

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Senior Pastor: **Corey Aker**
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**"Blessed in our journey of Faith... to KNOW Christ,
to GROW in Christ, to SHOW Christ to the world."**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR April 14–20, 2019

Sunday 8:00 am = Worship Service w/Holy Communion
9:15 am = SS/Bible Studies, CLC & Shep. Rm
10:30 am = Worship Service w/Holy Communion
3:00 pm = Journey to the Cross, Facility Res'vd

Tuesday 10:00 am = Staff Meeting
6:30 pm = Council Meets
7:00 pm = Kunama, Rm 101
8:00 pm = AA Meets, Conf. Rm

Wednesday 6:30 pm = Choir
6:45 pm = Confirmation
7:30 pm = Bell Choir

Thursday **NO Bible Studies**
12:00 pm = Maundy Thurs. Service
w/Holy Communion
6:30 pm = Maundy Thurs. Service
w/Holy Communion
6:00 pm = Treasure Mapp AA Group Meets, CLC

Friday **6:30 pm = Good Friday (Tenebrae Service)**
7:00 pm = Kunama, Rm. 101

Saturday **Facility Reserved for Easter Breakfast Setup**
5:00 pm = Ethiopian (Rm 101)
5:30 pm = Easter Vigil w/Holy Communion

OUR ATTENDANCE: April 6 & 7, 2019

Worship: [Sat. 5:30 pm 65; Sun. 8:00 am 117; 10:30 am 73]----- 255
9:15 am Parents & 2's – Grade 7 ----- 62
9:15 am 8th Grade & Senior High ----- 13
9:15 am Adult Bible Study ----- 44

OUR OFFERINGS: April 6 & 7, 2019

Unified Spending Plan ----- \$8,515.75
[Current: \$7,655.75; Simply Giving": \$860.00]
Lenten Offering (April 3) ----- 1,601.00
Adoption Ministry ----- 175.00
Our Greatest Gifts ----- 30.00
Banquet ----- 3.00
Easter Lilies ----- 275.00
Sunday School ----- 23.00
Guatemala Medical Mission ----- 50.00
World Missions ----- 70.00
Social Concern (Coffee) ----- 2.00
Facility Usage ----- 200.00
Main Street Living (Luella B) ----- 10.00
Endowment Fund ----- 25.00
\$10,979.75

FINANCE BOARD REPORT: 2018–19 Spending Plan

[General Needs] \$823,192.00
Amount needed for Spending Plan each week \$15,831.00
Received for Spending Plan: April 6 & 7, 2019 **\$8,892.75**

Scripture Readings for April 20 & 21

First Reading: *Isaiah 65:17–25*
Epistle: *1 Corinthians 15:19–26*
Gospel: *Luke 24:1–12*



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY – 9:15-10:15 a.m. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday - one of the most impactful times in the church year and certainly the most important event that has ever happened in all of history. We will explore the four Gospels and thoroughly study what Scripture teaches us about these four days.

ANGELS AND DEMONS BIBLE STUDY – Pastor Janneke will lead his final Bible study at Faith this Sunday in the Shepherd's Room. This will be a final study of "Angels, Demons, and Us" with time for Q&A.

FAREWELL MEAL FOR THE JANNEKES – Faith will send our faithful servant, Pastor Janneke, and his family off to Wisconsin in style. On April 28, Pastor Janneke's final Sunday with us, we will be hosting a catered lunch and opportunity for well-wishes as we say goodbye to such a faithful and wonderful family. The meal will follow the 10:30 am service.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- **Palm Sunday (April 14)** - Following our special Palm Sunday worship services, Faith will host our first ever "Journey to the Cross," an opportunity for you to experience, in a unique way, the last days and hours of Jesus' earthly life.
- **Monday-Wednesday (April 15–17)** - Private Confession and Absolution available. This is a special opportunity for you to have the burden of holding on to former sins and hearing the forgiveness of Jesus spoken to you directly. Please stop by or call Pastor Aker to schedule at time.
- **Maundy Thursday (April 18)** - A special remembrance of the Passover meal Jesus celebrated with His disciples in which He instituted the Lord's Supper. Worship at noon and 6:30 pm with the celebration of the Lord's Supper and the stripping of the altar.
- **Good Friday (April 19)** - Jesus was crucified and hung on the cross during much of that Friday and died shortly before sunset. The death of the Lamb of God has brought forth life for us! Celebrate this pinnacle event with worship at 6:30 pm.
- **Easter Vigil/Holy Saturday (April 20)** - Hear the stories of our faith, pray with your brothers and sisters in Christ, and keep vigil as we await the proclamation that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! You won't want to miss this 5:30 pm service.
- **The Resurrection of Our Lord (April 21)** - He's Risen! He's Risen! Christ Jesus the Lord! Easter services at 7 and 9:30 am will be vibrant with excitement at the Best News that Jesus lives for us! Join us also for breakfast between services.

SAVE THE DATE! VBS, June 23-27. More info to come. Questions? Contact Jennifer Noble.

