

The Faith Herald

July and August 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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Dear Members and Friends of FLC

"What a mighty God we serve." Summer is here! As the fourth of July approaches quickly, I think of Paul's words to the Galatians. "For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery... For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence,.." I am so grateful to live in the United States of America. I am grateful for all the people who have given their lives in service to our country so that we are able to live in freedom. I pray that in Christ we will continue to live in freedom as the one body of Christ, where Paul also says in Galatians, "There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."

May you have a safe fourth of July and a restful, refreshing summer. May the words from our Psalm reading for July 5th reside in your hearts. "The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made."

Indeed, "What a mighty God we serve."

Partners in sharing God's grace, Pastor Paul



REMINDER From our Bishop

Dear Friends in Christ,

Covid is here in Montana and it is spreading. And that spread is requiring to change our lives in order to follow Christ's command to love one another. We may not be able to control the virus through a vaccine or a cure yet, but we can limit how, when and where Covid-19 spreads. And for those of us who are followers of Christ and caretakers of all the members of Christ's body, the church, we have a responsibility to slow the spread in our congregations even as we gather again in limited ways for worship.

As I have done before and will continue to do, I urge you to follow all the best safe practices for your context. And be ready to pivot on a dime as the virus enters your communities in more evident ways. Take a little control over Covid by wearing a mask which reduces the spread greatly, especially in closed in areas where we share the air. (My brother got me a set of Minnesota Vikings masks that you may see me in. Sorry Packers fans!) Take a little control over Covid by forsaking meals or goodies together for a while (you can't eat with masks on). Help your pastor and council lead by following their guidance instead of pushing back.

And if Covid comes to your town, be as ready to shut your worship space down as you were to open it up.

Remember, Christ's church is never closed; we just need to do our part find new ways to be church together, love and care for one another, a follow Christ into God's future as this virus moves through our lives.

So, hang in there, beloved, and care about one another. We are in this together and God will get us through it. Grieve the loses together but also celebrate the joys of new life happening in your midst. For God is with us, bringing new life out of death. Always!

Bishop Laurie



Adult Christian Ed

After service on Sundays Pastor Paul is having a Zoom Adult Ed Class
We are studying Ephesians
If you are interested contact him for more information

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Church Office Closed July 6th in observance of Independence Day

Worship for July & August

July 5: **Patriotic Worship** Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-14,

Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 12: Isaiah 55:10-13, Psalm 65:[1-8], 9-13, Romans 8:1-11,

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 19: Isaiah 44:6-8, Psalm 86:11-17, Romans 8:12-25,

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 26: Christmas in July! 1Kings 3:5-12, Psalm 119:129-136,

Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

August 2: Outside Service!: Isaiah 55:1-5, Psalm 145:8-9,

14-21, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21 After service: fun in the sun and BBQ!

August 9: 1Kings 19:9-18, Psalm 85:8-13, Romans 1:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33

August 16: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8, Psalm 67, Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32, Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

August 23: Isaiah 51:1-6, Psalm 138, Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20

August 30: Jeremiah 15:15-21, Psalm 6:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND OUTDOOR WORSHIP!

Followed by a delicious BBQ

Let's Celebrate!

By getting together in a safe outside environment, enjoying good food and great company!

The Hansons will bring their grill and cook Hamburgers and Hotdogs. Sides and Beverages provided too.

Just bring your chair, hat and sunscreen and your favorite outdoor game.

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With the closure of Church during the Shelter in Place, we did not hold our annual Easter Service and breakfast. So now, as we move toward reopening Faith, we are going to hold an outdoor service followed by a summer barbeque, on Sunday, August 2, 2020. Chairs will be set up outside for the service which will also be broadcast on the Facebook page. This will be a contemporary service with many familiar songs. Following the service, the scholarship committee is hosting a barbeque in the church parking lot and yard. Hamburgers, hot dogs, side dishes, and beverages will be provided. The committee will request Thrivent funds to help cover food costs. We are asking for donations to benefit Youth Scholarships. The barbeque will be set up for eating at the church or for meal pick up for those who would rather take their dinner home. Games and tables will be set out to encourage fellowship in a socially distance friendly environment. Bring your own lawn chairs, hat, and sunscreen. Join your Faith family in celebrating our youth and summer.



FLBC

Upcoming Retreats & Events:

Summer Family Weekend 😂 🍪

July 17-19, 2020

Families of all combinations, shapes and sizes are welcome for our family weekend!

