

Pastor Kory's Page

Faith Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
January 26 & 27, 2019

An Invitation & Encouragement

This Sunday, January 27, is Faith's Quarterly Voter's Assembly. This will be held immediately after the 10:30 a.m. service in the Christian Life Center (gym). All Faith members age 18 and older have voting privileges. The business items at this meeting should be brief. Among other things, we will be making nominations for President and 1st Vice-President of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Each Voter's Assembly includes brief reports and updates from the pastors, staff members, Elders, and other boards and committees of the congregation. The next three Quarterly Voter's Assemblies for 2019 are also scheduled for Sundays: April 28, July 28, and October 27 (dates may be subject to change – please follow the church calendar and News Notes). The April 28 Voter's Assembly will include the congregation's 2019-2020 spending plan and the election of congregational officers.

Please consider this an invitation and an encouragement to come and participate in the decision-making body of your congregation! Your involvement and input make a difference for your brothers and sisters in Christ!

Angels, Demons, & Us

Along with some valuable help from Faith member David Jarratt, I've enjoyed teaching the "Names of God" Bible study for the past several weeks. Today (Jan. 27) we are exploring the many names of the Holy Spirit. Please join us!

I'd also like to invite you to an upcoming Bible study: beginning on Sun., Feb. 17, I will start a new Sunday morning study in the Shepherd's Room: "Angels, Demons, & Us."

Many people today question whether angels and demons are real. In this study, we'll dig deeply into what Scripture teaches us about the reality of "all things visible and invisible" (as we confess in the Nicene Creed). We'll also

examine such topics as demon possession and oppression, occult practices, Satanism, and other instances in which angels and demons impact the world today. We'll consider the ways in which demonic forces are seeking to tempt and influence each of us. But above all, we'll focus on the Good News that our God is the Lord of angel hosts (Psalm 46:11) whom He sends to minister to us (Hebrews 1:14). Mark your calendars and please join us next month for a study of *Angels, Demons, and Us!*

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Kory Janneke

Holy Land Tour

The following information is provided by Pastor Nabil Nour:

Beloved in the Lord Jesus, you are invited to join me, a native of Israel, born in Nazareth, on a Journey to the Holy Land. This will be my 23rd tour and an experience of a lifetime for you! We will depart from Chicago on September 19, 2019 and return on October 1.

Walk where Jesus walked...where every page of the Bible is seen in its original context alive...cruise the Sea of Galilee...climb the Mount of Olives and view the Old City of Jerusalem...visit Tabgha, scene of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes...the Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount and where Jesus chose His Twelve Apostles...walk the Via Dolorosa (Road of Suffering) to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher...stroll in the Garden of Gethsemane...visit Bethlehem...the Church of the Nativity and much more

What to expect: During this 13-day tour, you will experience the sounds, smells and sights of two civilizations – the old and the new. You will stand at the crossroads of history and feel the vibrant influence of how this land shapes all other lands.

We will do more than just visit sights. We will go off the beaten path and have personal and daily devotions. The Bible will be our map and guide. Experience the Holy Land—a place like no other. Please join me on this blessed adventure!

The price is \$4,050.00 and includes airfare from Minneapolis to Tel Aviv and back to Minneapolis, hotel accommodations (for double occupancy), tips, entry fees, and all meals.

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