



Faith Lutheran Church



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People of Faith,

You just never know when God is going to teach you an important lesson! Last Saturday I had the opportunity to watch a fourth grade boy and girl's basketball tournament at Triton. During one of the games, I noticed a girl from another school district who was in the infancy stages of learning the game. The referees needed to help her line up properly for a free throw as her coach reminded her again and again of the difference between offense and defense while her teammates gently (and sometimes not so gently) told her where she was supposed to be standing on the floor. As one can probably guess from this description, the young girl was quickly losing interest in the game of basketball until a magical moment happened.

Standing under the basket with nine other players, the ball came off the rim, bouncing off three or four of the other players until landing in her hands. Immediately she was swarmed. Teammates yelled her name demanding the ball. Opponents approached with their arms waving frantically. Instinctively the girl crouched over the ball protectively which for those less familiar with the game of basketball, is just about the worst thing a player can do. Instinctively I knew yet another jump ball was going to be called and the other team would take possession of the ball. Sensing the predicament, one woman from the crowd—a loving Grandmother I believe—yelled, "Just shoot it honey."

Hearing her Grandmother's command, the little girl shot the ball. Actually, she did not really shoot it...it was closer to a throw. Without even turning to face the basket, the little girl essentially threw the ball in what she hoped was the direction of the hoop. Sure enough, the ball found the backboard—bouncing directly off the square and straight into the hoop. For a brief moment, the girl stared at the hoop in disbelief. Her teammates surrounded her in joy. Even a couple of girls from the other team tried to give her a high five while her supportive family nearly jumped for joy in the bleachers. It took a moment before the young lady realized what she did—in fact, I'm quite certain she was the last player on the court to understand what happened—but when she realized what she had done, she jumped. She jumped with arms stretched to the sky as high as a fourth grade girl can jump. The young lady will probably never play professional basketball in the WNBA but for a brief moment, she knew what it meant to be a superstar.

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Pastor's Page...continued

As I watched her run to the bleachers to give her family high fives—never minding how the other team was dribbling the ball down the court—something dawned on me. This moment embodies what God wants our congregation to be. God wants us to be a community that...

- Like the people in the stands, encourages people to take their best shot by calling them by name and inviting them to do the impossible.
- Like the coach and referees, offers sound advice to those in need by speaking the truth in patience and love.
- Like the teammates, rejoices with others when they succeed by offering high fives and shouts of joy.
- Like the little girl, tries to do the impossible by taking our best shot and trusting in God's faithfulness.

Just remember, whether it is at church or on the court, God answers prayers in various forms. See you in worship!

- Pastor J

Worship Schedule

Worship Times continue at 8:00 and 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. The 8:00 Worship Service is a more traditional service while the 10:00 Worship Service features more contemporary music. Sunday School and Fellowship begin at 9:00. Most of all, thank you for your flexibility during this exciting time. You are encouraged to read the upcoming sermon text before worship in order to strengthen your worship experience.

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| • February 1st | Mark 1:21-28 | Demonic |
| • February 8th | Mark 1:29-39 | Heals Many |
| • February 15th | Mark 1:40-45 | Cleanses a Leper |
| • February 22nd | Mark 9:2-9 | Transfiguration |

Lent kicks off with Ash Wednesday on February 25th at 6:30. Participants will be given the opportunity to be marked with ashes. This service as well as all the Lenten Services will feature 'The Holden Evening Prayer Service' which is a beloved liturgy used by a number of congregations across the county. We will be focusing on Jesus' Parables during the sermon time.



Thank You

To: Faith Lutheran Members

We would like to thank all of you for praying and all that you have done for Emery and our family. Thanks for your generosity and the gift of helping us out. The spaghetti meal that you put together, the silent auction and all that hard work you did was very nice and your praying and your generosity will not be forgotten.

Owen, Brenda & Emery Moe
And The Moe Family



Outreach

New Members: March 1st will be New Member Sunday. The following people have participated in New Member Orientation. Please make it a point to welcome them into the life of the congregation.

- Brandon and Stacy Wolf
- Betty Aldritt
- Rick and Lisa Wolf



Those who are still interested in joining Faith on March 1st should contact Pastor Justin immediately to schedule a meeting with him.

