

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Sunday Worship 9 am
Sunday Church School 10:30 am



Faith's Blessings

February 2019

As we begin a new year, there are many opportunities for you here at Faith Lutheran.

We have committees that always need help! Worship, Social, Stewardship, Youth, Property and Mission Team. Worship is self-explanatory and if you would like to help plan our services or pick hymns, join us. Social is always busy with events that include a lot of eating and fellowship. They are also the group that handles our funeral meals. Youth is one of our current inactive groups. Do you have time to help our younger members get together for fun or service projects? Property Committee is responsible for seeing something that needs fixed and getting it taken care of. Would you like to help care for the up-keep of the property, join them. Mission Team is also currently inactive. The group has helped with Habitat for Humanity, Food clean up and traveled to FL. Are you good at finding a need and organizing, then the Mission Team needs you!

Then there is also WELCA, Altar Guild, choir, bells, Caring Workers, Community Dinner team members ... and probably some we are forgetting. Maybe you would like to volunteer to teach Sunday School once in a while. Sign up for altar flowers or communion bread, take communion to our shut-in members ... the possibilities are endless but, unfortunately, our volunteers seem to be less and less all the time.

Why not make 2019 the year you volunteer a few hours to help one of the many groups that help keep Faith Alive!

If you are interested, please talk with a current council member or any member of a committee to see what is involved and then make the choice to join one or several groups. You will see that the time involved is minimal and the end result can be major!

Thanks!



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February 2nd Offering

Our February 2nd offering which will be collected February 10, 2019 has been earmarked for the SAM Van.

This community outreach transports people to various medical facilities in the local area as well as to Pittsburgh, Altoona and other places where they may have an appointment.

The drivers are all volunteers and your donation will help defray the expenses of keeping this outreach "on the road."

They are always looking for volunteer drivers and if you would be interested, please call 445-6354.

Special Council Meeting

Council met Sunday, December 16, 2018 after service with 7 members present. Discussion was held regarding the water situation at the church. The system was looked over and it was determined that an acid filter should be added to the system to prevent further plumbing damage in the future. The price from Culligan was \$1100. Council felt that the cost of potential plumbing problems due to the acid was worth the investment. That price will also include a brine tank. Motion made, 2nd and carried to move forward with the purchase. Meeting adjourned.

Jane Pugh

During the month of January we lifted the following in prayer:

Ariyah Zuccolotto, Judy Dill,
Larry Rhoads

Continue to remember those who are in Harm's Way:

Sgt. Sean Blackburn, H.N., David Geary, Zachery Kimmel, Benjamin Meese, Jamie Miller, Maj. Scott Powell, Justin Pugh, Joshua Walker and Clair Weyant (our military) Loni Nist (State Trooper) and Dean Nist (a corrections officer.)

2019 Operation Christmas Child Wish List

- January** toothbrushes, combs, brushes
- February** band aids, travel size Kleenex, soap, washcloths
- March** small notepads, coloring books, activity pads
- April** small stuffed animals, harmonicas
- May** small balls, playing/learning cards
- June** jump ropes, yo-yo's, small toys
- July** colored pencils, markers
- August** pencils, erasers, sharpeners, pens, glue sticks, safety scissors
- September** crayons, socks (all sizes; dark colors)
- October** matchbox cars, costume jewelry
- November** cash donations to our "coin can"

**Council Minutes
Dec. 13, 2018**

Council met Dec. 13 with 7 members present along with Pr. Doug Knupp. Jane Pugh had opening devotions.

The minutes, Treasurer's Report and Pastor's Report were reviewed. Motions made, 2nd and approved for all.

Committee Reports

Finance reviewed tally sheet

Social

Worship

Education Youth Christmas Party Dec. 22 cancelled due to lack of children signing up

Property Discussion was held regarding the poor condition that the parsonage was left in when Mandricks left, what items will be taken care of before a new pastor could move into it.

An annual inspection of all church buildings is appropriate, to include the parsonage. Discussion held in regard to allowing Gene Hillegas to change out a few lights in the fellowship hall and to use those parts to repair other lights until we can do all of the lighting. Motion made, 2nd and approved.

