

GOOD NEWS

“God Formed Man”

Last month I honored women and moms for their work to care for us. This month gives us Father’s Day. First, a few of gift buying rules for men, and then some amazing wisdom dads hand out.

“Never buy a man anything that says ‘some assembly required’ on the box. It will ruin his special day.”
“Men enjoy danger. While they won’t cook, they will barbecue. A monster grill with a 100 pound propane tank and a gas leak in the hose? Oh, the thrill, the challenge!”
“Do not buy socks or ties, and never buy a bathrobe. Men believe that if God had wanted them to wear bathrobes, He wouldn’t have invented Jockey shorts.”

Now remember, it’s from a gender like this that you get these gems of wisdom...
“Don’t worry; it’s only blood.”
“Don’t you know any normal boys?”

“We’re not lost; I’m just not sure where we are.”
“You’re gonna like it, whether you like it or not!”
“What do you think I am, an ATM?”



Like moms, dads are also special in their own way. But God gave men the responsibility to care for the household, especially as spiritual leaders.

While Luther believed that being a mother was the highest calling in the world due to the influence she

had on her children, he believed that it was the father’s duty to be the spiritual head of the family as he wrote when introducing the commandments.

We can teach our kids how to walk, talk, ride a bike, throw and catch—none of those things will make a difference when it comes to Christ’s Second Coming. What will make a difference is that we taught and shared the one faith that only matters—that which holds Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

We’ve been told that you can’t take it with you—that is, our earthly stuff to heaven. But there is by God’s grace SOMEONE we can take with us: our children as they by grace have caught the faith. Happy Father’s Day!

Rev. William C. Plautz
Senior Pastor

A final word...with some humor

“Dear Pastor,
I think a lot more people would come to your church if you moved it to Disneyland.
Loreen, age 9”

Two thoughts: the child sees the congregation as belonging to the pastor, and church would be better if it could be a “fun place”.

I never believed I owned Faith Lutheran. It has always belonged to Jesus who died for it. I have had the privilege of serving Him and you. For your kind words and support for the pastoral ministry through all the years I thank you.

While I believe worship is to be engaging, it isn’t meant to be “fun”.

It’s purpose is to allow a time for God to meet us and we Him and to receive the gifts that strengthen our faith in and walk with Him. Worship has never been about me; it’s always been about Him and for that we give thanks!



From our DYFM, Valerie Brooks

Summer is here! **Congratulations to all of our 2017 high school graduates!** We had a great group of students graduating this year, and I would like to leave you all with a personal favorite: “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” – Jeremiah 29:11. This verse came at a time when God’s people had been exiled to Babylon. God wanted to let His people know that even though they may face tough times in the future, He has a plan for all of us and we just need to trust Him and have faith. So I would leave the graduates with this advice for the future: No matter what happens in life, know that God is with you and He will always be there to carry you through whatever joys and challenges you may encounter. Over the summer, we’ll still be having some activities going on for youth going in to grades 6-12. We’ll be having “**Ignite Wednesdays**” (devotions and outdoor games around the campfire) at my house – fun! The YABS (young adult Bible study) group is also invite to join Corey and I at our house on Sunday evenings for board games and fellowship over the summer.

Speaking of youth, we’ve got some trips coming up! Over the year, I’ll be planning a youth mission trip for next summer, and this is for any youth that are turning age 10 or older by March 1st 2018. We’ll be doing some **urban mission work** in Minneapolis, MN. Also happening over in the Twin Cities is the **2019 National Youth Gathering** – fun! We’ll be starting to fundraise for the Gathering near the end of the summer, so please keep that in mind as well. The NYG is open to any youth ages 14-19 at the time of the Gathering (July of 2019). If you’d like more information about serving as a Young Adult Volunteer or a Community Life Builder, please let me know – they get started with that registration process earlier than the youth ones. In addition to these trips, we’ve got the annual **Confirmation Retreat** happening in August, and I’ll be planning a winter youth retreat for January as well (dates TBD). With all of that being said, now is a good time to get involved with some of our **summer fundraisers!** If you’re interested in helping out with putting together Father’s Day Gifts, please let me know. We also invite you to join us between services on Father’s Day (June 18th) for a car wash fundraiser. If you’re able to help out with this, please

let me know as soon as you can. We will be hosting another car wash in July!

