



April 10, 2011

*To Follow Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,
Be Filled with His Love and
Share His Abundant Grace with our Communities.*

Welcome Visitors & Friends!

We are glad you are here and hope you have met God and some new friends. Stop by the Welcome Center for information about the ministries and opportunities for you here at Faith! Be sure to check out our website at www.faithpres.org.

Attendance Pads: Please sign and pass the attendance pads during Life of the Church. This information is important to indicate trends in attendance and inform us if there are visitors to our Faith Community, so we may welcome them.

Hearing devices are available to be borrowed for use during the service. A special system is set up in the sanctuary that amplifies the sound through the ear piece. You can even use it if you have a hearing aid – it fits right over it. You can pick one up at the Information Desk and return it after the service.

Usher Volunteers are Captain Bill Smetana; Dave and Jan Dale, Shirley Greenfield, Gene and Joyce Rowan; Gary Hemphill & Boyd Wasson, Co-Chairmen, Usher Scheduling.

Greeter Volunteers are Carol Hemphill, Kathy Melchert, John and Kay Parks.

Today at Faith

Worship time 10:00 am in the Sanctuary

Today! Education hour from 9:00-9:45. Sunday School, Confirmation and Java 'n Jesus today! 10:00 am Celebration Worship service. We encourage and welcome families to worship with their children. A nursery is available for children 5 years old and younger for those who need that option.

Today's Special Events:

- ◆ **Experience in Africa:** Join us for Royce and Lauren's talk about their trip to Africa in February. Atrium 9:00-9:45 am.
- ◆ **New Adult Class "The Me I Want to Be":** Room 114 9:00-9:45 am.
- ◆ **Session meets with Confirmands:** Faith Hall 9:00-9:45 am.
- ◆ **First Communion Class:** Library Meeting Room 9:00-9:45 am.
- ◆ **New Officer Ordination / Installation is today** during worship. We are thankful to these people for answering the call to serve as Deacons and Elders.
- ◆ **All Things New Community Event!** Come and invite friends and family for all or any part of the days activities.
 - 11:30 am Picnic at church (Please bring your favorite item, Family Ministry will provide hot dogs and burgers)
 - 12:30 pm Activities for children, service project for adults and students
 - 2:00 pm Egg hunt for children and Students
 - 2:30 pm Resurrection story for everyone.

Faith Prays

- **Eldon Hiebert** at Methodist Hospital
- **Tillie Dolejsi** at Beacon Hill Hospice Care
- **Bob Chase** recovering at home after surgery
- **Jane Hansen** at Summer Wood, Chanhassen
- **Sherry Neiberger** at McKenna Crossing
- **Maxine Rieman** at Chapel View
- **Dan Svoboda** at Golden Living Excelsior
- **Pastoral Hospitalizations or Visits:** Margaret, Church Office 952-935-4481 x 10
- **Prayer Requests:** Please fill out a prayer request card or contact Carol Shanholtzer at 952-545-4303 shanh@mac.com.

(Information for **Faith Prays** is current through Tuesday mornings at the time of publication.)

Remember in prayer those ill or recovering:
Dorothy Bren, Dan Olson, Daisy Peterson.

The safety and care of all who currently serve in the armed forces: Jackie Branscome*, Chris Beyl, Jodie Brueske, Joel Campbell, Adam Dowd, Brian Knutson, Nate Koenig, Mike MacDonald*, Amanda McGregor, David O'Keefe, Callea Pavelka, Ross Pavelka, Gary Slater, Gordon Sloan*, Joe Tourand, Stephen Varverakis, Christopher Wilmot, Nicholas Worthy, Tim Young.

**serving in Iraq, Afghanistan or Africa*

Events & Announcements

HELP REACH NEW RESIDENTS – MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK: Pick up one of the many small packets of envelopes at the welcome desk. Write addresses of new residents (provided with the packet). Return your packet of envelopes this week to the office or next Sunday to the Welcome Desk. Thank you! Don Draayer. The New Resident Outreach Committee will take it from there.

Order Easter Flowers NOW: Please drop off your **order for Easter flowers by April 18** in the weekly offering baskets or at the church office. Order forms are available at the Welcome Center or in your April FIA. Margaret Bauer.

