

FOCUS ON FAITH **Faith Lutheran Church**

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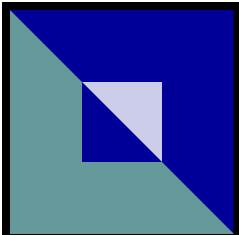
2011

Saturday at 5:30 pm: Taize` Service
Sunday at 9:00 am: Worship / Communion
Sunday at 10:15 am: Sunday School & Coffee Hour

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Touched, we
Invite,
Equip and
Send people in Jesus' name.



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May 2011

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...your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Colossians 3:3

Amid the spectacle and grandeur of the Church's celebration of Easter is this little insight from the brief second lesson on Easter Sunday. It could easily be missed among the new clothes, the food, the grand music and general sense of excitement, yet it holds an important insight into our identity as "Easter people".

Life's deepest truths are not necessarily handed to you on a platter, but require some searching and time. A closer look at something you thought you understood can often reveal even greater mysteries and wonder. Like the intricacies of a flower, a person, or work of art, our new life in Christ is not a matter we apprehend quickly or easily. There is a hidden quality to this life that demands searching, questioning, and discovering.

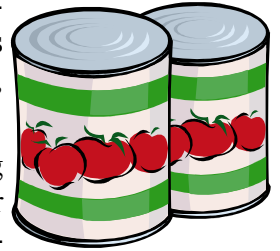
Discovery is at the heart of our congregation's vision for ministry. It is an Easter-inspired vision that believes there is more than meets the eye to the new life Jesus has established here! There are gifts to be discovered in the people, the land and the community and God has brought together in this place, and the Spirit who raised Jesus from death invites you into this life-giving discovery. Easter reminds us that wherever the terrible clarity of endings, death and limitation reigns, the Spirit invites a second look. God has hidden an amazing surprise in you that waits to be revealed.

God's peace,
Pastor John

Mentor/Mentee Outreach Project

Vangie Sherman and Eric Dahlman, a 2011 mentor/mentee team, are working on a Stewardship Outreach Project that reaches out to the hungry. They are asking for food items for Family Sharing (during April & May: Canned Main Meals (Beef Stew, Hash, Tuna, Chicken, Spaghetti-O's, etc) and cash donations for "God's

Global Barnyard," an international ELCA ministry that provides animals for people living in poverty around the world. Look for the blue boxes in the narthex. Cash donations for these outreach ministries can be made using a pew envelope clearly marked with the ministry your donation is for. Please make checks out to Faith Lutheran Church. Pray for our mentors and mentees and for the ministries they are supporting.



Recycle Prescription Bottles



Have you been throwing those empty prescription bottles in the trash? Here's a way to give them a second life. Bread of Healing Clinic at Cross Lutheran Church in Milwaukee can use those bottles for dispensing medication to people in the inner city who are under-insured or have no health insurance. The clinic treats people who have chronic illnesses that can be controlled with medication, giving them better quality of life and keeping them out of emergency rooms. You can place your empty prescription bottles in the box in the narthex. Please remove labels and adhesive (as much as possible) and wash the bottles. Thank you for your support.

DEADLINES FOR THE OFFICE:

BULLETIN: Wednesday morning
FOCUS : The third Thursday of each month

Articles not received at the deadline will be published in the following Sunday's bulletin or the next month's newsletter. Thank you in advance for your cooperation! Kathy





YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATE

From: Toni Schnorr

Activities for the month of May.....

The Youth Coffee Hour - Is every Sunday 10:15 – 11:15. All middle and high school youth are welcome to the Youth Room for refreshments, games, devotions and discussions. Friends are always welcome. Come check it out!

The World's Greatest Spaghetti Dinner - May 1st at 4:30. The dinner will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church. This is a fundraising activity for the High School Servant Trip. Please join us for an evening of great food, entertainment and service.

Mentor/Mentee Worship Service - Sunday, May 8th

Paintball Activity - Sunday, May 15th from 12:00 – 4:00, Stay tuned for more information.

Car Wash - May 21st at 10:00 – 2:00. The car wash will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church. This is also a fundraiser for the High School Servant Trip.

Joint Confirmation Activity - Wednesday, May 25th at Faith – Movie Night, stay tuned for more information.

Activities scheduled for later this year.....

