

Faith Lutheran Church

March 2024

JESUS: SUPER HERO OR HUMBLE SERVANT?

Throughout the Sundays after Epiphany, the focus underscores the divinity of Jesus beginning with his birth, his baptism, the confession of St. Peter, the Transfiguration and our anticipation of his resurrection as we journey with him in Lent to the cross. The journey reveals his humanity - his anger in driving out the money changers in the temple, his impatience at times with his disciples, his suffering and pain on the cross, his concern for his mother, his washing the dirty feet of his disciples, his thirst on the cross and the three times in Scripture where he wept (John 11:35, Luke 19:41, Hebrews (5: 7-9).

Jesus felt sorrow, pain, anger, disappointment, betrayal, suffering as well as joy, happiness and love. In short, Jesus was fully human as well as fully divine (the mystery of the Incarnation), as the beloved Son of God, Jesus felt and experienced what we feel and experience as well.

Many of the people whose lives he touched saw him as a super hero; he healed them, defeated the devil, taught with authority, challenged a corrupt religious establishment, and judged all earthly kingdoms as subordinate to God's kingdom. We, too, sometimes think of Jesus as a super hero - we want him to establish his kingdom of love, peace and reconciliation for us. But the fact is that Jesus never intended or claimed to be a "super hero." Rather he was a humble servant and beloved Son of God and shared his mission and ministry with others. He was not a "lone ranger," or Superman like James Bond or "action hero" like Clint Eastwood. After his baptism, he gathered followers to share in his ministry of healing, reconciliation and love. He gathers us to continue that ministry, not as super heroes, but as humble servants and beloved sisters and brothers of Jesus and our Father in Heaven.

Bishop Craig

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*The Executive Council

meets the 2nd

Wednesday of the month

at 7pm.

**All other committees

are to meet once a

month and report to the

Executive Council.

Council Report

The Council met on the 7th of February this month. A new thing discussed: Due to new state guidelines. Emergency Sick and Safe Time (ESST) needs to be provided to paid employees that work more than 80 hours a year in MN. This new paid time off was discussed and needs to be provided to our employees (unless a contracted personnel) at the rate of 1 hour of ESST per 30 hours worked. This policy took effect on January 1, 2024.

Enjoy the nice weather ahead and we look forward to Spring!

Worship Committee News

Let the Worship Committee help you shop for your Easter flowers. We'll be taking orders before and after church services during Lent in the Narthex. Watch for us. You simply place your order with us and we'll pick them up for you. You will be able to take your flowers home after the 9:00 am worship service on Easter.

<u>WANTED</u>: Someone to take care of flowers the month of July. If you have any questions about this, please contact Gail or the church office. We would be happy to let you know what this job entails.

Looking ahead to Easter: Palm Sunday, March 24th, Maundy Thursday Service with communion, March 28th, Good Friday service, March 29th, Prayer Vigil on Saturday March 30th, from 6:30 am to 1:00 pm in ½ hour slots. There will be a sign-up sheet later in the narthex.

Easter Worship Services will be at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

News from WELCA

Bible Study - 9:30am March 13, 2024

News from Linda Anderson

The Joyful Noise Choirs will be having a party with their Lenten Partners on Wednesday, March 27 at 3:45 pm.

News from Board of Education

<u>March 16</u> (Saturday) our Faith kids will be participating in a fundraising event at the Bellingham Legion Meat Raffle. Please spread the word!

Thrivent Action Grants: Do you have money in Thrivent Financial? If so, do you know you are eligible for TWO \$250 grants each year to use towards bettering our community! (This is different and in addition from choice dollars.) Eligible grants include sponsoring youth to go to Bible school, start up funds for fundraisers for our church, supplies for Sunday school, etc! If you are interested in utilizing your Thrivent grants and wanting assistance please contact Brittany Engesmoe at 320-226-7165 and she would be happy to assist you!

News from Do Day Quilters

Join us on Saturday, March 16th, National Quilting Day, from 9am-4pm in the Faith Lutheran quilting room for anyone who enjoys quilting. Feel free to stay for 1 hour or as long as you like. Coffee and snack will be provided. Noon lunch is on your own.

GLOBAL MISSIONS NEWS

MYSTERY MISSIONS giving runs Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. What is this? Its Faith Lutheran being missional in OUR community! Galatians 6:9 says "Let us NEVER grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap if we do not give up. " If you have someone in mind that could use a boost of support, please let Global Missions committee or office know. More info in coming weeks! Checks can be written to FLC with Mystery Missions on the memo line or bring cash to office or place in offering plate designated to Mystery Missions. Questions? Talk to Ruth G, Betty T, Stan O, Jody D, Curt S, Jennifer W. or Kris H. Thank you all for your support with this new mission here at Faith Lutheran Church!

