



We pray for our shut-ins, college students, military families, homeless, unemployed, and our shut-ins, our friends and family, including: Aaron, Anna H., Audrey, Aunt Bettie, Beth, Bert, Beth, Bev, Bill, Bob, Inez Miller & Family, Brad, Brenda, Cazmyre, Chris, Cindy, Claudine, Debi, Denise, Diane, Dick, Dolly, Don, Don & Harriet, Donna, Doug, Eddie, Eloise, Emily & Mike, Emma, Erik, Evelyn, Family of Karen McConnell, Florence, Gary, Gavin, Gayle, George, Heidi, Ian, Irene, Irene A., Iris, Jackie, James, Jamison, Jan, Janet, Janice, Janie, Jeff, Jered, Jessica, Jim, John, Judy, Julie, June, Zach, June, Kamyra, Kathy, Kathy Mears, Kayla, Kenny, Kevin, Kim, Kirk, Kris, Larry, Lauri, Laurie, Linda, Linda Morris Family, Lori, Marie, Marshall, Matt, Maureen, Melissa, Melissa Stuckey, Mike H., Nan, Nic, Noble, Pat, Patti, Payton, Pete, Rachel, Rich, Ricky, Russ, Ruthann, Sam, Sandy, Sara & Cory, Sarah, Scott, Shalom, Sharon, Steve, Sue, Susie, Tammy, Ted, Terri, Tim, Tina, Tom, Tony, Sherman, Tracy, Tristan, Vance, Vicki, Viola & Violet, Vivian, Zach



*Saturday, March 2, 2019 - 5pm*

**Faith Lutheran Church's  
2nd Annual Trivia Night  
and Italian Dinner**

**SIGN UP SHEETS ARE ON THE BOARD!**



**The Out to Dinner Group  
will meet at the Artisan,  
1322 Gardner St., South  
Beloit on Friday, Feb. 22  
at 6:00 PM. Sign up sheet  
is on the bulletin board.  
Must be signed up Sunday  
February 17th.**



## Faith Lutheran Church

*Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ*

Sunday, February 3, 2019

4th Sunday after Epiphany ~ 9:30 am



PRELUDE

WELCOME

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, 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

Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,  
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,  
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.  
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.  
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:  
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;  
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,  
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.  
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.  
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

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.



Today's altar flowers are  
donated by Gail Krause in memory  
of son Mike Krause's birthday

Next Sunday, February 10  
SCOUT SUNDAY



In Case of a Pastoral Need:

During Pastor Rick's absence Jan. 14 to Feb. 4,  
please contact Pastor John Heins  
Cell: 815-289-1760 Home: 815-623-8323  
Email: [jcheins@aol.com](mailto:jcheins@aol.com)



On behalf of all of us here at Faith,  
we thank Pastor John Heins for leading  
our worship these past 3 weeks. You and  
Connie are warmly welcome to come back!

**A Fun-draiser for Katie's Cup in Rockford**  
**Friday, February 8 - 5:30 dinner with a Dessert Auction!**  
**\$30 per person ~ Call 815-988-1109 for reservations**  
**This event will be held at Mauh-Nah-Tee-See Country Club,**  
**5151 Guilford Rd., Rockford**



Please join us for a  
special Praise & Worship  
Service at Faith on  
Sunday, February 17th  
at 9:30am

Sunshine Committee - Karen Murr & Patti Dunaway  
will send Sympathy, Graduation, and Get Well cards  
upon notification. Call Patti at 815-389-8957 or  
Karen at 815-389-2353 or email Patti at  
[pkdunaway7@gmail.com](mailto:pkdunaway7@gmail.com). Thank you!



## Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

**We are happy to have you worship with us today!  
Join us in our Fellowship Room for a bite to eat & drink.**

**COMMUNION** ~ Receive your bread or gluten-free wafer, take a small cup of wine (dark) or grape juice (light). Dispose of your cup in the receptacle on your way back to your seat.

**OFFERING** ~ If you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your offering or mail it in. Thanks for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work at Faith Lutheran.

