



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



Scout Sunday Scouting in the United States is celebrating its 100th anniversary. The Boy Scouts of Troop 59 and the Cub Scouts of Pack 59 would like to say "Thank You" to our Charter Organization, Faith Lutheran Church, on Scout Sunday. Scouts and adult leaders from both the Troop and the Pack are assisting with the worship services today. Altar flowers are provided to commemorate Scout Sunday. Troop 59 has awarded the rank of Eagle Scout to more than 150 scouts over the past 45 years--many of whom were members at Faith. For more information, contact Scoutmaster Marc Milner, 273-8447 or Cubmaster Lewis Butts, 215-0165. The Jayhawk Area Council will be hosting several events this week to celebrate the 100th anniversary.

Sign up for Lenten Small Groups

More groups have been added to the list of small groups--check out the insert in this publication (note the available slots in each group). During Lent, you are invited to participate in a small group of your choosing. The topic will be "Meeting Jesus" through the Gospel of Luke. The "textbook" will be the Bible. The hope of our study is to see Jesus with new eyes and to be encountered by him through the Word of God.



SIGN UP at the display in the lobby for a Lenten Small Group TODAY!

What does being in a small group involve?

- 5 weeks of study (Feb. 21 thru March 27)
- Meeting weekly for 90-minute sessions
- Connecting with 10 people in a group
- Fellowship, meditative reading, Bible study and prayer
- These initial groups will help us launch small groups later this year.

Facilitator training led by Pastor Jim continues today at 9:30 in the north end of the Fellowship Hall. Then next Sunday at 12:30 p.m., the sessions will end with a lunch and Q&A at the Bender home (3214 SW 17th). Questions? Contact Pastor Jim at pastorjim@swbell.net.

Sunday School Offerings help Haitians

Sunday school offerings for February will be sent to help the recent Haiti earthquake victims. Thrivent will match these funds at a 2:1 rate. Give today!

Calendar: This week at Faith

Today	8:00 am	Traditional worship
	9:30	Sunday Education
	9:30	Small Group Training
	9:30	Contemporary worship
	10:45	Sunday Education
	11:00	Traditional worship
	11:00	5th/6th gr to KC
	6:00 pm	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		AGO Meeting
7:00		Eve Circle
7:30		Men's Basketball (TLS)
Tue		9:00 am
	9:30	Hanson Small Group
	1:30 pm	Miriam Circle
	1:30 & 7:00	Shawl Ministry
	7:00	Praise Team Rehearsal
Wed	9:30 am	Ruth Circle
	1:30 pm	Parish Nurse Walk-in
	5:15	Sunshine Connection Valentine Party (away)
	5:30	WOW
	5:30	Confirmation
	6:15	Signing Class
	6:15	Women's Bible Study II
	6:30	Men's Bible Study II
	7:00	Lay Leadership Council
	Thur	6:00 pm
6:00		Sr Youth Bible Study
7:30		Adult Choir
Sat	8:00 am	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.



Ash Wednesday and Lenten Worship

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17 - "Prayer is Our Last Word"

A service with imposition of ashes and Holy Communion at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Worship - "What Jesus teaches us about prayer"

Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24 at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Each Wednesday, a made-from-scratch meal will be served from 5:45-6:45 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a youth fundraiser. Suggested donation of \$5/adults, \$3/ under age 10.

Upcoming Activities

- **Burrito Sales** The TLS 8th grade class is taking orders for burritos today at the bottom of the stairs from 8:45 -12:15. This is a fundraiser to support their class trip to Denver. Burritos sell \$15 per dozen or \$8 per 1/2 dozen. They may also be ordered at: tls8thgradesales@gmail.com. Pickup is Feb. 28.
- **TLS Enrollment for 2010-11** Pre-enrollment will be the week of Feb. 21. Families (interested or current) can sign up by email, contacting the church office, or at the TLS display on Sunday, Feb. 14, for a 30-minute meeting. Families will be introduced to Faith's vision and goals at this meeting while completing necessary paperwork. If you are interested and didn't receive a letter, contact the church office.
- **Senior Citizen Events** 1) Older adults are invited to the dress rehearsal of the musical "Oklahoma" at Topeka West auditorium this Tues., Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. No admission charge. 2) "Abe & Mary--A Family Portrait" presented by Herschle and Jacque Stroud will be the program on Thursday, Feb. 18. A potluck luncheon at 11:30 a.m. will precede the program. The event is sponsored by Faith's retirees. Invite a friend, one does not have to be "retired" to attend.
- **Conversations of Grace** Learn how to discover the needs of your community and share the love of Jesus in your everyday life. "Plowing & Planting" Web Conference is Saturday, Feb. 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church. Featured speakers are Rev. Carlos Hernandez, Rev. Fred Darkow and Rev. Brad Aldrich. Conference sessions include presentations by speakers, guided small group discussions, Q&A session with speakers, hands-on Gospel-sharing training, fellowship. Cost is \$15 which includes lunch and materials. Register at www.kslclms.org/cog or pick up a form in the church office.

