

## “Passion of Christ—Holy Week” by Valerie Brooks, DYFM

**Spring is coming** and I'm very excited for it! This month, I wanted to share our Youth Quake Bible verse with you as the youth focus and reflect upon the theme of “Overcome” on our trip. John 16:33 says, “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” No matter what we're going through, God is there to help and guide us through it. This is also a great Lent reflection verse because it focuses on the sacrifice that God made for us by sending His only Son to die for us all. It's definitely a great reminder as we look toward Holy Week at the end of the month.

I wanted to say thank you to all of you for continuing to support our youth ministries here at the church. We have a group going over to Minneapolis, MN on the 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of March for Youth Quake and we're so excited! I would ask that you would all pray

for our group as we travel and experience all of the different programs that we will be partaking in while we are there that weekend.

On Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am, Tina Bernette and I will be hosting a fun event for our Sunday School/Youth children. We'll be doing a Coloring Party, where each student can pick out a bag and they'll be decorating it with their favorite colors. We'll also be having pizza for lunch that day and then watching a movie together as well. It's a nice break over Spring Break for the families! Parents are welcome to join us – the more the merrier. Cost will be \$10/bag and covers everything for the party. Please watch for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex and a letter home to the Faith Families in March.

Our Young Adult group (ages 18-35) had a fun get-together in February, and we'd like to continue the fellowship in March. We'll be meeting at Micon Cinemas on

Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm to do a movie/dessert night – movie is to be determined. If you'd like to join us, you're welcome to – please follow our group on Facebook

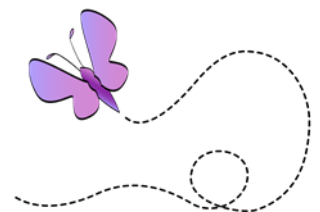
for events and updates: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/faithlutheranyoungadults/>

This year's **Children's Egg Hunt** will be taking place after late worship on **Palm Sunday (March 25<sup>th</sup> around 11:30am)**. Children are invited to join us for this fun event; treat bags for collecting eggs will be provided. I could use a few volunteers (youth/adults) to help out with the event (stuffing and hiding eggs, helping the little ones hunt, etc.) so please let me know if you have a little bit of time either before that day or the day of and would like to help us out. Families are invited to stick around after church that morning and



enjoy the annual Bake Sale and some refreshments as well while the children go egg hunting.

Most importantly is the last week of this month. Holy Week. We continue the journey of the passion of Christ with **Palm Sunday, March 25** (Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem); **Maundy Thursday, March 29** (the Last Supper & washing of His disciples' feet); **Good Friday, March 30** (Jesus is crucified) and **Easter Sunday, April 1** (Jesus' Resurrection from the tomb). Jesus has defeated death for us. **He is risen!**



### Sunday Morn Bible Class

Come Sunday morning at 9am to the study of Lutheranism 101 led by Dick Walders.

### Monday Aft Bible Class

Consider joining this group on Monday at 1pm as they study Jesus feeding the five thousand: Matthew 14:13-21 from Donna Pyle's “Overflowing Abundance” series. Leader: Sue Smith.

### Tuesday Morn Study

Class meets Tuesday's at 6:30am. Bring your Bible and your appetite (cost of the meal is on your own). Topic: 2 Titus. Led by Susan Cassellius.

### Thursday Bible Class

Join our Thursday at 9:30am Bible class for the study entitled “Peter...from Fisherman to Fisher of Men” by author, Donna Pyle. Class is led by Pam Pfankuch.

### Holy Week Schedule:

**Palm Sunday, March 25**  
7:45am & 10:15am  
**Maundy Thursday, March 29**  
6pm with communion  
**Good Friday, March 30**  
1:30pm  
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## Mission & Ministry Council

February 12, 2018  
6:35 - 8:25 p.m.

**Attending Disciples:** Larry Bohl, Valerie Brooks, Mark Erickson, Jack Halbleib, Alice Helgeson, Randy Knapp, Bill Miller, Steve Missfeldt, Janell Newcomb, Bob Normand.

**Call to Order:** Bob Normand called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Valerie Brooks led with the opening prayer.

