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A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

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Sunday January 27 is the **ANNUAL MEETING** of the congregation & **POTLUCK** following the service!! It's a yummy and short meeting regarding the happenings of the congregation. **Council is still looking for someone to take on a three-year council position... come on, do it!**



Rays of Sunshine – February 2019

Dear Ones,

I've had a few comments on this so here's a review of "how to reach pastor."

If you need to text me, use my cell phone **971-344-7537**.

If you want to call my landline:

If it's Saturday afternoon through Wednesday noon, call the church, the number rings in the parsonage as well, **541-998-2601**.

If it's Wednesday afternoon through Saturday morning, call my house in Portland, **503-591-9171**.

All three numbers have voice mail and I do check them. My cell is not on all the time, as I turn it off for visits and other appointments but it does go back on when I'm done.

And of course, I check this email every day, pastorstuart@frontier.com.

That said, it is time to say again that part of the difficulty of the **call process** is knowing that the committee is doing things and not blabbing about it to the rest of us. This is part of the process however, because it gives them the chance to sift and sort and consider without the rest of us breathing down their neck. The process of discerning is a deeply spiritual one as people prayerfully consider the direction for us to go and the best way to get there. Our best work is to let our desire to know go into the bigger, wiser hands of God and instead to take time to pray for the committee.

Maybe even a prayer like this:

Blessed God of Giving and grace, hold our call committee close to your heart today. Give them a calm spirit, clear eyes, and steady hands as they work to consider which way your church should go. Help us to rest in your hands of love because your giving knows no ending and your plans for us are good. Amen

Pastor Stuart Holland, Interim

Blog: www.sicutcervus.wordpress.com

Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am – Noon; Tuesday 10:30 am – Noon

Coming soon... the **Grandview University Choir** will be presenting a concert in our sanctuary on **Tuesday March 19 at 7:00 pm...** Save the date and spread the word! The choir was last here in 2011 on their concert tour of the West Coast.

We still have housing needs for the evening of March 19th. No need to provide meals. If you can house 2 or more people (beds can be shared if need be), please contact Jean Larkin at 541.514.9820 or Mizzholly@msn.com.

We will provide a dinner, concert reception, breakfast the following morning and sack lunches for the bus ride to their next destination. ***If you would like to assist with any of this, please contact Jean.***

FEBRUARY Service schedule*Thanks for giving of your time and talents this month...*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Lay Reader</i>	<i>Worship Asst</i>	<i>Altar Flowers</i>	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Custodians – Have church & hall cleaned by this date</i>
2/3	Nancy Clough	Scott Z			Judy, Lamae
2/10	Tom Fries	Cynthia M		Dorothy Senchina & Marie Lockett	Scott/Lori Zimmerman
2/17	Irene Lund	Scott Z	Judy Simpson	Judy Simpson	Scott/Lori
2/24	Cynthia Marrs	Cynthia M	Joe/Jean L	Joe/Jean Larkin	Nancy Clough, Sandy Garrett
3/3					Nancy, Sandy

February

Ushers: Tom & Teri Fries

Altar Guild: Jean & Joe Larkin thru 3/10

March

Ushers: Pete & Irene Lund

Altar Guild: Donna Lee thru 4/28

Looking for three pairs of ushers for the months of April, May and July. You see what the ushers do each Sunday, it's nothing more than what you see! You don't need to be a "couple" to serve and if you can't make a Sunday, get a replacement. Please let me know if you can serve a month. Jean

January 8, Council Meeting Minutes in Part:**TREASURER REPORT, December:**

Operating income \$9,245

Operating expense \$8,528

PASTOR'S REPORT:

--Call Comm Mtg, Jan 16

--Good response to Christmas Eve service & altar/pew decorations. Thanks to Dorothy, Joe and Judy for their excellent work to beautify the sanctuary.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee: Tom expressed concern over member's reluctance to serve on council. He will draft an invitation and send out. Will look into meeting at a time other than evening to attract candidates.

Budget/Audit committee: will meet after pizza lunch on the 15th. Nancy will have a proposed budget ready for council approval by the 16th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Improvements: Irene L. requested \$2,000 for sheetrock for upstairs area in parsonage, includes installation. Also requested was \$600 to install vertical blinds in choir and quilting rooms. Pete L. has offered to install them....**Thank You Pete!** M/S/P to approve funds for sheetrock and vertical blinds.

