



Faith Herald



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I ♥ JESUS

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Inspired by the Bosio's peppermint pig tradition (ask them!), I took a box of Charbonneau's chocolates to the Satrum family Christmas in Oregon this year, and as each of us chose our sweet, we told something we were thankful for.

My mom's answer didn't surprise me, but it made me think: "I'm thankful for Jesus," she said, with a break in her voice and tears in her eyes. I'm always a little awed and puzzled by people who relate to Jesus as intimately as my mom does. I experience Jesus' love and leadership in a less emotional, maybe less immediate way. And I wonder about that.

So, I'm late for New Years', but am resolving nonetheless to seek a more personal relationship to Jesus this year. I'm gonna date my Savior a little more intentionally. I'll continue my (mostly) daily Bible reading, and add readings from *Jesus Calling*, a daily journal entry phrased, "Dear Jesus," and

conversations with a friend reading the same devotion. If I'm really with it, I'll start post thoughts on our church Facebook page (most easily found through FLC's website). And I'll listen and look for what Jesus does and says to me.

How do YOU feel about Jesus? Would you like to know the Living Christ better? What would your first step be if you were to date your Savior a little more intentionally? I wonder.

If you try something, let me know how it goes. Ok? And I'll let you know, too.

~Pastor Brenda



The Journey of Faith 2013: Saying YES

Pastor Brenda Satrum

Faith Lutheran Church is—**WE ARE**—a Christ-centered, Bible-reading, radically welcoming spiritual home for seekers, believers, and everybody between. We're a family of God "because God first loved us." (1 John 4:19) As the body of Christ at work in the world...

We welcome friends and newcomers with friendliness that doesn't frighten. We enjoy our squirrely kids mightily. We share God's love through a terrific Vacation Bible School. With St. Paul's Episcopal, we gather High Schoolers for friendship and learning. Well done!

We worship liturgically using music new and old. Thank you again, musicians! It's been a delight starting up a women's ensemble. And thank you, Carl Russ, for seeing the projector project through this year!

And we serve. A quick tally of this year's service projects tells me that Faith released about \$20,000 in *addition to our budget* for special people and projects. WOW! Thank you! People in trouble KNEW that God was watching and helping because we followed the faith of our hearts with hands and feet, dollars and cents.

For me, the best thing about 2013 has been that, more often than not, we said yes to God's step-by-step leading and enjoyed the journey with God and each other. ☺ And that, Friends of Faith, is my first hope for us in 2014. Many thanks! God bless!

~Pastor Brenda



Getting Down to Earth:

Matters of Faith Lent Wednesdays 2014

The word humility has its roots (literally) in the word humus, or earth. Lent, the season of the church year that comes in early spring, invites Christians to “get down to earth” and be real about what’s going on in our world and the amazing grace of God that meets us in the middle of it.

This year’s Wednesday Night Lent Learnings bring Hamiton’s movers and shakers to fill us in on what matters around here. Invitations are out to Jennifer Larson (Aksel’s mom, who does a great presentation on Autism), Dominic Farrenkopf of Sapphire Lutheran Homes, The Principals (Kimzey, Larson, & Lewis), leaders from Rocky Mountain Labs, and other exceptional speakers in our community.

Who do you want to hear from? Please share additional ideas with Pastor Brenda!

Jesus in a nutshell:

Matthew shows **Jesus came from Abraham**, and Jesus is the **Messiah** from the OT.

Mark shows **Jesus came from Nazareth**, and Jesus is a **Servant**.

Luke shows **Jesus came from Adam**, and Jesus is the **Perfect Man**.

John shows **Jesus came from heaven**, and Jesus is **God**.



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www.ecmum.org (like us on Facebook!)

Emmaus Worship: Every Wed., at UCC church. (405 University Ave.) All are welcome!

Sundays, 6:00-8:00pm: Engaging our Faith: interactive conversations around life and faith.

- ❖ **Vancouver, BC Spring Break Service Trip March 28-April 6:** Cost is \$200: Exploring culture and religion, learn about community organizing, explore issues of racism, diversity, and immigration, and do hands-on service projects.
- ❖ **Emmaus Needs:** A nice couch for an upstairs apartment.



PLU Sunday February 23rd

11:00am Lutheran Higher
Education Forum



is the defining
characteristic
Of a Disciple of
CHRIST

Faith with and for kids...

Clean HEARTS.Dirty HANDS.

READY SET...

RELEASE THE FEAST!!!

March 8-9 (Friday-Saturday), 2014

Faith & St. Paul's Youth

The 30 Hour Famine gives students a chance to help overcome hunger - by going without food so others don't have to. It's an unforgettable experience that will rock their world and make an incredible difference around the globe! Over the next few weeks, our kids will learn about hunger and fundraise to help feed and care for children living in poverty. Help us out! Check us out at www.30hourfamine.org.



Last year's results:

- 335,000 students went hungry so hungry kids around the world could eat.
- 11,500 groups did the Famine.
- Famine groups raised enough to help feed and care for 27,234 children for a year.
- Involved teens in 23 countries.



