



The Faith Herald

March 2020

*“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 to you All,

Lent has begun! We had a very nice Ash Wednesday prayer around the cross service. Thank you to all who helped with that service. For the men in the kitchen who served a wonderful meal, all the musicians and readers, the projectionist, Nancy who put the slide presentation and leaders' bulletins together. Thank you all!



Our scripture reading, for the first Sunday in Lent, from our devotional reads, “You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance (Psalm 32:7). As we take time this lent to pray, meditate, and ponder on our relationship with God through Christ, may we find a place of refuge in the One who saves us from sin.

There will be 2 Lenten services available for you to participate in. Beginning on Thursday March 5th, from 12:00 noon –12:50, we will have a soup lunch and a study that Reverend Patty Stone and I will be leading. You will find the location schedule in this issue of the Herald. I will also be leading the same study during our Wednesday Night Alive gatherings beginning on March 4th at 5:45pm. We will close the evening with our Holden Evening prayer service at 7:15pm. I hope you are able to join us.

May you all find refuge in the One God who promises never to leave us or forsake us.

In God's loving grace,
Pastor Paul

The Youth Page March 2020



March Wednesdays:

- † 3/4 6-8 P.M. @ First Presbyterian –“Talk to the Hand” games and discussion
- † 3/11 6-8 P.M. No Youth Group
- † 3/18 6-8 P.M. @ St. Paul’s Episcopal --Guest speaker on Human Trafficking
- † 3/25 6-8 P.M. @ Faith Lutheran—Grog!

Patty Stone (First Presbyterian) 618-566-4068

Feel free to call with any questions!

Alana Cruse (St Paul’s Episcopal) 381-3534

Michelle Mendenall (Faith Lutheran) 360-1984

Bitterroot Taizé Service

at First Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Monday, March 2nd, 6:30pm

All are invited to the ecumenical service of community prayer, song
silence and reflection.

Worship Notes for March



Sunday, March 1: Lent 1, Emmaus Campus Ministry will lead worship and follow with a presentation during coffee hour.

Sunday, March 8: Lent 2, Beneath the Tree of Life

Wednesday, March 11: Holden Evening Prayer (7 pm)

Sunday, March 15: Lent 3, Beneath the Tree of Life

Wednesday, March 18: Holden Evening Prayer (7 pm)

Sunday, March 22: Lent 4, Beneath the Tree of Life

Wednesday, March 25: Holden Evening Prayer (7 pm)

Sunday, March 29: Lent 5, Beneath the Tree of Life, prayers for healing

Wednesday, April 1: Holden Evening Prayer (7pm)



Musicians!

Can you contribute your talents to worship during the Lent and Easter seasons? Celeste is looking for singers to help lead our liturgy, sing the Holden Evening Prayer, or sing in choir for Palm Sunday and/or Easter Sunday. Of course, any piece of special music would be most welcome! **Please contact Celeste at 239-3952 or celestepogachar@gmail.com**

Lenten Lesson & Lunch

**Thursdays at Faith Lutheran Church
And other local churches**

March 5th – April 2nd, Noon – 12:50pm



We will be using a video presentation on “Entering the Passion of Jesus,” by Dr. Amy Jill Lavine. This book that is part of this study and the cost is \$10.00. It can be purchased on Amazon or through Cokesbury. We will be starting promptly at noon and finishing up just before 1:00, so people who are coming during their lunch hour are able to get back to work.

If you can’t make Thursday at noon, the same program will be at Faith Lutheran Church on Wednesday evenings, starting March 4th, the meal and study begins at 5:45pm.

Please feel free to invite your friends and your neighbors, for food, fellowship, and study. We look forward to seeing you all!