I would also like to note that we have our **June Family Night event coming up on June 14th-15th**. We will be worshipping together in church, then there is a special musical event at the church beginning at 7pm. Following this event, we will go outside (weather permitting) and pitch our tents (BYO). Then, I have some games and a devotion planned before we get a fire started and some s’mores made. We’ll wrap up the evening around 10pm, at which time families are invited to camp out in the church yard for the night together (or in your campers if you have one). In the event of rain, I have an indoor backup plan, and there’s still plenty of room inside for tents! In the morning, we will have a pancake breakfast around 7:30am, followed by a couple more games and a closing devotion before ending the event around 10:00am. If you’re able to join us, please fill out a brief registration form in the narthex by June 11th.

Happy Summer!
Valerie Brooks, DYFM

June Bible Studies

Monday Aft Bible Class

Consider joining this group on Monday at 1pm as they study God’s Word. 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: 1 Timothy. Led by Pastor Plautz.

Thursday Bible Class

Come at 9:30am for the study of Donna Pyle’s Bible study series led by Pam Pfankuch. (June 1 & 8)

Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY)

Grades 6-12

Wednesday night campfire throughout summer from 7-9pm at Corey & Valerie’s home, 214 Howard St, Chippewa Falls, WI.

Sermon Series Topics

- June 4—Saints Romans 1:7
- June 11—True Treasure 1 John 2:2
- June 18—Forever Life 1 Thess. 4:14
- June 25—The Good Father Rom. 8:15-16



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Mission & Ministry Council

May 8, 2017

6:33 – 7:05 p.m.

Attending Disciples: Bob Normand, Randy Knapp, Larry Bohl, Jack Halbleib, Scott Bernette, Bill Miller and Ed Klotz

Call to Order: President Bob Normand called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. He provided an opening invocation in the absence of Pastor Plautz. Jack Halbleib was appointed to take Minutes in the absence of our Secretary, Janell Newcomb.

April Minutes: The April 10, 2017 Minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Randy Knapp, seconded by Scott Bernette: CARRIED

Treasurer’s Report: The Council reviewed the check register, summary report, and profit and loss year to date comparisons for January – April, 2017. Larry was thanked for the additional reports produced at Council request and shared with the congregation recently. Due to Easter’s additional support (up \$10,000 for April) we are now a bit ahead for the year. Larry noted that reduced energy costs and winding down of educational programs (no new expenditures for materials) also contributed to the decline in April expenses. Report accepted and approved.

Pastor’s Report: No information received from Pastor in his absence to-night.

New Business:

Line of Credit: The Council approved a Line of Credit for \$10,000 through Northwestern Bank. This has been done seasonally to provide a cushion should slower summer offerings result in a cash flow problem. Approved on a motion by Larry Bohl, seconded by Bill Miller: CARRIED

Sound System: Several issues were addressed with the sound system. We are using a “loaner” VGA splitter and agreed we needed to buy the replacement part and have it installed. Pastor’s wireless microphone has failed and needs to be replaced. After reviewing the options the Council moved via Scott Bernette and second by Jack Halbleib to spend up to \$1275.00 to pay the bill from Audio Architects for the VGA in full (\$485.60) and also purchase one wireless microphone (\$661.00) and installation (\$127.50 with credit for an earlier call of an additional \$85.00).

Action: Bob will check on getting an alternate bid for the microphone and discuss with Alice if the cost is less from another vendor (Speed of Sound).

