

# Faith's Blessings

Faith Lutheran Church

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March 2019



Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019 marks the beginning of the Lenten Season.

The Season of Lent is a time to prepare for the celebration of new life. New life that is received in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent is also the time for us to prepare our hearts and minds to hear the stories of Holy Week and Easter. As members of Faith Lutheran, our preparation begins with Ash Wednesday Worship at 7 pm.

Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said:

*"Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."*

And he went out and wept bitterly. Matthew 26:75

Sometimes it is very easy to forget what it means to be followers of Christ. Maybe every now and then we are not nice to friends, we don't always tell the whole truth and maybe we even hurt our friends or kids disobey their parents. These actions can cause some unhappy days and sad feelings. We say we know Jesus, but our behavior shows we are denying Jesus just like Peter. He was asked three times if he knew Jesus and each time Peter replied, "No." Even after all his denial, Jesus still loved Peter and he loves us too. We can mess up three times, five times, fifty times, even more, and God is always there, ready to forgive; we just have to ask. Do you need to forgive and show love to someone today?

Dear God, please forgive us when we mess up and show others that we have denied you. Help us to realize you are always there, ready and willing to forgive us and help us try again. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



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During the month of February, we lifted the following persons in prayer:

Brian Everett, Helen Weaver, Dawn Will,  
Mabel Revello, Rich Walker, Rodney Simmons

### Newsletter Articles

If you have information you or your committee would like to have in an upcoming newsletter, please submit the information to the office. We are always looking for things to include. Thank you for your help!



### Call Committee Update

The committee received a candidate profile two weeks ago. After the committee reviewed the profile, they came to the conclusion that it would not be a good fit. The search will continue ... stay tuned.

### March 2nd Offering

Our second offering for March has been designated for In Touch Hospice. The offering will be collected March 10.

Hospice House offers care, comfort and support for persons with terminal conditions as well as their families. The hospice team works to make the person comfortable and relieve symptoms and pain of their illness.

The staff of In Touch Hospice has over 100 combined years of experience for those who have been diagnosed with terminal illness and the people who love them.

Thank you for supporting this community outreach.

### 5th Sunday Offering

On March 31, we will collect our 5th Sunday offering that is designated for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

When a need arises either in the congregation or community, this allows us to help with that need. Thank you for donating!

### Pancake Supper

Mark your calendars and join us on Mar. 5 for our Pancake Supper in observance of Shrove Tuesday.

We will serve pancakes and sausage, drinks and of course dessert!

The freewill offering will be used to help with the cost of mailing our shoeboxes (\$9 each) for Operation Christmas Child.

A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

**SIGN UP  
NOW!**

## MARCH 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>2nd offering is for In Touch Hospice</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Worship 9 am Coffee Break SCS 10:30 am	<b>4</b> Committee Night 7 pm	<b>5</b> Pancake Supper 4 - 7 pm	<b>6 Ash Wed.</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Worship 7 pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Worship 9 am <b>2nd offering</b> SCS 10:30 am	<b>11</b> WELCA 7 pm	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 7 pm	<b>14</b> Council 7 pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 7 pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am  <b>31</b> Worship 9 am <b>5th Sun. offering</b> SCS 10:30 am	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 7 pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

## 2019 TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>January</u>	<u>2019 Totals</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
<u>INCOME</u>			
Current	5,423.00	5,423.00	6,561.00
Benevolence	1,510.00	1,510.00	2,140.00
Missionary Support	50.00	50.00	604.00
Building/Maint.	233.00	233.00	592.00
Misc. In/Out	<u>620.00</u>	<u>620.00</u>	<u>519.38</u>
TOTAL INCOME	7,836.00	7,836.00	8,426.38