Join the Easter Prayer Team: Are you willing to pray for the prayer requests we receive from people who attend Easter services on April 24 for 30 days following Easter? Sign ups are at the welcome center. Thanks!

500 Card Club: Interested in playing 500? Join us on the third Friday of the month from 7:00-10:00 pm. Evelyn Vraspir 952-988-7918.



Faith Community Theater is having auditions for **The Sound of Music** on April 11 & 12 at 7:00 pm. We need people of all ages. You need not prepare as the audition will involve singing one of the familiar songs from the score and reading from the script.

Second Halfers Alert! On **Wednesday, May 18**, we will travel to Osceola and board a train for a two hour ride, enjoying lunch while traveling high on the bluffs and viewing spring scenery. The cost per person is \$63. Sign-ups are underway. Questions? Call Annette Greer or Carolyn Larsen.

Men's Spring Golf League: Faith Church Men's Golf League meets Thursday evenings at Lakeview Golf in Mound. Tom Radermacher 952-215-0625 or Glen Baillie 952-935-2339.

M.E.A.P./Wingate educational grants for 2011, You may pick up an application from the office. Grants are available to high-school graduates, current college students or post-graduate students. Financial status is not a consideration. Applications must be received on or before May 1, 2011.

Adult Discipleship

Wednesday Nights from 7:00-8:00 pm

Let's Pray with Pastor Buck! Buck Day. Sanctuary 7:00 pm.

New Men's Bible Study: 1 Corinthians with Max Lucado Study Guide from 7:00-8:00 pm. Room 114.

Thursday Nights from 7:00-8:30 pm

"Gripped by the Greatness of God." It is not too late to join the new Women's Bible Study by author and teacher, James MacDonald. The study focuses on the character of God, using Scripture from the Book of Isaiah, which will draw you closer to God's heart. Barbara Tenney and Sue Larson. Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:30 pm in Faith Hall.

Sunday Mornings from 9:00-9:45 am

The Me I Want To Be, new Adult Study class will be offered from 9:00-9:45 am beginning Sunday, April 10 until May 15 (no class on Easter). Blake Meisenheimer. Room 114.

Ministry Needs & Opportunities

Community Days of Service Needs YOU! We need Captains for Projects on May 21-22 C.D.S. weekend. Buck Day.

Lenten Offering 2011: This year, the Lenten Offering will be split between the **Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Relief** with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Daystar graduate, William Eyika, to help fund his school, the **Dagoretti Corner Self Help Group of Nairobi Kenya**. Envelopes will be available on Palm & Easter Sundays.

Feed My Starving Children: Our next session is **Tuesday, April 12 at 6:00 pm**. For more details and to sign up, check out the clip board at the Information Desk. You can also find the link and "join code" on the Home page of the church website at www.faithpres.org for on-line registration.



Loaves & Fishes: We will be serving on Monday, April 25 at Holy Rosary in Minneapolis. Come help us feed those in need. The green signup board is in the Narthex. Jean Bloden.

Beyond Us Missions ~ Adult Mission Trip Dates Set! The **Beyond Us Team**, has scheduled two adult mission trips for this summer. We are partnering with Urban Homeworks for a local opportunity from July 19 – 22. The second opportunity is July 30 – August 6 in Paintsville, KY. Sign-up now to reserve your spot! Brochures with more information are also available in the Information Hallway.

Stephen Ministry is one on one, confidential, Christ-Centered care available for anyone who is going through a difficult time. Linda Elliott 952-938-4791 or Craig Gustafson 952-933-1844.



Family Ministries

SAVE THESE DATES:

- ◆ April 15-17 LH/Focus Spring Retreat
- ◆ April 17- Confirmation on Palm Sunday
- ◆ April 24- Pancake Breakfast on Easter Sunday

First Communion Classes to be Offered: Families of third graders and older are encouraged to join Pastor Buck and Joanna in our upcoming First Communion classes. A series of two classes are scheduled for **today, April 10, 9:00-9:45 am** and **Wednesday, April 13, 6:30-7:30 pm**. Parents and students together will explore the Biblical history of communion, why we celebrate it, what it means and actually take communion. Children are excused from Sunday school and AdQuest on those days. For more information and to reserve your spot, please contact Joanna Bachmann.