Faith's Website: Do you have a question about last week's sermon? Can't remember last week's sermon? Fell asleep during last week's sermon?! Check out our website www.dcfaitth.com to read many of our congregation's latest Sunday sermons as well as to keep up with developing congregational news.

Anniversaries, Birthdays & Special Announcements: We would like to add a new section to our monthly newsletters featuring member's birthdays and anniversaries for that month. We will also have a section for people to submit articles/news of special occasions, births, awards/honors received, and happenings in your lives. We are hoping that these new sections of the newsletter will allow members to get to know other members better and what special events are taking place in their lives. So, we are asking you to e-mail your entire families birthday (you don't have to give us the year, just the day if that is what you prefer) and also wedding anniversary dates to Shannon at sld_dewitz@yahoo.com or leave them in her mailbox in the office. Then, if you or someone in your family has something special happen at any point that you'd like to share with everyone (a birth, an award received, family in the military that you'd like to update everyone on, etc.) e-mail it or leave it in Shannon's mailbox by the newsletter deadline for that month and we will get it into the newsletter to share with everyone! We will try to begin this next month for the March newsletter so get your birthday and anniversary dates to Shannon as soon as possible.

Thank You

On behalf of the Triton Elementary Staff, I would like to share a huge thank you and to convey my deep appreciation for your kindness. The donated winter wear is going to the students in need. I am so proud of the supporting, loving Triton Community.

Also, the "Milk Money" program is a huge success. Students are getting milk and they are happy.

Sincerely,
Katie Wanous



Pastoral Acts

The following four youth celebrated their 1st Baptismal Anniversaries in January.

- Madelyn Miller*
- Anastazia Kozisek*
- Brody Munnikhuysen*
- Amelia Okeson*

Special thanks to Wayne McColley for once again donating the Faith Chests.



ADULT OPPORTUNITIES



Book Club: Participants will gather on the First Tuesday Night of the month at Daniel's Restaurant for discussion and treats. Pastor Justin and Pastor Sue will rotate leading the discussion. You are welcome to read all the titles or simply the ones you are most interested in. Arrangements are being made to have extra copies of each book available at Dodge Center Library.

- February 3rd - *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert
- March 3rd - *Pillar of Earth* by Ken Follet
- April 7th - *I Heard the Owl Call My Name* by Margaret Craven
- May 5th - *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson

Bible For Dummies: The Bible for Dummies 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?!

FLC Quilters': The FLC Quilters' Club had a fantastic year in 2008!

- Our #1 Mission: Making quilts for those in need: Marie Sanvik Homeless Shelter in the Cities and the Women's Shelter in Rochester (quilts of all sizes) and Nest in Dodge County (baby quilts for newborns). Also to Rushford, MN flood victims and to needy families in our area. Due to the dedicated women and children of this group, we were able to send 120 quilts to these facilities. We have also donated quilts to Camp Knutson and Good Earth Village auctions. These quilts brought in over \$600 towards camperships.
- Our #2 Mission: To provide a learning environment for people who want to learn how to quilt. We teach how to cut out, sew together pieces and make the quilt tops. Also we layer the backing, batting, and the tops; tie and make the binding for the edges and then finally bind the quilts. We have people who are so creative that each quilt has its own personality.
- Our #3 Mission: Camaraderie. Through quilting, we have made new friends within the church. As 2008 has progressed, new members have joined. We have done a Lenten supper and also put on a Soup Supper to raise funds for our Building Fund. Both the day & night quilters are a great group of women & children working for the same goals.

2009 brings new leadership to the Quilting Club. Day coordinators will be Sharon Shiek & Elaine Woolison. Night coordinators will be Lynn Krause & Jean Barber. If anyone is interested in helping others by making quilts and having fun doing it, please join us. The day quilters meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month from 9-3. The night quilters meet the 2nd Monday & 4th Tuesday from 6-8. Whether you have quilted before or want to learn or just would like to participate in this group of uplifted women, we would like you to join us.

Beth Vaith—Outgoing Chairperson

December Financial Corner

2008 Income YTD	\$176,654.03	\$	Budgeted Income for December	\$19,303.39
2008 Expenses YTD	\$180,232.30		Budgeted Expenses for December	\$15,506.96
2008 Missions Expense	\$16,730.04			
Specific	\$2,730.00			
SE MN Synod	\$14,000.04			

*Funds are reflected in monthly and YTD figures.

