



FOCUS ON FAITH WEEKLY

✦ FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ✦ GREENFIELD INDIANA ✦

This Week at Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday January 31	Monday February 1	Tuesday February 2	Wednesday February 3	Thursday February 4	Friday February 5	Saturday February 6
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:15 am Divine Service 11:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	<i>No Preschool</i> <i>Pastor's Family Day</i> 7:00 pm Bells	<i>Preschool</i> 9:30 am Bible Study	<i>Preschool</i> 5:30—7:45 Faith By Heart Jr. Catechesis 5:30 pm 6th, 6 pm 7th, 6:30 pm 8th 6:00 pm LifeLight 6:00 pm Choir 7:30 pm Chapel	<i>Preschool</i> 7:00 pm Evangelism	<i>Preschool</i>	Men's Bible Study— 8:00 am Adult Catechesis-10:30

Weekly Divine Service: Sunday 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study: Sunday 11:00 a.m.

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Office Hours: 8:15 am—12:15 pm Monday through Friday

FROM YOUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In our Epistle reading Paul states that he was once a child; he talked like a child, thought like a child, reasoned like a child. But God's Spirit moved him to maturity. And that same miraculous change takes place in our lives, as we give evidence through word and deed that we are blessed to be a blessing to others.

Thank You

May God richly bless our family here at Faith. We have had ten years of blessings and fellowship with you. We give thanks and praise to God for leading us to worship here. It is hard on many levels to leave Indiana and Faith, but we are looking forward to new horizons and to serving God in whatever ways He shows us. Thank you to everyone for the warmth, friendships and love you have given us. Our new address is below.

Stan & BJ Knauff
 3610 Hursey Ave.
 Claremont, NC 28610

CROCK POT COOK-OFF

The Crock Pot Cook-Off will be on Sunday, February 28th from noon—2pm. Soup/Stew/Chili/Chowder donations are needed. Our contest has 4 categories: Chili, Stew, Soup and Chowder. We are looking for 20 people to participate by making their best Crock Pot recipe! The whole congregation is invited to be the judges and vote for the best in each class. Prizes will be awarded! We will also offer bread and beverages. If you want to compete with your best recipe please see the bulletin board in the Narthex by the coat rack to sign up.

FAITH, FUN, & FOLLIES

Mary Martha Guild is going to have a silent auction at the Faith, Fun, & Follies Talent Show on February 28th. All proceeds will benefit our mission project. We are looking for items to include in the auction. Do you have any Christmas gifts you want to re-gift? Use the sign-up sheet and let us know.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. (Hebrews 12:1)

Our churches teach that the remembrance of the saints is to be commended in order that we may imitate their faith and good works according to our calling. (Augsburg Confession [21])

“The Lutheran reformers understood that there was great benefit in remembering the saints whom God has given to His Church. The Apology of the Augsburg Confession (article 21) gives three reasons for such honor. First, we thank God for giving faithful servants to His Church. Second, through such remembrance our faith is strengthened as we see the mercy that God extended to His saints of old. Third, these saints are examples by which we may imitate both their faith and their holy living according to our calling in life...”

Through the various Feasts, Festivals and Commemorations of the Church we remember individuals whose “defense of the fundamental beliefs of the Christian faith and/or their virtuous living have caused these individuals to stand out over time as persons worthy of recognition. In every case, the purpose of our remembrance is not that we honor these saints for their own sake, but as examples of those in whom the saving work of Jesus Christ was made manifest to the glory of His holy Name and to the praise of His grace and mercy.” (LSB, p. xii)

In our prayers today, and in the life of the Church this week, we give thanks to God with our remembrance of:

Jacob (Israel), Patriarch (February 5th) – Jacob, the third of the three Hebrew patriarchs, was the younger of the twin sons of Isaac and Rebekah. After wrestling with the Angel of the Lord, Jacob, whose name means “deceiver,” was renamed “Israel,” which means “he strives with God” (Genesis 25:26; 32:28). His family life was filled with trouble, caused by his acts of deception toward his father and his brother Esau, as well as his parental favoritism toward his own son Joseph (whose day of commemoration is March 31). Much of Jacob’s adult life was spent grieving over the death of his beloved wife Rachel, and the presumed death of Joseph, who had been appointed by the Egyptian Pharaoh to be in charge of food distribution during a time of famine. Prior to Jacob’s death, during the blessing of his sons, God gave the promise that the Messiah would come through the line of Jacob’s fourth son: Judah (see Genesis 49).