High School Servant Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation – June 25th – July 2nd

Vacation Bible School - July 25th – July 29th

Family Weekend Camp - August 5 – August 7th

Please know that I'm very open to your input and assistance. Stop-in to see me or give me a call at (262) 377-0960 ext, 204 or email me at faithchurchtoni@wi.rr.com

RUMMAGE/BAKE SALE

Be sure and mark your calendar for Saturday, May 21st. Faith will again be having a rummage/bake sale with the Cedar Point subdivision. Last year was a big success and we had a wonderful turnout from the congregation. We hope to do better this year. ALSO, on this special day, the quilt that the members of the Sunrise Circle have been working on will be on display and raffle tickets will be available.

The queen size Log Cabin quilt turned out to be a really beautiful work of art. We are sure once people see it, they will be more than willing to purchase a ticket. All of the above events are being conducted to help our general fund.

However, to make these events a success we need your help. First of all, donations for the rummage sale. We would like to receive “gently” used items that you feel will sell. These items should be things you no longer use or want but you think someone else may be interested in purchasing. Children’s clothing usually is a good seller. It would be greatly appreciated if clothing be clean, pressed and on hangers. If you feel you would like to price the items yourself, please contact one of the committee members and they will provide you with stickers. Any home baked items would be greatly appreciated. We will once again offer free coffee and will have a table where patrons may sit and relax, and, if desired purchase some baked items and have a snack.



Special tables will be set up for antiques which will be priced, and also a 10 cent table to help in selling smaller items we want to sell.

We realize rummage sale pricing can be a problem. We will be working on the sale starting on Monday, May 16th, and appreciate help at any time. Input from members will be most helpful. We do not want to mark things too low, but also, remember things are donated and we would rather sell the items than have to dispose of them after the sale.



We ask that baked items be brought to the church either on Friday afternoon, May 20th, or the morning of the sale. The sale will start at 9:00 a.m. and last until approximately 2:00 p.m. We will also be open on Sunday morning after church, May 22nd. As in the past, after 1:00 p.m. on Saturday we will have a “bag” sale, and anything customers can fit into a grocery bag, they may purchase for a \$1.00. This will also apply to Sunday morning.

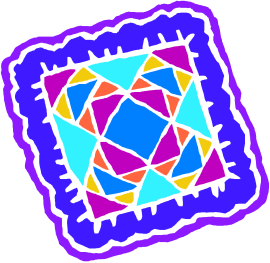
There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for you to let us know if you will be willing to help and when, and also if you will be will to bake for the bake sale.

We are looking forward to this sale and truly hope we get a lot of help from our members. Remember also, sometimes what you think it is junk – it is someone else’s “treasure”. **HELP** is needed. For more information, contact Marcia Guse at 377-6665, Judy Johnson at 377-7231, Janet Wendtland at 377-3705 or Lorraine Krueger at 377-2019.



RAFFLE TICKET SALES

On Sunday, May 1st, the ladies of the Sunrise Circle will initiate their raffle ticket sales. The featured items to win include a beautiful, queen-sized quilt as the Grand Prize, a set of two quilted throw pillows for Second Prize and another set of two quilted throw pillows for Third Prize. All of these stunning handmade prizes were on display at the Easter Breakfast, so we hope that you had a chance to see them. They will also be displayed at the Faith Rummage Sale on Saturday, May 21st.



Bob Guse offered the idea of a quilt raffle as a potential fundraiser, and the Sunrise Circle acted upon his suggestion. Ruth Gollnick purchased the fabric and other necessary supplies, and she designed the Log Cabin quilt style. Several other members of the Circle, including Janet Wendtland, Renny Rappold and Emily Elert, shared their sewing talents to complete the stunning finished product; Trish Gierach and Kathy Thiele also contributed their sewing talents to the creation of this gorgeous quilt. Ruth Gollnick designed and made the four throw pillows, directing her dedicated talents and genuine love of sewing for the benefit of Faith Lutheran Church. How very fortunate we all are to have such talent in our congregation!

NOW, WE NEED EVERYONE'S SUPPORT! To complete the purpose of this project and to raise additional funds for "deficit reduction," we need Faith members to sell the raffle tickets. The tickets will cost \$5 each and will be available on Sunday, May 1. They will be packaged in groups of five tickets per envelope, including photos of the quilt and pillow sets; instructions will also be provided on filling out the raffle ticket stubs, collecting the money and returning both stubs and money to the church office. We are asking you to sell five tickets (equal to a total of \$25) to support this project. We would be thrilled if you want to sell more than five tickets, so just let us know. Ticket packages will be available after church, starting on May 1. Ticket sales will continue for eight weeks with the final drawing for the prizes on Saturday, June 26th.