Bible study, sailing, high ropes, swimming & boating, hiking, campfires & more!

Women's Retreat: Saying No, Saying Yes - A Spiritual Practice 🤩

September 11-13, 2020, \$160/person

Join us for a weekend of fun and relaxation as Pastor Miriam Schmidt leads us in engaging Bible study. (Hint: This could be a great gift for Mother's Day!) CEU credits available through NRIT.

FLBC Golf Tournament! 🐔 👗



October 9, 2020, \$125/player

It'll be a hole-in-one for camperships! Learn more at www.flbc.net/golf.

Youth Workers Retreat

October 15-18, 2020

Pastors, Youth Directors, Volunteers - this is for you! Join retreat leader Mark Jackson for this informative, fun, and refreshing retreat. From eastern Washington, Mark now serves at St. Andrews in Mahtomedi, MN. Different attendance options are available (Thurs-Sun, Thurs-Sat, Fri-Sun, or Saturday only)! **CEU credits** available through NRIT.

Let's Go to Camp!

This summer, we have a great opportunity to plan our own adventures at FLBC! Please check out the promo that was posted recently on our Friends of Faith Lutheran Hamilton Facebook page by our own Josie VanDenburg, who will be a counselor at the camp this summer.

You can customize a camp experience, be it for a day, a week, or anything in between, no matter what your age or interests. You get to determine how busy or un-busy you want to be while you are there. Sing fun camp songs at worship every morning and at campfire every evening. The food is legendary! And those cabins—well, you really won't be roughing it! The camp is fully prepared to keep social distancing precautions in place during your stay.

Family Camp: July 5th-10th is priced at different rates with different programming.

Our new "Bring Your Family to Camp", begins July 10th at 3:30pm.

Here is a price guide I hope will be helpful for this very unique summer:

Arrive 3:30-5 PM / 1 overnight / Check out 10 AM = \$ 72

Arrive 3:30-5 PM / 2 overnights / Check out 10 AM = \$ 132 (example: Fri Dinner - Sunday Brunch-check out is Noon on Sunday)

Arrive 3:30-5 PM / 3 overnights / Check out 10 AM = \$ 211

Arrive 3:30-5 PM / 4 overnights / Check out 10 AM = \$ 291

Arrive 3:30-5 PM / 5 overnights / Check out 10 AM = \$ 351 (example: Sunday dinner - Friday breakfast)

These prices are for Adults & Youth Ages 12+

Ages 5-11 are half price, and Ages 0-4 are free

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Pre-registration is required at least 2 weeks in advance. A deposit is required to hold your reservation: *(Continued on next page)*

More on FLBC Camp this summer:

1-10 people: \$200 10-25 people: \$400

This deposit is credited to your account and is non-refundable/ non-transferable.

If FLBC needs to cancel due to unforeseen circumstances, you will receive a full refund.

If we have enough people who want to go at the same time, we could designate it as Faith Lutheran's week/weekend at camp! Of course, you can go at another time if that time does not work for your family. I ask that you keep me in the loop, as the camp will bill Faith Lutheran Church in one invoice. **Funds raised through the Chili Cook Off will be used for camperships** as needed. Please apply! Contact Celeste if you have questions. There's also plenty of information on FLBC's website: flbc.net.

Celeste Pogachar 239-3952



Council Highlights from June 15, 2020

Convener Darrin Heitmann called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. We have a quorum.

Members Present: Darrin Heitmann, Susan Peterson, John Marten, Jane Mason,

Sandy Russ and Pastor Paul Anderson.

Members Absent: Kerry Hanson, Dale Brady, and Judy Griffin.

Opening Devotion: Pastor Paul

Minutes: Minutes were not approved because we forgot.

No Correspondence

Pastor's Report (Verbal):

- 1. Ordered Camcorder and needed items to use.
- 2. Spectrum is working on fiber-optic connection.
- 3. Pastor needs a new mic, consensus for him to purchase.

Steward Reports:

- 1. John Marten (Discipleship):
 - a. Working on program for K-18 yrs.
 - b. Planning a private Facebook page for youth (MS and HS).
 - c. Setting up a google account for videos, etc.
- 2. Dale Brady (Property & Grounds):
 - a. Thank you to Scott Southwick and John Bentz for moving the wires behind the projection screen on the west wall.
 - b. Fellowship Hall décor is finished. THANK YOU, DALE! Much appreciated
 - c. Parking Lot needs attention
 - d. Sprinkler System, who is or has been working on this?
- 3. Sandy Russ (Finance):
 - a. Donations have been very generous. We are only \$767.10 behind our expected collections.
 - b. Pay Protection Loan we will need to do a report requesting to make the loan a grant. Waiting on proper forms from the bank.
 - c. eGiving The system is ready to go. We need a little more training to proceed.
 - i. We will not offer the web site sign up option until the fiber-optic connection is in place. Current website is not secure.

