



Weekend Update

Grow in faith ... Share Christ's love!

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- 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

- **Baptisms** Today we welcome two children into the family of God.

Tyler Timothy Rollenhagen, son of Tim & Kim, will be baptized in the 9:30 worship. Tyler's sponsors are Darin and Dawn Hueske.

Matthew Josiah Cutright, son of Sandra Cutright, will be baptized in the 11:00 worship. Matthew's sponsors are Gerald and Sandra Sweet.

- **Collection for Haiti Relief**

As news of what is being called the largest earthquake to hit Haiti in more than 200 years reached LCMS World Relief and Human Care, the Synod's mercy arm began preparing to reach out in the Caribbean nation with much needed assistance and working in cooperation with Lutheran partners. We will be taking a free-will door offering at the end of every worship service today to aid the victims of this disaster. *See the insert inside this publication for more information. If you are donating today (or throughout the week), make checks payable to "Faith Lutheran Church" earmarked Haiti Disaster Relief. If mailing a check directly, follow the instructions on the insert.*



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.

Calendar: This week at Faith

Today	8:00 am	Traditional worship
	9:30	Sunday Education
	9:30	Contemporary worship
	10:45	Sunday Education
	11:00	Traditional worship
	11:00	7 th /8 th gr Laser Tag-KC
	3:00 pm	Worship for the Deaf
	6:00	Blended worship
	6:00	5 th /6 th gr Mystery Event
	6:00	Sr Youth Ignite
	Mon	9:30 am
6:30 pm		Girls of Faith (Audrey's)
7:00		Boy Scouts
7:30		Men's Basketball (TLS)
Tue	9:00 am	Lifelight Bible Study
	9:30	Hanson Small Group
	7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	7:00	Deborah Circle
Wed	1:30 pm	Parish Nurse Walk-in
	3:30	Outreach 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
	8:00	Prayer Team
	Thur	11:30 am
6:00 pm		Bell Choir
6:00		Sr Youth Bible Study
7:30		Adult Choir
Fri	9:45 pm	Sr Youth Lock In-KC
Sat	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study I
	8:30	Journey to Financial Freedom Seminar

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

A complete listing of Winter classes for children, youth and adults is posted throughout the church or on our Web site. Check it out!

- **World Religions** Each Sunday there will be an opportunity to survey a world religion. We also will take a look at how to respond to each religion as a Christian. This class is offered during both education hours in Room 104. Questions? Contact Drew Bradshaw at faithson77@hotmail.com.
- **Sign Language Class** The class, taught by Sara and Deb Hale, is starting again on Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15 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.
- **Tuesday AM Bible Study** The group facilitated by Irma Straub will now be studying the book of Job. They meet on Tuesdays at 9:00 in Room 100. Contact Irma at 215-8798.
- **Women's Bible Study I** The group has moved to Mondays at 9:30 a.m. at Faith and is 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 during WOW (6:15-8:00 p.m.) in room S-14 to a Bible study for women called "Believing God" by Beth Moore. For information, contact Brenda Schwartz at ksbenji@hotmail.com.

Upcoming 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.
- **Alaska Mission Trip 2010** We're going to Wasilla, Alaska, again this year. Tentative dates are July 1-13. This is a family mission trip for youth and adults. The cost per person is approximately \$1,200 (includes air fare, tourist pieces, food, mission experience, etc.) We'll serve a VBS in a very small mission church in Wasilla; tour Anchorage, the Homer Spit, Seward; enjoy a boat trip on the Gulf of Alaska; visit Denali National Park and Mt. McKinley. If you're interested, come to an INFORMATIONAL ALASKA meeting Jan. 31 at noon or contact Audrey Duensing-Werner at audreydce@swbell.net.

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Doorway to Faith Class

Postponed To better accommodate people's schedules, the new member class may be rescheduled at another day and time. Watch for more information coming soon. Questions? Contact Sharon in the church office.

Talent Show Rescheduled

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 at 6:30 p.m. We are looking for music acts, dance, skits, special talents, etc. Selections can be secular or religious. This is a fundraiser for the Praise Team to attend workshops this year. Contact Linda in the church office if you would like to participate.

TLS Chili Supper/Auction

Come to 701 SW Roosevelt on Friday, Jan. 29, 5-7 p.m. for their annual fundraiser. Menu: chili, hot dogs, brats, baked potatoes, queso, dessert, pop. Bid on items in the ongoing silent auction or at the live auction at 6 p.m.

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.

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.

Vision Update

- **In Appreciation** Thank you for attending the Vision Event on Saturday to hear Pastor Scott Rishce frame the vision and to hear the Vision Team present it. Your presence and your listening spirit were a great encouragement to me! Please remember that I am making myself available to partner with you in prayer in the mornings at IHOP. ~ *Pastor Jim*
- **Follow-up** Pastor Jim and many others, believe that God guides a church and shapes a church; He also opens a church and its mission field. To that end, Pastor is looking for people who want to pray for Faith Lutheran Church. Right now these are the options: 1) Meet with him at IHOP this week (Jan. 11-14) from 7-7:30 a.m. to pray with him (Jan. 25-28 is 8-8:30 a.m.) 2) Meet with the prayer team to pray for the church on the first Wednesday at 5 p.m. or third Wednesday at 8 p.m. at church in S-14. 3) There has always been a large number of prayer warriors who regularly pray for our church in their own devotions. Thank you.

Youth Ministry

Junior Youth Ministries *for grades 5-8*

- **5th/6th grade** Today is 'Mystery Stop Tour Lock Out' from 6 p.m.-midnight. \$10 per person. *Upcoming Events:* Friday Frenzy on Feb. 5, 6-10 p.m.; Build-a-Bear & PowerPlay in KC on Feb. 7, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. (\$15).
- **7th/8th grade** Today from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. is Advanced Lazer Tag in KC and service project. *Upcoming Events:* Powerhouse & Destination Unknown Amazing Race, Feb. 6, 6-10 p.m. (\$5).

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 game night; 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.
- **National Youth Gathering Meeting** - Required for all participants and their parents. Sunday, Jan. 31 from 6-8 p.m.

Worship Ministry Opportunities

- **Adult Choir** - Rehearse Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. They will sing Jan. 24 at 8 a.m., Feb. 7 at 11 a.m., Feb. 17 at 5 p.m., Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Bell Choir** - Rehearse Thursdays at 6 p.m. They will play on Jan. 31 at 8 & 11 a.m., Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

our MEMBERS

Dennis O’Gara and family, at the death of his mother, Anne
Norm Sawyer, in rehab following infection
Herb Eisler, recovering at home
Ed Richardson, broken elbow from a fall
Patrica Voss, 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

Ben Bahner
Roy Benaka
Belmont Evans
Pearl Figge
Wilma Gregg
Ron Reigel
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

Debbie Domingo, mother of Daniel, recovering from ankle surgery
Carri S. Carr, co-worker friend of Tamara Tiemann, medical concerns & tests

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
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
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).