Message from the Pastor

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, Brothers and Sisters!

I hope and pray this finds you all well as you journey towards the cross this Lenten season. It’s about this time during Lent that I get a little bit tired of it, that I want to just forget about it and get on with spring. But the snow is still here in the U.P., we’re still in the heart of Lent, and I regularly need to pray for patience and persistence to keep trudging through the snow and grey and through this season of repentance, fasting, and prayer.

What is left for us to examine in our hearts this Lent? Are we called to continue the spiritual disciplines we have taken up, to alter them a bit as we listen to the Spirit’s movement in our lives, or to start something completely new?

I never practice mine perfectly and sometimes I don’t even try to “give something up,” or “take on something new,” because I’m just not up for it, or maybe if I look a little deeper, I’m afraid I’ll fail. Jesus has compassion for us as we journey, each with our own struggles and successes. Jesus also has the strength we need to keep on walking to the cross. Sometimes maybe we forget to ask or maybe we fail to see, but strength and compassion are there.

If you haven’t heard, we have a pet fish in the office. Our little fish got a name this weekend. The children got to pick out a name and throw it into a sea blue bucket for me to choose from during a children’s sermon. The name that I drew was, Life. Sermon potential in that name. Here, a reminder of what we have with Jesus: Life. We journey to the cross and empty tomb; facing death and darkness, neither denying nor avoiding it, but never without the hope that comes through the cross. Life and hope. We can hold on to that.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Eric
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**Soup’s ON!**

Wednesday, February 21st at 5:15pm we will be having a Soup Supper here at Faith Lutheran Church. This will continue every Wednesday to March 21st. There will be a sign up sheet for Soup Makers on the table in the lobby with the snack sign up sheet. Worship to follow at 6pm, so come on out and join us!

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**ECUMENICAL STUDY ON PRAYER**

Going into March, our Ecumenical Study on Prayer with St. Joseph’s Catholic Church continues to take place Wednesdays at 7pm.

- **March 7th** at St. Joseph’s
- **March 14th** at Faith Lutheran
- **March 21st** at St. Joseph’s

“Rooted & Relevant” adult Bible Study group will begin again in April.

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Dorothy & John Leach  
52 years  3/26/66

Dave & Pat Deatrick  
42 years  3/13/76

Matthew & Tiffany Kagarise  
2 years  3/12/16

It may only be March but before we know it, April will be upon us. April 1st, nonetheless, is EASTER, and I’m not fooling you! Here at Faith Lutheran we are planning on having an Easter Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt. More details will be made available in the coming weeks. We would love for you to join us!

4th    Catherine Tibbett
7th    Jason Markstrom
8th    Kenneth Lake
8th    Linda Doran
9th    Laura Makela
13th   Mary Oja
13th   Billy Norton
14th   Jeanna Thompson
18th   Aili Allen
18th   Heather East
26th   John Nobliski
30th   Greg Brewster

THE PATHFINDER

FORTUNE LAKE

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- Imagine a summer where you will work hard, & get to play and pray.
- Imagine a summer where you will meet people who will become your life-long friends.
- Imagine a summer where you will get to change someone’s life.
- Imagine a summer where you will be a hero to some young person.
- Imagine a summer where your unique and special gifts will be put to use.
- Imagine a summer where the days are long, challenging & filled with laughter and tears.

THE GOOD FIGHT

A Higher Call Men’s Conference  MARCH 10th  E-Free Church, Gaylord, MI

Tickets are $45  New this year: Panera Bread lunch included in ticket price.

Guest Speaker line-up

ABDU MURRY, TED DIBIADE, FRANK TANANA, and JOE COFFEY,

with BRIAN WHITSCHELL returning as worship leader.
The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by President Jack Armstrong.

**Members present:** Jack Armstrong (by phone), Sandy Lawson, Wayne Olsen, Steve Sanderson, Dennis Brindley, Pastor Bre Kinnunen, and Vicki Luoma

**Members absent:** Cathy Tibbett, Dan Kinnear

**Devotions:** Steve Sanderson – Feb. devotions – Wayne Olsen

**Previous Month’s Minutes:** Wayne Olsen made a motion to accept the November 13, 2017 minutes. Seconded by Sandy Lawson. Motion passed.

Steve Sanderson made a motion to accept the December 17, 2017 Special meeting minutes. Seconded by Dennis Brindley. Motion passed.

**Future meetings:** January 22 at 6:30 p.m. Budget, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. Kitchen, February 18 Annual meeting & Council meeting with new Council members, February 19 at 6:30 p.m. Church Council meeting

**New Business:**

**Rental Policy** – Currently there are 10-12 groups using the church. Non-profit groups and profit groups would have different rates. Red Cross and Girls Scouts and Boy Scouts would not pay. Should we charge for Tour of Homes and High School and Middle School choirs? Other groups using the church are: Yoga, Tai Chi, Keeping the Piece Quilt Group, Garden Club, and Car Club. There may be others. Jack will continue to work on this with Sean Uhrig, Office Manager.

**Locking Church Doors** – There are some members who are opposed to this policy. After discussion about locking the church doors, Sandy Lawson made a motion to continue the previously passed motion of the Church Council to lock the doors 10-15 minutes after the Wed. and Sun. service begins and to lock them during the week. Council members who are counters that Sunday or other Council members will lock the doors 10-15 minutes after the service begins. Seconded by Dennis Brindley. Motion passed 6-1.

**Sunday Counters** – There needs to be a second person to count the offering on Sunday morning. A previous Council member could help count. Corey Strickland is not counting on Sundays.