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- ii. Forms will be available to request having your donation collected by Vanco.
- 4. Jane Mason (Fellowship & Hospitality):
 - a. Jane has suggested an outdoor BBQ scholarship fundraiser in July. See New Business
 - b. Another Fundraiser suggested for those in need. See New Business

New Business:

- 1. FLBC Church Camp and Family Camp:
 - a. Normal camping is not being offered this year.
 - b. FBLC is encouraging families or groups to come to camp.
 - c. Check for information on the bulletin board.
- 2. BBO Fundraiser:
 - a. We are planning a BBQ in July or August. This event will follow church and we will plan to have church outside, weather permitting. So, get you lawn chair ready to go.
 - b. This will be a fundraiser for the scholarship fund.
 - c. Date to be announced. August 2nd!
- 3. Another fundraiser for those in need:
 - a. Collect food for Haven House
 - b. Possible Offer a meal during the week?
 - c. These are still in the planning stages.
- 4. Thank you to Susan Peterson, Linda Beyer and Celeste Pogachar for cleaning classrooms, removing things not needed and making sense of what we have.

Submitted by Sandy Russ

Pray for our Military

- **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. Kyle Frazer, son of Larry & Nancy Hansen, serving at Fort Polk, LA.
- Master Sergeant Will Rollefson, nephew of Larry Hansen, Special Forces, Seattle, WA.



Pray for our Members and Friends...

Prayers for healing: Linda Beyer, Bert Mahon, Julie Belcher, Tenley, Richard Castor, Amber

Wood, Amber Lynch, Ron Osborn, Gail Lewis, Larkin, Shirley Hanson, LaVonne Beers

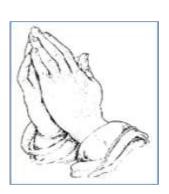
Prayers for comfort:

The Beehive: Morry Mitteness, Yvonne Olson, Bertie Henderson

Valley View: Ruth Dillon

Remington: Betty Swift, Chuck Olson

Home Nursing Care: Virginia Rotering, Smitty, Incarcerated: Jacob Bachman, George Davis



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Thank you, Carol Mitchell (Paper Clip)

for donating the labels for the kitchen cabinets.

Thank you, Helen Volden for putting up the

labels for the kitchen cabinets.

Thank you, Helen Volden, Susan Peterson, Jane Mason, Virginia Kindzersky and Linda Beyer, for organizing, cleaning and just for Everything you all do!

Birthdays:	July		July	August
Nancy Hansen	1		·	Colleen Hoeben 10
Dan Kimzey	2	Luken Kestrel	23	Werner Wolf 10
Kimber Archuleta	3	Kenny Reichart	23	Robin Bull 14
Deana Shook	3	Weston Buhler	26	Al Mitchell 14
Ross Damrow	4	Karen Heller	27	Gregory Russ 16
Jane Hollibaugh	7	Lea Nordstrom	30	Gayle Roege 17
Renee Huddleson	7	Jan Serfass	30	Eli Harden 22
Lauren Lawry	8	Clair Griffin	31	Virginia Rinta 26
Crimson Beyer	9			Rick Brown 27
Ervin Unruh	10			Carl Russ 27
Thomas Webb	10			Bonnie Southwick 27
Larry Hansen	11		August	Lucas Fessler 29
Kyla Grymes	12			Colleen Buhler 30
Sonya Bitterman	17	Dean Drake	2	Linda Beyer 31
Tanin Buhler	17	Nathan Anderson	4	
Robin Ireland	17	Quoia Anderson	6	
Teresa Laine	17	Dale Brady	6	
Sam Lawry	17	Melanie Auch	7	
Emily Denney	18	KaSondra Grymes	8	
Ruth Webb	20	Troy Hanson	9	
Jane Mason	18	Bertie Senn	9	

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Sapphire Lutheran Homes Summer Concert Series!

They had to bump the dates a month but here are the tentative dates and bands. Concerts will take place at the Bandshell at Claudia Driscoll Park, 7 9 pm.

July 31st: 406 **August 7**th: Who Dat

August 14th: Band in Motion



