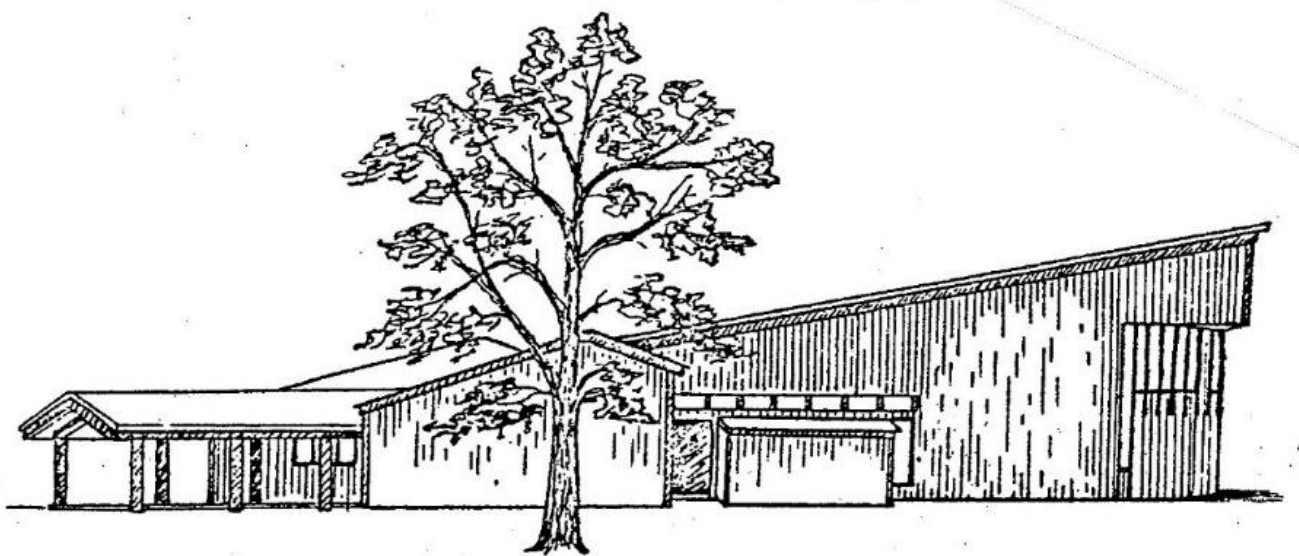


FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL

... GROWING IN FAITH TOWARD GOD
AND LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.



SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

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Welcome!

A warm welcome is extended to ALL who are gathered today. May we all know the love and mercy of God through His gifts of Word and Sacrament. Please fill out a “Friendship Registry” card or sign your name in our “Guest Book” that is located in the entry way of our building. **If you are ‘visiting’ with us today, please make sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Krueger.** As our ‘special guest,’ please do not feel obligated to contribute to today’s offering.

Rest rooms are located off the hallway to the right as you exit the sanctuary. The nursery is located through the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to use our nursery, please ask an usher who will help you immediately. Hearing assistance devices are available. If you need anything, please ask an elder or an usher – both are happy to help you.

THE LORD’S SUPPER – We rejoice in this blessed meal as the Lord Jesus Himself comes to us in a very intimate manner, giving us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. St. Paul writes, “Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.” (1 Corinthians 11:28-29)

It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we specifically ask those who are not instructed in the Lutheran Confessions and/or doubt the ‘REAL presence’ of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to speak to the Pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. As a member church of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, we practice “Close(d) Communion” and welcome to our communion rail those who are members of churches that belong to the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.

PRESERVICE MUSIC – *please use this time to prepare yourself for worship.*

OPENING MEDLEY “Majesty” (TOSB 135)

“Glorify Thy Name” (TOSB 49)

INVOCATION

We, who are “Blessed for Life,” let us begin this hour of worship and praise in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

OPENING MILDLEY

"Majesty" (TOSB 135)

1. Majesty, worship His Majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, power and praise!
Majesty, kingdom authority,
flow from His throne unto His own
His anthem raise!

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus!
Magnify, come glorify, Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all kings!

OPENING MILDLEY

"Glorify Thy Name" (TOSB 49)

1. Father, we love Thee,
we praise Thee, we adore Thee.
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name,
glorify Thy Name,
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

2. Jesus, we love Thee,
we praise Thee, we adore Thee.
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name,
glorify Thy Name,
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

3. Spirit, we love Thee,
we praise Thee, we adore Thee.
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy Name,
glorify Thy Name,
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

We are knit together by God our Father in our mother's womb.

