



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 in worship

Visioning Guest preacher

Today we welcome Pastor Scott Rische from First Lutheran Church, El Cajon, Calif., as guest preacher for all worship services. Pastor Rische spoke yesterday at the visioning event and will continue his message to help us envision a future in which our congregation is Spirit-driven and missional. Having three key relationships--in God, with each other, and in the community--can transform your life. Today's worship service reflects the vision of faith...to grow in faith and share Christ's love.



Special Events

Baptism Celebration TODAY

• 9:00–9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

The whole congregation is welcome to recognize their baptism into God's family with our annual baptism ritual.

• 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Room 104

Anyone interested in learning about Baptism is welcome to come for this one hour class. In class, participants will talk about Baptism and what it means to us Lutherans.

Crown Financial Seminar Start the New Year right with a fresh look at your finances through the lens of God's word. Begin tightening those saving muscles, exercising restraint and increasing your level of contentment while reducing stress and blood pressure. As with all exercise programs, sometimes you need the help of a personal trainer. If so, sign up for the "Journey to Financial Freedom Seminar."

This seminar is designed to provide the tools for God's people to implement a financial plan to avoid or eliminate debt, create savings, and ultimately achieve true financial freedom. When people experience financial freedom, they become free to serve and honor God with their resources in ways they never imagined.

Faith Lutheran Church will be hosting the Crown Financial Ministries seminar "Journey to Financial Freedom" on Saturday, Jan. 23 from 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 for materials and lunch. This event is open to the public. Register online through our church Web site link or pick up a form in the lobby or office.

Talent Show Postponed

You have a little longer to polish that hidden talent and prepare for the Faith Talent Show. The date is moved from Jan. 22 to Friday, Feb. 26. More information will be coming soon!

Calendar: This week at Faith

Today	8:00 am	Traditional worship
	9:00	Baptism Celebration
	9:30	Sunday Education
	9:30	Hymn Bible Study
	9:30	Contemporary worship
	10:45	Sunday Education
	10:45	Baptism Class
	10:45	Doorway to Faith Class
	11:00	Traditional worship
	2:00 pm	Eagle Scout Ceremony
	6:00	Blended worship
	6:00	Sr Youth Ignite
	Mon	9:00 am
9:30		Women's Bible Study I
6:30 pm		Girls of Faith (Audrey's)
7:00		Boy Scouts
7:00		Eve Circle
7:30		Men's Basketball (TLS)
Tue	9:00 am	Lifelight Bible Study
	9:30	Hanson Small Group
	1:30 pm	Miriam Circle
	1:30 & 7:00	Shawl Ministry
	5:30	ELC Team
	7:00	Praise Team Rehearsal
Wed	9:30 am	Ruth Circle
	1:30 pm	Parish Nurse Walk-in
	5:00	Prayer Team
	5:30	WOW
	5:30	Confirmation
	6:15	Signing Class
	6:15	Women's Bible Study II
	6:30	Men's Bible Study II
	6:30	Hymn Bible study
	7:00	Lay Leadership Council
Thur	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
	7:30	Adult Choir
Sat	7:00 am	Scout Pancake Feed
	8:00	Men's Bible Study I

Editor's Note - If you have something to be published in the **Weekend Update**, please send to **Linda Meyer** via e-mail or drop off during office hours, by **Thursday noon** the week of publication.

New Bible studies offered

- **Hymn Bible Study** The hymn of the month is "Shine, Jesus, Shine" which will be explored further, along with Christianity of South Korea, TODAY at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall, then again on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft. For more information, contact Young Chung at 272-4214 or youngmusic@gmail.com.
- **Sign Language Class** The class taught by Sara and Deb Hale, will start again on Wednesday, Jan. 13. Class will be weekly, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m., in the Senior Youth Room. We will continue in the same sign book that we were using the first semester. New students are welcome to join. Questions? Contact Deb at signmemom@cox.net or 246-0528.
- **Women's Bible Study I** The group has moved to Mondays at 9:30 a.m. at Faith and will be studying "Beloved Disciple" by Beth Moore which follows the Apostle John. Childcare may be available (see article on next page). Contact Kate Culbertson at 408-4220 or sunburnkate@yahoo.com.
- **Women's Bible Study II** Come Wednesdays beginning Jan. 13 during WOW (6:15-8:00 p.m.) in room S-14 to a Bible study for women called "Believing God" by Beth Moore. Originating from a concept introduced in Isaiah 43:10, "Believing God" examines what it means to believe God rather than only believe in Him. Participants study the lives of Abraham and others from Hebrews 11 as examples of people who believed God. For more information, contact Brenda Schwartz at 785-484-3262 or ksbenji@hotmail.com

