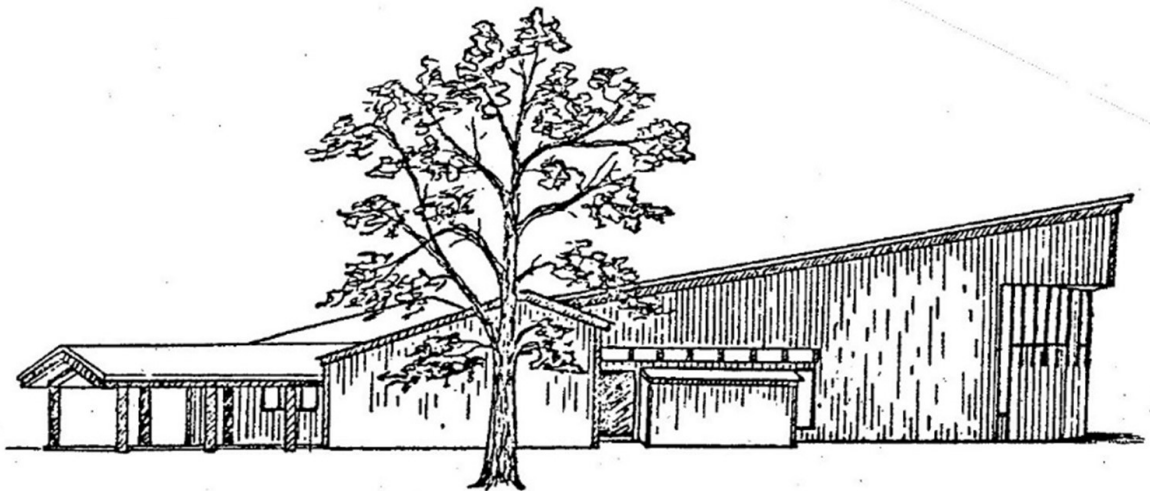




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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

- Worship Service.....9:00am
- Fellowship Time.....10:15am
- Bible Study.....10:30am (September-May)
- Sunday School.....10:30am (September-May)

WEDNESDAY

- Lent Midweek Service.....6:30pm
- Choir Practice.....7:15pm

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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JIM

“Don’t leave Jesus on the cross.”

When my three children were in elementary school, I had the wonderful privilege of taking them with me on my way to church and taking them home again after school was dismissed.

These daily trips to and from school always contained the usual questions and discussions about the world around us, what they had learned that day, and what extra-curricular events and family activities were coming up. On the way to school each morning, the kids took turns reading from a devotional book and offered a prayer.

The season of Lent provided some great devotions and discussions and prayers. There are always the same questions asked, but the answers are so profound that they should never be taken for granted – answers to questions like: WHY did Jesus have to die? What does ‘forsaken’ mean? Did Jesus really want to die on the cross for us?

These are good questions that deserve honest and Bible-based answers. I taught my children “WHY” Jesus had to die on the cross. Jesus died on the cross to save us from the punishment we deserve because of our sins. We are not able to save or deliver ourselves in any way from the consequences of sin. Only Jesus’ death on the cross accomplished that deliverance for us and provides heaven for us.

There is another part of the Lenten discussion that we cannot leave out. Often times, children hear that Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins, but we need to help them to “finish the account” – to remember share the good news that JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD just as He said He would do to give us victory over sin, death, and the devil and eternal life in heaven.

The atoning death of Jesus on the cross, as powerful a sacrifice as it was, has no real value for us if He had stayed dead in the grave. The apostle St. Paul, under the inspiration of God’s Holy Spirit spoke eloquently to this point in 1 Corinthians 15:12ff, “... if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith ... if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.”

The Gospels reveal the full account as they share the words of the angel at the tomb, “He has risen! He is not here ... Go and tell ...” We have in each of us the message of Christ’s victory to boldly proclaim during Lent and Holy Week, on Easter Sunday, and each day we take the opportunities before us to proclaim, “Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!”

Brothers and sisters in Christ – **“Don’t leave Jesus on the cross!”** Don’t let your telling and sharing of Lent end on Calvary – also called “Golgotha.” The victorious death of Jesus was only the prelude to His triumphant resurrection from the dead so that we can all be filled the certainty of forgiveness of our sins through faith in His name and the daily hope we carry in us of our own eternal futures in heaven.

May Almighty God continue to bless our observance of Lent, the upcoming “Holy Week,” (March 29 - April 4) and the celebration of Easter (the ‘Queen of Feasts’). This is the heart and soul of the “Good News” which we is revealed in the Bible for us and for all sinners.

LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND THEME

The theme for our 'midweek' services during the season of Lent is "DYING His Death – LIVING His Life."

During Lent, we are reminded that we are buried with Christ in His death so that we might live with Him in His resurrection (Romans 6:1-4). The old is gone. The new has come. Each day affords us a chance to die to self and live for Him.

Through word and song in these Lenten 'midweek' worship services, we focus our thoughts on all that was put to death on the cross so that we might daily receive the blessings of a new life made possible through faith in Jesus.

JOIN US FOR OUR REMAINING LENTEN MIDWEEK
FELLOWSHIP MEALS STARTING AT 5:30PM
(please sign-up each week if you plan to attend)

***** THERE IS NO HOST GROUP TO PROVIDE THE MEAL ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11.**

JOIN US FOR OUR REMAINING LENTEN MIDWEEK

WORSHIP SERVICES

BEGINNING AT 6:30PM (hymn-sings at 6:20pm)

March 4 – "Midweek 2" – "Dying to Greed, Living for the Treasures of Heaven"

March 11 – "Midweek 3" – "Dying to Doubt, Living by Faith"

March 18 – "Midweek 4" – "Dying to Turmoil, Living in Peace"

March 25 – "Midweek 5" – "Dying to Judgment, Living in Grace"





The Lutheran's Women's Missionary League and the Board of Stewardship want to thank everyone who attended our Ash Wednesday Lenten Supper for their GENEROUS donations!