Discussed replacing parsonage garage door, which needs repairs to improve usage and safety. Pastor will contact Irene to check into costs to replace and install garage door.

--Next meeting will be Tuesday, February 5, 7 pm.



www.jcartsCouncil.com

3rd Sunday at 3:30

Free will donations accepted

Sunday February 17 at 3:30 pm

Faith Lutheran Church

Ensemble Aalto

Aage Nielsen, English horn & douçaine

Christopher Wicks, organ & piano

Dear Friends at Faith,

I am overwhelmed by the kind and thoughtful Christmas gift you gave me in December. Thanks to your generosity, my euphonium is undergoing an ultrasonic cleaning and polishing, and I have placed an order for some new music to use at Faith. The remainder of the gift will likely go toward maintenance of my piano and Allen organ.

I am very grateful for the expressions of friendship, support, encouragement, and patience that the Faith community has shown as I continue to play while dealing with ongoing health issues.



With sincere thanks,

Gail Goshert

Thank you **Irene Lund** for compiling all the reports for the Annual Meeting, and thanks to those who wrote them!

A beer & cheese pairing to benefit **Luther House Campus Ministry** at Oregon State will be Feb 24, 1:45-4:30pm, at Boulder Falls Center in Lebanon. Tickets are \$50 each or \$350 for a table of 8. Interested in table of 8? See Nancy Clough.

Lutheran World Relief (LWR)

Quilting Retreat is Thursday, Feb 7, 9 am to Saturday, Feb 9, 5 pm.

It's not quite a retreat as we do go home at night. Bring your lunch and prepare for 3 days of non-stop sewing.

**Do you want to sew? Bring your own machine or use one of our 3 machines.

**Do you want to press? We have a big board ironing board and an iron.

**Do you want to design a quilt? Bring your rotary cutter and other accessories and we will sew your design. We have cutting mats.

**Do you want to tie quilts? Bring thimble and scissors. We have crochet thread and raised tables.

**Do you dislike sewing, but like to bake? Bring snacks. ☺ Any leftovers will be put in the freezer for use at coffee hours.

If you just have a few hours, feel free to join us. Questions? Contact Nancy Clough



Shrove Tuesday Aebleskiver Supper



March 5 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Aebleskiver, Strawberry Jam, Applesauce, Ham & Sausage, Coffee, Tea & Milk

All you can eat, \$5.00 suggested donation

The money goes towards hosting the Grandview Choir on March 19th. So mark your calendars and be sure to come for a yummy supper and enjoyable evening visiting with friends!

This isn't open to the general public, but you can invite friends and family. Give Jean a heads up on number of people attending by March 3.

Looking ahead... we will have another garage sale in July. Start going through your STUFF and save appropriate, still useable items for the sale!

Who is your Neighbor? Everyone!
Collection boxes in the hall for your donations.

Toiletries...small toiletry items for Local Aid baskets.

Socks & glove donations for those on the streets... Turns out socks are a key factor in foot health and therefore general health. Socks need not be new – just clean and still have some wear.

Bunches of Lunches... sending home meals with students on non-school days who don't have enough to eat. Your donations of **oatmeal packets** and **fruit cups** is appreciated!! Don't want to do the shopping? You can donate money towards this effort and we'll shop for you! If giving by check, make it out to Faith Lutheran and indicate the money is for **Bunches of Lunches** so you'll receive tax benefits.

Join us on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm in the fellowship hall for **bible study led by Pastor Stuart**. We looked at the book of Ruth and are now on to Esther. You don't need to know anything! That's why we're meeting... to learn something new. New people always welcome.

**We are called to live out God's Word
as we teach and encourage others**

February 19, 10a-1p

Pizza Lunch for high school students
looking for folks to assist with set up, serving, clean up and financially. Want to help?
Contact Nancy Clough, naclough@yahoo.com
541.915.0151

In this *confused*
and *fragile* world,
strengthen our faith,
increase our love,
and let your *peace*
flow through us,
that we might be
an *ocean* of calm
in what has become
a *restless* sea.

