



December 26, 2010

*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 this month are Captain Boyd Wasson, Glenn and Shirley Baillie, John Parks, Leslee Day, Paul Tesarek.

Today at Faith

Worship time 10:00 am in the Sanctuary

Today! We encourage and welcome families to worship with their children, but a nursery is available for children 5 years old and younger for those who need that option.

NO Sunday School on December 26 and January 2. Sunday School resumes on January 9, 2011.

Pastor Buck is available for prayer after the service in the front of the sanctuary.

2010 Year-End Contributions: The church office will be open Tuesday through Thursday, December 28-30, to accept your last-minute donations. The office will be closed on Friday, December 31. **All 2010 contributions must be received in the church office by December 30, or postmarked no later than December 31. Contributions received after that date will be recorded as 2011 contributions.**

2011 Presbytery Per Capita is \$30.46.

Faith Prays



- **Tillie Dolejsi** recovering from pneumonia
- **Pastoral Hospitalizations or Visits:** Margaret, Church Office 952-935-4481 x 10
- **Prayer Requests:** Please fill out a blue 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: Linda Blakesley, Dorothy Bren, Brett Dale, Bob and Karilyn Miller, Sherry Neiberger, Francis Pavelka, Daisy Peterson, Betty Schroedermeier.

The safety and care of all who currently serve in the armed forces: Jackie Anderson*, 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

Second Halfers are starting 2011 with a theater event: *Jeeves in Bloom* at the Old Log Theater, Sunday, January 16 for lunch and the matinee performance, \$37.50 per person. Transportation on your own, possibly carpool from church. Additional information and signups in the Information Center. Reservations due January 2. Mardell Sluka.



Thank You to ALL the 30 plus Faith-filled volunteers, including LightHouse and Focus students and leaders, adult food preparers and servers and those who were hosts for Angel Tree Families last Sunday at Hospitality House! You were a blessing to children who have a father in prison, as well as being a blessing to the mothers of these Angel Tree children. As the Gospel message was presented, you modeled the love and compassion of Jesus Christ to each of these Angel Tree families. May you be blessed because of your generosity and kindness in serving. Barb Tenney.

“Getting Acquainted” Event: January 9, 11:30-1:00 pm in Room 114. A meal and great conversation. RSVP to Joyce at joyce@faithpres.org 952-935-4481, ext 24:



- Visit with the pastor, members & staff
- Make a new, or renew a friendship
- Q & A discussion
- Baked Potato/Salad Bar, Fresh Breads, Dessert
- Childcare Provided

Calling All God Chicks! Please join us for the Women's Retreat January 21-23 at Koinonia to enjoy a great speaker, messages and most importantly, a chance to worship, laugh and eat chocolate together. Reservations are available for the weekend or Saturday only. Sign up today (and through the beginning of January)! See more details in the January FIA.



Adult Discipleship

Wednesday Nights

Start January 5 at 7:00-8:00 pm

Let's Pray! We will gather every Wednesday to pray together; to pray for our church, our ministries, for each other. Pastor Buck will share a short devotional and then lead us as we pray. Each week will have a different focus and we will learn by doing, by praying. Come and join us, even if you are not comfortable praying in public, no verbal praying required.

Christian Ethics Men's Study: Men's Bible study from 7:00-8:00 pm. Room 114.

Sunday Mornings

Start January 9 at 9:00-9:45 am

How to Eat Your Bible: Has your Bible reading and study gone stale? Join us for new ways to read and enjoy our relationship with God. We will learn and practice a look and listen method to reading the Bible. This class is interactive and challenges us to listen to God in new ways. Buck Day. Cost \$10. Room 114.

Prodigal God: Take a fresh in-depth look at the parable of the *Prodigal Son*. This six week class encourages us to go beyond easy answers and how it impacts our lives. Bob Blakesley. Book cost \$10. Library Room.

Twisting the Truth - Learning to Discern in a Culture of Deception: Deceptions come at us each day and can twist our thinking in ways we would never expect. Come and learn the common ways God's truth gets twisted and has the poten-

tial to destroy relationships and cloud our decision making. Carol Shanholtzer. Book cost \$10. Room 120/121.

Thursday Nights, 7:00-8:30 pm

Ruth & Romans-- Trace James. Faith Hall.

