



FOCUS ON FAITH WEEKLY

✦ FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ✦ GREENFIELD INDIANA ✦

This Week at Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday Feb. 10	Monday Feb. 11	Tuesday Feb. 12	Wednesday Feb. 13	Thursday Feb. 14	Friday Feb. 15	Saturday Feb. 16
The Transfiguration of Our Lord Divine Service 9:15 am 11:00 Sunday <i>Mary Martha Bake Sale</i> Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	<i>Preschool</i> Pastor's Family Day Bell Choir 6:30 pm	<i>Preschool</i> Bible Study 9:30 am Matins 11:00 am Mary Martha meeting 6:30pm	<i>Preschool</i> Faith by Heart 5:30pm Jr. Catechesis: 6th Gr. 4:30 pm 7th Gr. 5:00 pm 8th Gr. 7:30 pm Choir 6 pm Chapel 7:15 pm	<i>Preschool</i> <i>Valentines' Day</i> Matins 11:00 am Elder's mtg. 6:30 pm	<i>Preschool</i>	Men's Bible Study 8—9:15 am

Weekly Divine Service: Sunday 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study: Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Private Confession and Holy Absolution with Pastor is available by appointment

Pastor Wm. Daniel O'Connor email: pastorwdo@faithgreenfield.org

Administrative Assistant e-mail: secretary@faithgreenfield.org Focus on Faith Deadline: 9 am Thursday

MARY MARTHA GUILD

BAKE SALE

Mary Martha Guild is hosting a Bake Sale TODAY in the Fellowship area following the Divine Service. All proceeds will be dedicated to Mission Mites.

Mary Martha will also be taking orders for RADA Cutlery Today. Proceeds from the sale of RADA products allow Mary Martha Guild to support many worthy charities.

Mark Your Calendars!

Next Mary Martha Guild gathering is Tuesday, February 12. Meeting begins at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship area. Program for the evening will be a Bible study. All women of the congregation are invited. Please plan to join us!

MIDWEEK SERVICE

We here at Faith gather together for prayer and the Word every Tuesday and Thursday morning, at 11:00. The service we are currently using is Matins, which takes about 35 minutes to pray through. If you find yourself in town and free at that time, we'd love to have you join us!

FROM LUTHER

“The Heavenly Father still addresses these words to us: ‘This is My beloved Son!’ He will continue to do so until the Day of Judgment, nor will heaven ever be closed again. When you are baptized, partake of Holy Communion, receive the Absolution, or listen to a sermon, heaven is open, and we hear the voice of the Heavenly Father; all these works descend upon us from the open heaven above us.” (commenting on today’s Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9, in Luther’s Works – volume 22, p. 202)

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Silas, Fellow Worker of St. Peter and St. Paul (February 10th) – Silas, a leader in the church at Jerusalem, was chosen by Paul (Acts 15:40) to accompany him on his second missionary journey from Antioch to Asia Minor and Macedonia. Silas, also known as Silvanus, was imprisoned with Paul in Philippi and experienced the riots in Thessalonica and Berea. After rejoining Paul in Corinth, he apparently remained there for an extended period of time. There is very little further mention of Silas and his association with Paul. However, sometime later he appears to have joined the apostle Peter, likely serving as Peter’s secretary (see 1Peter 5:12). Tradition says that Silas was the first Bishop at Corinth.

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, Your servant Silas preached the Gospel alongside the apostles Peter and Paul to the peoples of Asia Minor, Greece, and Macedonia. We give You thanks for raising up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of Your Kingdom, that the Church may continue to proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior: Jesus Christ.