Confirmation Sunday April 17: Please join us as we celebrate the confirmation of this years students. We have spent the past months discussing what we believe, why we believe it and what we are going to do about it. Please join us for the reception afterwards and get to know our confirmation students better. This years students are: Maddie Lokensgard, Tom Klein, Eleanor Matson, Claire Olson, Sam Schultz, Ricky Slack, Amanda Fransdal, and Evan Bauch.



Easter Pancake Breakfast: Tickets on sale today!

Please join us for a time of community on Easter Sunday for our Pancake Breakfast. Breakfast will be served from 8:00-10:30 am. The cost is \$5 for students and seniors, \$7 for adults and \$20 for families. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit, tea, coffee, milk or juice. All proceeds go to supporting our students on the summer missions trip to Nashville.

Spring Plant Sale: Order forms now available at the Youth table in the Narthex. Orders due on Easter Sunday. Please support this youth fundraiser for the Summer Missions trip to Nashville. Pick up is Mother's Day, May 8.

Church Office

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Deadline for the bulletin is Monday at 5:00 pm. margaret@faithpres.org.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:00 pm, Friday 8:00-12:00 noon. Please note, there will be times during posted office hours that the office is not staffed. Please call ahead and make an appointment if you need assistance.

Per Capita 2011: \$30.46.

Aluminum Can Trailer: Remember to save your aluminum cans and deposit them in the blue recycling bins near the main entrance, Atrium or the Can Trailer in the parking lot (*aluminum only*).



		Faith Offering		
		Received	Budget	Over(Short)
Last Week	\$	19,534	\$ 19,945	\$ (411)
YTD 2011	\$	205,395	\$ 223,911	\$ (18,516)

Upcoming Events			
4/12	Feed My Starving Children	4/19	Deacons
4/15-17	LH/Focus Spring Retreat	4/20-22	Way of the Cross
4/17	Palm Sunday	4/21	Maundy Thursday
4/17	Confirmation Sunday	4/24	Easter
4/17	“454”	4/24	Pancake Breakfast
4/19	Hopkins Women’s Luncheon	4/25	Loaves & Fishes
		4/26	Session

<p>Sunday, April 10 Officer Installation Sunday 9:00 am Pavelka’s Trip to Africa Presentation 9:00 am Session Meets with Confirmands 9:00 am First Communion Class 9:00 am “The Me I want to Be” Study Class 9:00 am Childcare 9:00 am Sunday School 9:00 am Java n Jesus, Confirmation 10:00 am Celebration Worship 11:30 am All Things New Event</p> <p>Monday, April 11 ISLA 6:00 pm Foundations Meeting 6:30 pm AHG BOD Meeting 7:00 pm Sound of Music Auditions 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry</p> <p>Tuesday, April 12 ISLA</p>	<p>11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Feed My Starving Children 6:00 pm Personnel Committee 6:30 pm ISLA BOD Meeting 6:30 pm Renewal Group 7:00 pm Missions Leaders 7:00 pm Sound of Music Auditions</p> <p>Wednesday, April 13 ISLA 9:15 am PMO 9:30 am Prayer Fellowship 9:30 am Palette Club 6:30 pm First Communion Class 6:30 pm AQ. LH, Focus 7:00 pm Men’s Bible Study 7:00 pm Let’s Pray with Pastor Buck 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p> <p>Thursday, April 14 ISLA 9:30 am Ruth Circle 6:15 pm TOPS 6:30 pm ISLA Kindergarten Roundup</p>	<p>7:00 pm Women’s Bible Study 7:00 pm Praise & Worship</p> <p>Friday, April 15 ISLA 5:00 pm Youth leave for Retreat 6:00 pm Christian Singles Volleyball 7:00 pm 500 Card Club</p> <p>Saturday, April 16 9:00 am Session/ Consultant Meeting</p> <p>Sunday, April 17 Palm Sunday Confirmation Sunday 9:00 am “The Me I want to Be” Study Class 9:00 am Childcare 9:00 am Sunday School 9:00 am Java n Jesus 10:00 am Celebration Worship 11:00 am Confirmands Reception 4:54 pm “454” 5:00 pm Youth return from Retreat</p>
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