I do not always witness that the same God who created the heavens and the earth also created me. Father, forgive me.

We are human beings – a genetic boy or girl at the very moment that we are conceived.

I do not always witness to this truth or defend this truth, but rather I simply tolerate and often allow what the sinful world teaches about gender. Father, forgive me.

We are Your creation and temples of Your Holy Spirit, so our bodies and lives matter from conception to death.

I do not always live like Your creation. I do not always live like Your Holy Spirit lives inside me. I do not always defend and speak up for every human life as Your gift and precious to You. Father, forgive me.

We are sorry, Father, for our sins of commission and our sins of omission – especially when it pertains to Your gift of human life.

(take this time for personal confession of sins to your heavenly Father)

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are "Blessed for Life" because of the steadfast and unconditional love of our heavenly Father, Who sees us not as lost and condemned creatures, but through faith in His Son, our Savior Jesus, are cleansed by the blood of 'the Lamb.' We are His holy people who are blessed in every way. Having heard Your heartfelt confession of sins, it is in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ that I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

☩ SERVICE OF THE WORD ☩

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 139:1-16

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O

LORD, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it. Where shall I go from Your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with You. For you formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 3:13-17

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:13-16

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

And they were bringing children to Him that He might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, He was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying His hands on them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

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(Songs by Faith Lutheran Preschoolers)

CHILDRENS' MESSAGE

MESSAGE SONG – Video "God Knew Your Name"

SERMON

"All Life is Precious – Worth Defending" Text – Proverbs 31:8-9

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...

Pastor concludes each petition with "Lord, in Your mercy."

Worshippers respond with "Hear our prayer."

Lord, remember in us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Silence is observed as the communion vessels are prepared, and for us to prepare to receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#1 LSB 560 "Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed"

#2 LSB 801 "How Great Thou Art"

#3 LSB 746 "Through Jesus' Blood and Merit"

#4 LSB 744 "Amazing Grace"

WORDS OF DISMISSAL

BENEDICTION

Brothers and sisters – who are "Blessed for Life" in Jesus – the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor ✠ and give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING SONG: LSB 740 "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, we welcome Hannah Morel from The Bay Area Pregnancy Center. She will be sharing some important information with us at the end of our service today. Please give her your warmest "Faith Lutheran" welcome and support.

Go in Peace...

Thanks be to God.

Serving Today

Elder: Bill Ritson

Pianist Marilyn Theel

Altar: Lori Okrasinski

Reader: Betsy Gill

Ushers: Bob Charlesworth
and Aaron Mullins

Serving February 5th

Elder: Bill Ritson

Pianist Lois Zill

Altar: Kelly Coan

Reader: Jim Olsen

Nursery: Judy Stroming
Ushers: John Nygren

THE 2023 ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP CHART IS POSTED.

The cost is \$20 per bouquet (payment envelope in your mailbox).
Two bouquets are available per Sunday. Please be sure to pick your flowers up from after the worship service!

Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Duane & Jane Bucholtz in memory of their daughter Ellen
who passed away 8 years ago.

In Our Prayers

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH: Betty Becker; Judy & Steve Hoheneder; Felicity King; Roger Marquardt; Doris Ritson; Marsha Stiemke & Leslie Detry (as they mourn the passing of Todd; a son and brother); Don Thorley; Sally Zupan

OUR SHUT-INS: Steve & Linda Van Den Huevel; Larry & Sally Zupon

SERVING IN OUR MILITARY: Dylan Kielcheski and Caitlin Kielcheski

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS: Dreya Detry UW-Oshkosh; Gwyn Hanson UW-Oshkosh; Corinne Mulvaney SVSU; Nathan Krueger SNHU; Katelyn Krueger SVSU; Colin Nygren UW-Stevens Point; Samantha Pieper UW-Whitewater and Walker Stroming UW-LaCrosse.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY ADOPTED STUDENTS:

Justin Brockman; Jedidiah McClellan; Grant Thiel; Joel Werner

**OUR MISSIONARIES: Pastor Camp (Russian Ministry)
Rev. Schulte (Congo West Africa)**

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS REQUESTED BY OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Amy (Niece of Dennis & Chris Froehlich); Cassie Nygren; the Hunt Family; Brenda Johnston (daughter-in-law to Betsy & Roy Gill diagnosed with Leukemia); Richard Johnston (Brenda's husband and Roy & Betsy Gill's son); Dave & Jan Krueger (Traci Meyer's Parents); and Pat Staudenmaier (nephew of Sid & Maggie Meyer)

BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Loretta Schacht	Feb 1
Marshall Sebero	Feb 2
Eloise Kuhlman	Feb 3
Mark Stroming	Feb 4

January 22nd – January 29th, 2023

<u>Day</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>New Testament</u>
Mon: 01/30	Ezekiel 31-33	-	John 11
Tues: 01/31	Ezekiel 34-36	Psalm 86	John 12
Wed: 02/01	Ezekiel 37-39	Psalm 87	John 13
Thurs: 02/02	Ezekiel 40-42	-	John 14
Fri: 02/03	Ezekiel 43-45	Psalm 135	John 15

SAVE THE DATE

PROJECT LINUS "Make A Blanket Day 2023: will be held in Marinette @ Faith Lutheran Church, 4009 Irving Street, Marinette. 9 am - noon. Saturday, February 18th. (We will mostly be making tied fleece blankets. Please join us to drop off donations, help tie fleece blankets, or just to see what we are all about)

Bags for Kids

In 2022, there was approximately \$200.00 donated for the Bags for Kids mission. Nine bags were purchased average of \$22.00 per bag. One child receiving a bag said "I never had a suitcase before" These bags are given to children that Social Service were being taken from their homes due to abuse/neglect. Many times, prior to this, kids had to use garbage bags for their clothes. If you are so moved, please donate to this cause and mark your envelope "Toys for Kids".

Thank you.

Rosie Wolbrink

The Faith Lutheran Church Endowment Committee

is now accepting applications for grant monies from the Endowment Fund. Blank application forms can be found in **mailbox #160**. Please complete the form and **return it to mailbox #4 by Sunday April 30th**. Applications will then be evaluated by the committee. Applications are to focus on the expansion of Education, Mission and Ministry of God's Word both inside Faith Lutheran Church and out into the larger community. Applicants must be members of Faith Lutheran church.

