



FOCUS ON FAITH WEEKLY

✦ FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ✦ GREENFIELD INDIANA ✦

This Week at Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday Aug. 13	Monday Aug. 14	Tuesday Aug. 15	Wednesday Aug. 16	Thursday Aug. 17	Friday Aug. 18	Saturday Aug. 19
<i>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i> 9:15 am Devine Service 11:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	Pastor's Family Day		8th Grade Jr. Catechesis 7:30	Council 6:30 pm		Men's Bible Study 8—9:15 am

Weekly Divine Service: Sunday 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study: Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Private Confession and Holy Absolution with Pastor is available by appointment

Pastor Wm. Daniel O'Connor email: pastorwdo@faithgreenfield.org

Administrative Assistant e-mail: secretary@faithgreenfield.org Focus on Faith Deadline: 9 am Thursday

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Part-Time Art Teacher Needed

Lutheran High School still seeks an **art teacher** to serve in a part time position. Individuals with Indiana licensure to teach secondary art should contact Michael Brandt (Head of School) at mbrandt@lhsi.org or Beverly McIntosh (Administrative Assistant) at bmcintosh@lhsi.org for a complete position description.

CARDS TO SHUT INS

This week we especially pray for:
 Mrs. Marilyn Kroeger
 Springhurst Legacy
 Room 604
 Greenfield, IN 46140

FROM LUTHER

“Outwardly He deals with us through the oral Word of the Gospel and through material signs, that is, Baptism and the Sacrament of the Altar. Inwardly He deals with us through the Holy Spirit, faith, and other gifts. But whatever their measure or order the outward factors should and must precede. The inward experience follows and is effected by the outward. God has determined to give the inward to no one except through the outward. For He wants to give no one the Spirit or faith outside of the outward Word and sign instituted by Him, ... the ultimate goal of the devil is to do away with the entire Sacrament and all outward ordinances of God. Then as these prophets teach, all that would count would be for the heart to stare inwardly at the spirit.” (from *Against the Heavenly Prophets*, written in 1525; see AE – vol. 40, p. 146, 191)

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

St. Mary, Mother of Our Lord (August 15) – St. Mary, the mother of Jesus, is mentioned repeatedly in the Gospels and in the book of Acts, with nearly a dozen specific incidents in her life being recorded. In fact, Scripture describes her as having been present at most of the important events in Jesus' life. She is especially remembered and honored for her unconditional obedience to the will of God ("Let it be to me according to Your Word" – Luke 1:38), for her loyalty to her Son even when she did not understand Him ("Do whatever He tells you" – John 2:1-11), and above all, for the highest honor that heaven bestowed on her of being the mother of our Lord ("Blessed are you among women" – Luke 1:42). According to tradition, Mary went with the apostle John to Ephesus, where she died.

Collect: Almighty God, You chose the Virgin Mary to be the mother of Your only Son. Grant that we, who are redeemed by His blood, may share with her in the glory of Your eternal Kingdom.

Isaac (August 16) – Isaac, the long promised and awaited son of Abraham and Sarah, was born when his father was 100 and his mother 91. The announcement of his birth brought both joy and laughter to his aged parents (so the name "Isaac," which means "laughter"). As a young man, Isaac accompanied his father to Mount Moriah, where Abraham, in obedience to God's command, prepared to sacrifice him as a burnt offering. But God intervened, sparing Isaac's life and providing a ram as a substitute offering (Gen. 22:1-14), thus pointing to the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ for the sins of the world. Isaac was given in marriage to Rebekah (Genesis 24:15), and they had twin sons: Esau and Jacob (Genesis 25:19-26). In his old age Isaac, blind and feeble, wanted to give his blessing and chief inheritance to his eldest – and favorite – son: Esau, but through deception Rebekah enabled Jacob to receive them instead, resulting in years of family enmity. Isaac died at the age of 180 and was buried by his sons, who by then had become reconciled, in the family burial cave of Machpelah (Genesis 35:28-29).

Collect: Almighty God, heavenly Father, through the patriarch Isaac You preserved the Seed of the Messiah and brought forth the new creation. Continue to preserve Your Church as the Israel of God, as she manifests the glory of Your holy Name by continuing to worship your Son.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS, CONT.