Complete copies of the budget spreadsheet are available in the office.

Building Fund Corner

*2008 Building Income YTD \$239,415.02

Youth

Butter Braids Are Coming: Once again, the youth will be selling Butter Braids for our mission trip this year. We will have Butter Braids to sample on February 1st during coffee/fellowship and will be selling them February 8 - 22nd. They will be delivered in early March.

Youth To Serve Fellowship: The Youth will be serving coffee the first Sunday of each month. We are starting in February 1st with the 6th grade youth to serve. The 7th grade will serve the first Sunday in March. Please sign up to help serve. We will use the coffee money raised to help with the mission trip this summer as well as other youth programs.

Youth to Serve Ash Wednesday Supper: Sign up to bring food items and help serve. This will be a fundraiser for summer and other youth programs.



Next Baptism Class: Will be Sunday, February 8th at 9:30am in Pastor Justin's Office. If you have questions please contact Pastor Sue. We will have Baptism classes every 2nd Sunday of each month.

Bible Presentation and 1st Communion Instruction: If you are youth 3rd-5th grade you are invited to take part in our Bible Presentation and First Communion instruction. We will be holding classes during our after school program. We will kick off our instruction time with Presentation of Bibles on Sunday, February 22nd or Wednesday February 25th. First Communion will be on Palm Sunday, April 5th. Please contact Pastor Sue with any questions about these events.

Sunday School & After School Programs to Sing During Worship: The Sunday School Program will be singing during the 10:00 service on February 22nd and the After School Program will be singing during the 10:00 service on March 1st. Mark your calendars!

Confirmation Mentor Projects: Will take place during Lent for our 9th graders and their mentors. They are to meet six times with their mentor during Lent.

Confirmation Schedule During Lent: We will have worship only during Lent for 6th-8th graders. The 6th-8th grade small groups will not meet during Lent. You are required to worship each week. Please sign in with Pastor Sue each week.

Senior High Small Groups: The Senior High small group will meet with Pastor Justin on February 11th and February 25th at 7:15.

Lake Traverse Reservation Summer Mission Trip: We will be traveling to Lake Traverse Reservation from July 26th—31st. This trip is open to grades 6-12 and the trip is limited to 15 people (registration will be first come first serve with registration and deposit). You can pick up more information and registration forms on the table in the library. The cost of the trip is \$268 plus transportation. The deposit is \$100 due with your registration which are due February 8th.

Quad Cities Summer Mission Trip: We will be traveling to Quad Cities from July 26th—31st. This trip is open to grades 6-12 and the trip is limited to 7 people (registration will be first come first serve with registration and deposit). You can pick up more information and registration forms on the table in the library. The cost of the trip is \$238 plus transportation. The deposit is \$100 due with your registration which are due February 8th.

Ministry Opportunities

Fellowship: If you have an idea for fellowship in 2009 the committee would like to hear it. Please call Vickie Gross at 633-9355 or e-mail her at gross.vickie@mayo.edu if you have an idea or something you would like the fellowship committee to do in 2009!

Ushers Needed: We are in need of ushers for the 8:00 and 10:00 worship services in 2009. If you would like to help out with this ministry, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. If you have questions regarding being an usher, contact Pastor Justin.



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 or mpflaum@us.imb.com.



Welcome Baskets: We are still in need of people to help deliver welcome baskets when the need arises. We deliver these "Goody" baskets when a new visitor(s) comes to worship who lives in the area. The volunteer would be contacted and given the visitors name/address and they would then pick up a basket at the church and deliver it to the person thanking them for visiting Faith Lutheran Church. If you could help out with this ministry or have questions about it please contact Linda Holmseth at 775-2862 or e-mail her at lholmseth@msn.com. This is a great way to help out at the church and it doesn't take very much of your time! Sign up today!

Church Banks: Anyone who would like a visible reminder of our ongoing building project is encouraged to pick one up today. Please return it with your loose change at the end of April.

Community Meal: We need people willing to volunteer to prepare food Wednesday night meals. Cost of food will be paid for by the church. Those interested in signing up for a Wednesday can call the church office, email Pastor Justin, or sign up in the fellowship hall for a date in 2009.