PLU/Lutheran Higher Ed Sunday, Feb. 23

Learn what's special about Lutheran and other denominational colleges at the 11:00am forum hosted by Pastor Brenda

WEDNESDAYS!!! 7:00-8:30

Feb. 2: Superbowl Party, Petersons', 629 MD Circle, 3:30pm
Feb. 5: Grub & Games! **6:30 PIZZA**, Grog+, 30-Hour Famine Kickoff!!!
Feb. 12: YG. 30-Hour Famine Prep.
Feb. 16: Youth Sunday.
Feb. 19: YG.
Feb. 23: Lutheran Higher Ed/PLU Sunday, 11:00 forum
Feb. 26: YG.



Superbowl Party

Peterson's House, 629 MD Circle
Sunday, Feb. 2, 3:30 to...

Bring the Fam. Snack potluck. Basic bevs provided.
Please RSVP.



Go Seahawks/Broncos! (Fans of either team welcome at their own risk.)

Questions or Comments? Contact...

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News from Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp's Summer Schedule is Announced On-line!

New this Summer: Basketball Camp (June 15-20), Trailblazer Night Camp (August 3-8), Trailblazer Wild Water Week (July 6-11), Pathfinder Confirmation Camp Young Adult Trip to Bolivia (July 17-26)

Other highlights:

- Family Camp (June 29-July 4) this one fills up fast so register early, (Aug. 30- Sept. 1) Labor Day Weekend
- Choir Camp (June 22-27)
- Ranch Camp (formerly Horsemanship Camp) (June 15-20)
- Explorer Camp (3 days/2 nights) just for kids entering grade 3

Registration opens Jan. 27th at 10am. Check out the complete brochure at www.flbc.net

- Staff-in-Training Camp: Have you ever thought about being a camp counselor some day? This is a week of leadership training and community building. After completion, you can then return for another week as an assistant counselor!
- Applications for summer staff are now being accepted for FLBC. Forms are available on the website, and are due by Feb. 25, 2014.

Remember, Faith offers matching camperships (up to \$200) to attend camp.

Pick up an application form on the counter outside of the church office.

Return completed forms to Celeste Pogachar.

Save the dates: Faith Lutheran's VBS is July 14-18

Those awesome FLBC counselors will be in Hamilton giving our youngest folks the camp experience through Vacation Bible School

I ♥
VBS

activities!



JESUS LOVES* YOU



*Conditions do not apply

February Worship Notes

- Feb. 2 Celebration of Grace
- Feb. 9 ELW setting 4
- Feb. 16 Praise Service
- Feb. 23 ELW setting 4

Lent starts on Ash Wednesday,
March 5th

Through March and into April, there will
be Wednesday evening services using
Holden Evening Prayer liturgy.

Do everything in love. ~ 1 Corinthians 16:14



The Stewards of Faith 2013 Church Council

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Care for Military Families

The American Legion supports the families of deployed servicemen and women through care packages to spouses and kids left at home.

Please contact Sharon Klakken of the American Legion (544-8774) or let our office know if you are or if you know of such a family to access this helpful service.

Pray for our Military

Please remember our family and friends that have joined the military & are defending our country each and every day. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Especially remember those close to our family here at Faith Lutheran:

- Lt. Colonel Mark Huhtanen, son of Dale and Dianne Huhtanen, serving at Fort Hood, TX
- S/Sgt Anthony Hunter, grandson of Carl Swanson, serving in Texas
- Mike Hebert, grandson of Don and Shirley McGourty, US Army, serving in Joliet, IL
- Major Timothy Spaulding, nephew of John Trangmoe, Air Force, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- Tech Sgt. Andy Wetzsteon, son of Susan and Lonnie Wetzsteon, serving at Eileson AFB, Fairbanks, AK
- Eric Joiner, grandson of Bob and Marge Mathison, serving at Fort Drum, New York
- Sgt. Carl J. Selby, grandson of Clara Felton, serving in Hutchinson, KS
- Tony Robertson and Gretchen Robertson, brother and sister-in-law to the Beyers, serving in Alaska
- Dea Ross, niece of Craig Hurlbert & granddaughter of Dea & Bill Hurlbert, Navy, stationed in Afghanistan
- Anna Mitteness, granddaughter of Morrie and Ann Mitteness, Cpl US Marines Corps. Now at the Marine Station in Yuma, AZ, doing communications repair.



