



The Faith Herald

May 2019

*"Get up to a high mountain,
and lift up your voice with strength...
herald of good news!" Isaiah 40:9*

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Greetings Members and Friends of FLC

"Alleluia, Christ is risen." "Christ is risen indeed, alleluia." Spring has sprung, and as they say, "April showers bring May flowers." We have been showered and are recipients of God's grace daily. In the gospel of John, after the resurrection, Mary Magdalene proclaims, "I have seen the Lord." (Jn. 20:18) She is ecstatic, and full of joy. It is so easy to forget that Jesus is no longer dead. "Christ is risen." "Christ is risen indeed, alleluia." While this is a grand statement and we are continually being showered with God's grace, and Jesus reveals himself to us and we live out his promise that "he will never leave us or forsake us," may we proclaim with joy, taking Mary's lead, "I have seen the Lord."

It seems that I am still meeting new people, and that is awesome. Welcome to all the new comers to our family here at Faith. We hope you will continue to come and worship with us.

Please bring your family and join Gwen and I at our open house on May 5th. This will take place from 2:00-5:00 with a house blessing at 3:30. We look forward to getting to know you more. This will be fun for all.

It won't be long before Bible Camp Season will be here. Gwen and I, with 2 of our grandchildren, will be at camp from June 23rd-28th. This is "Grand Camp" week and I will be the pastor helping to lead the week. Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp says,

"It is through Community that we discover together that we are aligned with God's will, powered by God's spirit, and that there is a purpose and joy in being Christ's life-giving and love-giving presence in the world."

DAILY THEMES:

Generosity Transforms Community.

Compassion Transforms Community.

Inclusion Transforms Community.

Justice Transforms Community.

Forgiveness Transforms Community.

Come, bring your grandchildren, and join us for a fun filled week at "Grand Camp."

"I have seen the Lord," through the Word, through faith, and through all of you as you reveal him to me. Thank you! "Christ is Risen." "Christ is Risen Indeed, alleluia."

Partners in sharing God's grace,

Pastor Paul

**You and your family are invited to our open house
Sunday, May 5th 2pm – 5pm, House Blessing at 3:30
Stop by and celebrate our new home and relocation to Hamilton with us.
Pastor Paul and Gwen Anderson 206 S. 5th St, Hamilton**

Faith Lutheran Church is a family of God built on love: Worshiping, welcoming, and serving in Christ's name.



2019 MAY and JUNE Youth Page



- ❖ Wed May 1 Youth Group 6pm @ Faith Lutheran Church
- ❖ Wed May 8 Youth Group 6pm @ First Presbyterian
- ❖ Wed May 15 Grocery Store Scavenger Hunt 6pm @Super One
No dinner, but bring quarters for ice cream! We will most likely finish early.
- ❖ Sun May 19 Senior Sunday
This is the last Youth Sunday until the fall, and it will be a celebration of our Seniors!
- ❖ Wed May 22 Year End Family BBQ 6pm @St. Paul's
BBQ to share food and fellowship at the end of another successful year! All members of the congregation are encouraged to come and join in the food and games! Starts at 6pm!
FLC families please bring salads, desserts, or beverages.
- ❖ Wed May 29 No YG
- ❖ Sat Jun 1 Corvallis High School Graduation @10:30am
- ❖ Sun June 2 Hamilton High School Graduation @4:30pm
- ❖ Wed Jun 5 Laser Tag and Finals Survival Party



Youth can invite one friend each, but **the sign-up deadline is Wed May 29.** Trip includes 2 games of laser tag, 10 tokens, soda, and pizza. We will all meet at FLC by 11am, and return around 3pm.
Looking for adult leaders who can drive and like to play laser tag!



Faith Lutheran Youth Director – Samantha Fife 406-370-8025 fifedrivel@gmail.com



Worship Notes for May

Sunday, May 5: **Tree of Life**

Sunday, May 12: **ELW 3**, Mother's Day

Sunday, May 19: **Tree of Life**

High School Senior Recognition, Quilts, Scholarships

Sunday May 26: **Tree of Life**



National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2, 2019, 12:00 to 1:00

Bedford Building, Hamilton

Hosted by the Ravalli County Ministerial Association (RCMA)

Investing in Hope... Transforming our Nation through Prayer!

“Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” Ephesians 4:3.

Call to Worship

Looking for musicians willing to sing a call to worship (a cappella) from the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings. I have plenty of resources if you are in need. If you are interested contact Celeste.



Thank You and Congratulations

Our Lenten Project of Personal Care Kits for LWR was a huge success. **104 kits** were put together and packed on April 28. I would like to send out a great big THANK YOU to all who helped with the project--from donating items to putting the kits together and packing the kits in boxes. From preparing and serving the lunch to cleaning up. And a big THANK YOU to Thrivent for the Action Team Grant.