We were able to purchase 27 long sleeve onesies, 8 blanket sleepers, three 2-pc pajama sets, 3 bibs, 3 pants, 18 packages of baby wipes and 3 backpack diaper bags! Plus a check, for \$53.47!!



BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL!



LCMS TRIENNIAL CONVENTION

• July 18–23, 2026 • Phoenix, Arizona

The 69th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) will meet under the theme “Christ Is Risen Indeed,” based on 1 Corinthians 15:20–22:

“But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.”

Convention Bible study guides (‘leader’ and ‘participant’) are available on the LCMS website (lcms.org) and can be digitally downloaded and printed for those who desire to participate.

There is much more information that will be released in the coming weeks and months which you can follow on the LCMS website (lcms.org), but there is an important way the members of Faith Lutheran Church can participate in the ‘mission’ component of this convention.

The theme for the 2026 National Offering reflects the church’s call to share the message of Christ’s resurrection far and wide, across space and time: “Christ Is Risen! Tell the Next Generation.”

The theme is based on Psalm 78:4: “We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.”

The “National Offering,” which spans the years between conventions, provides an opportunity for congregations, districts, circuits, individuals or other groups to support the work of the LCMS vigorously to make known the Good News of Jesus Christ, that all might rejoice and give thanks to our heavenly Father.

Gifts to the 2026–2029 National Offering will directly benefit ongoing domestic work carried out at the local level by LCMS congregations, districts and others, and supported by LCMS Family Ministry, Youth Ministry, Campus Ministry and School Ministry.

In future weeks and months, additional information will be made available, including information about grant opportunities for LCMS congregations, districts and Recognized Service Organizations to take part in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to the next generation.

AN UPDATE FROM “LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES” EXPANDING MINISTRY TO TANZANIA

Working through our existing ministry center in Kenya, LHM has launched a new project to reach nearly 5.5 million Swahili-speaking people in the Shinyanga and Mwanza regions of western Tanzania. The new programs are broadcast on Jambo Radio and offer inspiring Gospel messages that advertise LHM’s successful Bible Correspondence Courses (BCC). Listeners interested in learning more about the Christian faith are enrolled in the courses by congregational volunteers from partner churches who will distribute the courses through our program coordinator in Tanzania and bundle completed lessons for grading.

This new radio program and BCC enrollment effort is a partnership between the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania – Southeast of Lake Victoria Diocese (ELCT-SELV) and LHM–Kenya. The SELV diocese was formed in 2013 and has grown dramatically from 14,000 members with 17 pastors to 49,000 members across 108 congregations today. Their well-structured administration includes innovative programs such as House to House Bible studies and a 52-week women’s devotional used across the diocese. In August, the church hosted around 20,000 youth at a diocese-wide rally. Western Tanzania is ripe for expansion of the Gospel since the church has been growing there for years. The secular community respects the Lutheran Church in this region since it is viewed as a trusted organization that follows through with its commitments. This has enabled expansion of the church in the region through new congregations.

Church leadership is attracted to LHM for our ability to create and place Christian programs on the radio. They believe this will have a positive impact on listeners and will further attract people to faith and to the SELV diocese. Although the church has published numerous training materials, they are interested in LHM’s BCC program since there is currently nothing specific offered for both new believers and for those seeking. LHM hopes this effort will lead to additional outreach opportunities in other areas of this nation of 70 million people.

“I look at the situation in Tanzania and the progress we’ve made, and I am reminded this is a beautiful example of things working according to God’s plan and His timing,” says LHM’s regional director for Africa and the Middle East. “It is our intent to contribute to the growth and expansion of the church in this region by making God’s Word known further and nurturing new believers through our BCC materials. Please pray for the success of this new venture.”

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STEWARDS EXCEL IN THE GRACE OF GIVING



In your daily life as a 'steward' of God's gifts of treasures, where does returning to God your gift of treasures rank in terms of importance? Is returning to God the 'first and best' of His gifts of treasures a priority in your life?

St. Paul wrote in **2 Corinthians 8:7-8**, ***"But just as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others."***

Paul compared the church at Corinth to the churches in Macedonia, whose believers generously gave out of their poverty even beyond their ability. Most of us would take offense at the thought of being compared to others, especially in the area of giving our offerings to God. The idea that the sincerity of our love can be measured by what we give cannot be Scriptural, can it? With this thought comes the temptation to count some portions of Scripture as less important than others.

The challenge to **EXCEL in the grace of giving** often brings discomfort, because we know we cannot fool God. **Does 'returning' our God-given treasures reflect that He is first in our lives, or do we give out of what is left over after we spend His gifts on what we value or treasure most in this world?**

God knows our incomes because He provides it. He knows what we are capable of giving because He knows how we spend His gifts of treasures. **Fewer and fewer people give sacrificially or even generously.** They are out there in our churches, but they are often too few in number to meet or even grow a church's ministry.

God knows what is in our hearts. He knows the temptations we face. He knows how we struggle to return to Him our 'first and best.' He hears our confession of sins, our prayers of repentance, and our requests for strength and commitment. He forgives, regenerates, and renews our efforts to serve Him with all we are and have.

May God's Holy Spirit daily transform us to be more faithful, generous, and joyful as we return to Him through His Church the 'first and best' of the treasures He daily provides for our living to His glory.