February Birthdays

Owen Dunn	February 1
Sam Dunn	February 1
Lori Silcher	February 2
Millie Unruh	February 2
Virginia Rotering	February 4
Don Dale	February 5
Brooke Kimzey	February 5
Damiann Basnaw	February 6
Alice Muir	February 8
Carron Grymes	February 12
Lisa Milch	February 12
Justin Bourne	February 13
Ellen Davis	February 14
Jessica Bourne	February 16
Jerry Lewis	February 16
Cecile Richardson	February 17
Cameron Doran	February 19
Ben Peterson	February 19
Bonnie Montgomery	February 21
Ernie Berland	February 22
Andrew Brewer	February 20
Judy Carroll	February 24
Cole Kimzey	February 25
Jeb VanDenburg	February 25
Sativa Bell	February 27
Donald Carlson	February 28
Jacob Heitmann	February 28



FAMILY SHELTER OF THE BITTERROOT

**Invites You to Join Us
Sunday - February 9, 2014**

FREE Benefit Concert

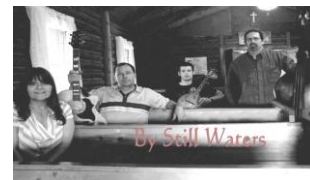
***Find your Valentine the perfect gift at our
Silent Auction and Bake Sale***

Southern Gospel Music

Bluegrass Gospel Music



DAYSTAR



BY STILL WATERS

**Canyon View Church
195 Skalkaho Highway, Hamilton**

Doors Open @ 3:30 Concert Begins @ 4:00

***All proceeds to benefit Family Shelter
of the Bitterroot, Inc.***

True Love

For God so lo V ed the world,
That He g A ve
his on L y
Begott E n
So N
T hat whosoever
Believeth I n Him
Should N ot perish,
But have E verlasting life."
John 3:16



"There is no fear in love, but
perfect love casts out fear."

~John 4:18

We Say Goodbye:



Katrina Olsen

After 102 years of life, Katrina Olsen slipped into heaven on the morning of Christmas Eve. Her smile that lit up a room was welcomed there and will be sorely missed by all whose lives she touched here. Someone said, "It is the end of an era," and another "an icon has passed."

Those who knew Katrina have so much to remember. In her active years at Faith she was an active member of Mary Martha Circle. At one time that Circle paid the pastor. Later, they were the model for the rest of us. On cleaning days in the old building, Mary Martha always cleaned the kitchen and had "a little coffee" afterwards for the whole cleaning crew. That "little coffee" was a smorgasbord of wonderful cookies and pastries. She was integral in the birthday parties Faith women hosted at Valley View for many years. She often danced with some of those who were 'celebrated'. Later at Sapphire she danced at her own 98 and 99 birthday parties.

Katrina never had a car but she traveled all over town. Her bicycle knew the Valley well and not long ago she reminisced the years young Steve Rohr was her riding companion.

Katrina taught us so much. We will always remember her acceptance of life's changes and the happiness she exuded wherever she was and in whatever circumstance. If we commented on her centennial stance she would say, "But I feel like fifty!", and always "I feel so goot," or "I like it here."

What a grand Christmas Katrina must have had with her beloved Oluf, her daughter Lila, her daughter-in-law Susan and with old friends like Josie and Oscar Bergren and so many others. We will surely miss her; yet at the same time we find profound joy in her 'new place' and our just having been 'touched' by her. We are better for having known and loved Katrina Olsen. ~Clairice Brady

With Gratitude:

Dear Mystery Sidewalk Shoveler,

On cold winter mornings you braved wet feet, wind, and cold temperatures to make sure the walks at Faith were clear. And you did so before anyone even got here. I think I know who you are but you did your work anonymously. Thank you so much for that bright & warm spot on cold winter mornings!



Bless your warm lil heart!
Adrienne Patterson

Thank you for your participation in the Bitterroot Youth Home's "Making Christmas Bright" stocking stuffer drive.

Happy New Year from all of us at Youth Homes!



Dear Faith Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your recent gift of \$250.00 to support the mission and ministry of the ELCA through ELCA Good Gifts. Your generosity is appreciated now more than ever.

As the ELCA, we do more together than we ever could do alone. We are a church that rolls up its sleeves and solves problems—doing God's work in the world. Thank you for your support.



In Christ,
Christina Jackson-Skelton,
Executive Director,
Mission Advancement

Dear Ladies of the Naomi Circle:

The other day Mrs. Burgdorfer brought me one of the baskets you had prepared for Xmas. Well—I must tell you how much I'm enjoying the fruit, candy, and cookies—and the idea of being remembered is nice too. Thank you so very much.

Respectfully,
Carl Swanson



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**The Faith Lutheran Church Annual Meeting
has been moved to February 2nd!**

Don't miss it—this is super important to attend
& help make decisions on the future of FLC.

Dates To Remember

- ♥ Feb. 2 Annual Meeting, Chaplain's Sunday,
HS Family Superbowl Party
- ♥ Feb. 5 All Youth Grub & Games (PIZZA!!!)
- ♥ Feb. 9 Community Meal Prep,
Family Shelter of the Bitterroot Concert
- ♥ Feb. 10 FLC Serves Community Meal
- ♥ Feb. 12 Council Reports Due
- ♥ Feb. 14 Happy Valentine's Day!!
- ♥ Feb. 17 FLC Council Meeting
- ♥ Feb. 18 Faith Herald Deadline
- ♥ Feb. 23 PLU Sunday, Prayers for Healing
- ♥ Feb. 27 Faith Herald Folding Party

