

Faith Lutheran Church
Lenten Worship
Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Hymn of the Night – *Beautiful Savior*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lent: Lent continues every Wednesday night at 6:30 as we learn “The Holden Evening Prayer Service” which is a beloved liturgy used by a number of congregations across the country. We will be focusing on Jesus’ Parables during the sermon time. Also, join us from 5:00-6:30 for our weekly Lenten Meal.

Community Meal/Lenten Meal: We are in NEED of people willing to volunteer to prepare food for Wednesday night meals. Cost of food will be paid for by the church. Please consider helping out with this ministry! Those interested in signing up for a Wednesday can call the church office, email Pastor, or sign up in the fellowship hall. The following dates are still open: March 18th and April 15th and 29th.

Altar Guild: If anyone is interested in joining the Altar Guild team, please contact Missy Pflaum. The Altar Guild is a wonderful way to support your church. It requires very little time and is very easy to do. Free training sessions are provided. Please contact Missy Pflaum at 374-8030.

Ushers Needed: We are in need of ushers for the 8:00 & 10:00 worship services. If you would like to help out with this ministry, please sign up on the sheet in the library. If you have questions, contact Pastor Justin.

Choir Practice: The Choir will be practicing on Wednesday nights following the Lenten services. The time commitment is minimal. Whether you are a seasoned singer or simply like making a joyful shout to the Lord, you are welcome to join the choir.

Dedication Service: Would you like to plan the dedication service and other special events as we enter our new space? Pastor Justin is looking for five members willing to serve in this capacity. Speak with him or Joan Henderson if you are interested or sign up in the library.

Worship Service Coordinators: Pastor Justin is looking for 5 people who might be interested in planning some worship services post-Easter. We would meet during Lent in order to develop a worship series around the book of Philippians. No experience necessary! Sign up in the library if you are interested. We will be meeting March 19th at 7:15pm.

Walk-A-Thon: We are in the process of putting a Walk-A-Thon together and would like suggestions for a date/time to hold the event. Please speak with Vickie Gross if you have any input.

March Madness: Selection Sunday is this Sunday, March 15th - brackets will be e-mailed that day. Brackets must be submitted to Bryon Wolf or Pastor Justin prior to the first game on March 19th. Anyone is welcome to play – sign up in the library. Cost is \$10 per bracket, with no limit on the number of brackets you can submit. Money needs to go to Bryon or Pastor Justin prior to the tournament. There will be 64 points for each round - bracket with the most points wins! Winner can determine which ministry the proceeds will support. Sign up in the library or e-mail Bryon at claremontagency@gmail.com or Pastor Justin.

The Promise: “The Promise” is an unforgettable musical-drama about the life of Jesus, produced at Bethel Lutheran Church in Rochester. The cast, crew, and orchestra are all volunteers from around the area. Dates and times for the production this year are: Friday and Saturday nights on March 13, 14, 20, 21 at 7:00pm and Sunday afternoons on March 15 and 22 at 2:00pm. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children 17 and under. Tickets can be reserved by calling the Bethel church office at 288-6430. Check out their website at www.thepromiserochester.com. If you have any questions or would like to attend with a group from Faith, please contact Laurie Essig at essig.laurie@mayo.edu or 374-2144.

Fundraisers: If you or a group you are involved in would like to host a special fundraiser (Lenten Supper anyone???), you can direct that money to the ministry or fund of your choice.

Bible for Dummies: We exceeded our expectations. More than 35 people were able to participate in all or part of this Sunday night study. We covered Genesis to Joshua in the span of three nights. Due to popular demand, we will resume Unit II: Judges to Chronicles on Sunday nights after Easter. Mark the dates: April 26th, May 3rd and May 10th. Most importantly, you DO NOT need to have attended the first unit in order to participate and understand the second unit. Do you think we could get 50 people there?! Sign up in the fellowship hall today.

YOUTH

Nursery: We would like to know if there is interest in staffing the nursery for the 10:00 service. Speak with Pastor Justin or Pastor Sue if you’d like to coordinate.

Sunday School: Youth will be singing during the 10:00 service this Sunday, March 15th and Palm Sunday, April 5th.

No Sunday School: There will be no Sunday School on Easter, April 12th.

Confirmation Retreat: The Confirmation Retreat for grades 7-9 will be this weekend, March 13th-14th. The registration is due to Pastor Sue or the church office by TODAY. If any senior high student wants to attend the retreat as a mentor, please let Pastor Sue know by TODAY.

Youth Council: Will meet Monday, March 16th at 6:30pm. Youth representatives are also needed on the youth council. Please consider serving on this board.

Senior High Small Group: Students are invited to meet with Pastor Justin TONIGHT and Wednesday, March 25th at 7:15pm.

Confirmation Mentor Projects & Confirmation Schedule: There will be worship ONLY during Lent for 6th-8th graders. This is required – sign in with Pastor Sue each week. 9th graders will meet with their mentors six times during Lent.

Maundy Thursday Meal: The youth will be serving the meal on Maundy Thursday, April 9th. Please let Robin Timmerman know if you can help.

Mission Trip: Please note that there is no Lake Traverse Mission Trip. Everyone will now be attending the Quad cities Mission Trip instead.



VOLUNTEER TO PREPARE FOOD FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN MEALS!



THIS WEEK

Wed 11	10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:00 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Lenten Meal 6:30 – Lenten Worship 7:15 – 9 th Grade Mentor Project 7:15 – Sr. High Small Group 7:15 – Choir Practice No Confirmation following Worship
Fri 13	Youth Retreat
Sat 14	Youth Retreat
Sun 15	8:00 – Worship 9:00 – Fellowship 9:00 – Sunday School 10:00 – Worship (pre-k – 2 nd Grade Singing)
Mon 16	Newsletter Deadline 6:30 – Youth Council
Tues 17	8:00 – Weigh-In 9:00 – WiseGuys 12:00 – Bulletin Deadline
Wed 18	9:45 – Staff Meeting 10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:00 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Lenten Meal 6:30 – Lenten Worship 7:15 – 9 th Grade Mentor Project 7:15 – Choir Practice No Confirmation following Worship