BECOMING AND "ELDER"

Have you ever thought about becoming an "Elder" here at Faith? or what is required of an elder? how much time does it take up? Well let me help with some of the questions or "misconceptions". First of all, you do NOT need to be asked to be a member of the Board of Elders – though every new member must be approved by the existing board members per our Constitution here at Faith. If becoming an elder is something you have thought about or want more information about, you can talk with any one of the existing members or simply check the box on your Time and Talents sheet later this year. Second, not everyone is made the same way so while some are better at certain aspects of the responsibilities, others may be better at other aspects – we all work together to ensure that the spiritual needs of the congregation are met.



THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Some individuals in the past have thought that they need to be able to conduct a service or deliver a sermon in those “emergency” situations that arise now and then – we are all good at something but not all good at the same things which, again, is why we work together as a team to accomplish what needs to be done! In the past months you’ve heard or read about the “Elder Assistant” that we have been promoting and this is another excellent path to learning what it is we do on Sunday’s. If you have an interest or just a question or two, please contact any one of us as we are always there to assist. There is currently one open position on the board and I know there are more than a few men in our congregation more than capable of “doing what we do”. Being an elder is a very rewarding experience allowing each member to work closely with the Pastor and members of the congregation to maintain a happy, healthy, and very spiritual church life here at Faith.

In HIS service,

The members of the Board of Elders

ONLINE GIVING

LCEF provides our church with the technology and security to receive online gifts through our website faithmarinette.org LCEF makes this service available to us at no charge when the gift is made from a bank account. When the gift is made from a credit or debit card, the credit card company charges a 3.8% fee that is deducted from the gift. LCEF passes this expense on to us. The payment method can be easily overlooked because the online giving service leads with the credit card. All you need to do is click on the words ‘Bank Account’ to change the payment method as illustrated in the image below. We are grateful for all gifts, no matter how they are given! We just wanted online givers to know that they have an option. Please reach out to Roxanne Mueller if you have any questions.

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FAMILY LETTERS

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18th February 2026

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,



We're getting very excited! Here we are, in the last semester before vicarage! There's a countdown in the kitchen to Call Day and to the end of semester. Probably an equal amount of excitement and, "Oh my, we need to pack!"

Christmas was an adventure! We remained in St. Louis in order to assist my RFE congregation with their Christmas Eve and Day services (5 and 7pm; 9am respectively) and then drove to my parents' home near Toledo. I had the opportunity to preach on that weekend

(27-28) and to assist with Communion. I might have mentioned in a previous letter my parents' practice of communing together at the end of the distribution. I was given the great joy to be the assistant at that point as well.

We celebrated New Year's Eve with a late-night toast, then drove back to St. Louis on New Year's Day. During the intensive 'Winterim' class, I had Introduction to Pastoral Leadership. We were on-site at a small urban church and a large/corporate suburban church, exploring the structure and ministry in each of them and recognizing possibilities and limitations of each church.

This being the spring semester of year two, vicarage is on the horizon. My wife and I have met with the placement director and submitted our request form. The process has changed quite a bit from the "names from a hat" method. A vicarage candidate cannot demand to go to a particular church, but can set preferences in which they have experience or wish to avoid. Not guarantees, but suggestions.



Getting back to Christmas, there were a number of blessings which found their ways to our doorstep, many of which came from you lovely, wonderful people. If the Lord moved you to give us a gift this past holiday season, thank you. Thank you all so very much for the prayers and the well wishes, the cards and the support, as the Lord works to sharpen this man for ministry.



Bethie is enjoying time at home with the girls; the background of a Lutheran middle-school teacher has been invaluable!

Kathryn has copied an entire bible verse by herself, proudly displaying on our wall. Thankfully, it was not a writing done in Crayola which would require paint to erase it. She's continuing to learn math and reading, and has begun quite the Arch Book collection.

Barbara has nearly 6 teeth now! She has been learning the world of eating hand-to-mouth, and has already stood unassisted for a moment or two! She'll have to catch up to her sister, and she seems eager to prove she can.

By now, some news might have reached your ears regarding the former District President of the Central Illinois District. While we learn the facts and await the justice set in place, I would like to encourage you. This is a situation in which a person might get worried about running headlong into this calling. How could a person in this office do such things? But then, there is no perfect person but Christ. No one is immune to the attacks of the devil, but in Christ we have the certainty of forgiveness and salvation, which is needed by all mankind. He ordained this office. He has called faithful men to serve as pastors, and He will continue to do that. Keep your eyes fixed upon Christ, the author and perfecter of our faith.

God's Blessings as we continue to be formed in His image, and thank you for your support in this calling. Soli Deo Gloria!

In Christ,



The Genszler Family

February 2026

Steingraber Seminary CHRONICLES

Greetings in Christ,

This month we saw a swing from a snowstorm that cancelled church on the last weekend of January to 70 degree temperatures by Ash Wednesday! Steve preached for three impromptu services on Friday night and Saturday morning before the snowstorm hit. Thank the Lord for modern weather forecasting! Moving services in advance ended up being a blessing as so many churches in St. Louis had to cancel in the immediate aftermath of the snowstorm.

We have all been busy with a variety of activities at church and in school this month. Timmy's B-Team is 4-1 so far this season! We have all enjoyed watching and helping with the games. David is on a tour with the Lutheran South Jazz Band, traveling with the Wind Symphony to Minneapolis via Iowa! He's looking forward to seeing some of Lori's family at a concert there. We are thankful for all the opportunities we have had to use our gifts in so many ways while on vicarage!

Please keep the students and families of both seminaries in your prayers as they are continuing through what will be for some their final spring semesters. Thank you for the prayers and/or support you have given during this time of learning for the whole family. We appreciate you all!

Peace and Love in Christ,

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Page 1: A family picture taken at the seminary this fall.

Page 2:

Top Left: Marvel keeping watch from our apartment during Snowmageddon 2026!