Youth

Mission Team

Old Business

- Fundraising for new windows at the church parsonage-waiting to get some clarification on estimates and exact costs before proceeding
- Playground maintenance on hold until spring

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
2nd offering is for SAM VAN						1	2
3 Worship 9 am Coffee Break SCS 10:30 am	4 Committee Night 7 pm	5	6 Choir 7 pm	7	8	9	
10 Worship 9 am 2nd offering SCS 10:30 am	11 WELCA 7 pm	12	13 Choir 7 pm	14 Council 7 pm	15	16	
17 Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	18	19	20 Choir 7 pm	21	22	23	
24 Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	25	26	27 Choir 7 pm	28			

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
2018 TREASURER'S REPORT**

	<u>December</u>	2018 <u>Totals</u>	Previous <u>Year</u>
INCOME			
Current	19,085.91	110,370.70	20,761.00
Benevolence	1,746.00	11,868.15	2,140.00
Missionary Support	75.00	1,380.00	185.00
Building/Maint.	1,503.00	7,713.50	1,708.00
Misc. In/Out	<u>2,244.00</u>	<u>16,662.15</u>	<u>1,720.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	24,653.91	147,994.50	26,514.00
EXPENSES			
Total Ministries	13.80	4,194.52	9,550.00
<u>Operating</u>	2,018.80	12,663.42	18,000.00
<u>Payroll</u>			
Taxes	<u>311.60</u>	<u>1,735.31</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total Payroll	3,507.96	80,193.84	96,068.00
<u>Outreach</u>			
Benevolence	256.00	6,359.00	9,000.00
World Hunger	10.00	400.00	0.00
Missionary Support	0.00	1,235.00	2,000.00
2nd Offering	0.00	2,064.25	0.00
Other	25.00	10,331.28	2,850.00
Food Pantry	0.00	0.00	0.00
Chamber Dues	<u>147.00</u>	<u>147.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
Total Outreach	438.00	20,536.53	14,000.00
<u>Maintenance</u>	1,357.69	25,038.98	19,000.00
<u>Mem. Fund Purch.</u>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Misc. In/Out</u>	60.00	3,480.96	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>7,396.25</u>	<u>146,108.25</u>	<u>156,618.00</u>
ASSETS			
General Checking			\$17,333.37
Savings (Pastors Disc. Fund)			\$1,551.01
Somerset Trust CD (60 mo.)			\$5,430.83
Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund			\$13,009.86
FNB CD (9 mo. Flex)			\$3,083.60
Memorial Funds			\$12,199.03
Camp Scholarship CD			\$5,911.03
Funeral Meals			\$1,653.00
Mission Team			\$1,779.08

New Business

- New council members should be installed during worship January 6, 2019
- After discussion, motion made, 2nd and approved to send the Missionary Support money totaling \$255 to Rev. Viking & Marissa Dietrich since Fonnors retired.
- Second offerings were designated
- In regard to person/persons responsible for making sure lights are off, doors locked, and security system is armed after Sunday School; Jim Long, Carl Schrock and Tom Walker have this covered
- Discussion held on Employee Reviews
- Dave Pugh will be council person in charge for January and other months will be decided at the next council meeting when the newly elected council persons are there
- Call Committee Profile Report was reviewed. Motion made, 2nd and approved to submit to synod for approval.
- Agreed to check into Dept. of Corrections painting the parsonage interior but the windows should be done before the painting
- Discussion on mailing newsletters to some congregants that aren't there every week to keep them abreast of what is going on in the church and what is happening with the call
- Discussion on Narrative Lectionary vs Common Lectionary. Will wait on new pastor to discuss further. Discussion also on the bulletin set-up, listing job assignments to help council member in charge with obtaining persons for jobs for no-shows. Also discussion on removing the screen. It was also mentioned that Katey Hill offered her services until a new pastor is found, but lack of communion was a concern

Good of the Order/Adjournment

Next council meeting will be January 11, 2019. Patti Trent will have devotions. Motion made, 2nd and approved to adjourn.

Jane Pugh

We thank those who are willing to serve for the month of February:**February 3**

Altar Guild	Donna/Jackie R.	Reader	Audrey Walker
Assisting Minister	Brenda Maust		
Greeters	Gene & Elaine Hillegas		
Council Person	Patti Trent		

February 10

Altar Guild	Tomalee/Patti, Louise	Reader	Steve Will
Assisting Minister	Bill Hoffman		
Greeters	Steve & Dawn Will		

February 17

Altar Guild	Donna & Jackie	Reader	Katey Hill
Assisting Minister	Dave Pugh		
Greeters	Karen Schmidt & Katey Hill		

February 24

Altar Guild	Tomalee/Patti/Louse	Reader	David Pyle
Assisting Minister	Jane Pugh		
Greeters	David Pyle & Ken Will		

Please remember that if you cannot be here and have a "job", find a replacement!

2019 Second Offerings

January	Grayson Gumbert Family
February	SAM Van
March	In Touch Hospice
April	Community Dinners
May	Day Camp Expenses
June	Shriner's
July	Relay for Life
August	Christmas Coats
September	Berlin Food Pantry
October	Somerset Food Pantry
November	Operation Christmas Child
December	(reserved for a family in need at Christmas)

In the event of special worship services for Lent and Advent, the offering collected will also be designated to an outreach.