Upcoming Activities at Faith

- **Eagle Scout Ceremony** Our member, Brynn Johnson (son of Mitch and Janet), will be receiving his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor, today at 2 p.m. at Faith. The congregation is invited. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Troop 59 Pancake Breakfast** Come Saturday, Jan. 16, 7 a.m. - Noon, in the Fellowship Hall, for their annual pancake breakfast of a drink, sausage and all the pancakes you can eat for \$4. Advance tickets are available from Troop Scouts on Sunday mornings at the bottom of the stairwell. Proceeds support scout's summer camp trip and activities.
- **Retirees Group** Retirees are invited to a get-together on Thursday, Jan. 21 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a soup, salad and dessert lunch followed by bunco (a non-thinking dice game). Bring a "white elephant" gift for bunco prizes. Contact Elaine Eggold, 232-9708, if you have questions.

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Doorway to Faith Class This six-week class for those wanting to learn more about Christianity from a Lutheran perspective begins TODAY at 10:45 a.m. in Room 100A. This class may lead to membership at Faith.

Pictorial Directories Are In

If you had your picture taken or submitted in the directory, pick up yours in the lobby. All directories are labeled.

Bible Order Update CPH has indicated that many of the Bibles have been backordered and cannot confirm arrival date. They thank you for your patience.

Sunday School Offerings

Christian Service Team has designated the ministries to receive our Sunday school offerings:
January—Lutheran Hour Ministries;
February—Topeka Rescue Mission;
March—Doorstep, Inc.

Ministry Team Leaders:

Written reports of your 2009 Ministry Team activities should be completed and in the church office by Jan. 17 for the Annual Meeting Jan. 24.

Voters Meeting The annual voters meeting is Sunday, Jan. 24 beginning with a lunch at 12:15 p.m. followed by the meeting. The agenda includes the election of Katie Mize as Treasurer and Corporate Secretary.

Quilting Come to Room 100 on Monday, Jan. 11 and 25 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and help assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief. You may come and go, bring a sack lunch if you stay all day.

Children's Ministry

- **W.O.W.** On Wednesday evenings from 5:30-8:15, WOW offers a meal, fellowship time, Bible study and worship skills for preschoolers-7th grade and adults. The new semester of WOW begins Wednesday, Jan. 13 (due to weather last week). The only cost is the meal (\$3). For more information or to register, contact Marilyn Shults at the church office.
- **Child Care Needed** An adult is needed on Monday mornings from 9:30-11 a.m. to watch a couple of toddlers during a women's Bible study at Faith. If interested, contact Marilyn Shults at 272-4214 or marilyn4kids44@swbell.net

Youth Ministry

Junior Youth Ministries *for grades 5-8*

- **5th/6th grade** Sunday, Jan. 17 come to 'Mystery Stop Tour Lock Out' from 6 p.m.-midnight. \$10 per person. It's a mystery... you won't know anything until you get there.
- **7th/ 8th grade** Sunday, Jan. 17 from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. is Advanced Lazer Tag and Soup Kitchen serving in Kansas city. \$10 per person includes pizza buffet and three hours of lazer tag. (Notice the correction to the cost!)

Senior Youth Ministries *for grades 9-12*

- **Ignite Youth** Sundays at Faith, 6-8 p.m. Bible study and feast 1st Sunday of the month meet at someone's house; 2nd Sunday meet at Faith; 3rd Sunday is dodgeball/gym jam at Whitson Elementary; 4th Sunday meet at Faith. Bring a few bucks to offset cost of food.
- **Lock-in at PowerPlay in KC** Friday, Jan. 22-23 (9:45 p.m.-7 a.m.) The cost is \$40 for unlimited everything including pizza buffet (except arcade games), plus IHOP for breakfast.

Worship Ministry Opportunities

- **Adult Choir** - Rehearse Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
NOTE: The choir will sing for the memorial service of Vernon Hass tomorrow, Jan. 11, at 4 p.m. Come to rehearse at 3:30.
- **Bell Choir** - Rehearse Thursdays at 6 p.m.
- **Praise Team for 9:30 Worship** - Rehearse Tuesdays at 7 p.m. If you have an interest in being a part of the team, come on Tuesdays to learn the music.
- **6 p.m. Worship Musicians** - Rehearse at 5 p.m. Sundays
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** If you like to knit or crochet (or would like to learn), come to Room S-14 on Tuesday, Jan. 12 at either 1:30 or 7 p.m. to make prayer shawls. Contact Jan Hoover, 357-7063 for more information

our MEMBERS

Donna Hass & Meridee Westjord and family, at the death of their husband/father, Vernon
Oliver Snethen, hospitalized infant
Ron Reigel, hospitalized after a fall
Herb Eisler, recovering at home
Ed Richardson, broken elbow from a fall
Susan Thowe, recovering from knee surgery
Patrica Voss, recovering from ankle surgery
Kristin Putney, recovering from ankle surgery