HELPING OUR NEBRASKA NEIGHBORS – Currently, flooding remains in Nebraska and they are not at the point where manpower is needed for cleanup. They are, however, seeking financial donations, as well as bleach, at this time. For more specific information from the Nebraska District of the LCMS at <http://www.ndlcms.org/disaster-response/>

ALPHA CENTER DONATIONS NEEDED – The members of the Faith LWML are inviting the congregation to join us in collecting baby items for the Alpha Center. Urgent needs at the time are gender neutral newborn clothes, girls 9 month to 2T clothing and boys 12 month to 2T clothing. Also diapers sizes 4 and 5, wipes and changing pads. There will be a basket near the Welcome Center to drop off items. Thank you for supporting these new moms and their babies. Questions contact Elaine Sestak

LIFE THOUGHT – April 14 – Palm Sunday – Our Almighty Maker reserves the right and responsibility for decisions about life and death (Deuteronomy 32:39). Jesus has earned this authority by swallowing up death in His crucifixion. And He has proven Himself trustworthy in life-and-death matters by bringing forth joy even from sorrow in His resurrection. What a great relief! The times and terms of human lives and deaths rest securely in His loving and saving hand.

SIoux FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

- With our flexible **preschool enrollment options** for the 2019-20 school year, our 3-year-old classes are nearing capacity on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 4-year-old classes are nearing capacity on Wednesdays. Contact Megan Baedke at 605-335-1923 to schedule a visit and secure family's preferred schedule.
- The best things in life are sometimes the hardest to find. Help others find SFLS by **voting for us in The Local Best** survey at bit.ly/localbestsfls.
- **Walk-In Wednesdays:** Drop in for a visit with your child to experience the SFLS Difference. These open house style events take place each Wednesday (excluding holidays) from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- **Weekly chapel at 8:35 a.m. on Wed., April 17**, SFLS gym
- Check out the **Construction Updates** on our website: www.sioxfallslutheran.com/construction-updates.

WORD FOR THE WEEK! Matthew 21:3 – “If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” Did Jesus really need the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! It is likewise with us. The Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His Church.

GIFT ARK CHANGES THE WORLD TWO BY TWO —The Sunday School is supporting Heifer International! Our Goal is called the Gift of the Ark. If we reach the goal (\$5,000) we would purchase two of the following; livestock, Trios of Ducks, Trios of Rabbits, Trios of Guinea Pigs, Flocks of Geese, Flocks of Chicks, Schools of Fish, or a Community Animal Vet Kit! The Heifer Gift Ark offers hope worldwide to families who are poor and hungry. Each family who receives livestock from these will pass on the gift of one or more of the animals' offspring to other families who are in need in their community! Of course, if we do not reach the goal, we will purchase what our dollars can buy!

ENDOWMENT FUND — The Endowment Fund Committee is pleased to announce that our Endowment Fund earned \$860.60 in interest this past year. If you are interested in joining the Committee to have a say where this can be distributed or have ideas for the fund, please let Committee members Kevin Maxwell, Elaine Sestak, Scott Peters, or Rachel Coppock know.

THANK YOU — Dear Faith Congregation, Thank you so much for the use of the CLC for the LHSSF basket Bingo fundraiser. God bless your church.

~Jane Taylor, LHSSF board member

YOUTH NEWS

• **HS Youth Bible Study Hour:** In youth Bible study, we will be concluding our study on *Who is Jesus? Who are We? Lessons for Growing and Walking with Christ*. We will be preparing our hearts and minds for Holy week by concluding with *Passion and Crucifixion*. We will begin the study *Prodigal* after Easter. This study will focus on Jesus pointing to the truth when he told the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11–32), as He compares the brothers in this story.

• **JOURNEY to the CROSS** – This Sun. **April 14 at 3 pm**, Faith will be hosting a circuit-wide event called **Journey to the Cross**. The event focuses on Jesus' Journey to the Cross and allows us to “walk” with Him through that journey through Scripture and meditation. Journey to the Cross consists of 10 meditative stations that helps us to focus on what Christ went through during the days up to His crucifixion. **NOTE:** this is a **self - guided journey** through some of the significant events of Jesus' ministry and passion! **You may participate in this event as a family or on your own!** Please consider joining us for this humbling and meditative event! Volunteers are needed-if you are interested or have any questions, feel free to contact DCE Rebecca!

• **Easter Prep & Breakfast! Easter Prep! – Sat., April 20** We will be setting up tables and chairs, along with decorating the tables, and prepping the kitchen in the **CLC at 1 PM!** I expect everyone to be there and help with set up! If you are not available, please let DCE Rebecca know!

• **EASTER BREAKFAST! SUNDAY, APRIL 21** – For Easter breakfast around **6:15 AM**, we will **need 2-3 people** to help in the kitchen with prep and dishing up cinnamon rolls. **I expect everyone to be in the CLC either right after early service, or by 7:45 AM!** Breakfast will start by 8 AM. Let me know if you can't participate!

• **Easter Breakfast - You are Invited!** The High School Youth and their parents invite you to be our guests for Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 21! We will be serving breakfast from 8:00-9:00 AM Our menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, cinnamon rolls, and beverages. See y'all there!

• **NYG "Meet & Greet" Meeting - New Date!** The NYG "Meet & Greet" Meeting has been changed to **Tuesday, May 7th at 6 PM!** All National Youth Gathering participants and chaperones are highly encouraged to participate! Please, let DCE Rebecca know if you are not able to participate!

• **LUTHERAN ISLAND CAMP** – there is another camp opportunity with several options for dates, themes, ages, & families see brochure on youth board or for further info. contact or register at info@islandcamp.org.

++VOTERS' ASSEMBLY POSTPONED++ Spring Voters' Assembly will be May 5.

To activate the Prayer Chain
Contact the Church Office, M-F, (605) 332-3401
Evenings & Weekends, Pastor Aker, (605) 214-3343