Johann Gerhard, Theologian (August 17) – Johann Gerhard (1582-1637) was a great Lutheran theologian in the tradition of Martin Luther (1483-1546) and Martin Chemnitz (1522-86); he was the most influential of the 17th-century dogmaticians. His monumental *Loci Theologici* (23 large volumes) is still considered by many to be a definitive statement of Lutheran orthodoxy. Gerhard was born in Quedlinburg, Germany. At the age of 15 he was stricken with a life-threatening illness, and this experience, along with guidance from his pastor: Johann Arndt, marked a turning point in his life as he devoted the rest of his life to theology. He became a professor at the University of Jena, and served many years as the Superintendent of Heldberg. Gerhard was a man of deep evangelical piety and love for Jesus. He wrote numerous books on exegesis, theology, devotional literature, history, and polemics. His sermons continue to be widely published and read.

Collect: Almighty God, You give the gift of teachers to Your Church. We praise You for the gifts of grace manifested in Your servant Johann Gerhard, and we pray that Your Church may never be destitute of such gifts.

Bernard of Clairvaux, Hymnwriter and Theologian (August 19) – A leader in Christian Europe in the first half of the 12th century A.D., Bernard is honored in his native France and around the world. Born into a noble family in Burgundy in 1090, Bernard left the affluence of his heritage and entered the monastery of Citeaux at the age of 22. After two years he was sent to start a new monastic house at Clairvaux, and his work there was blessed in many ways. The monastery at Clairvaux grew in mission and service, eventually establishing some 68 daughter houses. Bernard is remembered not only for his charity and political abilities, but especially for his preaching and hymn composition. The hymn texts "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful" and "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" are part of the heritage of the faith left by Saint Bernard.

Collect: O God, enkindled with the fire of Your love, Your servant Bernard of Clairvaux became a burning and shining light in Your Church. By Your mercy, grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and may ever walk in Your presence as children of light.

NEW DIRECTORY

We are looking for volunteers to help with getting an updated Church Directory put together. Our goal is to put together a directory that can be easily updated. Volunteers are needed for: Calling members to verify contact information & Taking pictures.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Amanda Houser at 615-788-0007 or adhouser@gmail.com.

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE SUNDAY
AUGUST 20, 2017

Organist..... Elise Temme
 Crucifer Bailey Shanton
 Acolyte..... Garrett Hollis, Ethan Hollis
 Communion Assistants .. Jeff Dickmader, Tom Fitzwater
 Elder on Duty..... Shawn Houser
 Greeters.....Bob and Lori Yeager
 Ushers Jim Arthur, Steve Coon, Nate Gaff
 Youth Assistant.....Jadon Yeager
 Altar Guild..... Tammy Shultz, Beverly Wilson
 Sound..... Ken Peterson
 Refreshments The Yeager Families

RECEIVING IN FAITH :
AUGUST 6, 2017

Divine Service 119

RESPONDING IN FAITH:
AUGUST 6, 2017

General Fund35,984.00
 Adult Sunday School 11.00
 Building Fund.....85.00
 Loose Cash82.90
 Preschool300.00
 FFC Rental.....25.00
 Parking Lot Pavement 100.00

Total\$6,587.90

ADULT STUDIES IN GOD'S WORD

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This class meets every Sunday morning in the fellowship area of the church, immediately following our time of fellowship after the Divine Service. This week we continue a study comparing the beliefs of different Christian denominations. Come join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This class meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30 in the fellowship area of the church, with refreshments served 15 min. beforehand. Note: We are currently on break for the Summer, but we will resume meeting after labor Day. We just finished studying Matthew. If you think of a topic you want to study next, please let Pastor know.

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY— This lay led study meets every Saturday at 8:00 am.

KFUO LUTHERAN RADIO

For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of August 6. Find the full listing at kfuo.org/church-bulletin.

Listen to Worldwide KFUO.org, your radio station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, daily worship opportunities, and current issues from a Lutheran worldview. Programs are archived at KFUO.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts! Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

This week on KFUO.org, we talk about the solar eclipse and natural phenomenon in God's creation (*Faith & Family*), continue in 1 Corinthians for our daily Lectionary study on Sharper Iron (8am CT), and study the propers and lectionary for the upcoming 11th Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 11 on Thy Strong Word (8/16 @ 11am CT). Listen on-demand at kfuo.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

Call 800-730-2727 or email letstalk@kfuo.org to join the conversation on "Let's Talk!"