Pastor’s Retirement: Pastor’s retirement celebration at The Avalon will be held following his final preaching service on Sunday, July 30 at noon. Alice has been working on several related details and there are a couple of committees involved. The Council discussed ideas for a gift for Pastor. Bob reported he has been in touch with Pastor Steve Rutter and has been given the name of a pastor to contact for the vacancy position. Bob and Alice have received the names of several congregation members interested in participating on the Call Committee. Bob will be following up for more detail prior to the Special Meeting of the Congregation on May 21 at 9:00 AM.

Other Business:

No other items were brought forth for discussion by the Council.

Date of Next Council Meeting: The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment: The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m. with The Lord’s Prayer.

*Respectfully submitted Jack Halbleib,
Council Secretary Pro-Tem*

Father’s Day Recognition

On Wednesday, June 14 & Sunday, June 18 (following services) we will be offering a dessert & refreshments in recognition of our fathers. Enjoy this time in fellowship.

Women of Faith

Come to another evening in the fellowship of our sisters in Christ. Come to Culver’s (Lake Hallie location) on Tuesday, June 20 at 6pm. Enjoy an ice cream treat and the company of your friends from FLC.

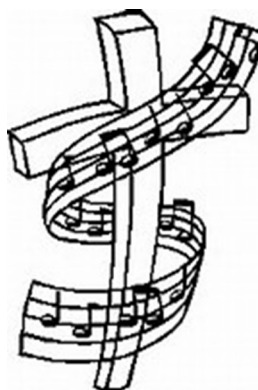
Unity Service

We will be offering an all-congregational worship service on Wednesday, June 28 at 6pm. No worship will be offered July 2.

SUMMER FUN!

**A Night of Praise—
Wed., June 14th
at 7pm**

Come join Faith’s Praise Band for an hour of songs of praise. All are welcome to attend. The cost is free; a free-will offering for Hope Village will be gathered.



A Night of Camping- Same night!

Following the Praise event, we will go outside (weather permitting) and pitch our tents (BYO). Then, some games and a devotion before we get a fire started and some s’mores made. We’ll wrap up the evening around 10pm, at which time families are invited to camp out in the church yard for the night together (or in your campers if you have one). In the morning, we will have a pancake breakfast around 7:30am, followed by a couple more games and a closing devotion before ending the event at 10:00am. Hope to see you there!

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June's Newsletter

June's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday!

2-Shirley Tibbitts
3-Jennifer Dreger, Alison LeDuc
4-Haven Reagan, Matthew Solin
5-Jolene Andersen, Lanny Roth-
Linda Walders
6-Eric Mattmiller, Erma Seidlitz
7-Elaine Miller
9-Kyle Juedes, Turi McIlquham
12-Joan Schaller
13-Wallace Smith
14-Maxwell Thompson
17-Dana Anderson, Christopher
Chittendon, Susan Kern
18-Collin Schindler
19-Joyce Davidson
20-Diane Schroeder
21-Rev. William Plautz, Larry
Johnson

24-Sandra Larson, Alex Peter-
son
25-Linda Bohl , Margaret Gul-
lickson
26-Larry Bohl
28-Don Bowe, Jack Bremness,
Lillian Schaefer
30-Rosemary Plautz, James
Sabish

June

Happy Anniversary!

5-Gene & Donna Moldenhauer
6-Lloyd & Lorraine Benner
6-Gerald & Barbara Wucherpfennig
7-Robert & Bev Normand
7-John & Arlene Pederson
10-Gerald & Marcia Goettl
10-Wayne & Shirley Gormley
13-Garnet & Patricia Mathwig
14-Don & Debra Bowe
16-Richard & Janice Wirth
18-Rev. William & Rosemary Plautz
18-Daniel & Alice Helgeson
19-Ryan & Julie Moldenhauer
22-Don & Nancy Garbers
22-Lawrence & Iris Johnson
23-Tom & Janell Newcomb
25-Mark & Barb Erickson