

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
50 LEVERSEE ROAD
TROY, NEW YORK 12182



Following Faith

May 2019



*For those who have fallen
and for those who have stood to fight
May God bless and keep you safe
throughout each day and night*

Happy Memorial Day

A Mother's Day Prayer

Happy Mother's Day
In the name of
JESUS CHRIST,
we lift up all
MOTHERS today.



We thank them for their
sacrifices so that we can
have a life of contentment.
Grant them favour, Lord
and may they have a
wonderful place in existence
in Your heart of **GRACE**.



THE SEASON OF EASTER

“Why do you look for the living among the dead?”

Luke 24:5

These are the words that the women heard from the messenger angels when they entered the tomb on that first Easter morning. They expected to find the dead body of Jesus to anoint with oils, but instead he was not there. He had told them he would rise again, but it seemed unbelievable. Yet, true to his promise, Jesus had risen. The women went and told the other disciples this amazing miracle. At first, they were not believed until the other disciples saw it for themselves.

What about us? Are we still looking for Jesus among the dead, or do we live our lives in the truth of the resurrection? Christians are Easter people. The telling of this story continues through us. It began with the women telling the story to the other disciples. This retelling by His disciples continues through time until the present day. We don't just tell this story through words only, but through the lives that we live. By living lives of hope, and joy, and love we proclaim Jesus crucified and risen. The way we treat each other, the way we have confidence and hope in the face of challenges, shows others that God can bring life out of death.

Easter is such a special time – the celebration of our Lord's resurrection, without which there would be no Christianity – that it continues not just for the joyful week following Easter, but also for the 50 days including Easter until the Monday following Pentecost on Sunday, June 9. Let's act on the words from the angels; let's start looking for the risen Christ here among us. Let's open our hearts to be aware of his presence and remember that we may encounter him in the least likely places. The world is in need of hope and joy. Share the light of Christ. Spread the joy of Easter.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Adapted from a message from
Rev. Edwina Laundry
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

**Faith Lutheran Church
50 Leverage Road
Troy, New York 12182
(518) 237-4641**

www.faithlutherantroy.com

**Sunday morning worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School: during worship**

Church Council Officers:

**Fred Howard (President)
Doug Adamek (Vice President)
Barbara Boord (Treasurer)
Evelyn Jarosz (Secretary)**

Council Members

**Doug Adamek (Education)
Mitch Cieminski
Rob Hayward (Office Administration)
Linda Hulihan
Evelyn Jarosz
Mike Moroskey (Property)
Sharon Morris (In Reach/Out Reach)
Diana Rieker (Missions),
(Stewardship)
Ben Wagar (Property)**

APRIL in REVIEW

This past month – part of the Lenten Season and the beginning of the Season of Easter - has been a wonderful time for our Faith Community. On Palm Sunday we witnessed the baptism of the Cordes Twins with family from far and wide present to witness and celebrate with us. On Maundy Thursday five of our young members participated in First Communion. After the service, the parents sponsored a reception to honor the new communicants. On Easter Sunday, we celebrated with a lovely brunch before service and an extended coffee hour after service. The Kids Council organized a drive to provide piglets through the ELCA to people in need around the world. These piglets grow up to seed stock for families to raise

other piglets for food, meat to sell, and animal impact to improve their fields. We are so thankful for the efforts of all who worked so hard to make all this possible.

Fred Howard
President



OUR FAITH at WORK

The featured mission for the month of May will be in support of the work of Unity House.

Unity House is a nonprofit organization that provides a wide range of services to meet the otherwise unmet needs of people in our community. Unity House assists those who are living in poverty, adults living with mental illness or HIV/AIDS, victims of domestic violence, and children with developmental delays.

Your continued support of the “Pull Tab” and “Box Top” missions is most appreciated. Both missions are receiving donations from the congregation each week. You will find the collection containers on the table in the Narthex.

The Bread of Life Food pantry is asking for the following items this month: Fruit juice (low sugar), canned fruit (in own juice), stew, hash or chili (canned), canned vegetables, baked beans (like Bush’s), snacks and baking mixes, sugar and cooking oil, tuna fish (in water), mayo, mustard and ketchup. The following non-food items are always needed: laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, toothbrushes (adult), toothpaste, soap, shampoo and deodorant.

Diana Rieker, Missions



Spring has sprung – or has it? Either way, a few updates for this “spring” newsletter. The “piggy banks” were due on Easter Sunday, but we are still collecting. If you haven’t turned your bank in yet, you can give to a Sunday School student the next time you see them, or place on the table under the bulletin board at the back of the church. Our next project is to count up all the money we raised, we will keep you posted.

We would also like to congratulate the students that made their First Communion on Maunday

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

Prayers and Condolences to Doug Ademak and family on the passing of Doug’s Mother. Also, to Michael Moroskey and his wife on the loss of his Brother in Law.

Prayers are needed for Peter Edelman as he continues his Cancer treatment and Janet Erickson who recently had Heart Surgery.

Marty Hempel has been moved to the Eddy Nursing and Rehab facility in Cohoes under Hospice Care. Anyone who would like to visit, call or send card her address is: Mrs. Marty Hempel
Village Green
8 Pasinella Way
Bldg 8 – Room 6
Cohoes, NY 12047

Phone: 518-238-4068 House or 518-258-8479 Cell

Continued Prayers are requested for Tom Martin (John Martin’s Brother) who has Leukemia, John Hostettler as he continues his recovery and Pr. Jennifer Wegter-McNelly who continues her courageous battle with Cancer. Larry Boord who continues his Long journey back to health, and Paul Molesky who continues his health progress.