CONGRATULATIONS on a job well done! *Nancy Osborn*

With Gratitude

Thank you, thank you to Thrivent Financial and all those who helped in big way and small to make the Easter breakfast a success. We earned \$1,154, to be used for college scholarships for our youth. *The Scholarship Committee*

Save the dates:
Faith Lutheran's VBS will be July 15-19, 2019

Hosted by FLBC counselors

This Year's Theme: Transformed Community:

God's Agent of C.H.A.N.G.E.



Early VBS Requests

One of the crafts for Vacation Bible School this summer is an Acts of Kindness jar. Clean, large-mouth plastic jars with lids are best for this craft idea. Food items that sometimes come in large-mouthed plastic jars are mayonnaise, 28 oz peanut butter, many of those yummy snacks from Costco...and probably more, plus non-food items. If you have any of these clean jars with lids please put them in the VBS tub in the Narthex.



Also, for VBS



Are you a traveler who saves the unopened bars soap from your hotel rooms? One of the craft projects for Vacation Bible School will use these. If you would like to donate your soap collection please put your mini-bars in the VBS tub in the Narthex! Any extras left after our project will be donated to Haven House or other helping agency! **THANK YOU!**

Early Christmas Shopping! (*Linda Beyer is planning ahead*)

It's never too early to think about Operation Christmas Child. As spring approaches there are often great sales on kids' clothes and other items. Maybe you can find some special goodies to add to this year's shoeboxes! All donations make a difference. *Thank you.*





FLBC News & Notes

FLBC Summer Camping Season Begins June 16th

Camp brochures are located on the counter outside the church office, or download a PDF from FLBC's website: www.flbc.net

Bring a friend who has never been to camp before and save \$200!

Matching Camperships available. Please contact Celeste and she will put a copy of the application form in your box.

Thrivent Members! Thrivent Choice dollars make a big impact at FLBC! If you are a Thrivent member, choose Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp to send your Thrivent Choice Dollars. Don't forget, you must choose your recipient each time since the "reoccurring" option has now ended. THANKS so much.

FLC Camperships. Kids and adults your church pays \$200 towards your camp registration! Pick up the form on the counter outside the church office, or contact Celeste Pogachar for more information.

Memorial Day Work Retreat, *Free*

May 24-26, 2019 Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

The Best way to kick off your summer! Join in for a weekend of meaningful service work to prepare FLBC for the summer season, fellowship over great food and all the fun of camp! This is a great weekend to introduce someone you love to FLBC – they'll get a taste of camp activities, food and worship...and it's free!



Women's Retreat: Psalms and the Seasons of Life

June 7-9, 2019 Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

Join us for a weekend of engaging Bible Study led by Pastor Susan Briehl, as well as time for relaxation, yoga, massages, boating, great food and more! For ages 18-108, \$160.00 per person. *Please register not later than 7 days prior*

Partner's Luncheon & Lakeview Cabin Complex Dedication

June 8th, 2019

Join us for lunch honoring all our generous Annual Fund and Capital Fund donors! Meet the 2019 summer staff and enjoy an afternoon at camp. We will also be dedicating the Lakeview Cabin Complex this afternoon.

Looking for a summer job?

FLBC is seeking support staff this summer. If you know of someone who would be interested in spending time on the shores of Flathead Lake, encourage them to contact Kyle at kyle@flbc.net for more information and to apply.

FLBC has many volunteer jobs for willing hands, application forms are available online or at the www.flbc.net, 406-752-6602

**Join Pastor Paul and Gwen for Grand Camp at FLBC, June 23rd-28th.
Registration is now open**

**The annual Assembly of the Montana Synod of the ELCA
will be held May 31 – June 2, 2019,
at the Heritage Inn in Great Falls, Montana**

This year, a new bishop will be elected by your synod delegates. Reverend Chris Boerger (Secretary of the ELCA) will preside over the election and give a church wide report. Also, elections will be held for Synod Council Vice president and Treasurer. New LPAs will be recognized, Church wide Assembly Voting members will be commissioned, a budget will be adopted, and we will consider new resolutions. There will be workshop opportunities on Saturday. Faith Lutheran's representatives to the Synod Assembly will be Darrin Heitmann and Celeste Pogachar.



Calling All Bicycles SYNOD

Do you or anyone you know have bicycles you no longer use hanging in your garage, out in your shed, or in the backyard?

Spirit of Life Community Bike Shop will take them off your hands and put them to good use with young people on the Fort Peck Reservation.

We refurbish and recycle bicycles in the following ways:

1. We rebuild them for use by young people for our group rides.
2. We pair a young person with a mentor and together they disassemble and rebuild the bike. We give the young person a helmet and lock and they have a bike of their own to ride.
3. Our mechanics rebuild bikes for resale in our Community Bike Shop Recyclery to help provide funding for our ministries.

We will have a trailer at the Synod Assembly. So, if you would like to help us out, send your unneeded bicycles to the Assembly with Darrin Heitmann or Celeste Pogachar, and we will haul them back to our shop.