Aquila, Priscilla, Apollos (February 13th) – Aquila and his wife Priscilla (Prisca), Jewish contemporaries of St. Paul, traveled widely. Because of persecution in Rome, they went to Corinth, where they met the apostle Paul, who joined them in their trade of tentmaking (see Acts 18:1-3). They, in turn, joined him in his mission of proclaiming the Christian Gospel. The couple later traveled with Paul from Corinth to Ephesus (see Acts 18:18), where the two of them established a home that served as hospitality headquarters for new converts to Christianity. Apollos was one of their numerous Jewish pupils in the faith. An eloquent man, Apollos “spoke with burning enthusiasm and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus.”(Acts 18:25) He later traveled from Corinth to the province of Achaia, where he “showed by the Scriptures that the Messiah is Jesus.”(Acts 18:28) Aquila, Priscilla, and Apollos are all remembered and honored for their great missionary zeal.

Collect: Triune God, Whose very Name is holy, teach us to be faithful hearers and learners of Your Word, fervent in the Spirit as Apollos was, that we may teach it correctly against those who have been led astray into falsehood and error, and that we might follow the example of Aquila and Priscilla for the good of the Church You established here and entrusted to our humble care.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Valentine, Martyr (February 14th) – A physician and priest living in Rome during the rule of the Emperor Claudius, Valentine became one of the noted martyrs of the third century. The commemoration of his death, which occurred in the year 270, became part of the calendar of remembrance in the early church of the West. Tradition suggests that, on the day of his execution for his Christian faith, he left a note of encouragement for a child of his jailer written on an irregularly-shaped piece of paper. This greeting became a pattern for millions of written expressions of love and caring that now are the highlight of Valentine’s Day.

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, You kindled the flame of Your love in the heart of Your holy martyr: Valentine. Grant to us, Your humble servants, a like faith and the power of love, that we who rejoice in Christ’s triumph may embody His love in our lives.

Philemon and Onesimus (February 15) – Philemon was a prominent first-century Christian who owned a slave named Onesimus. Although the name “Onesimus” means “useful,” Onesimus proved himself *useless* when he ran away from his master, and perhaps even stole from him (see Philemon 18). Somehow Onesimus came into contact with the apostle Paul however, while the latter was in prison, and through Paul’s proclamation of the Gospel Onesimus became a Christian. After confessing to the apostle that he was a runaway slave, he was directed by Paul to return to his master and become “useful” again. In order to help pave the way for Onesimus’ peaceful return, Paul sent him on his way with a letter addressed to Philemon, a letter in which he urged Philemon to forgive his slave for having run away and “to receive him as you would receive me”(v.17), “no longer as a slave, but as a beloved brother.”(v.16). The letter bears witness to the power of the Gospel to unite people in Christ and forge the one people of God, and it was eventually recognized by the Church as one of the books of the New Testament.

Collect: Lord God, Heavenly Father, You sent Onesimus back to Philemon as a brother in Christ, freeing him from his slavery to sin through the preaching of the apostle Paul. Cleanse the depths of sin within our souls and bid resentment cease for past offenses, that by your mercy, we may be reconciled to our brothers and sisters and our lives will reflect Your peace.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS, CONT.

Philip Melanchthon, Confessor (February 16) – Philip Melanchthon (1497-1560) was a brilliant student of the classics and a humanist scholar. In 1518 he was appointed to teach along with Martin Luther at the University of Wittenberg. At Luther's urging, Melanchthon began teaching theology and Scripture in addition to his courses in classical studies. In April of 1530, Emperor Charles V called an official meeting between the representative of Lutheranism and Roman Catholicism, hoping to effect a meeting of minds between two opposing groups. Since Luther was at that time under papal excommunication, as well as an imperial ban, Melanchthon was assigned the duty of being the chief Lutheran representative at this meeting. He is especially remembered and honored as the author of the Augsburg Confession, which was officially presented by the German princes to the emperor on June 25, 1530, as the defining confessional document of Lutheranism.

Collect: Almighty God, we praise You for the service of Philip Melanchthon to the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, in the renewal of its life in fidelity to Your Word and promise. Raise up in these gray and latter days faithful teachers and pastors, inspired by Your Spirit, Whose voice will give strength to Your Church and proclaim the ongoing reality of Your kingdom.