Collect: Lord Jesus, Scepter that rises out of Jacob, Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world, rule our hearts through Your suffering cross and forgive us our sins, that we may become part-takers of Your divine life.

MARY/MARTHA LWML



Recipes of Faith cookbooks are still available! Please contact Marianne Marshall at 317-250-7492 or bettylou51@aol.com to get your copy. They are \$10.00 each cash or make checks payable to Mary Martha Guild.

Remember to check the flower chart!! There are still several dates available throughout the year. Checks should be made payable to Mary Martha Guild and put in Donna Scott’s mailbox. The flowers are \$15 for each vase.

Copies of “Good News,” which is no longer in the LWML Quarterly, are now available in the narthex.

FAITH, FUN, AND FOLLIES

The Mary—Martha Guild will once again host a talent show and soup/chili cook-off for members of Faith on February 28th. Start practicing your talent, and trying out those recipes.

We will have a silent auction at the Faith, Fun, & Follies event. All proceeds will benefit our mission project. We are looking for items to include in the auction. Do you have any gifts you want to re-gift? Use the sign-up sheet and let us know.

Serve the Lord with gladness ~ Psalm 100:2

FAITH YOUTH GROUP

The **FYG Super Bowl party** will be hosted by Perry and his family on Sunday, February 7th at 6:00 pm. Boys should bring TWO 2 liters of pop and girls should bring a snack to share. Check with the Flaughs for directions. Sign up in the Narthex.

FYG Volunteers are needed to help with the Crock Pot Cook-off. We will be helping set up, serve and clean up. This is a great opportunity for FYG to give back to the congregation for their generosity in supporting us. Please sign up in the Narthex.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the many members of Faith who have been so kind to send notes, cards, have kept me in your prayers, and have kept in touch through phone calls. Your kindnesses have been a blessing in these last few weeks. I still have some difficult times ahead of me so it may be a while before I am able to worship with you at church, but I so much appreciate your thoughtfulness and prayers.

Bev Mearling

IN OUR PRAYERS

Nick Barrett Scott Perkins
 Abigail Miller Deb Kuehn
 Gloria Ochonicky (mother of Karen Ochonicky)
 Jim & Eddie Placke Bev Mearling
 Margaret Gilbert (mother of Deb Engleman)
 Bob Fox
 Greg Meyer (brother of David Meyer)
 Deanna Meyer (mother of David Meyer)
 Lester & Carolyn Cook Mike Witte
 Emma McAlister (neighbor of Musch family)
 Michelle Wolfla People in Haiti
 Ryan Rife (sibling of Faith Preschool student)
 Carol Dickmander Pastor Koeneman
Gertrud Lueneberg (Amy Surburg's Grandmother)

Darren Beyer Joshua Utt Rich Thompson
 Kurt Connell Rob Wolfla

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Marilyn Kroeger 2/1
 Mary Lou Wagner 2/1
 Lester Cook 2/6

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Joyce Riegle..... 2/4
 Randy Litten 2/6

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Ken & Susan Sedam (5 years)..... 2/6

Please inform the office if a prayer, baptismal birthday, anniversary or birthday was missed or incorrect this week. Thank you.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please Contact Ellie Trautmann (861-5083 / email: rprautmann@aol.com) or Lois Hoff (467-0407 / email: lmhoffs@sbcglobal.net) for prayer requests. You also may call or email the office to have it forwarded.

LOVE INC

As we begin a New Year of service to the community we are seeking new volunteers who can answer phones, work with a computer, and have a compassionate heart that will reach and touch the lives of our community. Our office is now open five days a week, and because our calls have increased, we need 2 additional volunteers on Thursday and Friday. Is God calling you to an act of service this New Year to help care for the needs within Hancock County? If so please call our office @ 468-6300.