### Financials for Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019 - Week 4

Attendance - 53

Weekly Offering Actual	\$1,958.57
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,150.00
2019 YTD Actual Offering	\$9,293.65
2019 YTD Offering Needed	\$8,600.00

### Today's Worship Leaders

*Altar Guild* - Carol & Roger Frey  
*Videographer* - Anne & Rachel Strasser  
*PowerPoint Tech* - Anne & Rachel Strasser  
*Counters* - Roger & Carol Frey  
*Reader* - Sue Brunson  
*Fellowship* - Gail Krause  
*Greeters* - Eloise Manley  
*Musician* - Betty Comins  
*Ushers* - Doug Congdon and Ray Wendell  
*Guest Pastor* - Rev. John L. Heins



### FEBRUARY

3 - Bernie Parisot, 7 - Tammy Dunkel, 10 - Sue Miller,  
11 - Cameron Gruenberg 12 - Becky Gruenberg, 14 - Lucy Naff,  
16 - Courtney Schuller & Taylor Gruenberg, 18 - Zach Hedrington,  
21 - Natasha Schneider, 22 - Carol Frey, Autumn Marty,  
& Ben Strasser, 28 - Patti Dunaway

### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*A brief silence.*) Almighty and ever-living God,  
C: **you increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## *CHILDREN'S CHURCH*



### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

A reading from Jeremiah, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## A Responsive Reading From Psalm 71

R: In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

C: In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

R: Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

C: Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

R: For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

C: I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

A reading from 1st Corinthians, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banquet table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

### On Our Way Rejoicing



1 On our way re-joic-ing glad-ly let us go.  
2 Un-to God the Fa-ther joy-ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con- quered; van- quished is the foe.  
un- to God the Sav- ior thank- ful hearts we bring;

Christ with- out, our safe- ty; Christ with- in, our joy;  
un- to God the Spir- it bow we and a- dore,

who, if we be faith- ful, can our hope de- stroy?  
on our way re- joic- ing now and ev- er- more.

*Refrain*  
On our way re- joic- ing; as we for- ward move,  
hear-ken to our prais- es, O blest God of love!

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## SHARING PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

~ VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY ~  
“Joy” by For King & Country

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. May we thy bounties thus, as stewards do receive, and gladly as though blessed us, to thee our first fruits give.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## 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.

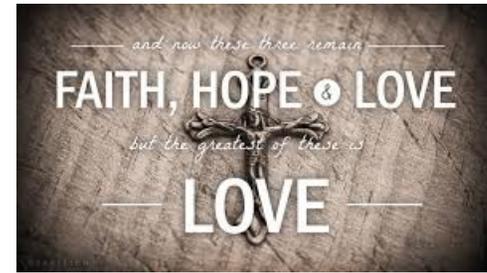
C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

## 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



## 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: Luke 4:21-30

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus began to say to all in the synagogue in Nazareth, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

Pastor John Heins

Hymn of the Day Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-'ry  
 3 Come, Al-might-y, to de-liv-er; let us all thy  
 4 Fin-ish then thy new cre-a-tion, pure and spot-less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing, all thy  
 trou-bled breast; let us all in thee in-her-it; let us  
 life re-ceive; sud-den-ly re-turn, and nev-er, nev-er-  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal-va-tion per-fect-



faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion,  
 find thy prom-ised rest. Take a-way the love of sin-ning;  
 more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,  
 ly re-stored in thee! Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,



pure, un-bound-ed love thou art; vis-it us with  
 Al-pha and O-me-ga be; end of faith, as  
 serve thee as thy hosts a-bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal-va-tion, en-ter ev-'ry trem-bling heart.  
 its be-gin-ning, set our hearts at lib-er-ty.  
 with-out ceas-ing, glo-ry in thy per-fect love.  
 crowns be-fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise!

*The 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:** United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. *(A brief silence.)* We pray for the church. Inspire us by your Spirit as we respond to your call. When we are reluctant, strengthen us; when we are doubtful, encourage us. Above all, let your love shine through us. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** For the earth. For mountains and prairies, cities and farms, rain forests and deserts. Awaken us to the mystery and diversity of your creation. Nurture all living things and protect your creation from harm. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** For the nations. Kindle within us a spirit of respect for one another. Protect those fleeing their homes to escape danger or oppression. Bring peace to communities torn apart by warfare and violence. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** For those in need. Protect those who suffer abuse and encourage those who lack hope. Guide all who provide medical care. Comfort those who grieve and bring healing to the sick *(especially)*. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** For this assembly. Bless our children and our elders. Gather us into a community guided by your love. Inspire in us a spirit of hospitality and kindness. Teach us to bear one another's burdens with compassion. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** We give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, and who now see you face-to-face. Inspire us by their example and bring us into your everlasting presence. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