Community News

Benefit: All are invited to an evening of love for handicapped 5-year old Jackie Bergeron on Friday, February 27th at the middle-school in West Concord from 5:30-9:00 pm. The evening includes a spaghetti supper, a polka dance, with live band, clowns, and an auction. Do come! Questions? Call Trinity Church at 527-2778.



FEBRUARY 27, 2009 from 5:30-9:00pm.

Building Update

- **Building Update:** The project continues to move along. The sanctuary shell is nearly complete. It now appears the first worship service will likely be in the early part of the summer though a concrete date will not be set for a couple of months. The cost of the project is slightly under budget at this time. Thanks you to the many members of the congregation who have assisting with this project in various ways.
- **Church Banks:** The Church Banks are once again ready to be taken home. They are to be used as a collecting place for your loose change. The banks will be returned after Easter. Proceeds will once again go to the building fund.
- **Building Fundraiser Information:** There are a number of items on our congregation's 'wish list' for the new sanctuary. These are items not included in our initial bid. We can move into our new space without them, but if you are especially passionate about one of these items, you are welcome to organize a special fundraiser (a Lenten Meal perhaps?) around one of them.
 - Directional speakers for the new sound system: \$9,979
 - Paint and paint supplies (approx.): \$2,500
 - Pews: Recondition current ones:
 - Pews: Add new pews and pew chairs where needed (approx.): \$28,000
 - Drop down screen: \$3,000
 - Landscaping:
 - Office furnishings:
 - Library furnishings:
 - Furnishings for gathering area:
 - Video equipment (approx.): \$14,000
 - Window treatments:
 - Four new speakers for new organ: \$3,980



Ask Not What Your Church Can Do for You, Ask.....

- Could I choose one month to usher knowing I only had to smile, hand out bulletins, and help people feel at home at Faith?
- Could I make a simple meal on a Wednesday Night for 50 knowing I would be reimbursed for food, receive guidance in the kitchen from Brenda Bronner if needed, and get to see the smiling faces of appreciative youth?
- Could I help our congregation reach out by taking five minutes to drop off a visitor basket at their home the week after they visited Faith?
- Could I enrich our worship by singing, reading, or by introducing myself to those around me?
- Could I mentor a new member knowing it would only take a couple of hours and the ONLY requirement is that I be nice to someone new?
- If you are interested in any of the above ministries or would like to learn more about them, sign up on the sheets in the library or contact Pastor Justin or Pastor Sue.



2009 Service Group Lists**JANUARY**

Brad and Jean Barber – Chairpersons 633-6558
 Eldora Barber 374-6732
 Vince and Ann Arnold 374-6638
 Dawn Corey 633-9353
 Tim and Kristi Faber 633-2127
 Shelly Franko 527-2116
 Bruce and Vickie Gross 633-9355
 Art and Debra Hall 374-6368
 Greg and Linda Holmseth 775-2862
 Jeff and Kelly Johnson 374-6382
 Levi and Katie Livingood 374-6906
 Ron and Nicole Mentjes 374-6014
 Calvin and Heather O'Brien 633-9161
 Phil and Missy Pflaum 374-8030
 Linda Stevens 271-5996
 David and Mary Stoddard 633-6796

FEBRUARY

Bill and Marian Ketchum – Chairpersons 374-6049
 Jerry and Nancy Erdman 374-2162
 Tammy Fate 251-7780
 Rod and Elaine French 374-9310
 Don and Joan Henderson 374-2705
 Kari Ketchum 951-7765
 Brett and Corey Kispert 633-2115
 Judy Koss 374-6786
 Rick and Sharri Laue 528-2369
 Pat and Bonnie Redican 527-2894
 Kevin and Holly Rissman 527-2590
 Doug and Vicki Schweiger 633-9944
 Pat Schweiger 633-9923
 Mark and Carla Vacura 374-2459
 Elaine Woolison 374-2186
 Dennis and Diana Vang 633-2554