MARCH 2024	WORSHIP	ASSISTANTS		
ACOLYTE	<u>USHER</u>	VIDEOGRAPHER		
3 - Brycen & Ava	3- Team 4 - Brent B.	3- Jeff		
10 - Sadie & Ryan	10 - Team 3 - Jerome K.	10 - Deb		
17 - Alex & Allison	17 - Team 2 - Gilbert R.`	17 - Dave		
24 - Cayden & Dane	24 - Team 1 - Stan O.	24 - Dan		
28 - M. T. Brycen & Sadie	28 - M. T. Team 7 - Jerry O.	28 - M. T Jeff		
29 - G. F. Aaron & Aidyn	29 - G. F Team 6 - Steve H.	29 - G. F Deb		
31 - 7am - Cooper & Mya	31 7am Team 5 - Ed O. Jr.	31 - 7am - Dave		
9am - Parker & Eastyn	9am - Team 4 Brent B.	9am - Dan		
LAY READER	SCREEN	COMMUNION		
3 - Alton Lindquist	3 - Lorrie Ehrenberg	3 - Tamara B. & Julie H.		
10 – Contemporary	10 – Jeanene Munsterman	10 - Stan O. & Fran S.		
17 - Sherry Deyo	17 - Lorrie Ehrenberg	17 - Julie L. & Sharon R.		
24 - Eileen Trelstad	24 - Lorrie Ehrenberg	24 - Eileen T. & Angie A.		
28 - M. T Jerome Kallhoff	28 – M. T. Lorrie Ehrenberg	28- M. T Jodi K.		
29 - G. F Cheryl Redepenning	29 - G. F. Lorrie Ehrenberg			
31 - Easter	31 - Easter	31 - Easter		
7am - Tamara Baker	7am - Lorrie Ehrenberg	7am - Cindy H. & Tamara B.		
9am - Tammy Weber	9am - Jeanene Munsterman	9am - Tammy W. & Angie A.		
GREETERS				
3 - Alton & Jan Lindquist	10 - Bill & Marilyn Matthes	17 - Julie Ludvigson		
Patrick & Melanie Miller family	John & Kelly Maatz family	Jon & Natasha Ludvigson family		
24 - Nate & Marisa Ludvigson	31 - 7am	31 - 9am		
family	Troy & Michelle McFarland	Ryan & Shanna Ludvigson family		
Travis & Jenna Ludvigson family	Brock & Patty Nygard family	Tanner & Cheyenne Ludvigson family		

March 2024 Birthdays



1	David Kriese
1	Terri Halvorson
1	Braelyn Brehmer
3	Hunter Ludvigson
3	Rowan Conroy
5	Angela Young
6	Gary Boraas
6	Steve Helgemo
8	Linda Anderson
8	Ashley Nicholson
8	Brody Nygard
9	Brent Borstad
9	Chee Chee Halvorson
9	Thomas Ludvigson
10	Helen Haverberg
10	Nathan Ludvigson
11	Shirley Streich
12	Shannon Fernholz
13	Todd Mortenson
13	Patricia Schuelke
13	Mary Lou Daline
13	Ruth Myhres

Lorrie Ehrenberg

Randy Arends

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14	Cheryl Redepenning
15	Mark Siegert
15	Maxine Tostenson
15	Lyndon Olson
16	Sharon Clark
16	Deni Smith
17	Dustin Kallhoff
18	Karen Nesvold
20	Elwood Borstad
20	Deloris Churness
21	Wyatt Halvorson
22	Arvid Gollnick
22	Ed Olson Jr.
22	Letti Ludvigson
23	Bradyn Danzeisen
23	Lennon Weber
24	Lizbeth Anderson
25	Karla Bormann
27	Logan Ludvigson
28	Barb Feuerhelm
30	Grace Fernholz
31	Rachel McCoy

Thank you! We appreciate your continued gracious giving.
Tithes and offerings can be mailed, made online at
www.faithlutheranmadison.org
or PayPal (to faithluthsecretary@gmail.com)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9am Worship			9am Hot Muffins			
10am Sunday School			3:30pm Joyful Noise			
			3:30pm Confirmation			
			5:30-6:30 Supper			
			6pm Faith Ringers			
			7pm Lenten Service			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9am Contemporary			9am Hot Muffins	8:30-12pm Do Day		9am-4pm All Day Quilting
Worship/Baptism			9:30am Bible Study			3:30pm Meat Raffle fund-
10am Sunday School			3:30pm Joyful Noise			raiser for youth at Belling- ham Legion
			3:30pm Confirmation			
			5:30-6:30 Supper			
			7pm Lenten Service			
9			7:30pm Church			
			Council			
9am Worship	18	19	9am Hot Muffins	21	22	3pm Megan Wildung &
						Ryan Flaten Wedding
10am Sunday School			3:30pm Joyful Noise			
			6pm Faith Ringers			
			5:30-6:30pm Supper			
			7pm Lenten Service			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9am Worship/Baptism			9am Hot Muffins	8:30-12pm Do Day	7pm Good Friday Service	6:30am-1:00pm Prayer Vigil
10am Sunday School			3:30pm Joyful Noise	11:30-12:30pm Second Harvest/		0.
			6pm Faith Ringers	Meal		
				7pm Maundy		
				Thursday Service		
31						
7am Easter Sunrise Ser-					Marc	h 2024
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9am Easter Service						

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Sunday Worship at Faith: 9:00 a.m.

Broadcast on KLQP 92.1 FM: Sundays 11:30 a.m.

Cable Channel 8: Sundays 3:30 p.m.

Facebook: 3:30 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church

Website: 3:30 p.m. www.faithlutheranchurchmadison.org

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