



Pentecost Worship

The season of Pentecost is the longest season of the church year. It begins with the Feast of Pentecost, it celebrates the Feast of the Holy Trinity and then it settles in for the long haul of Sundays in Pentecost. The season pauses to celebrate All Saints Sunday then concludes with Christ the King Sunday which is the last Sunday of the church year.

Pentecost focuses on the teachings of Jesus. We learn the great stories of faith, the healing stories, the parables, the sending of the disciples, the story of the coming of the kingdom. We sing hymns like “Jesus lives, my sure defense.” “Lord, keep us steadfast in your word.” “Praise, my soul, the king of heaven.”

We gather around the baptismal font and the altar to remember and renew our faith as we participate in the Divine Liturgy. We taste Jesus body and blood in Holy Communion. We offer prayers for the world, the community, and the church.

We remember the saints and witnesses of times past and we gather to celebrate with the living saints here in this place.

Summer is a great time to worship. We offer two opportunities for corporate worship, Saturday evening at 5:30 and Sunday morning at 9:00.

If you are on vacation I encourage you to find a place of worship. Bring back a bulletin. Share your worship experiences with us.

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In every case worship provides the opportunity to gather together, to offer ourselves to God and to commit to working for that promised better day!

Peace,

Pastor John Albertson

Faith Church News

We continue to pray for Donna Trumblee, Eunice Koeppen, Rose Brady, Marilyn Paulson, Helen Hale, Connie Herrington, Annette Mohling's mother, Russ Gerst's father, and Bonnie Eckhoff's brother.

Congratulations to Chris and Casey Orr who welcomed another grandchild! Vida Ann Loontjer was born 7 lbs, 3 oz on May 18th to Shawn & Kelly (Orr) Loontjer.

Save the Date! July 18th 1:30-3:30 pm. We will celebrate Pastor Wendell Debner's 70th birthday with desserts and conversation at Faith Lutheran Church. More details will follow.

Congratulations to Kyle Dunn, son of Lance & Karen for a fantastic track season. Kyle finished with 2 state championships in 4A; the 400 meter hurdles and the 400 meter dash and a 2nd place finish in the 110 hurdles! Way to go...

Confirmation Canoe Trip— Please have your food donation items to the church by Saturday, June 12th. Thanks in advance for your help!

Can you help? Cub Scout Pack 360 is having a can drive on June 5th from 10 am—2 pm at Marion Hy-Vee or call scoutmaster Russ Gerst for pickup at the church or at your home 447-6000.

Intergenerational Concert Event

Saturday, June 5th
Featuring Evan LeFloch

Evan LeFloch has been an international touring musician for over a decade. His stage presence is legendary...his music fun and exciting for all ages. Help us pack the house and enjoy some amazing music, free food, and the beginnings of our intentional intergenerational ministry here at Faith. June 5th marks the beginning of our Summer worship schedule, so feel free to join us at 5:30 p.m. for worship, 6:30 p.m. for dinner, and 7:00 p.m. for the show. Pastor Paul has known Evan for many years and says that Evan is one of the "funnest" musicians he's been around. Come ready to sing along, learn the motions, and enjoy hanging out with friends.

Expectations of Discipleship

Worship every week, experience God's Word in Scripture and proclamation, the Means of Grace found in the bread and wine, and the waters of baptism. Commit to being in worship here or as you travel.

Pray in daily life, around the dinner table, as you drive, as you wake and as you sleep. Let all of life be a prayer! Commit to praying every day.

Grow in faith. Attend Bible studies, read the Bible, invest in your faith, learn spiritual practices, invite others to worship. Commit to growing in faith every day.

Give regularly. Be intentional about giving to grow God's Kingdom through Faith Lutheran Church. Commit to giving, work toward a goal of 10% (Biblical tithe).

Serve faithfully. Find a ministry and share your gifts through serving others. Commit to serving this community and its mission to the

2010 Bratfest...Save the Date!

The 3rd Annual Bratfest will be held on Saturday, September 18th in the Faith Lutheran parking lot and the Bratfest Committee needs your help and support.