Top Right: Timmy dressed up in Steve's Sheriff uniform for career day during National Lutheran School's week!

Bottom Left: Steve was invited to a Mardi Gras celebration put on by the Ladies group at his vicarage congregation complete with beads and King Cake! Steve's vicarage supervisor served for 15 years in Louisiana prior to this call, bringing the traditions of King Cakes with him from Baton Rouge. He taught the recipe to the doughnut shop near our church!

Bottom Right: Timmy (green shirt) and several students from Immanuel at our circuit youth gathering playing a trivia contest. "Trivia Nights" are a popular fundraiser in the St. Louis area.

This Page:

Top Left: More fun with ChatGPT! On the right is a picture based on a Saturday night service that Steve played handbells *and* preached for. Lori has really enjoyed Immanuel's handbell Choir

Top Right: Steve put his resume into Chat GPT to create a caricature and eventually came up with this!

Right: Steve and Lori were able to meet Matt Maher after a concert in St. Louis! Lori has played his music for years, in praise teams and in school music, and she really appreciated this opportunity!

Page Four:

Top: David explaining his "Chopped" dish to the judges (including Steve).. He ended up losing the competition by .5 points!

Bottom: Basketball pictures with Timmy (#10) and Coach David with Steve running the scoreboard. We love watching how the boys interact so well as coach and player!





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J A N U A R Y - 2 0 2 0

SERVING THE LORD IN

Latin America

News from Rev Dr Jonathan & Deaconess Cheryl Naumann



Ten Stickers Already!

Every year in the DR we need to purchase a "marbete" sticker for our car, which shows that we've paid the road tax for the year. This year we put our 10th sticker on the car, making it necessary to add a new column! God has blessed us with a good car that has lasted all of these years!



As Chaplain to all LCMS missionaries in the region, Pastor Jonathan leads worship in the LAC Regional Office.

"Regocijaos en el Señor siempre. Otra vez digo: ¡Regocijaos!" (Philippians 4:4).

For international missionaries, the call to serve can lead into challenging terrain - language and cultural differences that may cause misunderstandings, and spiritual opposition that can weigh heavily. Yet Scripture does not tell us to rejoice only in times of ease, but as a discipline of faith at all times. - "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice." - Phil. 4:4

Paul's exhortation to "rejoice always" was penned from a prison cell! His joy was not circumstantial. It was rooted in the unchanging presence and work of Christ in his life and in the life of others through his service in the church. As missionaries, we too rejoice; not because our work is easy, but because the One who called us is faithful.

In the Dominican Republic:

God's Presence Is Constant: In remote villages or bustling cities, the Lord goes before and behind. His Spirit comforts and empowers. We rejoice as His Word is spread further afield.

The Gospel Is Advancing: Every conversation, every act of service, every prayer sown in faith is part of a harvest that heaven celebrates. We rejoice to see more children and adults enter God's family through Holy Baptism.

Suffering Bears Fruit: Trials refine character, deepen dependence on God, and often open doors. Missionaries share in the sufferings of Christ, and in doing so, draw nearer to His heart. We rejoice that He loves us in our darkest hours (Romans 5:8), - whether that be illness or the loss of loved ones - and teaches us to use those afflictions in ministering to others.

God's Church is Growing: God's Word is powerful! The mission that YOU are supporting here in the Dominican Republic is blessed abundantly by God. We rejoice that YOU are in partnership with us in this work.

THANK YOU!

Pastor Jonathan

Dear friends in Christ,

2025 was a very busy year for us, with the result that we sent out less newsletters along the way! We hope to do better in 2026!

This year's annual LAC missionary conference was held in Saint Louis, where we celebrated the 125th anniversary of LCMS missions in Latin America, starting in Brazil. As always, Pastor Jonathan was in charge of the morning and evening worship services for the week. Being in Saint Louis meant that the group could visit places of historic importance for the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, which was important for all of our missionaries to see (especially our alliance missionaries who had never been in the United States before). Shortly thereafter in August, Pastor Jonathan's mother departed this life and the family came together for her funeral in Florida.

2025 saw Pastor Jonathan making chaplaincy visits to Belize, Jamaica, and the Cayman Islands, with other trips planned for Puerto Rico, Chile and Panama. He still enjoys teaching "Lutheran Confessions" at Concordia Seminary of the Reformer in Palmar Arriba, serving as the librarian there, and taking his turn preaching in chapel. One of his favorite weekly events is teaching catechism class to missionary children.

Deaconess Cheryl has been busy with several different VDMA Project endeavors. We have reached the milestone of translating and publishing the entire set of the nine Confessional Lutheran Dogmatics volumes into Spanish, and now the team is in the process of producing the volumes in Portuguese (with two of the nine finished) for our partner church in Brazil. The VDMA Project, which is directed by Deaconess Cheryl, distributes these volumes via eBooks, which are also available to the public on Amazon.

Another ongoing VDMA initiative is, *La Palabra del Señor Permanece para Siempre*. The Spanish daily devotions in this little book, produced quarterly, are written by Lutheran pastors in our LCMS missions or partner churches throughout the Latin American and Caribbean region. We also have GOOD NEWS magazine, which the VDMA Project team has helped to translate into Spanish over the last several years, and is often used for Bible study at church or in homes. We truly are blessed to have so many different ways to share God's Word!

Thank you for your continued support and prayers. We pray that God will grant you a very blessed 2026!
in Christ, Deaconess Cheryl



Children from the new Cien Fuegos mission sing and recite a Bible verse at Pueblo Nuevo on Dec. 21, 2025.



Pastor Jonathan presents at the Symposium on the history of the Lutheran Church in Cuba.



Deaconess Cheryl and Pastor Omar Kinas talking about the 70th anniversary of the Confessional Lutheran Church of Chile.