Prayers of encouragement for success of the joint Call Committee of Faith and Evangelical during their diligent search for a permanent Pastor.

Thursday this year. Timothy Martin, Devan Bull, Marlene Cerrone, Cole Franklin and Luke Buckley. It was a lovely service with a short reception afterward. Thank you to all who helped out organizing this special day, especially Pastor Rahal, Fred Howard, Donna VanZandt, Dana Cerrone and Heather Bull.

Let's hope God brings us a lot of May flowers.
 Sara Martin
 Education Director

MAY SCHEDULE AND COVERAGE

We look forward to seeing beloved, familiar faces in the Pulpit

- May 5 Rev. Jim Hulihan**
- May 12 Rev. Andrew Nelson**
- May 19 Rev. Andrew Nelson**
- May 26**

SERVING FAITH in MAY

May 5th	Altar	Donna St. John and LouAnn Behrens
	Lay Assistant Ushers	Carol Karpien Pat Brundige and Katie Bonnier
	Counters	Diane and Rich Anderson
	Coffee Hour	Sara and John Martin
MOTHER'S DAY		
May 12th	Altar	Sharon Morris and Donna Gibson
	Lay Assistant Ushers	Fred Howard B. Morgan, B. Speanburg and B. Stevens
	Counters	Evelyn and Bill Jarosz
	Coffee Hour	Dinner Club

May 19th	Altar	Sharon Morris and Donna Gibson
	Lay Assistant Ushers	Errol Bull Diana Rieker and Jim Peters
	Counters	LouAnn Behrens and Janet Walsh
	Coffee Hour	Doug and Kathy Adamek
May 26th	Altar	Karen Cordes and Evelyn Jarosz
	Lay Assistant Ushers	Donna Gibson Carol Perrott and Ron Turcotte
	Counters	Polly and Bob Hayward
	Coffee Hour	Heather and Errol Bull

If you are unable to serve on your assigned Sunday, please arrange to trade dates with another assistant. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

*Worship Chairperson,
 Roberta Hayward, Altar Guild
 Coffee Hour*



FLOWERS for MAY

- MAY 5TH In Memory of Shirley Webster Given by Larry and Barb Boord**
- MAY 12TH In Memory of Bob Gibson Given by Donna Gibson**
- MAY 19TH In Honor of Timothy Martin's Baptism Given by the Martins**
- MAY 26TH In Memory of William Boord Given by Larry and Barb Boord**

PENTECOST

As we have done in the past, flowering plants will be purchased with some placed on the Altar for Pentecost Sunday, June 9th. Shortly after the service, the flowers will be planted outside to enhance the beauty of our Church grounds. If you would like to contribute to this program, please see Donna Van Zandt or leave any monetary donations on the organ.

CHOIR

To all congregants who enjoy singing to the Lord. Faiths' Choir is about to begin again. If you would like to join the choir this year, we would love to have you! Rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m.



JOINT PRAYER GROUP

Faith Lutheran and Evangelical Lutheran have a Joint Prayer Group that has been active since June 2016. There are approximately 12 of us that pray on a regular basis for our churches, for a new Pastor and for healing for our members and others in need of prayer.

Most of our group pray at home although several of us have been meeting on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm.

Please contact Michele Howard for further information. (518-753-4288)

BOTTLE CAP COLLECTION

Please post in the Faith newsletter that I am now collecting plastic bottle caps (water bottles, soda bottles, laundry detergent) and the pill bottles. I am donating these to Harmony Hills school in Cohoes.

Thank you,
Kathy Adamek

VISION MISSION TO HONDURAS

The First Presbyterian Church of Chili (near Rochester) will be missioning to rural Honduras mid-March 2019. The issue at hand in the community is lack of vision care with reports of children dropping out of school because they cannot read the board nor their books. Their needs are listed as: a mobile Autorefractor and Phoropter, lenses, glasses, eye patches and lensometer.

If anyone would like to donate any of these items, there will be a box stationed in the Narthex.

NEWSLETTER COORDINATOR

Barbara Boord is coordinating the Newsletter efforts. Hard copies of the Newsletter will be available at church for pick up when you are present.

You may go to the church web site at:

www.faithlutheranchurchtroy.com any time and view the newsletter.

We will email you a copy if you send your email address directly to Barbara at:

barbboord@hotmail.com.

At your request, we will be happy to send you a copy via the USPS.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter item deadline for the June newsletter is Monday: May 21st. Please email your articles to: barbboord@hotmail.com.





MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
				Home Bureau 2:00 to 4:00 PM		
				Choir 7:00 PM		
5 Rev. Jim Hulihan Council 9:00 AM	6 CREATIVE THREADS 10:30 AM	7	8 Speigle Elders 10:30AM-2:30PM	9 Choir 7:00 PM	10	11 DINNER CLUB 6:30 PM
12 Rev. Andrew Nelson Mother's Day	13 CREATIVE THREADS 10:30 AM	14	15	16 Home Bureau 2:00 to 4:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM	17	18
19 Rev. Andrew Nelson	20 NEWSLETTER Articles Due CREATIVE THREADS 10:30 AM	21 WELCA 10:00 AM	22 Speigle Elders 10:30AM-2:30PM	23 Choir 7:00 PM	24	25
26	27 CREATIVE THREADS 10:30 AM MEMORIAL DAY	28	29	30 Choir 7:00 PM	31	

