 a.m. - traditional
- 9:30 a.m. - contemporary
- 6:00 p.m. - cont. liturgical

Education for all ages

- 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.

Look for posters listing options.

Today at Faith

Baptism In the 3:00 Deaf worship today, Kaeliann Louise Hale, daughter of David and Sara Hale, will be baptized into the Lord's family. Kaeliann's sponsors are Carrie and David Brock, Brenda Luoma and Jeff McKinney. May God continue to bless Kaeliann and her family as she grows in her faith.

Upcoming at Faith

Sunday Schedule Forum The Sunday Task Force, has been meeting to determine what is the Sunday worship/education schedule that can best accomplish our vision. Forums will give the recommendations asking for congregation feedback. There is one remaining forum TODAY from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (lunch included with free-will donation).

Parents of 2nd and 3rd graders: 'Faith Legacy' is a DVD-based training to help families grow spiritually in their home. In this portion called Faith Legacy First Bible, parents meet for three, 60-minute sessions with other parents of the same-aged children, *Jan. 23, 30 and Feb. 6 at 10:45 a.m.* in the Fellowship Hall. Parents will learn how to use the Bible in their home, to understand how the Bible fits together, and to use the power of God's word to direct their lives. The course is complete after parents and children have completed the First Bible Fun Night (Feb. 4) and the First Bible Blessing Event held in worship Feb. 13.

Senior Saints Join us when we meet Thursday, Jan. 20, for a soup and salad lunch and then a field trip to Brown vs Board of Education. A tour guide will lead us through the displays and the featured program "Commemorating the Struggle for Freedom in Kansas," an art exhibit by local artists. No admission charge, donations accepted for lunch and exhibit. This is sponsored by the Senior Saints and is an invitation to anyone. Contact Elaine Eggold at 232-9708.



Women's Valentine Lunch

All women of Faith (and friends) are invited to a fabulous lunch and dessert on Saturday, Feb. 12, from 12 - 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The featured program is "Pearls and Lace" based on Ruth 1:16.

Each table will be individually decorated in a Valentine/love theme, so if you would like to decorate and/or host a table, contact Karen Brumleve at karen@miraclemethod.kscxmail.com

or 215-6202. Tickets for the event are \$10 and will be available in the church office soon.

CALENDAR: This week at Faith

Today	8:00 am	Traditional worship
	9:30	Contemporary worship
	9:30 & 10:45	Education Hours
	10:45	Faith Legacy class
	11:00	Traditional worship
	12:00 pm	Sunday Forum
	3:00	Worship for the Deaf
6:00	Evening worship	
Mon	6:00 pm	Girls of Faith (Audrey's)
	6:30	Cub Scouts
	6:30	Stephen Ministry
	7:00	Boy Scouts
	7:30	Men's Basketball (TLS)
Tue	9:30 am	Hanson Small Group
	9:30	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	7:00	Deborah Circle
Wed	5:30 pm	Confirmation
	5:30	WOW
	6:30	Doorway to Faith class
	6:30	Various Bible Studies
	6:30	Outreach Team
Thur	11:30 am	Senior Saints
	6:00 pm	Sr Yth Intense Bible study
	6:00	Bell Choir
	7:30	Adult Choir
Sat	7:00 am	Pancake Feed
	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study

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Community Events

Pancake Feed The Troop 59 Boy Scouts will host a pancake feed on Saturday, Jan. 22, 7:00 a.m. - noon in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy sausage, juice or coffee, and all the pancakes you care to eat. Look for Scouts offering advance tickets (\$4) at the base of the stairway, or pay at the door.

St. Olaf College Choir in Concert This internationally acclaimed choir from Northfield, Minn., will be in concert at Grace Cathedral, 701 SW 8th, on Monday, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m. Ticket are \$10 and are available by calling 800-363-5487 or at stolaftickets.com. *There are only 600 tickets available and it is recommended that you purchase them in advance.* The St. Olaf Choir, under the direction of Anton Armstrong, will also be joined by organist Dr. John Ferguson. The Topeka event is co-sponsored by Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka.

New classes offered

Sign Class American Sign Language classes will be offered Mondays, 6-8 p.m., beginning Jan 31 and continue for 8 weeks. They will meet in the Senior Youth Room. Level of instruction is beginner to intermediate. Text book is optional and may be ordered by contacting Deb Hale at signmemom@cox.net or 969-1764. Classes are open to public.

Women's Bible Study You are welcome to join a women's Bible study meeting Wednesdays (6:30-8:00 p.m.) during WOW. They meet in the Senior Youth room and are studying Beth Moore's "Jesus the One and Only." For more information, contact Brenda Schwartz, ksbenji@hotmail.com.

Men's Bible Study Please join the men on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in Room 100A. The video-based study, "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School," is by Bruce Wurdeman, executive director for Lutheran Hour Ministries. Contact Eric Boling for more info, meboling01@sbcglobal.net or 271-7788.