ADULT STUDIES IN GOD'S WORD

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This class meets every Sunday morning in the fellowship area of the church, immediately following our time of fellowship after the Divine Service. We are studying the Large Catechism. Come join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY We are studying the book of Jonah. Come join us!

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY— This lay led study meets every Saturday at 8:00 am.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Into the Woods on stage at Lutheran High School – February 22–24

Lutheran High School's Saints on Stage present Stephen Sondheim's *Into the Woods* February 22 – 23 at 7:00 pm and February 24 at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors 65+. You may purchase tickets today at lhsi.org. MOMENTS: The 2018-2019 Saints on Stage season is presented by Meyer Financial Strategies, Dennis and Kathy Meyer.

Winter Preview Night – February 27

If you're still thinking about high school, or if you have a 7th grader, please join us for our winter **Preview Night** at LHS. We'll start at **6:30 pm on Wednesday, February 27** in the Auditorium. Meet teachers and students, and learn about the opportunities that await you at Lutheran High School!

Boys Golf Coach Needed

Lutheran High School is looking to hire a boy's golf coach for this spring. Golf practices usually start towards the end of March as the temperatures rise and matches begin the second week of April.

Anyone interested in the position should contact athletic director Tom Finchum at 317-787-5474 x 224 or tfinchum@lhsi.org.

FROM THE PRESCHOOL

—Registration is now open for the 2019-2020 school year to Faith Lutheran Church members.

—On February 1st, registration will be open to existing and former preschool families.

—On March 1st, registration will be open to the community.

—If you know of someone who might be interested, please “pass the word long”. Preschool brochures and registration forms can be found in the Narthex.

—If you have any questions or for more information, please contact the director, Rebecca Shanton, at the preschool 317-468-0610, by cell 260-343-16021 or by email rshanon.faithpreschool@gmail.com

Preschool Fundraiser

Mystery Theatre on March 16, 2019.

The production: “The Good, the Bad and the Guilty” has a Wild West theme.

I will need 8-10 adult actors (18 and older) for this production; 4-5 females and 4-5 males. We will need 6 practices before March 16. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Practice will start at the end of January. We did this once before and it was a great success, plus lots of fun.

Tickets for this will be \$15.00 each with appetizers, drinks and desserts provided.

Questions? Please contact Phyllis Arthur at 317-861-5853.

Grandparent’s Day is on Wednesday, March 6th . We will begin with pastor leading us in chapel in the church sanctuary. We will then move to the Narthex, the Fellowship Hall and the CLC on that day from 9:00 to 11:00 am. There will be no regular classes that day.

HOMEBOUND ADDRESSES

Ms. Doris Bond
Traditions at Brookside, Rm.215
6311 W 900N
McCordsville, IN 46055.

Mr. Bill Crider
206 Allen Lane
Greenfield, IN 46140

Mr. David Feltner
Bloom
2250 Harvest Moon Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Ms. Phyllis Kingen
2987 W 600 N
Greenfield, IN 46140
317 -945-5539 (mobile)

Ms. Donna Kuppler
8712 Woodlane Road
Germantown, IL 62245

Mrs. Marjorie Lung
Golden Living Nursing Home
745 Swope St.
Greenfield, IN 46140

Ms. Betty Mattsey
200 W. Green Meadows Dr.
Greenfield, IN 46140

Mrs. Peggy Price
9422 White Shell Drive
Ft. Wayne, IN 46804

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It is time to begin thinking about Vacation Bible School. We are looking for someone to lead our VBS this year. We have lots of people who are willing to help, we just need someone to get us started. If you are interested, or if you have any questions, please contact Mary Jo McConnell or any member from the Board of Parish Education. It has been wonderful to see the program grow.

FORT WAYNE SEMINARY

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (CTSFW)—Check out the upcoming events offered by Concordia Theological Seminary (CTSFW), 6600 N. Clinton Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana. For additional information concerning all events please go to www.ctsfw.edu/events or phone (260) 452-2100. *Please note that all times for campus events are Eastern Time.*

MUSIC & WORSHIP SERVICES

All events take place in Kramer Chapel, unless otherwise indicated, and are open to the public. We will also livestream these events at www.ctsfw.edu/daily-chapel and www.facebook.com/ctsfw, except for the Kantorei tours and the organ recitals.

