



The Faith Herald

December 2021

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“Faith Lutheran is a Family of God built on love: worshiping, welcoming, serving and growing in Christ’s name”

Greeting to you all!

The Holidays are a joyous time of year for many people. But for others the Holidays are not so joyous, due to loss: Loss of a loved one, loss of a job, loss of a relationship, receiving bad news from a doctor, just to name a few. While the holidays can be hard for some people to navigate through, we rest in God’s promise to always be with us, especially through these times.

We will be holding a “Blue Christmas Service” also known as the “Longest Night Service” on December 19th at 7pm broadcast on You Tube. This is a gentle contemplative service for those who are carrying pain or loss during this time of celebration. There will be a time for remembering our losses and our pain, confident that God’s light breaks into our darkness and is present with us, offering us peace. We will pray together and spend some time focusing on God’s promises from God’s Holy Word, knowing we are not alone. This will be a guitar led service.

From Matthew 11:28-30, Jesus says, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for you souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

If this Christmas season is hard for you, or someone you know, because of a pain or loss, join us for a “Blue Christmas Service.” This service is open to all.

Partners in sharing God’s grace,
Pastor Paul

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December 5th

FLC will be having a Q&A meeting to discuss Proposal to discuss the 2022 Budget.

Faith Lutheran Church is Holding a Special Meeting of the Congregation for Sunday, December 12th to:

1. Approve the 2022 Budget
2. Select the 3 remaining members of the Nominating Committee (only 2 of the 5 congregational members were chosen at the last annual meeting -- the remaining 3 were to be selected "later in the year")

Thank you SO much we look forward to you being here.

Sincerely,

Pastor Paul and the FLC council.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services:

Tuesday, December 24th

The service will be 4:00 And 7:00

We Need Kids for the December 19th service that would like to read a part of the Christmas story or provide their own special music please let the church office know Thank you in advance!

Every wed evening starting Dec. 1st

we will have a meal followed by Holden Evening prayer. all are welcome!

Food will be from 5:30-6:30.

Prayer followed starting at 6:30

Blue Christmas Service with those who mourn

Not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas holidays. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other dis-ease that puts a question mark over the future, and a number of other human situations make parties and joviality painful for many people in our congregations and communities.

There is a growing attentiveness to the needs of people who are blue at Christmas. Faith Lutheran Church will hold a "Blue Christmas Worship Service" on December 19th at 7:00 PM. I hope you are able to join us for worship.

Sincerely,

Pastor Paul M. Anderson

December and January, Worship Assistants are needed!!

Ushers, lectors, kids' talk, call to worship, assisting ministers Please sign up on the clipboard in the narthex or call the church office. Thank you!

FAMILY # 4

Family Needs: Currently homeless so extra food and fuel vouchers would be amazing.
Needs blankets (no Disney - prefer Christian theme), age appropriate bibles,

Grocery Store Preference: Super 1 - shop organic as mom is fighting cancer

FLC has Adopted a Family for Christmas. please help us bless this family! use the Chart to help know the specific needs that need met. THANK YOU!
 Please contact the church office with purchases so we don't end up with doubles.

Boy / Girl	Age	Shoe Size	Pant Size	Shirt / Dress	Needs	Favorite Color / Wants
Boy	9	6	16/18	16/18	Socks, underwear, PJs, New GI for Martial Arts	Likes Blue & Fluorescent Green Christian Books, Army stuff, nerf guns, Legos, Martial arts fighter, Haircut
Boy	4	12	5T/6T	5T/6T	Socks, 6T underwear, PJs	Likes Orange & Blue Christian Books, Army stuff, nerf guns, Legos, Martial arts fighter, Haircut
Girl	5	12/1	5T/6T	5T/6T	Socks, underwear, GI for Martial Arts	DVD ballet movies to practice and teach herself, Dance videos to teach herself and practice, sing along mic, Ballet/Gymnastic apparel

Thank You, to everyone who packed a Operation Christmas Child shoebox!! Thank you also to those who helped in other ways! we appreciate each of you! we sent 153 boxes!

January 14-16, 2022

\$115 / person (2 free adults per youth group) // Lift tickets not included

\$50 deposit / person & registration due by December 29th

Come for an awesome weekend filled with good food, fellowship, snow games, worship and FUN! Spend your days skiing or snowboarding at Whitefish Mountain Resort or Blacktail Mountain Resort with your youth group.

Saturday, February 13, 2021

2 – 4 pm at Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

550 Lutheran Camp Rd., Lakeside MT 59922

\$10/person

This event is great for ages 4 – 12, but all are welcome to the Tea Party!

Join us as we learn about God's love with good food, crafts, fun activities, and a special visit from a Princess guest!

Brawl of the Wild

Thanks so much for supporting the special offering for Lutheran Campus Ministry! Money collected will be will be evenly split between U of M and MSU Campus Ministries! **Way to go, Bobcat and Griz Fans!**

Griz \$409.00

Cats \$303.00



VBS is confirmed for the second week of July 2022.



Important Budget Meetings

Mark Your Calendar:

Sun. December 12th Congregational Meeting to approve budget.

December Birthdays



- 12/2 Mary Schmidt
- 12/4 Vicki Silvan
- 12/6 Heather Wintergerst
- 12/7 Sally Berland
Steve Shook
- 12/8 Bob McKee
- 12/9 Holly Mahon
- 12/12 Lila Farrenburg
- 12/14 Josie VanDenburg
- 12/17 Sandy Russ
- 12/18 Elaina Lewis
- 12/20 Cole Harden
- 12/21 John Carlson
- 12/22 Peggy Trexler
- 12/26 Sandy Drake
Kristina McCloskey
Grace Reichart
- 12/28 Emmert Harden

Dates To Remember

**Office closed from
December 27th, 2021 thru
January 2, 2022.
The office will reopen on
Monday, January 3, 2022.**

ADOPT A FAMILY 2021

**FLC NOMINATING
COMMITTEES**

COMMUNITY MEAL

The next Community Meal to be prepared and served by Faith Lutheran Church will be January 26, 2022. Please Feel to Contact Linda Beyer 406-207-3471

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