Doorway to Faith Class A new member class began last Wednesday from 6:15-7:45 p.m. in Room 100. But if you were unable to make it, it's not too late--come this week!

- **Wednesdays, Jan. 19 through Feb. 16** - Instructional classes to Lutheranism. The curriculum follows "The Spirituality of the Cross" written by Gene Veith.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 23** - Final orientation for all who choose to join Faith Lutheran Church. New Member Sunday is Feb. 27.

Music Ministry

Joint Choir to Perform *Messiah* The Adult Choir of Faith will be joining the Adult Choir of First Lutheran in presenting part of Handel's *Messiah*, Sunday, March 13 at 4 p.m. at First Lutheran. There will be a guest conductor, soloists and orchestra for this event. If you would like to participate as a choir member, work has begun on learning the choruses. Because we want to be well prepared, please start attending Thursday evening (7:30) rehearsals at Faith. Some joint rehearsals will be held in addition to a dress rehearsal on March 12. We would appreciate having more voices. We also encourage congregation to put this date on calendars and attend.

Music Leaders We all strive to serve God through music and invite your participation. If you have questions about our music opportunities, direct them to:

- Barb McComas - Alleluia Ringers Bell Choir
- Audrey Duensing-Werner - Praise Team
- Brenda Ruhnke - WOW music for kids
- Sally Bender - strings
- Linda Laird - Adult Choir

Children & Youth

Lutheran College Fair is Thursday, Jan. 20 at Atonement Lutheran Church, 9948 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park. Registration begins at 6:45 p.m., followed by Financial Aid Seminar at 7:00 and College Fair/Dinner from 7:30-9:00. Admissions representatives will be available from at least 20 Lutheran colleges/universities from across the country. Those attending will receive four application fee waivers. For more details, visit www.lutherancolleges.org. The college search begins well in advance of the senior year. Students and families welcome.

Gathering of the Talents GOTT offers an opportunity for students to share their God-given gifts in art, creative writing, dance, drama and music. It is open to all Kindergarten through 8th grade students in Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod schools and churches. The five categories are organized by student chairpersons who compile judges consisting of Concordia University faculty and students. If your child would like to participate in GOTT at Concordia, Seward, Neb., on Saturday, April 2, you need to let the church office know so we can get you registered by Feb. 4. There is a \$1.25 registration fee per student for each event, with a maximum fee of \$6.25. Contact Linda Meyer in the church office. More information can be found at <http://gathering.cune.edu>.

F.Y.I.

Poinsettias If you ordered a poinsettia, please take yours home today or they will soon be gone.

Save the Date The TLS Foundation will host a Sweetheart Dinner and Dance on Feb. 13 at Top of the Tower. Black tie (optional), jacket required. Deliciously prepared dinner, live musical entertainment and cash bar. Funds raised go to support student tuition/grant-in-aid.

Used Devotion Booklets Please place your used "Portals of Prayer" in the box in the room on the north side of the lobby. These will be used for the LWML's prison ministry.

No Parish Nurse Walk-ins We are on hold for the blood pressure check walk-ins on Wednesdays. If you have health questions, contact Margaret Anschutz at 235-2293.

Men's Basketball Pick-up games are Mondays, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the TLS gym, 701 SW Roosevelt. Call Chris Meyer, 273-7352.

Offering Envelopes The 2011 envelopes are back out in the lobby. Take yours or family members' boxes (recycle if you don't use them).

Foster Parent Info Meeting Consider becoming a foster parent. Learn about what it takes to become a foster parent and its benefits at the information meeting, Thursday, Jan. 27, 5:30-6:30 p.m., at the Topeka/Shawnee Public Library (Anton Room 202). For questions or to RSVP, contact 800.593.1950, ext. 8118 or info@youthville.org.

our MEMBERS

Idell Dankert, hospitalized recovering from back surgery
Madeline Brockmeier, recovering from double knee replacement
Reva Hossfeld, recovering from surgery
Maureen Schwant, recovering from minor surgery
Loren Thowe, recovering from hip surgery
Don Masenthin, broken hip & arm

Rebecca Nelson, thanksgiving for good tests
Avery & Shirleen Staebell, health concerns
Marvin Rodehorst, health concerns
Renata Rodehorst, health concerns
Julianne Harris, results from tests
Kay Kemp, lung disease
Susan Borghardt, cancer, undergoing chemo
Yvonne Hamilton, cancer treatment

Barb McComas, cancer treatment
Mardi Long & Mohinder Pal, pending visa
Herb Eisler
Pearl Figge
Michele LeMoine
Norm Sawyer

If you or an immediate family member are entering the hospital, call the church office at 272-4214 so a staff member may visit/pray with you.