February 17, 4:00 p.m. Choral Vespers; *Schola Cantorum*

February 23–March 1 Kantorei Tour to Florida; for times and locations, click [HERE](#)

March 20, 11:00 a.m. Lecture/Recital Convocation: Church Music for Lent

April 24–28 Kantorei Easter Tour; location and times not yet available

April 28, 4:00 p.m. Easter Evening Prayer; *Kantorei*

May 17, 3:30 p.m. Graduation Day Organ Recital; *Kantor Kevin Hildebrand*

SEMINARY GUILD MEETINGS

Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of every month during the academic year. They typically begin with a presentation and conclude with a report on the work and ongoing projects of the Guild. Times and locations are:

February 12, 1:00 p.m. in Luther Hall

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April 9, 12:00 p.m. Spring Luncheon in Luther Hall

To learn more, go to www.ctsfw.edu/SemGuild. The Guild can also be reached at SemGuild@ctsfw.edu or (260) 485-0209.

FORT WAYNE SEMINARY, CONT.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Christ Academy: Confirmation Retreat

February 15–17

The Rev. Dr. Arthur Just will teach on the topic of Baptism during this weekend retreat for youth currently receiving confirmation instruction. Register by emailing ChristAcademy@ctsfw.edu. You can also learn more about the Confirmation Retreat at www.ctsfw.edu/Confirmation.

Prayerfully Consider Campus Visit

March 21–23

This free, three-day campus visit runs twice a year (once in the spring and again in the fall) and is open to both second-career men and women as well as to college students considering a future vocation as a pastor or deaconess. Visitors will stay in the dorms, eat in the dining hall, attend classes, and explore campus, experiencing life as a Seminary student. Spouses and fiancés/fiancées are also welcome at no cost.

To register, go to www.ctsfw.edu/PCV. For questions or concerns, contact Admission@ctsfw.edu or call (800) 481-2155.

Golf Outing & Alumni Reunion

May 15–17

This year's Alumni Reunion for the classes of 1949–2014 will celebrate all those who graduated in the years ending in 4 and 9. The Golf Outing on the 15th is open to all, including local pastors and congregations. Registration is not yet available for either event, but will open soon. Learn more at www.ctsfw.edu/Alumni.

CALL & GRADUATION

Vicarage and Deaconess Internship Assignment Service

Monday, April 29, 7:00 p.m.

Candidate Call Service

Tuesday, April 30, 7:00 p.m.

Baccalaureate, May 17, 10:00 a.m.

Graduation Exercises, May 17, 6:00 p.m.

**IN THE LORD'S SERVICE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2019**

OrganistChris Wilson
 Crucifer/ AcolyteGrant Shepherd
 Communion Assist: . Matthew Surburg & Tim Wagner
 Elder on Duty Froiland
 Greeters.....Mary Jo McConnell
 Ushers:..... Jim Arthur, Mike Schildmier, Bob Yeager
 Youth Assistant Joey Roland
 Altar Guild..... Gloria & Richard Curry
 Sound:.....
 FellowshipThe Corlew and Dickmader families

**RECEIVING IN FAITH :
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019**

Divine Service: 100

**RESPONDING IN FAITH :
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019**

General Fund.....5,744.18
 Adult Sunday School.....12.00
 Parking Lot Pavement100.00
 Memorials80.00

Total.....\$5,936.18

LOVE, INC.

Can you help serve in this way?

The Ramp Ministry (through SAWS & Park Chapel) that Love INC partners with has an available opportunity to serve. The current draftsman is losing the sight in one eye making the drawing of ramps difficult. Therefore, he has asked for someone to help with the process. You don't need to be a "CAD" person (although that would be nice) there are other alternatives for doing the drawings. Two or three drawings a week is a good estimate and if we get more than one person it would be less.