Please include in your prayers

+ Thanksgiving that God's Word is taking root in the hearts of many Latin American people who learn of His love and saving grace through the preaching, mercy work and witnessing of LCMS missionaries; + Thanksgiving that Victor Reyes, a member of our Pueblo Nuevo mission, has begun studies for the pastoral ministry; + That God will continue to raise up more men from the LAC region to serve as pastors in our Lutheran missions and partner church bodies; + That God would grant good transitions to our new missionaries in the field: Abigail Young (DR), Aaron Reith (DR), Vicar Joshua Wareham (DR), Vicar Gavin Johnson (DR), Rev. Jonathan Anderson (Panama), and Makia Adler (Belize). + For the Wildauer family (Belize) as Robin undergoes breast cancer treatment in the United States, that God would grant her complete healing; and that He would give good physical, mental and spiritual health to all who serve in LCMS missions across the globe.

Please consider giving a tax-deductible gift to support God's work through us in the Dominican Republic and Latin America!

+ Online at www.lcms.org/jonathan.naumann

+ By phoning the LCMS donor care line: 888-930-4438

+ By mailing checks to The LCMS, PO Box 66861, Saint Louis, MO 63166-6861 with "Jonathan Naumann - Latin America" on the check memo line

HOLY LAND NOUR TOUR



Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, our New-Born King and Savior, you are invited to join me (on my 28th tour of the Holy Land Nour Tour.) A native of Israel, born in Nazareth on a Journey to the Holy Land for an experience of a lifetime to visit Israel for a spiritual NOUR-ishment. **We will depart from Chicago on September 29 and return on October 12, 2026**

During this 13-day NOUR TOUR You will experience the life of the land in new ways—sounds, smells, and sights of two civilizations the old and the new. You will stand at the crossroads of history—HIS STORY, why He came to earth; and know the vibrant influence of how this land shapes all other lands; but more importantly your heart will be

renewed, refreshed and rejuvenated with the love and truth of Holy Scripture.

Along the way you will....

- Walk where Jesus walked
- Cruise the Sea of Galilee
- Climb the Mount of Olives
- Walk the Triumphal road as Jesus enters Jerusalem
- See the Old City of Jerusalem
- Visit Tabgha, the site of the miracle of the Loaves and Fishes
- Visit the Mount of Beatitudes
- Visit the site of the Sermon on the Mount and where Jesus chose the 12 disciples.
- Walk the Via Dolorosa (Road of suffering) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher
- Stroll the Garden of Gethsemane
- Visit Bethlehem and the Church of the Nativity—the birthplace of the God-Man Jesus Christ.
- And much, much more!

On this journey you will learn of the three “Cs”: 1. *Context* is **king**, 2. *Culture* is **queen** and, 3. *Christ* is the **CENTER!** We will do more than just visit sights. We will go off the beaten path and have personal and daily devotions and be spiritually NOUR-ished. The Bible will be our map, compass and guide. Experience the Holy Land—a place like no other. Please join me on this blessed adventure. The **price is \$5,290.00** p/p including: air fare from Chicago to Tel Aviv and back to Chicago, hotel accommodations (for double occupancy) tips, entry fees and all meals.

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FAITH LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL UPDATES

As we look back on the month of February, our hearts are full. We spent time learning about God's great love for us and how we can show that same love and care to others. Through Bible stories, classroom friendships, and everyday moments of kindness, the children were reminded that we are each wonderfully made and deeply loved by our Savior. It is such a joy to watch them grow not only in learning, but in compassion.

As we look ahead to March, we are very excited about our Open House on March 5th from 4:30–6:30 p.m. We look forward to welcoming families into our classroom and sharing the joy of Faith Lutheran Preschool. Please help us spread the word to anyone who may be looking for a loving, Christ-centered preschool environment. If anyone asks about preschool after the open house please let them know I am available to meet with them before and after that date also.

We are preparing our hearts for the joy of Easter as we walk through this Lenten season. During this time, we will be learning about Jesus' love, His sacrifice, and the true celebration of Easter morning. Even our youngest learners are beginning to understand the beautiful message of hope we have in Him.

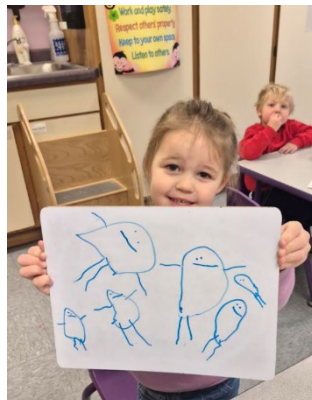
As always, thank you for your continued support. We are blessed to have the ability to lower tuition rates because of the Birthday/Anniversary donations. Continued prayers for the building, teachers, families, and students are always a blessing. If you are looking for another simple way to help our classroom, we are currently in need of snack items. Donations of the following are greatly appreciated:

- Peaches (in 100% fruit juice)
- Mandarin oranges (in 100% fruit juice)
- Pears (in 100% fruit juice)
- Pineapple (in 100% fruit juice)
- Mixed fruit (in 100% fruit juice)
- Applesauce
- Graham crackers
- Ritz crackers
- Pretzels
- Rice cakes
- Walmart Gift card for Snacks or school supplies



We currently have 16 students to provide snack for. We are excited to hear the “Yes please or No thank you” when we ask if they would like snack each day! Thank you for partnering with us in caring for these precious children.

With gratitude,
Ms. Kat Ehlers



SPRING FLING LUNCHEON SATURDAY MARCH 14TH



The ladies from Lutheran Women in Mission are hosting a Spring Fling Luncheon at Noon on Saturday March 14th, 2026 in the Fellowship hall. Sign ups on the bulletin board are coming. Wear Green in honor of St. Patrick's day! We will be having Games, Fun and Fellowship. Snow day March 21st.



