



**Friday, Jan. 26 - Out to Dinner Group** - 6:00pm at Road Dawg Family Restaurant, 2956 Milwaukee Rd., Beloit. Please sign up by Sunday, January 21st. All are welcome! Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

**Monday, Feb. 12 - Scoopie Night at Beloit Culver's.** Don't cook! Come to Culver's to support our church from 4pm-8pm! Proceeds go towards an AED heart defibrillator and our youth program. Workers needed to help out. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

**Saturday, Feb. 24 - Spaghetti Dinner & Trivia Night Fundraiser** for our 2018 Houston Youth Gathering this summer. Dinner at 5pm. Gluten free dinners available. Trivia at 6:30pm. Tables of 8. There will be awesome Silent Auction baskets for you to bid on!  
Tickets (Dinner & Trivia): 13 years + \$10 per person  
4-12 years \$5 per person  
3 & under - free (dinner only)

**FREE Babysitting will be available.**

**\*\*\* Gift Baskets needed for Silent Auction \*\*\***

**See Kelly & Craig Miller for tickets; bring your family & friends!**



Please take your 2017 Statement with you today.  
Thank you,  
Roger Frey, Financial Secretary



**JANUARY**

- 2 - Irene Balk, 10 - Hannah Guffey
- 12 - Betty Bonner, 20 - Viola Thostenson
- 23 - Amy McCormick, 27 - Samantha Guffey,
- 27 - Victor Lipinski, 30 - Craig Miller
- 30 - Justin Brown

**If your birthday is not listed, please see Sue or leave a note!**



# Faith Lutheran Church

*Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ*  
Sunday, January 14, 2018  
Second Sunday after Epiphany ~ 9:30 am

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(A brief silence.)* Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P:** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

Alleluia, Song of Gladness



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can - not die;  
2 Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;  
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;  
4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;  
al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;  
al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while for - go;  
at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
here by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles still are we.  
for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.  
there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
C: **And also with you.**



We again welcome Pastor John Heins to Faith Lutheran Church during Pastor Rick's absence. He will lead us in worship through Jan. 21. If a pastoral need arises, please call the church office at 815-389-1824. Pastor Heins can be reached directly at 815-623-8323.



Today's altar flowers are donated by :  
Craig & Kelly Miller to honor all January Birthdays



We pray all service men and women, all homeless and unemployed, our shut-ins, our college students, those in the military and their families. We pray for our friends, families, loved ones, especially: Alyson & Jarrett, Barry & Shelby, the Bert Visgar Family, Betty, Bev, Bill, Bob, Boyd & Inez, Brayton, Brett, Brian, Cindy, Debi, Don, Donald Lundeberg, Elaine, Emily, Gary, Gavin, George, Harriet, Heidi, Ian, Irene, Irene & Ted, James & Angie, Janet, Janie, Jimmy, Joyce, Kelli, Kennadi, Kennedy, Kenny, Kim, Kris, Marion, Mary, Matt, Maureen, Nancy, Pastor Rick & Helen, Raymond, Rich, Rick & Vick, Ricky, Robin, Roger, Russell, Sara, Shalom, Shelly, Shirley, Steve, Sue, Teresa, Tim, Tom, Trisha, Tristan, Vance, Vicki, Viola, and Zach.

WORSHIP  
VOLUNTEER  
opportunities



Please sign up today  
**GREETERS,  
READERS,  
USHERS,  
COFFEE HOUR TREATS**



Dear Faith Family,  
Thank you for remembering me at Christmas time with the gift of money. I very much appreciated it!  
Betty Comins

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Worship

**Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church.** We are happy to have you worship with us today! Please join us in our Fellowship Room for beverages, snacks and conversation after worship.

**Communion** is by intinction. Come forward by rows to receive the bread with an open hand then dip it in the wine (dark) or juice (light). **GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS AN OPTION FOR COMMUNION. Just indicate to Pastor when it's your turn.**

If you eat the bread before dipping or drop it, please ask for another piece. You don't have to be a member of Faith or be Lutheran to take Communion. Christ is the host of the meal ~ ALL baptized believers are welcome.

**Offering** ~ As always, if you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your **offering** next week. Or, if you'd like, mail it to the church office and write "offering" on the envelope to be included in that week's offering, seen only by the designated counters. Thank you for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work here at Faith Lutheran.

### Financials Sunday, Jan. 7- Week 1

Attendance - 62

Weekly Offering Actual	\$3,057.00
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,176.00
2017 YTD Actual Offering	\$3,057.00
2017 YTD Offering Needed	\$2,176.00

### Worship Leaders

**Altar Guild - Carol & Roger Frey**

**Computer Technician - Anne & Rachel Strasser**

**Offering Video - Anne & Rachel Strasser**

**Reader - Anne Strasser**

**Counters - Roger & Carol Frey**

**Fellowship - Linda Bartram**

**Greeters - Liz Shockley and Teresa Moffitt**

**Musician - Betty Comins**

**Ushers - Doug Congdon and Todd/Ben Strasser**

**Guest Pastor - Rev. Dr. John Heins**

## INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just the clergy but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where - or rather whom - we come to. Jesus refers to the story of the vision of Jacob, who called the place of his vision "the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

C: **Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*A brief silence.*)

C: **Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Children's Church

### FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

A reading from 1st Samuel, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time.

And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

R: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **A RESPONSIVE READING FROM Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**

R: LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.

**C: You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**

R: You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

**C: Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

R: You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**C: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

R: For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**C: I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

R: My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

**C: Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.**

R: How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

**C: Amen.**



## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

~ COMMUNION ~

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now - today, tomorrow, every day - that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

### **CLOSING HYMN "CHORAL BENEDICTION"**

May the light of God shine on us today.

May the light of God shine on us today.

May it show us where to travel,

lead us back if we should stray.

May the light of God shine on us today.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the warmth we feel within us,  
show in all we do and say.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the peace of God be with us today.

May the peace of God be with us today.

May it guide us and protect us,  
as we go our separate ways.

May the peace of God be with us today.

P: For travelers and those unable to attend worship today, for members of our community celebrating special events, and for those who request prayers, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: In thanksgiving for those who followed Christ and now rest from their labors (*especially Martin Luther King Jr., commemorated this week*), that their witness provide a model of prophetic leadership and tireless justice-making, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **OFFERING**

~ VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY ~

*“Sound of the Saints” by Audio Adrenaline*

### **OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, in thee.*

*May we thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive,  
And gladly as though blessed us, to thee our first-fruits give.*

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being.

For your Word of life, O God,

**C: we give you thanks and praise.**

### **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

A reading from 1 Corinthians, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

R: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA**

*Alleluia! Lord and Savior open now your saving word!  
Let it burn like fire within us; Speak until our hearts are stirred.  
Alleluia! Lord we sing for the good news that you bring.*

### **GOSPEL: John 1:43-51**

P: The holy gospel according to John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God!

You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

### "You Are A Temple of the Holy Spirit"

#### Hymn of the Day

#### Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
 born of the virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried;  
 he descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. (*A brief silence.*) For the church throughout the world and for all called to its various ministries, that the Holy Spirit invite us and others to "come and see," let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: For the well-being of creation, for plants that provide nourishment, for animals that tend their young, that your goodness will be revealed through all creation, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: For the nations and all in authority, for advocates, for those who work for racial justice, and for our community, that all people may thrive together in harmony and order, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: For all who are oppressed; for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*); for caregivers and families; for those who grieve and cannot sleep, that comfort will come to those in any distress, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**