Food will be served from 4:30 pm until the final band break. The polka music will go from 5:00—9:00 pm. This year's band will be Barefoot Becky from Mt. Vernon.

Purchase your quilt raffle tickets on Sundays this summer. Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Gate Collections/Money, Kitchen Clean-up and Volunteer Coordinator.

The next Bratfest Committee meeting will be Thursday, June 3rd at 7:00 pm. For questions or to volunteer, please see Steve Deines or contact him at 373-0990 or sddeines@inav.net.



Vacation Bible School

Faith Lutheran is gearing up for another great year of Vacation Bible School. This year's VBS will take place on July 19th—22nd...so mark your calendars! Details of our fun, faith-filled programs follow:

Baobab Blast is our VBS program for children ages 3 to those entering Kindergarten in the Fall. This is an open invitation to be part of God's Great Get-Together!

Set under the impressive baobab tree, kids will have the opportunity to hear the Word, be amazed at God's wildlife as the sun rises and sets on the savannah their faith will grow! The hours for VBS are 9:00 am—11:00 am. The fee is \$15 and includes a t-shirt and a daily snack and drink are provided.



For Children entering 1st—6th Grades we are blessed to have once again a team of high energy devoted staff from Riverside Bible Camp to lead your children in Bible studies, music, recreation and crafts. The theme this year is "Grow" and your children will grow kindness, grow goodness, grow faithfulness and grow love as they share God's word based on Galatians 5:22 *By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness.*



The fee for Day Camp is \$25 per child and includes a t-shirt, snack and drink provided daily. Please bring a sack lunch for your child. Times for Day Camp are from 9:00 am—2:00 pm. We will also be having a closing program on Thursday night at 6:30 pm. Join us for a fun evening as the kids share what they've learned

in their fun-filled week of learning about the word of God and seeing their faith grow.

Volunteers are needed in all areas to make this week a success. Prayerfully consider how you could help. There are plenty of big and small ways to contribute, check out the volunteer sheets by the VBS display for details. Contact Traci Berquam at 538.5499 or traciberquam@gmail.com.



Faith Lutheran Blood Drive

How often do you get a chance to save someone's life? Well, it happens every time you give blood. Please consider joining with the members of Ascension and Resurrection Lutheran Churches in donating blood to make our common goal of collecting at least forty units.

When: Wednesday, June 9th
Where: Faith Lutheran Church
Time: 2:30 pm—7:00 pm

Remember to eat a nutritious meal and hydrate at least 4 hours before donating. Also bring your photo ID. Donors must be at least 17 to donate and there is no upper age limit. Donors must be at least 110 lbs.



Facts about Donated Blood:

- 1 out of 5 people entering the hospital need blood
- 20% of the donated blood goes to cancer patients
- 16% goes to people with heart disease
- 16% goes to people with gastro disease
- 12% to injuries

"Blood is like a parachute..... if it's not there when you need it, it's too late."

Contact Kerry Koch at 361-3567 or sign up at church between services!



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*We are a community of Faith,
growing in Christ, sharing God's love.*



Worship Opportunities

All are welcome and invited to worship at Faith Lutheran Church.

Worship Services (thru 5/30)
Sunday Mornings at 8:00 and 10:45 am

Summer Worship (begins June)
Saturdays at 5:30 pm
Sundays at 9:00 am



**Join us for a special
intergenerational concert on
Saturday, June 5th following
5:30 pm worship.
A free meal will be served.**



Faith has been serving the Marion-Cedar Rapids area for more than thirty years; supporting local ministries such as the Marion Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, and Senior Assistance Programs. We are in partnership with the 10,657 congregations, 28 Lutheran colleges and universities, 8 seminaries, 450 global missionaries and one of the largest non-profit social service networks in the United States; as well as Lutheran World Relief worldwide. All are ministries of the 5.2 million member Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Faith Lutheran Church Staff

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But most of the real work is done by unpaid members of the congregation, often without recognition, who see their service as a response to God.