Contact Rik Hagarty if you have any questions and would like to explore this opportunity.
 Thank-you,

rhagarty@Sawsramps.org

KFUO LUTHERAN RADIO

For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of February 10:

Listen to Worldwide KFUE.org, your radio station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, daily worship opportunities, and current issues from a Lutheran worldview. Programs are archived at KFUE.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts! Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

This week on KFUE.org, hear stories from missionaries Mark and Megan Mantey on The Coffee Hour (2/13 at 9:15 a.m. CT), continue in the early chapters of the book of Ezekiel on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us during daily chapel services at 10:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org or wherever you get your podcasts.

WORSHIP ANEW

Today: Psalm 138; Old Testament: Isaiah 6:1-8; Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

“A Great Fishing Story” - Sermon Text: Luke 5:1-11 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

Jesus is the best fishing partner. He knows where the fish are! The Gospel of Luke relates a great fishing story, which, however, is about so much more than just catching fish.

February 17, 2019 – Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Psalm 1:1-6; Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Gospel: Luke 6:17-26“Blessed Are You” - Sermon Text: Luke 6:17-26 - Rev. Thomas Eggold

The Beatitudes are not a moral roadmap designed to lead us to heaven. They do not constitute a list of demands promising blessings in return. No, the Beatitudes bring blessings because they come to us as requirements of righteousness already met in Jesus. He is the one who has fulfilled every demand of the Law. He is the one who has taken away our sin and come to give us the Kingdom.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Julie Dickmader 2/10
 Dan Neuendorf..... 2/10
 Amanda Dickmader 2/11
 Cynthia Dickmader 2/11
 Mary Lou Wagner..... 2/16

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Aaron Surburg..... 2/9
 Teri Michael..... 2/11
 Lyle Plank 2/13

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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CHURCH LEADERS

Council:

- Brian Atkins (Chairman)
- open (Vice-Chairman)
- Amanda Houser (Recording Secretary)
- Robert M. Yeager (Treasurer)
- Phyllis Arthur (Parochial Ed. Chair)
- Jeff Dickmader (Evangelism Chair)
- Mike Schildmier (Properties Chair)
- Rebecca Shanton (Parish Ed. Chair)
- David Temme (Stewardship Chair)
- Tim Wagner (Elders Chair)

Elders:

- Tim Wagner (Chair)
- James Froiland
- Shawn Houser
- Mark Jenkins (Recording Secretary)
- Scott Baker
- Matthew Surburg

Prayer Chain Requests. Please Contact Lori (317) 431-9514, and email address is lori-yeager@comcast.net or lryeager24@gmail.com.

You may also call or email the office to have it forwarded

IN OUR PRAYERS

Note: Prayer requests will be listed for four weeks, unless longer is requested.

- Ronnie Roberts (friend of Chris O'Connor)*
Unknown illness
- Mary Lou Trees*
Broken shoulder
- Bud & Shirley Sparks*
Auto accident
- Brandy Westphal (grandson of the Bearman's neighbor)*
Broken arm
- Madonna Gann (Jeans Fox's sister)*
Health Issues
- Tom and Barbara Gordon (friends of the Bearmans)*
Health issues
- Barb Waterman's daughter-in-law's sister, Judy*
Cancer
- George Butzin*
Health issues
- Jim Smith*
Cancer
- Glen Robinson & family (friends of John & Cinda Rumler)*
ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)
- Susan Harlow (friend of Pastor)*
Leukemia
- David Feltner*
Nursing home bound
- Donna Kuppler*
Homebound in Illinois
- Marjorie Lung*
Nursing home bound
- Betty Mattsey*
Nursing home bound
- Peggy Price*
Homebound (in Ft. Wayne)
- Doris Bond*
Nursing home bound

Serving our Country

- Nick Arthur; James McConnell
- Noah Heiwig (friend of the Yeagers)
- Will Harlow (friend of Pastor)
- Lukas Fielder (the Dickmanders' nephew)