Ministry Needs & Opportunities

Stephen Ministry invites you to our next continuing education program. Pastor Buck will speak: **“How to be with and talk to people who are dying”**. We will meet in the Youth Room on Monday, January 3 at 7:00 pm. This class is open to you, your neighbor, your friend...Please join us.

Feed My Starving Children: Our next session is January 11 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 easy on-line registration.

Men’s Ministry: Time is running out to meet our goal of supplying 75 Welcome Home bags to men returning from prison and starting a new life at Midwest Challenge. We have about 85% of the \$5,000 in bag donations needed. Please join us in attaining this goal for the sixth straight year by donating \$60 (or more) or components for the bags. Additional information can be found at the Men’s Ministry table. Donations by check for the bag project can be made to Faith Church Men’s Ministry.

Loaves & Fishes: We serve tomorrow at Holy Rosary Church in Minneapolis. So far, we have no one for clean up! Are you available? Please sign up on the green board in the Narthex. Thanks to all who help. Todd, Vince, Jean.



Family Ministries

Children’s Musical L.O.S.T. Production Meeting is on January 9 at 11:15 am in the Choir Room. Be a part of the children’s musical L.O.S.T. by attending this brief meeting and lending a hand where you can. We need ushers, tech people, help with props, set design and more. If you have an interest in helping out in any way, grab a friend and attend this meeting. You don’t even need to have kids in the musical to participate. See Joanna if you have any questions.

Confirmation at Faith: Sundays until April from 9:00-9:45 am in the Youth Center. denny@faithpres.org

family@faith/454 A youth group experience just for our 4-5 graders. 454 will meet 1/16, 2/20, 4/17 & 5/15 at 4:54 pm.

family@faith/AdQuest Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are welcome to join us for AdQuest on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm.

family@faith/Lighthouse Lighthouse is for students in 6-8 grade on Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 pm.

family@faith/Focus Focus is for Senior High students in 9-12 grade on Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 pm.

Java n Jesus! Sundays 9:00-9:45 am for students 6-12 grades in the Teen Lounge.

Church Office

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Deadline for the bulletin is Monday, December 20 at 8:00 am. margaret@faithpres.org. If an article is received after the deadline, it will appear in the next week’s bulletin.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:00 pm, Friday 8:00-12:00 noon.

Holiday Office Hours: The office will reopen on December 28 for Christmas. The office will be closed December 31 and reopen January 3 for New Year’s. Have a blessed holiday!

February 2011 Faith in Action Deadline is January 1, 2011 for any news. Email articles to Margaret. Thank you! margaret@faithpres.org



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*).



Sanctuary Flowers: Enhance the sanctuary on a Sunday with flowers for a special remembrance. Sign up on the calendar in the Information Hallway. Flowers will be ordered for you, cost \$40, or let Margaret know if you are bringing some from your garden. margaret@faithpres.org.

**Happy New Year from
all of us at Faith!**



Upcoming Events

12/27	Loaves & Fishes
1/2	Communion Sunday
1/5	Wednesday Night Program resumes
1/8	Men's Ministry Breakfast & Midwest Challenge
1/9	Sunday School Resumes Get Acquainted Lunch
1/11	Session
1/14	Senior Breakfast PNO
1/16	Barbary Coast at Worship 2 nd Halfers at Old Log "454"

Faith Offering or Year-end Gift

Historically, 20% of our budgeted contributions are received during the month of December.

Unfortunately, this December brought us two Sundays of severe snow storms, drastically affecting our attendance and contributions.

Please help us reach our current goal of \$35,000.00 to fulfill the 2010 budget year.

Anything you can do towards your offering or a year-end gift will be greatly appreciated and go a long way!

2011 Giving Envelopes: For those who requested 2011 giving envelopes on their pledge cards, they are now available at the welcome center. If you have a friend or family member who is unable to attend church regularly please feel free to deliver their box to them. Rhonda Amon.

<p>Sunday, December 26 10:00 am Childcare 10:00 am Celebration Worship</p> <p>Monday, December 27 Office closed Loaves & Fishes</p> <p>Tuesday, December 28 11:00 am Staff Meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday, December 29 9:30 am Prayer Fellowship 7:00 pm Christian Men's Study</p> <p>Thursday, December 30 6:15 pm TOPS</p> <p>Friday, December 31 New Year's Eve- office closed</p>	<p>Saturday, January 1, 2011 Happy New Year!</p> <p>Sunday, January 2 Communion Sunday 9:00 am Childcare 10:00 am Celebration Worship</p>
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