



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

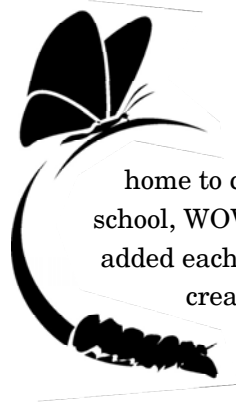
- 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.
- Look for posters listing options.

Today in worship

- **Baptism** Today in the 9:30 worship we receive into the Lord's family through baptism, *Oliver Lawrence Snethen*, son of Zach and Erin. Sponsors for Oliver are Steve and Jennifer Jones. May God continue to bless Oliver as he grows in his faith.
- **New Member Welcome** Also in the 9:30 worship, we welcome a group of new members by transfer from other Lutheran churches. Get to know the these new faces and welcome them to our church:
 - Janice Cline* (from Hope, Topeka)
 - Colleen Dickes and Andrew* (from St. John's, Topeka)
 - Michelle Idecker* (from First, Topeka)
 - Gary & Faye Ideker* (from First, Topeka)
 - Don & Nancy Kalthoff* (from First, Topeka)
- **Altar Flowers** The flowers near the altar are given by Joe Pinter and family in memory of Lota Pinter.
- **Hymn of the Month** This month, as part of the worship renewal grant project, we focus on the modern hymn "In Christ Alone" by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend. To learn more about the story of this hymn, come to the Hymn-based Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. TODAY in the Fellowship Hall. You will also learn about the relationship between worship and culture and comparing hymns to praise & worship songs. The class is led by Young Chung.

Continuing the Lenten Journey

- **Lenten Worship continues** - March 17 and 24 at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.
- **Lenten Dinner** will be served in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45-6:45 p.m. by the youth. **This week's menu: taco salad, chips con queso, applesauce, dessert.** Suggested donation is \$5/adults, \$3/children under 10.



Cocoon Cross The cross in the lobby has become the home to caterpillar "cocoon" made by children of Faith in Sunday school, WOW and ELC classrooms. More wrapped caterpillars are being added each week. Children are learning that the butterfly is a symbol of creation and new life. Jesus gives us new life because of his death and resurrection. Watch on Easter for a transformation to take place on the cross.

Calendar: This week at Faith

Today	8:00 am	Traditional worship
	9:30	Sunday Education
	9:30	Contemporary worship
	9:30	Hymn-based Bible study
	10:45	Sunday Education
	11:00	Traditional worship
Mon	6:00 pm	Blended worship
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study I
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Tue	7:30	Men's Basketball (TLS)
	9:00 am	Lifelight Bible Study
	9:30	Hanson Small Group
	7:00 pm	Deborah Circle
Wed	7:00	Praise Team Rehearsal
	1:30 pm	Parish Nurse Walk-in
	3:30	Outreach Team
	5:00	Lenten worship
	5:45	Lenten Dinner
	7:00	Lenten worship
	8:00	Prayer Team
Thur	11:30 am	Retirees Group
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
	7:30	Festival Choir
Sat	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study I

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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.

Church & Community Events

- **Retirees Group** Meets on Thursday, March 18 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. DeAnn Escalante, director of Lifestyle and Wellness at Brewster Place, will present "Fitness for the Brain." Invite a friend. Lunch will be served, donations accepted. Bring a PAPER product to donate for Let's Help. For more information, contact Elaine Eggold at 232-8708.
- **Stephen Ministers Reunion** Stephen Ministry is hosting a reunion of all trained Stephen Ministers on Monday, March 22 at 7 p.m. We will meet over refreshments in Room 100. Whether you have served or not, we hope to have your input on the future of Stephen Ministry at Faith. Members who have been trained in other churches are also welcome.
- **Choir Tour** This coming Saturday, March 20 at 7 p.m., the Grand View University Choir from Des Moines, Iowa, will be performing at Trinity Lutheran, 725 SW Buchanan. They will also sing during the 10:30 Sunday morning service at Trinity. The Topeka concert is part of a five-state tour. The 32-member choir is under the direction of Kathryn Pohlmann Duffy. Free-will offering at the 7:00 concert. This event is sponsored by the Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka.
- **Hope LWML Dinner** Hope Lutheran Church LWML, 2636 SE Minnesota, is sponsoring its annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner (with mashed potatoes, green beans, salads and pies) on Sunday, March 21 from 12-2 p.m. Cost is \$6.50/adults; \$3/ children ages 3-12.
- **Calvary Benefit Dinner** Calvary Lutheran Church, 4211 NW Topeka, will hold a dinner with live/silent auctions on Saturday, March 27 in the Learning Center Gym. The dinner and silent auction begins at 5 p.m. with the live auction at 6:30. The menu will include homemade chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, homemade rolls, beverages, and homemade pies and desserts. Ticket prices are \$10/ adults, \$5/children ages 3-10, ages 2 and under free. All proceeds from this event will benefit Calvary's mortgage for the Learning Center building.
- **Holy Week Cleansing** Lent is a time of cleansing for Christians--a preparation for the death and resurrection of our Savior. The Stephen Ministers from Prince of Peace, 3625 SW Wanamaker, invite you to a cleansing service for spiritual healing with scripture readings, a message, prayers, music and anointing, on Wednesday, March 31 at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Neil Buono, 271-0808, or Mary Hume, parish nurse, at 580-6650.