Please bring your Bibles

Schedule

<u>Date</u>		<u>Location</u>
March 5 th	(Session 1)	Faith Lutheran Church 171 Lewis Lane, Hamilton
March 12 th	(Session 2)	Corvallis United Methodist Church East Side Hwy & Cemetery Rd., Corvallis
March 19 th	(Session 3) Hosted by St. Paul’s Episcopal Church	Faith Lutheran Church 171 Lewis Lane, Hamilton
March 26 th	(Session 4)	First Presbyterian Church 1220 w. Main St., Hamilton
April 2 nd	(Session 5 & 6)	UMAB 211 N. 6 th St., Hamilton



FLBC Summer 2020

Summer 2020 Volunteers Are Needed:

It's time to volunteer for summer 2020! Space is limited, so send in your application and request your week today! We need you! Volunteer opportunities include **pastors, youth directors, grandparents, nurses, kitchen workers, maintenance helpers, and more.** If you are interested in volunteering this summer, the volunteer application is available online. Contact the office at (406) 752-6602

or office@flbc.net for more information, and join us for a fabulous summer!

Adult Volunteers Needed: Camp Grandparents, Adult Volunteers (maintenance, kitchen work), Doctors/Nurses, and Alumni Staff. Information may be found on the website. Call (406) 752-6602 for the best availability of weeks.

If you are a Thrivent Financial member, consider organizing an Action Team event at FLBC for the week you're here. The campers will help! Need ideas of what to do? Contact us at (406) 752-6602. We have many ideas!

Some of the Retreats for 2020

Women's Spring Retreat,

April 17-19, 2020 at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. Register by **April 1** to get the **EARLY BIRD RATE.** Motivating speaker: Pastor Stacey Siebrasse, Fun, Fellowship, Service projects, Music, Great food (no cooking! For more information, check out the poster in the FLC lobby. Registration at www.imluchurch.org/womensretreat Questions? Contact Nancy Solum at 406-240-0023 or WomensSpringRetreat@gmail.com Sponsored by Women of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) Five Valleys and Great Divide Cluster

Adult Spirituality Retreat, "God with Muddy Hands"

April 26th through 28th Sunday -Tuesday

\$220/person, Beth Ratzlaff, Spiritual Leader and Brenda Satrum, Worship Leader will be there. Retreat begins at 6:15pm on Sunday and ends with lunch on Tuesday.

Memorial Day Weekend Thrivent Work Retreat

May 22nd through 25th

Free but reservations required! All invited to help prepare FLBC for the summer season. All ages are welcome. Includes Fun, Fires, Food, Fellowship all for making a fabulous work weekend. Retreat begins at 6:15pm on Friday.



\$200 Matching camperships to attend camp are available from Faith Lutheran. These funds are available for **all, adults too**, who wish to go to camp this summer. We ask those who apply for a campership to track their service to our church—for example, assisting with worship (like acolyte or youth service.), VBS helper, Easter breakfast servers, Scandinavian Dinner, church decorating or clean-up, etc. Please contact Celeste and she will put a copy of the application form in your church mailbox.

Questions or to Register: Call 406-752-6602 or email: office@FLBC.net

2020 Annual Meeting Minutes Highlights



Faith Lutheran Church, February 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order by convener Darrin Heitmann at 10:58 a.m. Opening Prayer was led by Pastor Paul Anderson. Approval of the 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes: Troy Hanson moved, Skeet Mason seconded, motion passed.

Review of reports and comments: Darrin Heitmann sincerely thanked all of the folks that work both behind and in front of the scenes to keep Faith Lutheran Church together. It is everyone's church!

Old Business: There was nothing to discuss. New Business. The following elections were held.
Church Council 2020

Thank you to our New/Returning Stewards:

- **President/Convener** ~ Darrin Heitmann (one-year term)
- **Steward of Discipleship/Education** ~ John Marten (two-year term)
- **Steward of Finance/Treasurer** Sandy Russ (two-year term).
- **Steward of Hospitality and Fellowship** ~ Jane Mason (two-year term) ~
- **Steward of Property and Grounds** ~ Dale Brady (two-year term) ~
- **Steward of Communications** ~ Kerry Hanson has one more year remaining.
- **Steward of Outreach** ~ Judy Griffin has one more year remaining.
- **Steward of Worship** ~ Susan Peterson has more year remaining.