MARCH

David & Jeremy Wahlstrom – Chairpersons 633-2708
 Mike and Sue Anderson 374-2647
 John and Shirley Chapin 527-2615
 Lynn Charles 374-2256
 Mike and Sheryl Johnson 374-6461
 Quentin and Marian Kleinwort 527-2801
 Romell Matejcek 528-2717
 Jon and Erin Monson 339-2921
 Joyce Sauter 374-2113
 Arline Sepin 374-6468
 Thomas and Andrea Tapp 438-3376
 Gary and Ann Trelstad 374-6115
 Tracy Timmerman 374-2237
 Michael and Bree Vondersitt 633-2816
 Don and Charlott Wilhelm 374-6696
 Donna Wilhelm 421-1666

APRIL

Gary and Mary Norstad – Chairpersons 374-2642
 Lowell and Lois Emrud 374-6698
 James Fate 374-2612
 Dan and Judy Fredrickson 374-2770
 Rod and Delores Hanson 374-2133
 Greg and Lisa Head 374-2007
 Mike and Jill Hukee 527-2019
 Richard and Cindy Huso 273-4443
 Marian Johnson 374-2335
 Steve & Amanda Kruckeberg
 Aaron and Kristyn Maixner 633-9183
 Richard and Arvilla Neitzel 633-2890
 Bob and Cindy Qualle 374-2994
 Kim Swanson 612-760-0564
 Kim Thaden and Dale Urban 633-9434

MAY

Ron & Lori Anderson – Chairpersons 374-6380
 Dan and Joan Blaisdell 633-9211
 Paul and Susan Blaisdell 633-2010
 Leland and Shannon Corey 633-2848
 Mitch and Terri Halloway 374-2765
 Nancy Hamm 528-2524
 Alice Johnson 633-2370
 Carter and Amy Keller 633-6423
 Andrew and Sara Klein 612-730-9014
 Mike and Kris Otto 633-9382
 Herb and Pat Pogalz 374-2130
 Arlyn and Barb Scheiber 527-2875
 Greg and Alisha Selthun 527-1060
 Jean Wicks 374-2734
 Jerald and Margaret Woolison 374-6443
 Eugene Young 612-418-6716

JUNE

Curt and Beth Vaith – Chairpersons 635-5409
 Jim and Laurie Beldon 633-2507
 Lisa Born 633-2676
 Harl and Carol Burzlaff 527-2108
 Larry and Denise Ellingson 527-2512
 Bill and Sandra Feil 633-9416
 Carl and Morgan Freyholtz 633-9310
 John and Jaci Gosse 374-8069
 David and Kory Graham 633-9306
 Diane Heitkamp 634-4034
 Sara Huntley 633-9318
 Curt Myers 528-2935
 Chris and Crystal Nauman 421-8781
 Ray and Valane Tyler 633-9252
 Heather Vaith 635-3205

2009 Service Group Lists...continued**JULY**

Brenda Bronner – Chairperson 374-2706
 Duane and Dawn Bartel 374-6499
 Pamela Barwald
 Stan and Ellen Berge 633-2492
 Robert and Bonnie Butler 527-2568
 Robert Christianson 374-6544
 Monica Fitzwater/Chuck Rhodes
 Shaun and Sarah Hall 635-5320
 Tom and Linda Keller 374-6415
 Aric and Nikky Knutson 527-1002
 Albert Koss 633-2416
 Steve and Sandra Lee 374-2458
 Owen and Brenda Moe 527-2697
 Norman and Inger Pearson 374-2812
 Ray and Sandy Spaulding 374-1234

AUGUST

Carol Johnson – Chairperson 374-2343
 James and Melissa Adams 633-8087
 Lisa Amundson 374-6489
 Doris Carlson 633-9109
 Grant and Barb Erler 527-2062
 Roger and Jean Hanson 634-6791
 Jim and Pam Jensen 633-2749
 Janet Johnson 374-6063
 Jason and Tina Kozisek 633-9100
 Mike and Lynn Krause 633-6126
 Bob McColley 374-6620
 Wayne and Ruth McColley 374-6620
 Jill Minette-Stacey 634-6788
 Frank and Denise Nerenhausen 374-6006
 Jerry and Dory Scherger 374-9552
 Janet Schuck