**IN THE LORD'S SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY
 FEBRUARY 7, 2010**

OrganistRichard Thompson
 Crucifer.....Perry Flaugh
 Acolytes..... Rachel Visnack & Amanda Dickmander
 Greeters.....Max & Marlene Gentry
 Ushers Ben Rice, Matthew Surburg, George Butzin
 Youth Assistant Thomas Visnack
 Altar Guild..... Mary & Emily Gible, Jill & Mitchell Scott
 Communion Assistant..... Jeff Dickmander & Nick Arthur
 Elder on Duty TBD
 Sound..... Mike Schildmier
 Fellowship Kris & Angie Vollrath
 Flowers Bill & Marilyn Rothkopf

**RECEIVING IN FAITH
 JANUARY 24, 2010**

**DIVINE SERVICE: 164
 SUNDAY SCHOOL: 57**

**RESPONDING IN FAITH
 JANUARY 24, 2010**

Financial:	
General Fund	\$ 4065.47
Building Fund	\$ 647.08
Loose Cash	\$ 72.70
Lutheran Witness	\$ 5.00
Memorials	\$ 25.00
Mid-Week School	\$ 17.83
Bethesda	\$ 5.00

Total \$ 4,838.08

ASK THE ORGANIST

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION about organ music? Choir music? Handbell music? Or something else about the music programs here at Faith? Submit your question to the church office or to rthompson1891@comcast.net and look for the answer in *Focus on Faith*.

CAMP LUTHERHAVEN

You are invited to celebrate your family at Camp Lutherhaven's Late Winter Family retreat on March 6 -7. An optional Friday overnight is available on March 5 for those who would like to have a longer "mini vacation." The theme for the weekend is "Picture This!" Contact the camp for more information at (260) 636-7101 or go online at www.lutherhaven.org. Sign up your family today!

SUNDAY SCHOOL/YOUTH BIBLE CLASS

Today in Sunday School, the lesson was about Jesus healing many people (Luke 4:31-44). Through many miracles, Jesus shows us His power over sin. Ask your children to tell you who Jesus healed. What were some of the sicknesses the people had? Talk about sin—yours, theirs, the world's and how Satan holds the world in bondage, causing sickness and death. Assure them that Jesus is the Holy One of God, who defeats Satan and frees us from his hold, granting us eternal life in paradise. Emphasize that Jesus has power over sin and sickness, saving the lost by His death and resurrection.

ADULT STUDIES IN GOD'S WORD

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS Today Pastor O'Connor finishes a study of Holy Baptism. Come join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is studying the book of 1 Samuel. Class begins at 9:30; refreshments begin 15 minutes prior to the study.

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

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASS—This group meets on Saturday mornings at 10:30 am in the CLC. All are welcome.

LUTHERAN MINISTRIES MEDIA, INC.

Worship for shut-ins: February 7, 2010 – Luke 5:1-11

"They Left Everything"

by Rev. Paul E. Shoemaker,
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, IN

The Disciples "left everything and followed Jesus." It is hard to imagine leaving everything to follow Jesus but that is what we are called to do. Jesus gave us the perfect example as he left everything to give us eternal life.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES (LHM)

CATCH THE LUTHERAN HOUR on WLW 700 AM at 7:00am on Sundays. The Lutheran Hour, which began in 1930, is the world's longest running Christian outreach radio program. It proclaims the message of Jesus Christ to more than 1.2 million people each week. It is also broadcast on the American Forces Network to reach military personnel and their families around the world. Learn more at www.lutheranhour.org.

CAMP LAKEVIEW

It's time to start thinking about summer camp! On February 1st, **Camp Lakeview** will begin registering campers (grades K-9) for its 2010 summer season. Don't let your children miss the adventure, joy, and wonder that a week at a Christian camp can bring. Brochures are available in the narthex. Sign up by calling the camp office at 812-342-4815 or visit the camp's website at www.camplakeview.com. No phone reservations will be accepted until 2 weeks after registration opens, so the best way to register is to get the forms ready and mail it in before February 1st. See you at camp!

LUTHERAN DISABILITY MINISTRY

Lutheran Disability Ministry (LDM) is seeking support for the annual *Food and Wine Fest*. Guests can enjoy the cuisine of top notch area restaurants and sample a variety of fine wines. A popular feature from past years will be both live and silent auctions. The event will be held at *The Mansion at Oak Hill* in Carmel on Sunday, March 7, 2010 beginning at 5:00pm. A limited supply of tickets is available at \$50.00 each. The proceeds benefit LDM HandyCamp, SonRise Retreats, and the renovation of the campsite. For tickets please contact Anne Hartman at home 317-738-2209 or cell phone 317-414-3215. Or, please send an e-mail to achartman@usa.net with a subject line of *LDM Benefit*.

CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Concordia Theological Seminary is gathering food and grocery items for the Seminary Co-op. The Co-op is open to all students enrolled in classes at Concordia Theological Seminary. Food, clothing, and household items are provided at no charge. Students volunteer for the privilege of shopping. The Co-op relies solely on generous donations of perishable and non-perishable food items, clothing, household items, and monetary gifts. The current needs of the Food Co-op are:

- Cereal, especially oatmeal
- Canned meat and tuna
- Spaghetti sauce
- Hamburger helper type meals
- Boxed crackers
- Red beans, pinto beans, lima beans
- Tomato products
- Cleaning supplies
- Coffee & tea
- Laundry detergent
- Over the counter medicines

Please place the items in the box in the narthex. The donated items will be picked up on March 1st.

FAMILIES OF FAITH



The Flaugh Family

From left to right — Perry, Steve, Gloria, & Lisa

In 1958 Gloria was born on the army base in Frankfurt, Germany while her father was stationed there. After her father was honorably discharged, the family did some touring all over Europe and then came back to the states to live in Johnstown, PA (in Gloria's father's boyhood home) until 1960. They then moved back to live until 1963. After a one year stay in Columbus, Ohio in 1963-1964 (Gloria's kindergarten year), Gloria's family moved to Richmond, Indiana. They lived there for 10 years and then moved to Indianapolis in 1974.

Meanwhile, Steve was born in Cleveland, Ohio in November 1961 and lived in a cute little cape cod in Middleburg Heights, Ohio until 1970, when his family moved to Indianapolis. They became members of Lord of Life Lutheran Church on East 38th Street. (That church is no longer there, sadly.)

Gloria's family started attending Lord of Life in late 1974. Steve and Gloria met in church youth group in 1977, and Steve was in Confirmation class with Gloria's younger sister.

After dating for 6 years, Steve and Gloria were married in 1984 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Indianapolis. Eventually they added to the family. Lisa was born on New Year's Eve 1989, and Perry followed on August 19, 1994.

Current activities for the family include large doses of marching band (New Palestine Marching Dragons). Lisa played Marimba and Vibe in the percussion pit, and Perry marches a trumpet. Lisa is now attending IUPUI, majoring in marketing and business. Perry is active in Boy Scouts and is looking to earn the rank of Eagle Scout within the next year or so. The whole family loves to go to the Indiana State Fair every year, and we try to get to the beach every so often; the last visit was to St. Augustine Beach, FL in June 2008.

A miniature dachshund named Snickers completes the family, and actually we shouldn't leave out the small aquatic frog Perry received as a gift (but mom faithfully feeds) named Frogger.

SOUP SUPPERS

Lenten Soup Suppers will begin at 5:30 pm. The following is a schedule of the dates for the upcoming soup suppers and the groups responsible for the meal that evening:

February 17 th	Mary Martha
February 24 th	Stewardship, Evangelism, & Church Council Officers (President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer)
March 3 rd	Choir, Bell Choir, & Altar Guild
March 10 th	Parochial Board, Parish Ed., & Preschool Staff
March 17 th	Elders & Properties
March 24 th	Tuesday Morning Bible Study & Congregation

2010 AT A GLANCE

Faith Lutheran Church Scheduled Council Meetings 2010

February 18
 March 18
 April 15
 May 20
 June 17
 July 15
 August 19
 September 16
 October 21
 November 18
 December 16

Faith Lutheran Church Scheduled Voters' Assemblies

March 13
 June 13
 September 12
 December 12

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

New Student Registration at Lutheran High School is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, February 22 (last name A–K) and 23 (L–Z), 6:00–8:00 pm, in the Commons. Incoming freshmen and other new students and their parents will receive information, have the opportunity to ask questions, set up tuition payments, and plan a tentative course of study for the coming year.

A few good men and women are needed to play in the pit orchestra for the April 15–17 production of *Seussical the Musical*. We need one or two keyboard players (synth parts), two trumpets, and saxophones. If interested, please contact Patrick Winningham at pwinningham@lhsi.org or 787-5474 x203. Thanks!