HANCOCK HEALTH CONGREGATIONAL NETWORK

Faith Lutheran is now a member of the Hancock Health Congregational Network. Nicole Roland & Lori Yeager will be the liasons for our congregation. This program is to help build relationships between the Hancock Health system & local churches. The goal is to increase awareness, connectivity, resources, & supports for preventative care.

If you sign up for this program, it will be recorded in your electronic file at Hancock Health.

If you would be admitted to Hancock Regional Hospital & you are a member of this program, a navigator from HRH will visit you to see if you want Pastor informed of your admission. The navigator will also see what other needs you will have once you are discharged (ex: transportation to Dr. appointments, meals, grocery shopping etc.)

Next the navigator will contact the liasons at Faith & liason will contact Pastor & help organize other needs also.

If you do not wish for anyone to be contacted at that time, it is your right to tell the navigator. They will only contact liason with your permission. If the liason is contacted, we will only contact Pastor, your name will not automatically go on prayer chain. Due to confidentiality laws, we cannot place your name on prayer chain.

Hancock Health also provides several classes & healthy promotions. Look for flyers posted soon about these events!!

Please let Lori or Nicole know if you have any questions or if you would like to sign up!!! Thanks!!

LOVE INC

Love Inc (in the name of Christ) is asking for volunteers from the church's congregation. We need 5 volunteers to answer the phone and listen to the individual stories of the callers to our Clearinghouse. This role is a specific calling so please pray and ask the Lord if HE is calling you to serve Him through Love In The Name of Christ in this way. Help is needed Monday-Friday, 9:00-1:00 p.m. If you can spare 1 day a week or 1 day every other week we can use you! However God calls you to serve is much appreciated! For more details, please call Michelle at: 317-468-6800.



Love INC will host their first 5K at the Greenfield Courthouse Plaza on September 9, 2017 from 9 a.m. till 12 p.m. More information about registration and race route can be found their website at:

loveinc-ghc.org

See information on bulletin boards

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Lindsay Yeager..... 8/13

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Ken Sedam8/13

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

James & Diane Froiland (37 yrs.).....8/15

CHURCH LEADERS

Council:

- Jeff Dickmader (Chairman)
- Brian Atkins (Vice-Chairman)
- Amanda Houser (Recording Secretary)
- Robert M. Yeager (Treasurer)
- Phyllis Arthur (Parochial Ed. Chair)
- Tom Fitzwater (Evangelism Chair)
- Mike Schildmier (Properties Chair)
- Rebecca Shanton (Parish Ed. Chair)
- Bob G. Yeager (Stewardship Chair)
- Tim Wagner (Elders Chair)

Elders:

- Tim Wagner (Chair)
- James Froiland
- Shawn Houser
- Mark Jenkins (Recording Secretary)
- Ken Peterson
- Matthew Surburg

IN OUR PRAYERS

Note: Prayer requests will be listed for four weeks, unless longer is requested.

- Noel Gaff(Nate's brother)
Sickness
- Terry Cook (Debbie Cook's husband)
Diagnosed with lung cancer
- Jeff Brunnemer (Richard Thompson's friend)
Cancer free
- Jim Baker
Thanksgiving for healing
- Bill Gentry
Blindness
- Settergren, Locker, and Stanley families
Fatal Accident
- Donna Kuppler
Homebound
- Marilyn Kroeger
Nursing home bound
- Marjorie Lung
Nursing home bound
- Betty Mattsey
Homebound
- Don Pfaff
Homebound
- Peggy Price
Homebound (in Ft. Wayne)
- Marilyn Rothkopf
Nursing home bound
- Ellie Trautmann
Nursing home bound
- Emily Rogers (LWML National Board)

Serving our Country

- Rob Wolfla Rich Thompson Nick Arthur
- James McConnell Noah Heiwig
- Will Harlow (friend of Pastor's)

Please Contact Lori (317) 431-9514, and email address is loriyeager@comcast.net. You may also call or email the office to have it forwarded

Please inform the office if a prayer, baptismal birthday, anniversary or birthday was missed or incorrect this week. Thank you.