**January Minutes:** The January 8, 2018, minutes were reviewed. Bill Miller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Steve Missfeldt seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Council reviewed the checkbook register, summary report, and profit & loss year-to-date comparisons for January, 2018. The summary report showed that the operating expenses of the church are currently being met but there is very little beyond the current needs. The snow removal costs for this winter are projected as being larger than last year. Alice will request the amount of expenses to date for the snow removal service. It is hoped that members continue to pray about their giving and support the church by continuing to give an additional 8% (8 cents for every dollar) with each offering to the church. Additional discussion followed. Jack Halbleib made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Randy Knapp seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

**Pew Cushion Fund Release:** Alice Helgeson was in attendance to give an update on the funds for the pew cushions. To date, the full amount of the \$7,500 required for pew cushion replacement has been raised. The contract needs to be signed by March 1st in order to lock in the price. The funds are currently in the checking account. The anticipated date of completion is approximately April 1st. Jack Halbleib made a

motion to move the designated funds from the checking account to the savings account. Bill Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

**Pastor/DFYM Reports:** Pastor Yunghans was unable to attend the meeting this evening. Valerie Brooks was present to give an update on the Pre-School. The Monday-Wednesday-Friday Pre-School classes for next year are almost full. The State Inspector is coming next week to inspect the Pre-School. Valerie has been working with the City Fire Inspector on recommendations for replacement of the fire alarms in the class rooms. Once the State inspection has been completed, she will give the Council an update on what needs to be done to bring the current fire alarms up to current standards and what the options are.

**Call Committee Update:** Bill Miller, a member of the Call Committee, said that they will be meeting tomorrow night to set up a schedule for the February 20th visit from Pastor Taden and his wife.

**Request for Volrath Fundraiser:** Sharon Volrath has asked permission to hold a fundraiser dinner at the church. After discussion, Jack Halbleib made a motion to approve Sharon Volrath's request to use the Church for a fundraiser dinner. Bill Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

**Mission and Ministry Council Responsibilities:** The responsibilities of the Mission and Ministry Council were reviewed. Five areas have been identified where a Council member could serve as a person to gather information from a member of another committee or serve as a contact person. Bob Normand volunteered to work with Larry Bohl on

finances and budget issues. Mark Erickson volunteered to work with the Facilities Committee or gather information as needed. Jack Halbleib will work on human resources (review personnel manual, etc.). Other possible responsibilities are stewardship and time and talents. Discussion ensued regarding other areas of ministry needs (altar guild, worship assistants, technical team (PowerPoint during services), music, acolytes, paraments/flowers/banners, and hospitality). The Council will work on these issues and volunteers from the congregation are welcome to step forward to meet the ministry or other needs of the congregation. Once a senior pastor is hired, these things will be discussed with them to see what their thoughts are on these responsibilities.

**Other Business:** Bill Miller brought some materials that he received when he attended a recent church safety & security seminar at the Chippewa Valley Bible Church.

**Date of Next Council Meeting:** The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 12th, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by Janell Newcomb, Council Secretary

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And you also were  
included in Christ  
when you heard  
the word of truth,  
the gospel of your  
salvation. Having  
believed, you  
were marked in  
Him with a seal,  
the promised Holy  
Spirit...

Ephesians 1:13

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## Congregational News

### Worship Services

Join us for worship services on Wednesday's at 6pm (blended) and Sunday's at 7:45am (traditional) & 10:15am (contemporary).

### Call Committee Update

Exciting news! Pastor and Mrs. Tiaden traveled to Chippewa Falls February 21, 2018 to meet with members of the Call committee and be introduced to staff members. They were given tours of the church facilities, parsonage and the city of Chippewa Falls, then treated to lunch at Chippewa Family Restaurant before returning home. Please pray for Rev. Tiaden, his family and his congregation of Berea Lutheran in Richfield, MN. Questions? Please contact a call committee member: Pam Dietsche, Bill Miller, Kimberly Musser, Tracie Dallas, Ronald Tiry, Bryan Vogels; co-chairmans, Pam Johnson & Roberta Chittendon; and secretary, Karen Prenzlow. We praise God for His wisdom and guidance in this process.