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This year's Deadline is March 31, 2026

BLOOD DRIVE

Upcoming blood drive on April 15th. Please consider signing up.

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

The **Endowment Committee** is now accepting applications for grant money. The purpose of the Endowment fund grants are "for **the expansion of education, mission and ministry of Faith Lutheran Church**. For outreach into the community, including, but not limited to scholarships or grants to members of the Church for the purpose of attending seminary; for church-related leadership conferences; or such other training which enables members of the congregation to grow in Christian faith and service to God's people. For the wider mission of the Church at home and overseas, including, but not limited to, professional leadership, educational ministries, and world mission." If you are interested in making a request for funds that satisfy this stated intent, please fill out an application, which can be found in mailbox #160, and follow the instructions on the accompanying envelope. All applications must be returned to mailbox #160 by April 30th to be considered. If you would like more information please speak with any of the following Endowment Committee members: Dennis Froehlich - Chairman, Keith Mueller - Congregational President, Kelly Coan - Secretary, Jeff Starks or Sandy Lesperance.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dear Faith Lutheran Church Members,

Generosity has the power to transform lives, and thanks to your continued financial support of the Faith Lutheran Preschool you have made a huge and lasting difference in the preschool children & Christian education and spiritual growth.

Our mission is to provide a high-quality, faith-based education to children in our community. Your gifts allow us to keep this mission affordable and thriving. For example, this year, through your support of the Birthday/Anniversary Fund, we have been able to reduce the cost of tuition to families by \$30 per month per child for the 2026-27 school year. What a blessing to these families!! Currently we have 16 children enrolled in our preschool, 16 little people learning about our Lord Jesus Christ and the love He has for them!

Recently it was brought to our attention that people thought they were supporting the preschool in a certain way and their money did not get to where they intended. There are 3 ways your offering can be applied to the preschool:

1. To support general operation – this covers salaries, educational materials, licenses, background checks, snacks, etc. To have your offering go to support general operations of the preschool, please fill out your offering envelope as shown here:



General \$ _____
Preschool \$ 25.00
Missions \$ _____
Building \$ _____
Other \$ _____

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4009 Irving Street - Marinette, Wisconsin 54143
Out of a grateful heart comes this offering to be used in God's work wherever the Holy Spirit guides and directs us as a congregation.

Name _____

2. To support tuition assistance program- this is money is kept in a separate account and used only to cover the cost of tuition that qualified families cannot cover. The Board of Education has a criterion for granting tuition assistance and a process for evaluating a family's financial need and determining what portion of the tuition the family will be responsible for covering. (There will always be a portion of the tuition that the family will be expected to cover.) To have your offering go to support the tuition assistance program, please fill out your offering envelope as shown here:



General \$ _____
Preschool \$ 25.00 TUITION FUND
Missions \$ _____
Building \$ _____
Other \$ _____

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BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY FUND

(Please check one)
☒ Given in observation of a BIRTHDAY
☐ Given in observation of an ANNIVERSARY

Name: Kelly Coan Envelope # 136

KEEPING OUR PRESCHOOL COMPETITIVE ONE OFFERING AT A TIME

3. To support tuition reduction – this is money is kept in a separate fund and used only to lower the planned tuition for all student by an amount each year and is dependent on the amount of money given to this fund. This was the Fund started last year and called the Birthday/Anniversary Fund. Members were asked to consider making a “sacrificial offering” in honor of the blessing of life in years given you and/or in honor of the blessing of years in marriage given you. To have your offering go to this fund, please fill out the special offering envelope found on the carousel on the desk in the narthex as shown above.

Knowing the congregation stands behind this ministry inspires our board and preschool staff to continue our vital work with renewed energy. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support.

Blessings,

Kelly Coan, Board of Education Member



CAMPERSHIPS – CAMP LUTHER

The stewardship board will once again be offering scholarships to Camp Luther. Registration is now open. Once you register complete a Campership application. include name of camper, dates they are going and cost. Please check the bulletin board for application forms.

UP FOSTER CLOSET



February 15-March 15 We will be having a Drive for U.P. Foster Closet serving Menominee, Marinette and Oconto Counties. This will be for Personal hygiene items from infant to age 17. A list is on back table. They are in need of diapers of all sizes, wipes, shampoos, body wash, lotion, deodorants, tampons, pantliners, razors, shaving cream, toothbrushes and toothpaste. all items are appreciated. Any questions contact Sharon Starks at 715-923-3863

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BO

My friends at Faith,

I remember fondly the days we spent together and I praise the Lord that you have continued to further Christ's mission to make disciples. Whenever I hear news from Faith I am encouraged that so many of you have stepped up to serve well alongside Pastor Krueger.

The reason I am sending this is because of your expressions of care and your prayers for me. The cards that appear in our mailbox with a Marinette postmark are like rays of sun shining into the house. And you know how important sun rays are in the winter!!

I rejoice that you have a wonderful shepherd and continue to take Jesus into the community. Now if you could just be as good of a supporter of the Nebraska Cornhuskers as you are of me. HAHA!

God be with you and bless your families.

Peace in Jesus,

Pastor Bo

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Rev. Wes "Bo" Baumeister
Intentional Interim Pastor

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH REVITALIZATION TEAMS:

Celebrating 5 years of Amazing Blessings

CHURCH REVITALIZATION - is the intentional, long-term process of reversing decline in a church to restore spiritual, relational, and missional health. It involves moving from an inward-focused, plateaued state to an outward-focused, Gospel-centered ministry that engages its surrounding community.

Since 2021, Faith Lutheran Church (FLC) has formed REVITALIZATION TEAMS which recommend projects to the congregation that will help local organizations and groups to provide benefits for our community. We do this as an act of charity and Christian love toward our neighbors.