--John Birch

FEBRUARY 2019

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
Jan 27 10:30a Worship 12:00p POTLUCK & Annual Meeting	Jan 28 7p Weight Watchers	Jan 29 6p Bible Study, hall	Jan 30 7:30a Men's Bible Study/Breakfast	Jan 31 9-12 LWR Quilters 1-4 Memory Makers	Feb 1 9am meet at church, carpool to quilt show, Linn Co fairgrounds	Feb 2 9-4 Lutheran World Relief (LWR) quilting
3 10:30a Worship	4 7p Weight Watchers <i>Dorothy Senchina BD</i>	5 NO Bible study 6p 1st Tuesday Potluck 7p Church Council, hall	6 7:30a Men's Bible Study/Breakfast 10a Call Comm Mtg	7 9-12 LWR Quilters 1-4 Memory Makers 9-5 LWR Quilting Retreat	8 9-5 LWR Quilting Retreat 7p Game Night at the Larkin Home	9 8-10a FREE Breakfast at JCUMC 9-5 LWR Quilting Retreat
10 10:30a Worship <i>Mary Harada BD</i>	11 12p DLA lunch & meeting, hall 7p Weight Watchers	12 6p Bible Study, hall	13 7:30a Men's Bible Study/Breakfast	14 9:30a Hens & Chicks <i>Bill Mirabella BD</i>	15	16 9a Stashbusters, quilt group
17 10:30a Worship 3:30p JC Arts concert at Faith Lutheran <i>Tom Fries BD</i>	18 Presidents' Day 7p Weight Watchers	19 10-1 JCHS Pizza Lunch 6p Bible Study, hall	20 7:30a Men's Bible Study/Breakfast <i>Mary Gregersen BD</i>	21 9-12 LWR Quilters 1-4 Memory Makers 3p March newsletter items due to Jean	22	23 8-10a FREE Breakfast at JCUMC <i>Vic Nielsen BD</i>
24 10:30a Worship	25 7p Weight Watchers	26 6p Bible Study, hall	27 7:30a Men's Bible Study/Breakfast <i>Lois Gregersen BD</i>	28 9:30a Hens & Chicks	March 1	March 2 9-4 Lutheran World Relief (LWR) quilting

SUNDAY Readings

4 Epiphany	Feb 3	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30
5 Epiphany	Feb 10	Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]	Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
6 Epiphany	Feb 17	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
7 Epiphany	Feb 24	Genesis 45:3-11, 15	Psalm 37:1-11,39-40	1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50	Luke 6:27-38

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MARCH news/announcements/prayer updates due to Jean by 3 pm Thursday FEBRUARY 21.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

As members of Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) we affirm that Christ has made us one body with many members, all sharing in God's grace and unconditional love. We celebrate both the diversity and inclusive unity of all people as created by God. Following Jesus' example we embrace all people regardless of ethnicity, physical and mental abilities, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic circumstance.

With welcoming hearts we invite you into full participation in the life and ministry of our congregation.

Faith is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation. For more information, <http://www.reconcilingworks.org/about/>



ReconcilingWorks: Lutherans for Full Participation

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Thank you for helping ReconcilingWorks celebrate our RIC Ministry Settings! As we welcome the 86 newest faith communities, we thank all of those who continue to support this ministry. The holy work of welcome, inclusion, and celebration of LGBTQIA+ people keeps us all busy, so let's make sure and take a moment to CELEBRATE our collective work, knowing together you and the other RIC partners are changing the life the church! [Click here](#) to view a salute to the latest RIC ministry sites!

As a community we gather in Christ's love to support one another in prayer:

Family & Friends of these recently deceased loved ones: Milton Lee, Frank Fries, Jane McInnis, Sheila Rediger, Homer Clough, Brian Morton, Shirley (Dorothy S's mother-in-law)

Newer requests: Sharon Reaves (congestive heart failure, Clough's), Tina, Darla Knudsen (chemo), Larry Dugan, Karen Jones Hansey Victims of natural disasters, poverty, famines and war

Allan Close	Billy Vendetti	Bobbi & Lamar Nelson	Bobbie Gates	Celest
Clint Gillette	Darlene	David Heggestad	Denise Miller	Doris Geiger
Efrem/Dale/Amy/Jaden Zimmerman		Gary Garrett	Glenn Robinson	Jim Norlie, Pastor
Linda McClellan	Linde Wicklund	Linnis Jones	Mara Taylor	Marie Lockett
Marilyn/Dale Huth	Nerissa Townsend	Norine	Oluf	Quintin Nelson
Ruth Buckley	Shari Pierce	Steve Christiansen	Tracey	All Military & their Families

Please review the list for those who can be removed from community prayer.