Family & Friends

Sarah Hayes, friend of Shirley Pryor, hospitalized with failing health

Elaine Halenkamp, friend of Betsy Hawkins, hospitalized

John, cousin of Jane Nelson, health concerns

When a name is submitted in this "Family and Friends" section, it will be printed for three weeks. If you would like to continue the name on the prayer list, please contact the church office through phone, e-mail or prayer card.

family friends w/ CANCER

Marilyn, cousin of Nelsons
Randy Flanagan, son of Marty
Roy Duensing, father of Audrey
Rodney Ohlde, father of Kim Savage
Bob Hogrefe, father of Kim Hernandez
Joanna Burke, mother of Kelly
Kathy, daughter-in-law of Chuck & Hope Caviness
Marilyn Garrett, grandmother of Brian Bennett
Mike, brother of Dee Bowman
Betty, sister of Chuck Urban
Carol Wilde, sister of Barb McComas

Cecile & Don Penney, sister & brother-in-law of Goodings
Lois Nelson, great-aunt of Paige Grisell
Will Dickes, nephew of Colleen
Joseph McGee, nephew of Gwen Lehman
Mikey Cummings, great-nephew of Kathy Orth
Xavier Henneberg, great-nephew of Eva Brunkow
Kelsey Kataret, cousin of Sandra Raney
Cindy Hammond, relative of Hullons
Adam, friend of Jessica Atchison
Carol, friend of Peterson family
Denise, friend of Smelter family

Dorothy, friend of Amy Dunton
Heidi, friend of Kim Burnam
Laura, friend of Diana Beitz
Laura & Sheri, friends of Sandra Sweet
Laurie, friend of Yvonne Hamilton
Nancy & Judy, friends of Shirley Martin
Tammy & Tanya, friends of Jennifer Harris
Tina, friend of Aaron & Jennifer Hilderman
Gary, boss of John Kissingling
Kayla, child friend of Kate Culbertson
Zach, child friend of Sheila Krohe

in the MILITARY

Chase Briggs
David Conwell
Bryan Conwell
Scott Hudson
Tim Kemp
David Marstall
Rebecca Waterman
Michael Hogg, husband of Corry
Matt Thomas, husband of Chelsie (Saunders)
James Brown, father of Ashley Brown
Hallie & Shawn Spencer, daughter & son-in-law of Brumleves
Joshua Schultz, son of Gene & Peg
Angela Rokey, granddaughter of Goodings
Jonathan Bonister, grandson-in-law of Shirley Pryor
Joel Gaston, brother of Juli Mazachek

Chuck Taylor, brother of David
Tom Palenske, brother-in-law of Juli Mazachek
Jim Edwards, uncle of Caitlyn Lambrecht
Dani Knudson, niece of Alex & Joy Hoover
Kristen Wilburn, niece of Landmans
Justin Backman, nephew of Lance & Kerri Smith
Chuck Campbell, nephew of Charlotte
Lee Fox, nephew of Ed & Valeda Pinick
Mitchell Kent, nephew of Terri Bynum
James Kroenke, nephew of Cathy Atchison
Jared McClung, nephew of Mike Maloun
Scott Moore, nephew of Kelly & Cathy Burke
Seth Ostermann, nephew of Linda Laird
Michael Phelps, nephew of Betsy Hawkins
Elizabeth Doss, great niece of Bob Gabler

Bill Washington, great-nephew of Gwen Lehmann
Chris Crocker, cousin of Kahlee
Kevin Nolan, cousin of the Janouseks
Mark Manieri, cousin of Nadine Barnhill
Damon Browning, friend of Janouseks
Matt Campbell, friend of Starla Theimer
Mark Goforth, friend of Sandy Nelson-Mayo
Gilbert Gonzales, friend of Kristen Fay
Damon Harris, friend of the Kissingling family
Chris Kieffer, friend of Kristen Fay
Glenn & Kelsey, friends of Kahlee Crocker
Jason, friend of Hennesseys
Justin Rapp, friend of Judy Thompson
Zack Stiffler, friend David & Jennifer Schmitt
Taylor Wilson, friend of Stephanie Hennessey

Preparing for Church Work

Christina (Shults) Siva, Pacific School of Religion (seminary), Berkeley CA
Drew & Nicole Bradshaw, awaiting DCO call
Amie Zillinger, Concordia, Seward NE (teacher)
Kory & Cara Fay and family, Lutheran Bible Translators, preparing to go to Cameroon, Africa

In Service & Mission Work

Spiritual Life Leaders
Parish Nurses
Stephen Ministers
Lay Deacons
Topeka Lutheran School & CYC
Faith Early Learning Center

Guinea, W. Africa missions
Children's Christian Concern Society
Heiney and Carlos families (missionaries to Guinea)

LCMS chaplains serving in Iraq and other troubled areas
LINC Ministry Dallas, TX
Outreach/Ministry to Washburn University

If you are submitting a prayer request for someone other than yourself for this publication, please be sure to get their permission. If you submit a card for prayer in a worship service, please indicate that you want it in this publication. If you would like your prayer included on the Prayer Chain, call Bobbie Nixon (272-7845) or Eva Brunkow (272-2102).