Here is a list of some of the community projects that the LORD has helped us to achieve, over the last 5 years, with some of the organizations in our community through revitalization teams and team-inspired initiatives.

a. RAWHIDE YOUTH HOME, Peshtigo, WI

- 2021 – Volunteers from FLC converted a garage into a game room
- 2022 – Members of FLC donated new mattresses
- 2023 – Men in the Congregation built an outdoor shelter/bus-stop
- 2024 – FLC members donated furniture & taught canning skills to kids/staff
- 2025 – Volunteers from FLC raised \$4,040 to renovate the kitchen layout, install new cabinets and add an island.

b. PESHTIGO FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 2021 – Members of FLC raised \$1,391 from a bake sale @ the “Peshtigo Fire Department 9/11 Walk” event to purchase pager/monitors for the department.
- 2024 – A couple from the FLC donated \$1,944 to purchase an AED for one of the EMS units.

c. AMERICAN RED CROSS

- 2021 – Volunteers from FLC sponsored 3 Blood Drives at the church. These blood drives have been very successful and they are now annual events at FLC.

d. NEWCAP, INC., Marinette, WI

- 2021 through 2022 – A volunteer from FLC secured two grants and other members made personal donations to purchase “New Home Start-Up Kits” for many homeless individuals as well as 26 newly homed families in the community.

e. THE MARINETTE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE, Marinette, WI

- 2022 – Volunteers from FLC and the community raised \$9,115 to purchase a “high tech-search & rescue Drone” along with the licensing and training required.
- 2023 – Volunteers from FLC and the community raised \$11,322 to purchase trauma medical kits, tourniquets & bleeding control kits for all the sheriff and police officers in Marinette County plus 2 DNR personnel.
- 2024 – Members of FLC raised \$2,000 to purchase a M30T “Drone Spotlight” to facilitate nighttime search and rescue.
- 2025 – Members of FLC raised \$2,000 to support (2) G.H.O.S.T (Global Human Oppression Strike Teams) to preemptively combat internet Crimes Against Children (CAC) and human trafficking (HT).

f. THE MARINETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT (MFD), Marinette, WI

- 2024 – Volunteers from FLC and the community raised \$5,050 to purchase a replacement Rapid Deployment Water Rescue Craft, & \$1,000 for a replacement ‘Mustang’ water rescue suit.

g. THE MENOMINEE POLICE DEPARTMENT, Menominee, MI

- 2024 – Volunteers from FLC and the Department raised \$3,763 to purchase trauma medical kits, tourniquets & bleeding control kits for police officers in Menominee.
- h. RAINBOW HOUSE DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES, INC., Marinette and Oconto, WI
- 2024 – Members from FLC raised \$2,144 to purchase (8) “New Family Start-Up Kits.”
 - 2025 – Members from FLC donated \$1,000 to purchase (5) “Cleaning & Household Products Kits.”
- i. DOROTHY’S HAVEN OF HOPE HOMELESS SHELTER, Marinette, WI
- 2025 – A member from the Congregation donated 2,300 to purchase a clothes washer and dryer set.
- j. CAMP DANIEL, Athelstane, WI
- 2025 – Members of FLC donated \$2,300 to purchase a commercial grade clothes washer and dryer set and \$1,300 to purchase ‘Digital Sign Communication Software’ and a silk screen printer for making t-shirts to sell at their gift shop.

Thank you to everyone who has reached out in FAITH to embrace these projects and contribute to their success.

Give thanks, most of all, to our great God for making all of this possible, Thank you, LORD, and for allowing us look back, see the fruit of our labors and celebrate 5 years of Your amazing blessings!

FAITH LUTHERAN VBS 2026

Theme : Rainforest Falls Save the Date: Coming Soon



The Faith Lutheran VBS program theme for this year is Rainforest Falls. The date will be posted soon. We will start on a Sunday and conclude with a short program at the end of VBS on a Thursday. Each day will start at 3:30 pm and go until 6:30 pm. Meet our buddies for this upcoming VBS. Their poster pictures will be posted soon!

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
BIBLE POINT God is our creator. (Wow, God!)	BIBLE POINT God knows everything. (Wow, God!)	BIBLE POINT God is our safe space. (Wow, God!)	BIBLE POINT God is love. (Wow, God!)	BIBLE POINT God is forever. (Wow, God!)
BIBLE STORY God creates the world. (Genesis 1)	BIBLE STORY David celebrates all God knows. (Psalm 139)	BIBLE STORY David hides from Saul. (1 Samuel 23-24)	BIBLE STORY Jesus died and comes to life to show God's love. (Luke 22:39-24:12)	BIBLE STORY God gives John a vision of heaven. (Revelation 7:17; 21-22)
KEY VERSE Psalm 103:22	KEY VERSE Psalm 139:1	KEY VERSE Psalm 142:5	KEY VERSE Psalm 136:1	KEY VERSE Psalm 115:18
 Tango	 Seymour	 Dottie	 Tia	 Howie

"AS WE GROW IN CHRIST'S LOVE AND THE WORD, WE WILL SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD."