**Kitchen Bid** – Sandy Lawson provided the Council with a bid from Cardinal Plumbing & Heating to take out the small garbage disposal and re-pipe the drain line for indirect waste with 1-inch air gap health code requirements. Sandy Lawson made a motion to take the recommendation of $400 from Cardinal Plumbing & Heating to take out the small garbage disposal and re-pipe the drain line for indirect waste with 1-inch air gap health code requirements to be paid for with the $500 grant from Always Being Made New. Dennis Brindley seconded it. Motion passed.

Sandy Lawson provided the Council with two Kitchen Bids to study. One bid is from Great Lakes Service and the other bid is from Albert Heating & Cooling. There is also a bid from Roy Electric to install the electrical for a new Make-up Air Unit Roof Fan.

A Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the kitchen project.

**Revelations** – Sean, the office manager, is using a trial version of the new Revelations program. Wayne Olsen made a motion to consider upgrading to the new Revelations providing the trial is successful. Dennis Brindley seconded it. Motion passed.

**Constitution** – Steve Sanderson made a motion to recommend to the Congregation to adopt the new Constitution for Faith Lutheran Church at the annual meeting. Wayne Olsen seconded it. Motion passed.

**Church Council** – There are 2 Council positions open. Any one interested should submit a brief biography to Sean in the office.

Thanks to Steve Sanderson for serving on the Council.

**Annual Meeting** – Two delegates and two alternates need to be elected for the Synod meeting in May.

**Old Business** – None

**Pastor’s Report** – Pastor Bre submitted her monthly report.

Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 7:00 p.m. Bruce Anderson, Linda Carrick, and Pastor Bre will be doing the Bible Study.

Pastor Bre and Rev. Dave Henderson will be co-teaching Lay School classes.

Office hours for Pastor Bre have changed to Mon. Tues., and Thurs. mornings.

Fortune Lake Camp Director Pastor Tracy Polzin has resigned. At our Feb. Council meeting, we need to talk about campership/scholarship money for youth interested in going to camp this summer. Registration is open now.

Pastor Bre will be doing Continuing Ed. In Gladstone Feb. 11-12.

New Members meeting will be Feb. 5.

Pastor Bre applied for and received a $250 Thrivent grant which can be used by the Outreach committee to develop and provide a new brochure for Faith Lutheran.
Facility Requests
Girl Scouts – A request by Kathy Flickinger to use the building for Girl Scouts on Feb. 18.
Motion was made to grant the facility request to Kathy Flickinger to use the building for the Girl Scouts by Steve Sanderson. Seconded by Vicki Luoma. Motion carried.

Timeline
It was recommended that we make new church offering envelopes available on December 1.
Sandy Lawson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Sanderson seconded it. Motion passed.
The meeting adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer.
Respectfully submitted,
Vicki Luoma
Council Secretary

Faith Lutheran Church Council Special Meeting
January 22, 2018
The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Jack Armstrong.
Members present: Jack Armstrong (by phone), Sandy Lawson, Wayne Olsen, Steve Sanderson, Dennis Brindley, Cathy Tibbett, Pastor Bre Kinnunen, and Vicki Luoma
Members absent: Dan Kinnear
Devotions: Pastor Bre Kinnunen
Cathy Tibbett made a motion to accept the end of the year financial report for 2017 as presented by Steve Sanderson. Dennis Brindley seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.
Delegates for 2018 Synod Convention: Bruce Anderson and Linda Carrick said they would be willing to be delegates for the 2018 Synod Convention. We will need to elect 2 alternate delegates.
Financial Secretary: Wayne Olsen made a motion to terminate the Financial Secretary position effective January 1, 2018. Sandy Lawson seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.
A motion to adjourn was made by Cathy Tibbett and seconded by Wayne Olsen. Motion carried.
The meeting concluded with the Lord’s Prayer.
Respectfully submitted,
Vicki Luoma
Council Secretary

Faith Lutheran Church Council Special Meeting
January 30, 2018
The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Jack Armstrong.
Members present: Jack Armstrong (by phone), Sandy Lawson, Wayne Olsen, Dennis Brindley, Dan Kinnear, Cathy Tibbett, Pastor Bre Kinnunen, and Vicki Luoma
Members absent: Steve Sanderson
Devotions: Pastor Bre Kinnunen
Kitchen:
Sandy Lawson presented information on the Kitchen project. She indicated that the work had been done on the sink and pipes by Cardinal Plumbing.
There were two bids provided for the Hood & Fire Suppression system. One from Albert Heating & Cooling and the other from Great Lakes Services, Inc. There was one bid from Roy Electric Co., Inc. for the electrical work on the Hood fan and Make-up Air unit.
The yearly license from the Health Department will be $352.
A motion was made by Cathy Tibbett to accept the bid of $24,500 from Albert Heating & Cooling for the Hood & Fire Suppression system, and the bid of $1950 from Roy Electric to do the electrical work, and $2000 for contingency for the kitchen project to be paid from the Victoria Wolfe fund. It was seconded by Wayne Olsen. Motion passed unanimously.
A motion to adjourn was made by Sandy Lawson and seconded by Dennis Brindley. Motion carried.
The meeting ended with the Lord’s Prayer.
Respectfully submitted,
Vicki Luoma
Council Secretary
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### DISCOUNTS

Invite a friend who is NEW to Fortune Lake and you both receive a $50 discount. Discount is applied only after BOTH campers have submitted their registration and deposit.

Register by March 1 for a $25 discount and a free t-shirt, register by April 1 for a $25 discount.

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Crystal Falls, MI 49920
fortunelake.org | 906-214-CAMP (2267)

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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