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End-of-year Statements Don't forget to pick up your statement of giving found on the table in the lobby.

Thank you Last Sunday, the Gospel lesson was presented as a Shadow Drama. Credit and thanks goes to John Larson for filming and editing; the Bender family, Audrey Duensing-Werner, and Martin & Shari Albrecht as actors and voices.

'Souper' bowl Sunday

Doorstep of Topeka is collecting soup and crackers TODAY. Deposit food items in the designated box in the lobby to help stock their food pantry.

Wanna Help? Faith Camp Planning Team needs members. Faith Camp is Faith's summer vacation Bible school program. Do you like to create and build fun learning experiences? Then this team is for you! If interested, contact Marilyn at marilyn4kids44@swbell.net. Curriculum options will be displayed on Saturday, Feb 20.

Talent Show needs acts 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 plus half the proceeds will go toward Haiti Earthquake Relief. The date is Friday, Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Jennifer, jenniferdeardorff@hotmail.com or 478-0511 by today if interested in performing.

Bible for Sale One new leather-bound Lutheran Study Bible is available for sale for \$76. If interested, contact the church office.

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

Youth Ministry

Note: All youth information can be found on the church Web site.

Junior Youth Ministries for grades 5-8

- **7th/ 8th grade** *Sunshine Connection Valentine Party*, Feb. 10. 5:30 p.m.—eat together (bring \$3), 6:00—leave for Sunshine Connection, 6:30-7:45—party, 8:00—parents pick up at church.

Senior Youth Ministries for grades 9-12

- **Super Bowl Party** - Today at 4:30 p.m. at Pete Peterson's house (6104 SW Brookfield Circle). Bring a snack to share. We'll provide the pizza and pop.
- **'Godspell' Auditions** - Sunday, Feb. 28, 4-6 p.m. at Faith. All 8th-12th graders of Faith can audition for the May 21-23 production of *Godspell*. We need singers, actors and instrumentalists.

Youth Worship will NOT be taking place on Feb. 28. A new date has not yet been set.

Worship Ministry Opportunities

- **Fused Glass Project** The congregation will help to create a visual piece of art that reflects our mission statement on Sunday, Feb. 21. Stop by the project area in the Fellowship Hall anytime from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-5:45 p.m. It only takes a short time to pick out glass pieces for the work that will be displayed in the lobby window. The project is led by Kymm Hughes of Glass Expressions.
- **Shawl Ministry** - Combines the love of knitting/crocheting and compassion into a spiritual practice and prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Meets Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 1:30 or 7:00 p.m. in Room S-14. Donations are welcome; contact Jan Hoover, 357-7063.
- **Adult Choir** - Rehearses Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. They will sing today at 11 a.m., Feb. 17 at 5 p.m., Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Bell Choir** - Rehearses Thursdays at 6 p.m. They will play on Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the Talent Show.
- **Men's Ensemble** - Rehearses on Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. Sings Feb. 21 at all morning worship, and Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. for Talent Show
- **Special Music** - if you are interested in playing or singing (as a solo or ensemble), sign-up on the sheet located on the second floor door or contact Young at youngmusic@gmail.com.

our MEMBERS

Roland Orth and family, at the death of his sister
Glenn Anschutz, at the death of his brother, Wilber
Herb Eisler, recovering from surgery
Shirley Martin, recovering from surgery
Steve Hale, recovering from surgery
Sandy Chitwood, recovering from surgery
Phil Gjerstad, at home

Lexi Chitwood, recovering from wisdom teeth surgery
John Barrett, upcoming surgery
Norm Sawyer, in rehab following infection
Ed Richardson, broken elbow from a fall
Patrica Voss, recovering from ankle surgery
Allyson Harris, difficult medical issues
Terry Carlson, health concerns
Jeff Kuhn, needing a kidney transplant

Susan Borghardt, cancer, undergoing chemo
Barb McComas, cancer treatment
Ben Bahner
Roy Benaka
Belmont Evans
Wilma Gregg
Michele LeMoine
Ron Reigel

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

Allen Bowman, father of Dee, in hospice care
John, friend of Jacki & Bill Theis, hospitalized after a bad fall
Mark Littlefield, friend of Connie Widdell, hospitalized with infection
Alfred Beneke, brother-in-law of Lila Gooding & Evelyn Schultz, pneumonia

Genevieve Manley, mother of Carol Kaufman, recovering from broken hip
Elmer Francis, father of Connie Crowder, health concerns
Gary Brunner, cousin of Susan Thowe, recovering from strokes

Martha Smoker, friend of Susan Thowe, health concerns
Crystal Martin, friend of Kahlee Crocker, recovering from surgery
Margita, Raymond and Donna, relatives of Michele LeMoine, 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

Ron Meeks, brother of Connie Widdell
Heidi, friend of Kim Burnam
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
Junior Ray, nephew of Florine Ehret
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
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
Pat, friend of Kim Burnam
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

Scott Hudson
Hallie & Shawn Spencer, daughter & son-in-law of Brumleves
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
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
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).