FAITH LUTHERAN CHOIR



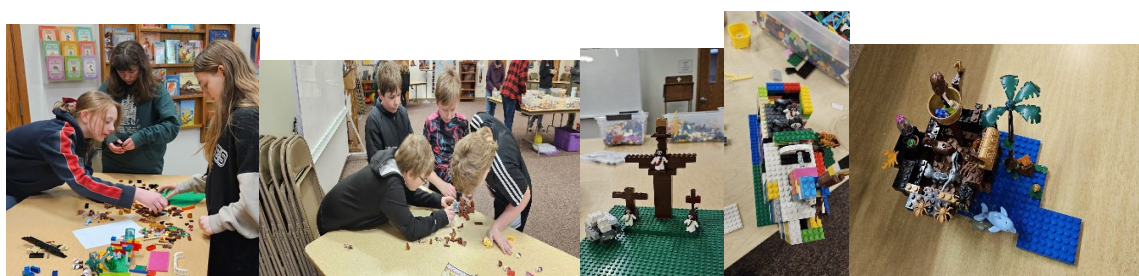
The Faith Lutheran Choir invites our congregational members to join us as we learn and sing new songs for the Easter Holy Week. We are currently meeting on Wednesday evenings immediately after the Lenten service. Come out for our mid-week service and be blessed by the message and songs and then join the choir in song to wrap up your evening!! We need all voice ranges. You do not need to read music. We have a lot of fun learning the songs and our goal is to serve the Lord through our music. The choir will be singing during the following services: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to share your musical talents through being a part of the Faith Lutheran Choir. You can contact any choir member or myself with any questions. **WE NEED YOU!!**

Lois Zill

Faith Lutheran Choir Director

LEGO EVENT

Saturday, February 21st we had a kids of all ages Lego event. We divided into 2 teams. With the Lokken family building and judging. Each team blindly chose a bible story and had to build something that would represent their story. Each team completed 2 builds each. It was a lot of fun. We all joined for food to end the event. The kids finished off by playing a ball game and helping put tables and chairs back in order. Thank you, to everyone who participated and helped bring this together.



TIME AND TALENT

MARCH 2026

March 1st Second Sunday of Lent

Elder : Dennis Froehlich
 Greeter : Roy & Betsy Gill
 Reader : Danielle Moon
 Musician : Danielle Moon
 Nursery: Roxanne Mueller
 Altar : Kelly Coan
 Acolyte: Lizzie McCoy
 Screen Assistant : Keith Mueller
 Ushers : John Nygren | Kent Newby | Mike Evancheck
 Counters : Sandy Lesperance | Kelly Coan

March 8th Third Sunday of Lent

Elder : Jeff Durocher
 Greeter : Dave Kielcheski | Steve Tillberg
 Reader : Aaron Mullins
 Musician : Marilyn Theel
 Nursery : Sharon Starks
 Altar : Lori Okrasinski
 Acolyte: Matthew McCoy
 Screen Assistant : Kelly Coan
 Usher : Jeff Starks | Joel Cain | Dave Kielcheski
 Counters : Charlotte Kielcheski | Laura Isaacson

Birthdays

3/10 Linda Van ~~Den~~Heuvel

March 15th Fourth Sunday of Lent

Elder : Keith Mueller
 Greeter : Duane & Jane Bucholtz
 Reader : Marilyn Theel
 Musician : Lois Zill
 Nursery : Lisa Charlesworth
 Altar : Lisa Charlesworth
 Acolyte: Michael Evancheck
 Screen Assistant : Marianne Evancheck
 Ushers : Bob Charlesworth | Jordan Lokken | Jeff Durocher
 Counters : Danielle Moon | Kayla Lokken

Birthdays

3/16 Lucas Lokken
 3/17 Kelly Coan
 3/17 Nolan Isaacson
 3/18 Jane Bucholtz

Anniversary

3/18 Elroy and Judy Stroming

March 22nd Fifth Sunday of Lent

Elder : Dan Everson
 Greeter : Sandy Lesperance | Chris Froehlich
 Reader : Lizzie McCoy
 Musician : Danielle Moon
 Nursery : Faith Frederiksen
 Altar : Sandy Lesperance
 Acolyte: Logan Krumrei
 Screen Assistant : Jordan Lokken
 Ushers : Dennis Froehlich | Roy Gill | Keith Mueller
 Counters : Kelly Coan | Chris Froehlich

Birthdays

3/22 Hugh Burt
 3/24 Elroy Stroming
 3/26 Traci Meyer
 3/27 Jeffrey McCoy
 3/28 Roxanne Mueller

March 29th Palm Sunday

Elder : Jeff Durocher
 Greeter : Bob & Lisa Charlesworth
 Reader : Jacquie Voeks
 Musician : Lois Zill
 Altar : Joan Schrank
 Acolyte: Lizzie McCoy
 Screen Assistant : Lori Okrasinski
 Ushers : Dan Everson | Eric Scuderi | Aaron Mullins
 Counters : Geneva Hanson | Maggie Meyers

Birthdays

3/30 Olive Lund
 3/30 Vincent Hanson
 4/1 Bob Charlesworth
 4/1 Connie Schroepfer
 4/1 Deanna Gilane
 4/1 Elly Krumrei

Anniversary

3/30 Jim and Jean Olson
 4/2 Sid and Maggie Meyer

FAITH

LUTHERAN CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL

March Calendar 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 - Worship 10:00 - Fellowship 10:30 Bible Study/ Sunday School	2 5:30 Properties Board	3	4 5:30 pm Lenten Meal 6:30 pm Lenten Service 7 pm Adult Choir	5	6	7
8 9:00 - Worship 10:00 - Fellowship 10:30 Bible Study/ Sunday School	9	10 Linda Van DenHueval	11 5:30 pm Lenten Meal 6:30 pm Service 7 pm Adult Choir	12	13	14 Spring Fling Luncheon Noon Fellowship Hall
15 9:00 Worship 10:00 - Fellowship 10:30 Bible Study/ Sunday School	16 Lucas Lokken Office will be closed 5:00 pm Revitalization Presentation Mtg	17 Kelly Coan Nolan Isaacson Office hours 12-3pm	18 5:30 pm Lent Meal 6:30 pm Service 7 pm Adult Choir Jane Bucholtz Elroy & Judy Stroming	19 5:00 pm Revitalization Mtg	20 Deadline for April Newsletter articles	21
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