For more information contact Pr. Greg Holler-Dinsmore,

Phone: 406 650-2089

Email: prgreghd@icloud.com

Website: www.spiritoflifefp.org



**Join Sapphire Lutheran Homes
For Free Concerts, All Music at 7PM**

501 N. 10th Street, Hamilton

Bring your lawn chair or blanket, Family Friendly

- ♪ Friday, June 21: Raise the Roof (Christian Band)
 - ♪ Friday, June 28: Ringling 5, fireworks at dusk.
 - ♪ Friday, July 5: Tom Cats
 - ♪ Friday, July 12: Beatles For Sale
- Thursday, August 22 @ 6pm: Shakespeare in the Parks **Henry IV (Part 1)**
Call 406-363-2800 or go to sapphirelutheran.org for more information



**Our Council Meeting was moved to April 30th
Because of Spring Break.**

We will have the highlights in the next Herald

**Wednesday Night Alive!
With Supper and Fellowship 5:45pm**

We had a wonderful “Wednesday Night Alive” sop supper event during Lent. With summer just ahead of us and folks busy on weekends, we are considering a Wednesday night dinner followed by a more informal worship service. Stay tuned for more details

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Pray for our Military

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

- **Mike Hebert**, grandson of Don & Shirley McGourty, US Army, serving in Colorado Springs, CO
- **Colonel Timothy Spaulding**, nephew of John Trangmoe, USAF, Group Commander, Edwards Air Base, CA.
- **Master Sgt. Andy Wetzsteon**, son of Susan & Lonnie Wetzsteon, at Nelli's AFB, Las Vegas, NV
- **Anna Mitteness**, granddaughter of Morrie & Ann Mitteness, Cpl US Marines Corps. Now at the Marine Station in Yuma, AZ, doing communications repair.
- **Capt. Alex Stephens, MD**, grandson-in-law of Dale and Clairice Brady, serving at Ft. Campbell Hospital.
- **Capt. Kyle Frazer**, son of Larry & Nancy Hansen, serving at Fort Polk, LA.
- **Master Sergeant Will Rollefson**, nephew of Larry Hansen, Special Forces, Seattle, WA.



Remember in Prayer...

Battling Cancer: Peter S., Dale A., Mary H., John D., Echo Allison, Blaine, Lea,

Doreen Johnson **Health, Comfort & Healing:** Helen, Shirley H., Leah

Prayers for: Family and friends of Betty M., Lonnie W., JJ, Natalie, Family and friends of Susan M., Hank, Marvin, Jeb, Christopher, Amber, Gail, All families going through a difficult time, Claire M., Joern family, Sally C., Lavonne Beers,

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Home Nursing Care: Virginia Rotering, Smitty Smith

Remington: Betty Swift

Incarcerated: Jacob Bachman, George Davis



Faith's Thrivent Representative is Julie Kieckbusch-Jones
406-728-9255 julie.kieckbuschjones@thrivent.com

Julie will be here May 5th to answer any questions you may have about Thrivent Financial. She will also bring info about Thrivent Choice dollars and Thrivent Action Teams.

Stick around after the service

Stewards & Staff of Faith Lutheran Church

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Giving Status April 2019

Giving Status for April 2019-

For April FLC received \$13,403.00 in General Fund giving. To meet requirements of the 2019 budget FLC needed to receive \$14,882 for the month.

For the month of April giving was \$1,479 below requirements

Year to Date FLC received \$47,185 in General Fund Giving. FLC expected \$52,414. FLC is currently \$5,229 below requirements for the 2019 budget.

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Dates To Remember in May

- May 1:** FLBC Early Summer Camp Registration Deadline, Save \$25!
May 2: National Day of Prayer, Noon, Bedford Building
May 5: 2-5pm Wine and Cheese Social at The Anderson's, 206 S. 5th St., Hamilton
May 12: Mother's Day
May 19: Senior Quilt Sunday, Last day of Sunday School
May 22: Youth Year End Party for family and friends, 6pm St. Paul's
May 28: Memorial Day, Church office closed

Birthdays

<i>Cliff Marks</i>	<i>May 1</i>	<i>Morry Mitteness</i>	<i>May 15</i>
<i>Katie Exner, Nancy Osborn</i>	<i>May 3</i>	<i>Tracy Walczak</i>	<i>May 16</i>
<i>Maxwell Buhler, Will Heitmann</i>	<i>May 4</i>	<i>Tom Anderson, Judy Griffin</i>	<i>May 18</i>
<i>Anita Bell, Bob Mathison</i>	<i>May 5</i>	<i>Donna Jakobson</i>	<i>May 18</i>
<i>Deidra Markette</i>	<i>May 6</i>	<i>Sage Beyer</i>	<i>May 22</i>
<i>Lavonne Beers</i>	<i>May 8</i>	<i>Darrin Heitmann</i>	<i>May 23</i>
<i>Greg Mitchell, Nancy Marks</i>	<i>May 8</i>	<i>Lucas Brady</i>	<i>May 24</i>
<i>Nathan Brady</i>	<i>May 13</i>	<i>Dick Hoeben</i>	<i>May 28</i>
<i>Danielle Harden</i>	<i>May 14</i>	<i>Pete Seifert</i>	<i>May 29</i>
		<i>Walker Buhler</i>	<i>May 31</i>