### Lent continues in March!

The purpose of Lent is for the preparation of the believer through [prayer](#), self-reflection and devotion of Christ's death & resurrection. Worship will be offered on Wednesday's at 6pm with the reader's theater format. The theme is "Come Follow Me In Prayer". Lenten resources are available for self-reflection & devotion from the narthex table.

### Fish Fry

Thank you to our awesome Fish Fry crew for preparing and hosting this event. Proceeds of \$483 were realized for the family in need.

### Chili Cook-Off

Thank you to all who entered entrees and enjoyed the chili cook-off. \$100 in proceeds were realized for the youth programs here at FLC.

### Pew Cushion Fund Update

As of February 12, 2018, thanks to the generous donations our congregation all the funds have been raised and the pew cushions will be ordered. We expect delivery sometime in early April.

### Scrip for Sale

Purchase gift cards from area businesses with proceeds benefiting the youth program here at FLC. Vendors: Chippewa Family Restaurant, Gordy's Market, Kwik Trip, McDonalds, Menards, Arby's, Holiday Station. See Corey or Valerie Brooks for details.

### 2018-19 Faith Christian Pre-K and Preschool Registration

has begun! We are accepting enrollment applications for the upcoming fall program for children ages 3-5 years old. Check it out online [faithlutheranfc.org](http://faithlutheranfc.org) or call the church office for further details.




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HE IS RISEN!

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INDEED!

ALLELUIA!!

Rejoice in the  
resurrection of  
Jesus Christ!

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### Easter Week Schedule:

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### YOUTH HAPPENINGS

#### Sunday School

Classes are offered on Sunday's at 8:45am, beginning with music in the fellowship hall. Children ages N-grade 6 will grow in God's word, and build relationships with fellow students.

#### Confirmation

This class is for students entering grades 7 & 8 and runs throughout the school year Wednesday's at 7pm and is designed to nurture our youth in their a faith journey. Confirmation is April 29th.

#### Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY)

Join this group Sunday mornings at 9am in the youth room as grades 6-12 grow and build unity in Christ.

#### Young Adult Event

If you are age 18-35; this group is for you! We'll be meeting at Micon Cinemas on Friday, March 23rd at 7pm to do a movie/dessert night. Contact Valerie if questions at 715.459.8112 (or) follow our group on facebook ([faithlutheranyoung-adults](http://faithlutheranyoung-adults)).

#### Youth Quake Gathering

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#### LCMS National Gathering

Youth and adults across the synod will come together on July 11-15, 2019 for this event centered on the theme—"Real. Present. God." *Psalm 46*. This is only a year and a half from now! Please contact Valerie in the church office if you are interested in attending.

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Return Service

Requested

March 2018

## March Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Happy Birthday!

1-Kathy Butak  
3-Dick Walders  
5-Astley Fisher  
6-Landon Bernette  
7-Rebecca Hoepner  
8-Pamela Underwood  
10-Jody Wennerberg  
11-Corey Brooks, Millie Huth  
12-Mark Cassellius, Bea Newman  
13-Rick Denning, Barbara Melby, Kaydence Normand,  
Allison Short  
14-James Clark  
16-Harold Aamodt, Katarina Taylor, Sophia Taylor  
18-Polly Tarris  
20-Cathie Chittendon  
21-Harold Saxon  
22-Brad Dietsche, Brittany Normand  
23-Ruth Clark, Hannah Kressin, Robert Luloff  
24-Michael Peterson, Jean Pfankuch, JoAnn Rein  
26-Ruby Schumacher

27-Caitlyn Borck, Missy Loebertman, Barbara  
Missfeldt  
28-Randy Cassellius  
29-Kenneth Schaller, Gerald Wucherpennig  
30-Susan Roytek  
31-Rhonda Goettl, Rhonda Larson, Joel Molden-  
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### Happy Anniversary!

7-Astley & Pam Fisher  
11-Ron & Barbara Krueger  
11-Randy & Marianne Missfeldt  
17-Lennie & Joe Glodowski  
18-Dale & Jean Volrath