SEPTEMBER

Mike & Pam Justice - Chairpersons 374-2135
 Perry and Rhonda Cunningham 633-9534
 Kent and Robin Hickey 633-6818
 Chuck and Debra Johnson 374-2516
 Bryce and Karen Kleinwort 527-8555
 Robin Koss 633-9035
 Lee and Doreen Loppnow 374-2465
 Stella Nelson 374-6848
 Ilean Nereson 633-6744
 Matt and Kelly Okeson 633-9113
 Lonnie and Bev Oakland 374-2060
 Keith and Susan Pflaum 374-2404
 Chris and Lisa Pluto 633-9380
 Brian and Mindy Schaefer 633-6826
 Ron and Wanda Snyder 374-2309
 Bryon and Jacque Wolf 259-1746

OCTOBER

Dennis and Patti Midthun – Chairpersons 374-2339
 Chad and Tracie Bestor 259-1892
 Dorothea Calhoun 374-2658
 Don and Evonne Carlson 374-6547
 James and Laurie Essig 374-2144
 Gordon and Shirley Garness 374-6880
 Jeremy and Amy Gnagey 633-2211
 Julie and Holli Gustafson 374-6639
 Chris and Melissa Miller
 Don and Sheryl Pischke 633-2854
 Darrel and Debra Roe 527-2055
 Lisa St. Martin 374-9537
 Del and Jody Steen 633-6541
 Robin Timmerman 418-4195
 Lori Wolle 272-2322

NOVEMBER

Mike and Charleen Louks - Chairpersons 527-2158
 Marilyn Barwald 374-2180
 Julie Deno and Paul Olson 633-9118 or 374-2917
 Lynn DeRaad 374-2462
 Jim and Brenda Harmon 374-9388
 Brian and Tracy Head 374-6384
 Roy and Kate Henderson 633-9229
 Kimberly Johnson 633-9208
 Steve and Sarah Johnson 251-1276
 Craig and Patti Kruckeberg 374-6829
 Merece Langworthy 634-4684
 Duane and Mary Lou Mussman 374-6781
 Dan and Karen Porisch 633-2369
 Elsa Snyder 374-6522
 Mark and Lori Halverson-Wente 374-6933
 Mike and Amber Wirkus 633-9196

DECEMBER

Rodney & Carol Thompson – Chairpersons 374-6687
 Corey and Darlene Foster 633-2432
 Scott and Julie French 635-5531
 Jerry and Karen Ingvaldson 374-6590
 Dori Jensen 633-2188
 Monica Keesling 374-6670
 Scott and Valerie Langworthy 374-2824
 Rodney and Wendy Myer 374-9985
 Randy and Laurie Rahlf 775-7044
 Jim and Sandy Rasmussen 374-6865
 Allan and Stacia Round 633-9519
 Sharon Shiek 633-6604
 Dennis and Jean Weitzenkamp 374-9307
 Corey and Amy Woxland 633-9295
 Jim and Barb Yanke 633-2417

Faith Lutheran Church Council Minutes January 5, 2009 at 7:00pm

Members present were Charlott Wilhelm, Dave Graham, Frank Nerenhausen, Grant Erler, Mike Louks, Randy Langworthy, Joan Henderson, Missy Pflaum, Monica Fitzwater, Denny Midthun, Jill Hukee, Pastor Sue and Pastor Justin. Others present were Dan Blaisdell.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by President Grant Erler.

Dan gave an update on the building loan. Thanks Dan.

Devotions were given by Pastor Justin from "Power Surge".

Secretary's Report:

- Dave made a motion to accept the secretary's report with members present to include Denny Midthun and \$250 was given to the Salvation Army, seconded by Frank. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Denny made a motion to accept the treasurer report as printed, seconded by Randy. Motion carried.
- Need an audit committee. Ask Brad Barber, Dan Fredrickson and Dave Wahlstrom about doing the audit.

Pastor Justin's Report:

- 22 have signed up for Bible for Dummies.
- The new arrangement in the fellowship room for services seems to be working.

Pastor Sue:

- No report.

Committee Reports:

- Building and Grounds - Thanks to all who helped move pews etc. Thanks to Randy for all the work on the sound system for fellowship room.
- Outreach - New member class on Jan 24th.
- Fellowship - Nothing to report.
- Youth - Committee will meet on the 12th.
- Worship and Music - Choir will work on doing something for Easter.
- Strategic Planning - Concern about stairs to balcony, construction has been hampered by snow and cold.
- Personnel - Need 2 new people on the committee.
- Congregational Learning Team - Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Annual meeting will be on January 18th following the 10:00 service with a potluck afterward. Not enough time to do it between services.