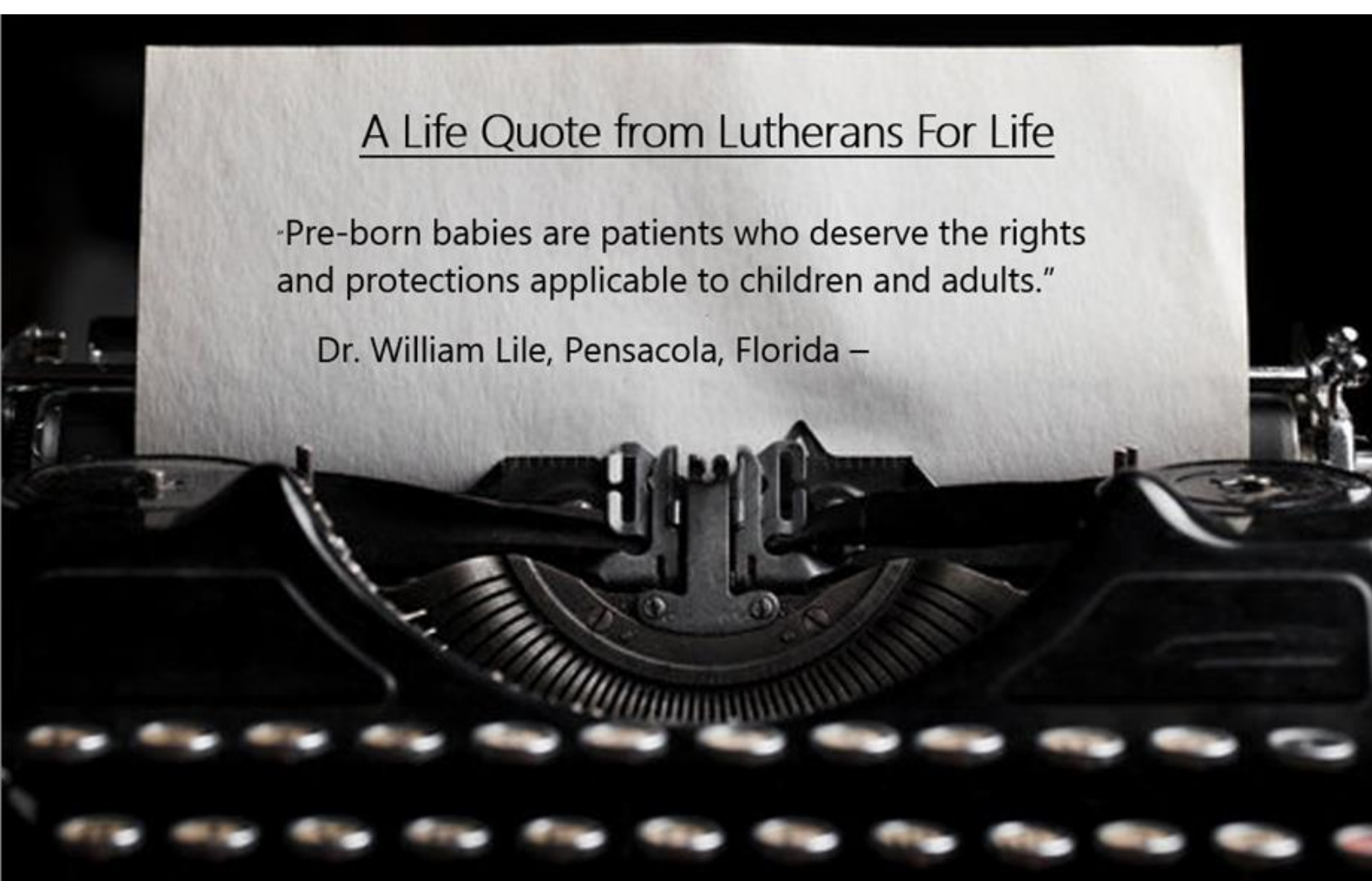
Faith Lutheran church will be collecting needed items for our local Pregnancy Center. The Director of the Center, Ms. Hannah Morel will worship with us on **Jan 29th** and will take our gifts back to the center with her. Below is a list of the needs. Monetary gifts will gratefully be accepted and should be placed in the offering plate and designated "Pregnancy Center".

- Size 4, 5, and 6 diapers
- Unscented baby wipes
- Any clothing size newborn- 2T, and they are especially needing boys size 2T clothing.
- Socks newborn-2T
- Onesies newborn-2T
- Baby Shampoo, wash and lotion.
- Diaper bags
- Bottles and sippy cups.

Not necessarily a need, but baby books and toys (including teething toys) are always appreciated

Thank you for your generosity.

~The Board of Education



A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life

-Pre-born babies are patients who deserve the rights and protections applicable to children and adults."

Dr. William Lile, Pensacola, Florida –



A S H

W E D N E S D A Y

Lenten ‘midweek’ services are on Wednesdays at 6:30PM.

Worshippers are invited to “*Signs of Lent*” is a 10-part worship series based on the concept of familiar road signs and how their message apply to our ‘Life in Christ’ during the season of Lent: U- Turn, Stop, Merge, Yield, One Way, Dead End, Road Narrows, Food, Cross Road, Road Work Ahead.

Here are descriptions of the first two Lent midweek services. The March newsletter will add further descriptions of the themes for the midweek services yet to come.

**ASH WEDNESDAY
February 22**

Like signs we see along the roads that tell us what to do, we see signs along the way on our Lenten journey that show us the way to Christ. In the Ash Wednesday service, we will be reminded to make a U-Turn, turning away from our sins, and turning back to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Lenten Midweek One
March 1**

The signs of Lent are everywhere! In our service on March 1, we will remember how Peter tried to put a STOP sign in front of Jesus on His way to the cross. But Jesus helped him (and us) to see that He could only stop when He reached the cross to save us all.

Coming Up...

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| Today | 9:00am - Sunday Service
<i>(Sanctity of human life Sunday)</i> |
| | 10:30am - Sunday School Adult Bible Study
<i>(Confirmation class to follow)</i> |
| Thurs. Feb. 2 nd | 6:00pm – Adult Choir Practice |
| Sun. Feb. 4 th | 9:00am – Sunday Service |
| | 10:30am – Sunday School Adult Bible Study |