If you have any questions about this fund-raising Quilt Raffle Ticket project, please call Judy Johnson at 377-7231.

Gardeners Needed

Plants are starting to poke through the soil and make their appearance for another year!! The Beautification Committee here at church is excited to get going on gardening and could use your help!



We had an organizational meeting on April 19th and 4 people chose flowerbed areas of the church property that they are committed to maintaining during this growing season. A few areas are still available - the Prayer Garden and the Cross Garden on the backside of the church. The tasks that need to be done (probably 2x per month) in order to keep everything looking its best include but are not limited to: watering, pruning, dividing and/or container plantings for your area. If you have a passion for perennial gardening and love playing in the dirt, we need YOU as a volunteer. We could also use a few teenagers as soon as school is out for the summer for a one-time job of doing some power edging. Please call or email me.

Jacquie bobandjacquie@msn.com 262.675.2554

Bible Readings

Sunday, May 1, 2011

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16; refrain, 16:11

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Sunday, May 8, 2011

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19; refrain, Ps. 116:13

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

Sunday, May 15, 2011

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23; refrain; 23:1

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Sunday, May 22, 2011

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; refrain, Ps. 31:5

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

Sunday, May 29, 2011

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

Capital Improvements

Between your April and May contribution envelopes, you will find a canary colored envelope for making a contribution to the Capital Improvements Fund. If you made a pledge to the Capital Improvements Fund last fall or if you would like to make a contribution to the Fund, you are invited to use the special Capital Improvements envelope, or you can make a contribution using a pew envelope. Please mark the pew envelope "Capital Improvements."



Your support is especially needed now as we approach spring and summer. One major project will be repairing, sealing and striping the parking lot. A lengthy list of maintenance projects in the church building is also underway.

Have you seen the updated women's bathroom adjacent to the library? (It's OK to look, guys.) It's beautiful! Thank you to Bob and Jacquie for spearheading this project.

Thank you to Ed Downey and his crew for their hard work in replacing all the old toilets in the building.

Your faithful support of needed property maintenance and improvements is greatly appreciated this month or any time.



NURSERY:

- May 1:** Mariah Butler & Andy Schnorr
- May 8:** Tim & Michelle Oberheau
- May 15:** Bev Yurske & Hannah Yurske
- May 22:** Toni Schnorr & David Schnorr & Dustin Dahlman
- May 29:** Catherine Guse & Dominic Faraglia

LOCK-UP

- May 1:** Brad Hallmark
- May 8:** Brad Hallmark
- May 15:** Brad Hallmark
- May 22:** Bob Becher
- May 29:** Bob Becher

USHERS:

Team 2

Captain:

Chuck Thiele

COMMUNION SET-UP:

Esther Rusch

Sandy Stelter

Pat Smith

ALTAR FLOWERS:

- May 1:** Judy Johnson
- May 8:**
- May 15:**
- May 22:** Amy and Jeff Fischer
- May 29:**

BULLENTINS

- May 1:** Judy Johnson
- May 8:** Ruth & Jim Gollnick
- May 15:**
- May 22:** Amy and Jeff Fischer
- May 29:**

WEB SITE FOR FAITH is live. Please take some time to make a visit. Our Web Site address is the same as before www.faithlutherancedarburg.com.

We will continue to expand our Web Site so if you have any suggestions or ideas contact Alisa Norquist, Dottie Dorr, Toni Schnorr, Kathy Thiele .

**Yesterday is History
Tomorrow is a Mystery
Today is a Present**



FAITH TRUST FUNDS OUR LEGACY - TODAY - TOMORROW - THE FUTURE

As the Trust Funds Chairperson, I have been writing these articles for the past three-plus years, sharing information about the Faith Trust Funds. Also, as many of you know, Ed and I have been out of town, first in Florida, then Colorado and next we'll be going to DC. When we are not at Faith, we try to attend services where are. That being said, this article will focus on where we've been and are going, relating it to FaithTrust Funds.

Since we were in Fort Myers Beach for 7 weeks, Ed got involved the "Monday morning work day" at St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Not only do a lot of inside and outside "chores" get done, but it is also a great social gathering concluding with lunch. It was in this setting that the topic of endowments, benevolence, etc. came up. St. Peter's is an ELCA church, originally a mission church dating back to the early 70's. Membership is about 100 and peak seasonal visitors number about 400 at three weekly services. Currently they have an Enrichment Fund, comparable to our Hope Fund - restricted funds, utilizing only the interest. All bequests go into that fund. They obtained info from us and will now be setting up a benevolent fund that will give donors a choice and the church council more flexibility.