Church Committees 2020

- **Endowment Committee:** Amber Richardson and Carol Mitchell (3-year terms) They will be joining Carl Russ and Lynn McKee (1 year remaining) and John Trangmoe (2 years remaining).
- **Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp Representatives** for 2020 Nominations came from the floor for Celeste Pogachar and Mark Grotbo to join Pastor Paul.
- **MT Synod Delegates for 2020** (June 5-7 meeting in Billings): Celeste Pogachar and Rick Brown to join Pastor Paul.
- **Nominating Committee for the 2021 elections:** Helen Volden, Clairice Brady, Sally Porter, Linda Beyer, and Dean Drake to join the appointed council member.

Comments and suggestions for the good of the order: Celeste shared that it is time to pass the torch of the Scandinavian Dinner. If you are interest in organizing it next year, please reach out.

Closing Prayer was led by Darrin Heitmann.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:35a.m

COLLEGE/SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The Faith Lutheran Scholarship Committee will begin accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. High School seniors, or anyone enrolled in a secondary educational institution for the fall 2020 term may apply. Pick up an application form on the counter outside the Church office, **They are due back to the church office by Wednesday, April 15th.**

Donations to Faith's Scholarship Fund are always welcome! They can be left in the church office, included with your regular offering envelope, or received at the Easter Breakfast. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the scholarship committee:

Mark Livesay (381-5172)*Jacque VanDenburg (363-5393)
Karen Heller (360-1208)*Jane Hollibaugh (531-1077)

Pray for our Military

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



- **Capt. Timothy Hawes**, nephew of Troy and Kerry Hanson, Air Force, serving in the Middle East.
- **Mike Hebert**, grandson of Don & Shirley McGourty, US Army, serving in Colorado Springs, CO
- **Lt. Col. Timothy Spaulding**, nephew of John Trangmoe, 412th Operations Group, 412th Test Wing, Edwards Air Force Base, CA
- **Master Sgt. Andy Wetzsteon**, son of Susan & Lonnie Wetzsteon, serving 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.

**Also pray for
Family and friends of Pastor Terri Tysk, from North Bitterroot Lutheran Church,
in Stevensville. She passed away the weekend of February 22nd.**



• **Pray for At-Home Members and Friends...**

• **Prayers for:** Larkin, Judy & Peter, Christie, Ed, Linda, Sulley, Dan Bailey, Friends and Family of Lynn Richardson, Nate Anderson, Joshua Furniss, Brian Belcher, Friends and Family of Keith Bell, John, Leta and Ray, Timothy Hawes, Karl, Shirley Hanson, Dale Hughey, Peggy Lewis, Irene Stengrimson, Victoria Moore, LaVonne Beers, Peter S.

- **The Beehive:** Morry Mitteness, Yvonne Olson
- **Remington:** Betty Swift, Chuck Olson
- **Home Nursing Care:** Virginia Rotering, Smitty
- **Incarcerated:** Jacob Bachman, George Davis

Valley View: Ruth Dillon
Discovery Care:

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Giving Status for February 2020

For the month of February FLC received \$12,852.

We brought in \$3,688 more than expected.

YTD FLC has received \$22,811. That is \$5,892 more than expected.

We are off to a great start!

Save the dates:

Faith Lutheran's VBS will be July 13-17,2020

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March Birthdays

- 1 Chris Wise
- 5 Sonya Greef Dodd Bob Gaulke, Paul Gyles
- 5 Elizabeth Jameson, Rod Pogachar
- 6 Marie Larson
- 7 Claire Seifert
- 9 Dirk Beyer, Mark Grotbo
- 10 Bridger Syme, Jill Turley
- 12 Tristan Hanson
- 14 Meredith Buhler
- 16 Suzie Deibert
- 16 Patricia Larson, Anilynn Mason
- 19 Claudia Williams
- 20 Brooke Lawry, Amy Lawry, Dean Rinta
- 23 Megan Lewis, Anna Seifert
- 25 Brian Mendenall, Judy Wilson
- 26 Todd Archuleta, Jana Exner
- 27 Annalise Lewis
- 28 Kevin Silkwood, Denise Linnell
- 30 Richard Castor
- 31 Ella Dowd, Donna Mitchell