Nominating Committee:

- For Council Mary Norstad, Grant Erler, Paul Olson, Dan Fredrickson, Del Steen, Joan Henderson, Quentin Kleinwort thus far.
- No one for personnel committee.

New Business:

- Need a representative from the council to be on the Endowment Committee. Missy volunteered.

Next meeting February 9th at 7:00. Dave made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Randy. Motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Charlott Wilhelm

Faith Lutheran Church
Special Council Meeting
January 18, 2009

Members present were Dave Graham, Grant Erler, Missy Pflaum, Jill Hukee, Monica Fitzwater, Randy Langworthy, Joan Henderson, Del Steen, Dan Fredrickson, Vickie Gross, Charlott Wilhelm, Pastor Justin and Pastor Sue.

Grant Erler called the meeting to order.

Dennis Midthun was nominated for President. Randy made a motion to cast an unanimous ballot, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

Dave Graham was nominated for Vice President. Del made a motion to cast an unanimous ballot, seconded by Randy. Motion carried.

Missy Pflaum was nominated for Secretary. Joan made a motion to cast an unanimous ballot, seconded by Randy. Motion carried.

Jill will continue with the treasurer's position.

Committee Assignment:

- Grant and Del - Volunteered for Building and Grounds
- Dave - Volunteered for Personnel

Other assignment will be made at the next council meeting.

Next council meeting will be February 9th at 7:00pm

Jill/Monica motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
 Charlott Wilhelm, Acting Secretary



2009 Church Council

Thank you to the following people who will be serving on the church council for 2009 whether returning or newly elected!

Grant Erler
 Dave Graham
 Vickie Gross
 Frank Nerenhausen
 Del Steen

Jill Hukee
 Monica Fitzwater
 Joan Henderson
 Denny Midthun
 Pastor Justin

Brad Barber
 Missy Pflaum
 Randy Langworthy
 Dan Fredrickson
 Pastor Sue

Faith Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Minutes Sunday, January 18, 2009

- President, Grant Erler, called the meeting to order at 11:10 am with 64 members in attendance.
- We opened with singing "Shout to the Lord" and prayer by Pastor Justin.
- Randy Langworthy motioned and Mark Halverson-Wente seconded to approve the minutes as printed from the 2008 annual meeting. Motion carried.

Ministry Reports:

- President's Report - Grant Erler.
- Statistical Report - Pastor Justin average attendance is at 225 per week.
- Pastor Justin's Report - Pleased with how the congregation has handled change and how the youth program is growing. Looking forward to 2009, it has challenges and opportunities: The stress in the community both inside and outside the congregation, building project with many people involved, and people willing to grow.
- Pastor Sue's Report - Main focus is on birth to 18 year olds and families, having them grow deeper in faith. More involvement of youth in the service and service projects. The planning of 2 Mission trips this summer. Thanks for all the support she has gotten.
- Financial Report - Jill Hukee gave an overview and answered questions about the report. Dan Fredrickson made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as printed seconded by Randy Langworthy. Motion carried.
- Mission Endowment Report - Karen Ingvaldson gave an overview of the fund. Greg Holmseth made a motion to accept the mission endowment report as printed, seconded by Del Steen. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- Building and Grounds - Dave Graham - A Big Thank You to all that have helped.
- Stewardship/Financial - Charlott Wilhelm - thanks to all for faithful giving.
- Worship and Music - Randy Langworthy - a thank you to all. Will need people to learn to operate the new sound system. Everyone adapted to the change in seating arrangement.
- Youth - Pasto Sue.
- Personnel Committee - Mike Louks.
- Strategic Planning Team- Frank Nerenhausen.
- Congregational Learning Team - Denny Midthun.