Another example of insight from our out-of-state visits is the beautiful Air Force Academy Chapel in Colorado Springs. This is a protestant non-denominational large chapel, built on the side of the mountains, with its spires reaching to the sky. This structure also houses a Catholic chapel and a Jewish temple. It was this chapel that forever changed my view point of the structure of Faith church, focusing on the high ceiling and the sun shining through the windows. Since this is a government entity, it receives budgeted funds, but some of its funding is from offerings and endowment funds. Attending services in this beautiful chapel, looking out at the blue sky and white clouds, with the mountains in the background, seems to give one a feeling of attachment. Even though those attending a service are strangers to each other, there seems to be a feeling of togetherness and commitment.

When we visit our son, Kyle, in Washington DC, we have attended services both at the National Cathedral and at small neighborhood churches. Although the funding for each of these complexes varies, it is evident that people feel committed to supporting them. I know nothing about their funding, but it is obvious that there is thought given to their legacy.

That gets us back to Faith Trust Funds, our legacy and how Faith will continue to grow. Over the past four years, we have seen a growth in both our endowment fund and our benevolence fund. We have been able to reach out beyond our doors with donations and have thankfully accepted gifts from memorials, the Goldberg estate and other gifts. It has helped us to believe and to share with you that *everything we have is a gift from God.*

Note that there is a special May Trust Funds envelope in your envelope box, and we encourage you to help build our legacy.

Trust Fund Committee: Sandy Downey, Jerry Gierach, Bob Guse., Lorraine Krueger, Bob Wendtland



Happy Birthday!

5/1	Spencer Rettler	May 3, 1975
5/2	Kyle Downey	May 4, 1968
	Cynthia Hoogester	May 11, 1991
5/5	Zachary Rickard	May 19, 1981
	Adam Watry	May 22, 1965
5/6	Joan Dorsey	May 24, 1975
	Judy Johnson	May 24, 1997
	Robert Stelter	May 26, 2007
5/7	Braden Baken	May 27, 1972
5/10	David Schnorr	May 29, 1976
	Halie Wittenberg	
5/11	George Markham	
5/12	Stephan Kinnunen	
5/15	Alisa Norquist	
5/17	Lynne Beverung	
	Gregory Dahlman	
5/20	Wanita Lewis	
	Raymond Trupke	
5/21	Chad Williams	
5/23	Aaron Gresch	
5/24	Robert Schwengel	
5/25	Bryan Krueger	
5/27	David Papke	
5/28	Marlin Miller	
5/30	Matthew White	
5/31	Carl Ball	

Anniversaries

John & Nancy Hammen	36 years
Dale & Bertie Mahal	43 years
Carl & Cindy Ball	20 years
Phil & Cindy Dellegrazio	30 years
Robert & Marcia Guse	46 years
Tom & Joan Dorsey	36 years
Jeff & Amy Fischer	14 years
Timothy & Michelle Oberheu	4 years
Norman & Marsha Williams	39 years
Robert & Louise Schwengel	35 years



OUR PRAYERS are invited for Jim Gresch, Jackson Green, Bill Duff (Dottie Dorr's brother), Viva Mueller (Toni Schnorr's mother), Andrew (Jacquie Becher's nephew), Kate Larsh (Dorothea von Trott's grandson's wife), Clare Guse (friend of Joyce & Tom Christie), Ryan Miller (college in Chile), Krissy Anschuetz (friend of the Gresch family, Brian Lauer (friend of the Guse's), Ray Weber (Diane's husband);

for all in military service, especially Chaplin Brady Eggleston, Paul Brissman (Vera's son), Chris, Jacob Elbe (Hal & Vangie Sherman's grandson), Brigitt Kincaid (Dottie Dorr's niece), Tony Navarre (teacher at Homestead High School), Larry Clark (Dottie Dorr's nephew); for all those in mission work, especially Pam Schwalbach.

Names will stay on our prayer list for one month. If you would like your loved one or friend on longer, you will have to let the office know.

THE MINUTES FROM
COUNCIL MEETINGS CAN
BE FOUND ON THE
BULLETIN BOARD IN THE
NARTHEX

Office Hours
Tuesday—Thursday
9:00 - 2:00 pm
Friday
9:00-Noon