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NO WOW, confirmation, communion preparation class, or youth events this week, due to Spring Break.

Ushers: We are scheduling ushers for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter special services. If you are available, please see the schedule at the ushers table.

Easter Lily Orders Inserted in today's publication is an order form for Easter lilies. The cost is \$9.50 for a 6+ bloom plant. Deadline for ordering is March 21. You may give one in honor or memory of someone. The list of donors will be published in the Weekend Update on Easter Sunday. You may take your lily home after the 11 a.m. worship on Easter Sunday.

Go to the Web To stay up to date on church events/calendar, youth events and publications, go to our Web site for more information (www.faithlutherantopeka.org). Find helpful links and updates plus downloadable copies of the Weekend Update and Messenger, contact information, maps and more.

We're on Facebook In just a few days, we already have more than 100 fans of "Faith Lutheran Church-Topeka" on Facebook. If you want to join, just click on the Facebook link found on the left hand column of Faith's Web site. Then if you are already a FB member, click "become a fan" (anyone can join Facebook at any time). This is a great way to connect with members and friends of Faith and stay informed about what is happening at Faith.

Festival Choir for Holy Week & Easter

It's not too late to join the Festival Choir. This is a great opportunity for those who cannot commit to choir year-round, but love to sing. The choir will sing for:

- Maundy Thursday, April 1 at 7 p.m.: "Ubicaritas" by Durufle
- Good Friday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m.: "The Seven Words from the Cross" by Richard Hillert, and more
- Easter Sunday, April 4 at 8:00 & 11:00: "Halleluiah" by Beethoven and "Hallelujah Chorus" by Handel

Rehearsals continue in the Choir Loft:

- Thursdays: March 18 , 25 at 7:30 p.m. and April 2 at 8 p.m.

Helping those in need

- **Volunteer at Doorstep** Since this agency is the focus of our Sunday school offerings for March, this is a good time to step forward in a tangible way--by volunteering. Check out the bulletin board in the church lobby for opportunities or click on the volunteer link at: www.doorsteptopeka.org
- **Sunday School Offerings** This month, our offerings collected during Sunday education will go to Doorstep, Inc. of Topeka who helps Topekans survive crises, improve their way of life and become self sufficient through various services. Faith is one of 53 area churches/faith communities that support the work of Doorstep.

Palm Sunday Blessing

The Ecumenical Blessing of the Palms is Sunday, March 28 at First Christian Church (19th & Gage). The event begins at 10 a.m.



Gather for a short worship in our sanctuary at 9:30, then begin the sidewalk procession with area churches at 9:45.

No 9:30 Sunday education that day.
Children are to walk with their parents.

Children's Easter Celebration

All children of Faith and their friends (age infant - 3rd grade) are invited to Faith's annual Easter Celebration

Saturday, April 3 from 10:30 a.m. - Noon
Crestview Community Center (4801 SW Shunga)

Enjoy Easter egg hunts, face painting, storytelling and more!



our MEMBERS

Nancy Peterson & Diana Beitz, at the death of their mother, Doris Bryan
Mary Ann Tremain, receiving hospice care
Jim Bradshaw & Guinea Trip Team, as they travel in Guinea, West Africa
Betsy Hawkins, knee injury
John Barrett, recovering from surgery
Herb Eisler, recovering from surgery
Shirley Martin, recovering from surgery
Steve Hale, recovering from knee surgery

Patricia Voss, recovering from ankle surgery
Allyson Harris, difficult medical issues
Terry Carlson, health concerns
Jeff Kuhn, needing a kidney transplant
Kay Kemp, diagnosed with lung disease
Susan Borghardt, cancer, undergoing chemo
Barb McComas, cancer treatment
Ben Bahner
Roy Benaka

Belmont Evans
Phil Gjerstad
Wilma Gregg
Norma Hudson
Michele LeMoine
Ron Reigel
Marvin Rodehorst
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 and FRIENDS

Bill Trahan, husband of Carol, heart problems
Jacob, friend of Janousek's, brain tumor

Mohinder Pal, husband of Mardi Long, immigration issues
JoAnna Burke, mother of Kelly & Cathy, health issues

Cathy, friend of Kelly & Cathy Burke, tests

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

Joseph McGee, nephew of Gwen Lehman
Dan Richardson, son of Ed
Randy Flanagan, son of Marty
William Janousek, father of Jim
Rodney Ohlde, father of Kim Savage
Bob Hogrefe, father of Kim Hernandez
Ron Meeks, brother of Connie Widdell
Betty, sister of Chuck Urban
Carol Wilde, sister of Barb McComas
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
Jay, cousin of Darrel Savage
Kelsey Kataret, cousin of Sandra Raney
Cindy Hammond, relative of Hullons
Chip West, relative of Kelly & Cathy Burke
Adam, friend of Jessica Atchison
Dalton, friend of Jan Williams
Denise, friend of Smelter family
Heidi, friend of Kim Burnam
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

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
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
Justin Backman, nephew of Lance & Kerri Smith
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 Janousek
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
Jason, friend of Hennesseys
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	Children's Christian Concern Society	LCMS chaplains serving in Iraq and other troubled areas
Parish Nurses	Guinea, W. Africa missions	LINC Ministry Dallas, TX
Stephen Ministers	Heiney and Carlos families (missionaries to Guinea, West Africa)	Outreach/Ministry to Washburn University
Lay Deacons		
Topeka Lutheran School & CYC		
Faith Early Learning Center		

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).