New Business:

- Personnel Committee (2 Positions) - Brenda Bronner and Morgan Freyholtz volunteered. Jeremy Wahlstrom made a motion to cast an unanimous ballot, seconded by Dave Graham. Motion carried.
- Nominating Committee submitted the following names for the 4 position on council - Grant Erler (second term), John Gosse (withdrew), Mary Norstad, Del Steen, Dan Fredrickson, Quentin Kleinwort, Joan Henderson, Paul Olson, and Carl Freyholtz. Thank you to all who were interested. By ballot vote Del Steen, Grant Erler, Joan Henderson, and Dan Fredrickson were elected.
- Proposed Budget: Jill presented the new budget. Greg Holmseth made a motion to accept the budget as printed, seconded by Del Steen. Motion carried.
- Grant thanked the council member and committee member for their time, with the special thanks to those going off.

Karen Ingvaldson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Randy Langworthy. Motion carried. We closed singing Table Grace.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charlott Wilhelm, Council Secretary

Sun 1	Mon 2	Tue 3	Wed 4	Thu 5	Fri 6	Sat 7
8:00 – Worship 9:00 – Fellowship 9:00 – Sunday School 10:00 – Worship		8:00 – Weigh In 9:00 – WiseGuys 12:00 – Bulletin Deadline 1:30 – Ruth Circle @ Charlott's 7:00 – Book Club @ Daniel's Restaurant 7:00 – Deborah Circle	10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:15 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Community Meal 6:30 – Worship 7:15 – Confirmation			
8:00 – Worship 9:00 – Fellowship 9:00 – Sunday School 9:30 – Baptismal Class 10:00 – Worship	6:00-8:00 – Night Quilting 6:30 – Youth Council 7:00 – Council Mtg.	8:00 – Weigh In 9:00-3:00 – Day Quilting 12:00 – Bulletin Deadline	10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:15 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Community Meal 6:30 – Worship 7:15 – Confirmation 7:15 – Sr. High Group	12	13	14
8:00 – Worship 9:00 – Fellowship 9:00 – Sunday School 10:00 – Worship	Newsletter Deadline	8:00 – Weigh In 9:00 – WiseGuys 12:00 – Bulletin Deadline	10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:15 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Community Meal 6:30 – Worship 7:15 – Confirmation	19 9:00 – Sassie Lassies	20	21 9:00-11:00 – Marriage Care
Bring a Friend to Church Day Presentation of Bibles 8:00 – Worship 9:00 – Fellowship 9:00 – Sunday School 10:00 – Worship (Sunday School Singing)	23	8:00 – Weigh In 9:00-3:00 – Day Quilting 12:00 – Bulletin Deadline 6:00-8:00 – Night Quilting	Ash Wednesday Presentation of Bibles 10:00 – WOW 3:15-5:15 – After School Program 5:00-6:30 – Lenten Meal 6:30 – Lenten Worship 7:15 – Confirmation 7:15 – Sr. High Group	26 7:00 – Church Chicks	27	28

February 2009

February 2009 Service Group

Date	Service	Ushers	Acolyte	Greeters	Reader	Fellowship
February 1	8:00am	Bob Butler Tom Keller	Cayla Ellingson	Dennis & Diana Vang		
	10:00am	Bryon Wolf Brandon Wolf	Alex Head	Bill & Marian Ketchum		Youth
February 8	8:00am	Tom Keller Bryon Wolf	Ashley Thaden	Dennis & Diana Vang		Elaine Woolison Judy Koss
	10:00am	Brandon Wolf	Cody Schaefer	Carla Vacura		
February 15	8:00am	Bob Butler Tom Keller	Abby Nerenhausen	Dennis & Diana Vang		Brett & Corey Kispert
	10:00am	Brandon Wolf	Jason Born	Carla Vacura		
February 22	8:00am	Bob Butler Tom Keller	Morgan Moe	Dennis & Diana Vang		Doug & Vicki Schweiger Pat Schweiger
	10:00am	Brandon Wolf	Jocelyn Austin	Pat & Bonnie Redican		

Attendance/Offering

Date	Attended	Offering	Date	Attended	Offering
January 4			January 18		
January 7		\$2,325.00	January 21		\$3,941.14
January 11			January 25		
January 14		\$2,960.36	January 28		



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Sunday, February 22

Bring a Friend to Church Sunday

10:00—Sunday School Youth Singing

Presentation of Bibles

Wednesday, February 25

Ash Wednesday

5:00-6:30—Lenten Meal

6:30—Ash Wednesday Worship Service

Presentation of Bibles