Shirley Martin, recovering from surgery
Allyson Harris, difficult medical issues
Terry Carlson, health concerns
Jeff Kuhn, needing a kidney transplant
Susan Borghardt, cancer, undergoing chemo
Phil Gjerstad, leukemia, bone marrow transplant process
Barb McComas, cancer treatment
Anne O’Gara

Ben Bahner
Roy Benaka
Belmont Evans
Pearl Figge
Wilma Gregg
Luke Savage

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 and FRIENDS

The family & friends of Bette Ringle, at her death

Bernard Hammel, uncle of Betty Deiter, recovering from amputation following a car accident

Norma, mother of Kim Burnam, 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

Dan Richardson, son of Ed, surgery
Randy Flanagan, son of Marty
William Janousek, father of Jim
Rodney Ohlde, father of Kim Savage
Bob Hogrefe, father of Kim Hernandez
JoAnna Burke, mother of Kelly
Betty, sister of Chuck Urban
Beva, sister of Bob Gabler
Amy, aunt of Janet Zima, surgery
MaryKay Lowry, aunt of Kelly Burke
Lois Nelson, great-aunt of Paige Grisell

Mikey Cummings, great-nephew of Kathy Orth
Chip West, cousin of Kelly Burke
Jay, cousin of Darrel Savage
Kelsey Kataret, cousin of Sandra Raney
Cindy Hammond, relative of Hullons
Naomi Harkness, relative of Gwen Lehman
Adam, friend of Jessica Atchison
Dalton, friend of Jan Williams
Denise, friend of Smelter family
Kris, friend of Gary Orth
Laura, friend of Diana Beitz

Laura, Sheri, Sondra, friends of Sandra Sweet
Laurie, friend of Yvonne Hamilton
Lyn, friend of Marge Carver
Maire, friend of Sweet family
Sandy, friend of Mary Shaw
Tammy & Tanya, friends of Jennifer Harris
Tina, friend of Aaron & Jennifer Hilderman
Zach, child friend of Sheila Krohe

in the MILITARY

Chase Briggs
David Conwell
Bryan Conwell
Tim Kemp
David Marstall
Rebecca (Briggs) Waterman
Matt Thomas, husband of Chelsie (Saunders)
James Brown, father of Ashley Brown
Leslie Bolz, daughter of Tim & Marian
Joshua Schultz, son of Gene & Peg
Alex Kroenke, grandson of Mel & JoAnn
Angela Rokey, granddaughter of Goodings
Joel Gaston, brother of Juli Mazachek
John O’Brien, brother of Maggie O’Brien-Domingo
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
Chuck Campbell, nephew of Charlotte
Lee Fox, nephew of Ed & Valeda Pinick
Brett Hahn, nephew of Ron & Ethel Kufahl
Marcus Higdon, nephew of Gayla Hoyt
Mitchell Kent, nephew of Terri Bynum
James Kroenke, nephew of Cathy Atchison
Jared McClung, nephew of Mike Maloun
Seth Ostermann, nephew of Linda Laird
Michael Phelps, nephew of Betsy Hawkins
Scott Pracht, nephew of Ron & Ethel Kufahl
Elizabeth Doss, great niece of Bob Gabler

Brian Kolterman, Bolz family member
Chris Crocker, cousin of Kahlee
Kevin Nolan, cousin of the Janouseks
Kevin Sweeney, cousin of Dean Landman
Mark Manieri, cousin of Nadine Barnhill
Damon Browning, friend of Janouseks
John Brun, friend of Jessi Saxton
Gilbert Gonzales, friend of Kristen Fay
Damon Harris, friend of the Kissling family
Chris Kieffer, friend of Kristen Fay
Glenn & Kelsey, friends of Kahlee Crocker
Justin Rapp, friend of Judy Thompson
Zack Stiffler, friend David & Jennifer Schmitt

Preparing for Church Work

Christina Shults, Pacific School of Religion (seminary), Berkeley CA
Drew & Nicole Bradshaw, awaiting DCO call
Matt Morgan, Concordia, St. Paul MN (DCO)
Amie Zillinger, Concordia, Seward NE (teacher)
Kory & Cara Fay and family, Lutheran Bible Translators training in France
Andrew Cummings, deaf ministry training

In Service & Mission Work

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

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

LCMS chaplains serving in Iraq and other troubled areas
LINC Ministry Dallas, TX
Ysleta Luth. Mission El Paso, 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).