

2020 Faith Pictorial Directory - SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday, April 23 from 2-8:30pm

Friday, April 24 from 2-8:30pm

Saturday, April 25 from 10-4:30pm

You will be called to schedule a time and date!



COMMUNION CUPS

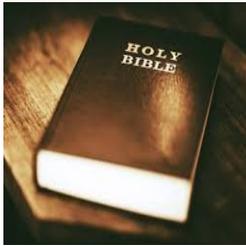
February 9 - Sue & George Brunson

February 16 -

February 23 -

March 1 - Ruth Anderson

March 8 - Teresa Moffitt



READERS

February 9 - Mike Marty

February 16 - Marcy Reedy

February 23 -

March 1 -

March 8 - Becky Gruenberg



FELLOWSHIP TREATS

February 9 - Pat Wicks

February 16 -

February 23 -

March 1 -

March 8 -



ALTAR FLOWERS

February 9 - Kelly & Craig Miller

February 16 - Robert Schwarz

February 23 - Julie Wright

March 1 -

March 8 -



The Out to Dinner Group will meet Friday, February 21 @6:00pm at Pizza Ranch, 4797 Bluestem Rd., Roscoe; please sign up by Sunday, February 16. All are welcome!



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Sunday, February 9, 2020 ~ 9:30 am

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one

God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.

C: Amen.

P: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen. *(A brief silence.)*

God who searches us and knows us,

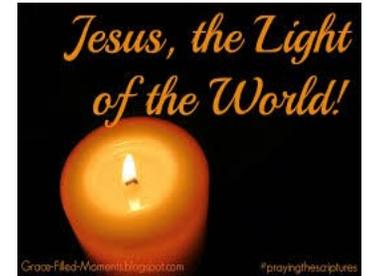
C: **you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to**

other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you.

With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child: + your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

C: Amen.



OPENING HYMN

Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the
Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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 pray for the homeless, unemployed, those with mental struggles, our shut-ins & all of our students, all military personnel, First Responders & their families. We pray for all of our friends, families & loved ones:

Gary McGuire & Family, Ryan McGuire & Family, Eric Murphy & Family, Mikey Murphy, Aaron, Mike H., Eva, Judy M., Patti H., Dave R., Jan N., Steve, Bob, Darrell, Janet, Jaleena, Bill, Joann, Gary, Ruthann, Todd, Jean, Kris, Steve, Pat, John, Lori, Payton, Jolynn, Claudine, Deb, Gavin, Barry & Shelby, Alyson, Jarrett, Mandy, Shirley, Julie, Zach, Claudine, Gail, John, Inez, Connie, Jolynn, Jimmy, Nate, Nap, Heidi, Kenny, June, Diane, Don, Florence, Dick, Don, Larry, Rich, Tom, Jen, Dodi, Linda, all homeless & unemployed, all service men & women, Brett, Brayton, Bev, Cindy, Jim, Roger, Teresa, Brian, Mike, Tim, Robin, Vicki, Zack, Julia, Irene, Adam, Terri, Ted and Rosalie Zierath, Austin Wagner and all military and First Responders, Debi, Janie, Kate, Ruthie, Tammi, Shirley, Randy, Rebecca, Chancy, Marshall, Vic, Chase, John, Diane A., Leonard Dygart, Violet, Brad, Shirley, George, Ian & Family, Christie Family, Nickel Family, George, Rogalla Family, Kosmatka Family



**This week's altar flowers were donated by
Craig and Kelly Miller
In honor of all February Birthdays**



**Saturday, February 29
3rd Annual Dinner & Trivia Night
Proceeds will be donated to Hands of Faith
Dinner is at 5pm ~ catered by Anna Maria's:**

**Mostaccioli, salad, garlic bread, dessert, beverage
Gluten-free dinners will also be available.**

Trivia - 6:30pm TICKETS - SEE KELLY & CRAIG

Sign up your group today - 8 per table limit.

\$10 13+up \$5 4-12 Ages 3 +under are FREE

Silent Auction! Limited space! FREE BABYSITTING!

Spread the word & sign up!

VOLUNTEERS, Gift Baskets & Desserts Needed

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

We are happy to have you worship with us today!

Please join us for beverages, snacks and conversation after worship.

OFFERING ~ If you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your offering next week. Mail it to the church office and write "offering" on the envelope to be included in that week's offering, seen only by designated counters. Thanks for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work at Faith Lutheran.

COMMUNION ~ ALL baptized Christians are invited & welcome to receive Communion at Faith Lutheran. Receive your bread or gluten-free wafer, take a disposable cup of either wine (dark) or grape juice (light), intinct your bread & dispose of cup in the trash.

Financials for Sunday, February 2, 2020 - Week #5

Attendance - 78

Actual Offering	\$7,313.00
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,198.00
2020 YTD Actual Offering	\$18,214.00
2020 YTD Offering Needed	\$10,990.00

Today's Worship Leaders

Altar Guild - Carol and Roger Frey
 Computer Tech - Helen Meier
 Offering Video - Mike Banker
 Reader - Mike Marty
 Counters - Carol & Roger Frey
 Fellowship - Pat Wicks
 Greeters - Eloise Manley & Gail Krause
 Musician - JoAnn Medernach
 Ushers - Doug Congdon & Shawn Guffey
 Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier



**Soup-er Bowl
 Collection**
 49ers vs. Chiefs
 \$6 + \$53.50
 Thanks for
 supporting
 World Hunger!



*Welcome Back,
 Pastor Rick & Helen!
 We missed you!*



INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. *(A brief silence.)* Lord God,
 with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:6-9

A reading from Isaiah, the 58th chapter.
 Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A Responsive Reading From Psalm 112

R: Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

C: Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

R: Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

C: Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

R: It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

C: For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

R: They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

C: Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

R: They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

C: Amen.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-7

A reading from 1st Corinthians, the 2nd chapter.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

~ 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: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Choral Benediction"

DISMISSAL

P: Go forth into the world to love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.



P: God of justice, you free us from the oppression that binds us and exhort us to serve one another. Liberate us from all fear, bigotry, and greed, and set our hearts and minds on love, equality, and justice. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of life, you reveal your saving love to us through the power of your Spirit. Bless those among us who are preparing to encounter your invigorating will in a new way, especially those preparing for or affirming baptism (*name/s*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of all eternity, we give you thanks for the lives of the saints who have pointed us towards faithfulness in you (*especially*). May we trust in your endless mercy and grace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

~ VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY ~

“This Little Light of Mine” by Cave Quest

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 thou bounties thus, as stewards true receive,
And gladly as thou blessed us, to thee our first fruits give.*

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our savior and Light.

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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: Matthew 5:13-20

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.



Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said: “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON ~ “Keep Your Lights On!”

Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

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: Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. (*A brief silence.*) Holy God, it is your desire that all people might come to know you intimately. Lead our communities into deeper relationship with you. May your church radiate your righteousness to all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of creation, you quench the dry ground, bringing water that sustains life. Satisfy the needs of all the earth, so that all living things bear witness to your verdant grace and continue to shout your praise. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: God of glory, during your time here on earth you were crucified by powerful rulers who did not understand you. Grant leaders in our day wisdom and discernment, that they may recognize you in the lives of the people they serve. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