			<u>2019 Proposal</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Total Ministries	46.96	46.96	7,650.00
<u>Operating</u>	552.31	552.31	15,000.00
<u>Payroll</u>			
Taxes	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Payroll	2,979.31	2,979.31	34,468.00
<u>Outreach</u>			
Benevolence	1,377.00	1,377.00	9,000.00
World Hunger	15.00	15.00	0.00
Missionary Support	330.00	330.00	2,000.00
2nd Offering	154.00	154.00	0.00
Other	100.00	100.00	2,850.00
Food Pantry	125.00	125.00	0.00
Chamber Dues	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
Total Outreach	2,101.00	2,101.00	14,000.00
<u>Maintenance</u>	0.00	0.00	19,000.00
<u>Mem. Fund Purch.</u>	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lighting			7,000.00
Windows			<u>11,000.00</u>
Misc. In/Out	<u>144.00</u>	<u>144.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,511.84	8,511.84	110,118.00

<u>ASSETS</u>	
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

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

**March 3**

Altar Guild	Dawn Will	Reader	Cindy Miller
Assisting Minister	Darren Walker		
Greeters	Dave & Cindy Miller		
Council Person	Steve Will		

**March 10**

Altar Guild	Sandy P. & Katey H.	Reader	Ryan Maust
Assisting Minister	Brenda Walker		
Greeters	Steve & Dawn Will		

**March 17**

Altar Guild	Dawn Will	Reader	Annalina Brant
Assisting Minister	Brenda Maust		
Greeters	Chris Brant Family		

**March 24**

Altar Guild	Sandy & Katey	Reader	Dave Pugh
Assisting Minister	Bill Hoffman		
Greeters	Dave & Jane Pugh		

**March 31**

Altar Guild	Dawn Will	Reader	Rich Walker
Assisting Minister	Dave Pugh		
Greeters	Tom & Brenda Walker		

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

## **Council Minutes January 2019**

Council met Jan. 10, 2019 with 8 members and Pr. Doug Knupp present. Patti Trent had opening devotions. Tomalee Will was installed at the meeting. The following were elected as officers: President, Steve Will; Vice-President, Carl Schrock; Treasurer, Christ Brant; Secretary, Jane Pugh.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report were reviewed, motions to accept and approved.

### **Committee Reports**

<b>Finance</b>	Tally sheet reviewed
<b>Social</b>	Movie night being planned. Community Dinners being planned, going to p possibly twice a month starting in April or May. Caring Workers will be doing the Spring Election meal/sale
<b>Worship</b>	Info. received from Bishop's Office that rostered leaders will not be Consecrating elements for future services, so when we have a Lay Leader, we will not have Communion
<b>Education</b>	no report
<b>Youth</b>	no report
<b>Property</b>	Carl Schrock agreed to head the property committee with additional help from Gene Hillegas, Jim Long and Tom Walker. The acid filter has been in stalled. Dave Pugh will get estimates for new paper towel dispensers for the 4 restrooms
<b>Mission</b>	Meeting Jan. 13 at Friedens. Will update at next meeting. Looking a two Different mission groups, one for local and one for traveling/abroad

### **Old Business**

- Parsonage windows; Dennis Zolla, rep. from Berlin Lumber, was at the meeting to give us more information and to show us a sample of their windows and what would be involved. The council decided to go with Berlin Lumber. His estimate was \$5180.37 (this does not include labor.) There will be a small change to the final figure as council chose to change the dining room window to a sliding door for about \$20 less and make another small change to the side window type in the living room for the picture window. Motion made to go with Berlin Lumber, 2nd and motion approved
- Church lighting project; Carl will let Gene Hillegas know council approved to change out a few lights in the fellowship hall and to use those parts to try and repair some of the other lights for now
- Steve has been in touch with Nathan Kelly at Dept. of Corrections in regard to painting the inside of the parsonage and they have added us to the schedule for possibly late February or March. Decided to go with one neutral color throughout. Jane will pick samples at Sherwin Williams

### **New Business**

- Motion made to add the scripture reading in print for Sunday mornings for those that want it, 2nd and approved
- Batteries need replaced in AED unit. Steve checking on this
- Decided to complete covenant form and send \$255 to the Dietrich's for mission. Will not commit to anything specific until we have a new minister
- UV light has already been changed, no action is needed from the postcard from Culligan

### **Good of the Order/Adjournment**

Next council meeting will be Feb. 14, 2019 and Tomalee will have opening devotions. Motion made to adjourn, closed with the Lord's Prayer

Jane Pugh, Council Secretary

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Sunday Worship 9 am

Sunday Church School 10:30 am

