FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH 50 LEVERSEE ROAD TROY, NEW YORK 12182



# Following Faith

April 2018

#### AMONG OUR PEOPLE

Fred Howard is doing well after his heart surgery. Rev. Hempel is serving as interim pastor for Faith and Evangelical in April. Rev. Wegter-McNelly, continues her valiant fight. Her current radiation treatments are at and end and have provided some relief. The next step is chemotherapy. Paul Molesky, Dave Cerrone, Ben Wagar and Larry Boord continue their progress.

## **OUR FAITH at WORK**

Our mission for the month of April will be in support of Lutheran World Relief.

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) is a ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS), individuals and parish groups involved in international relief, development, advocacy and social responsibility. They are an international nonprofit organization working to end poverty and injustice in some of the world's most impoverished communities. With partners in 35 countries, LWR seeks to promote sustainable development, improve health, strengthen communities, end conflict, build livelihoods and recovery from disasters.

Please remember the "Pull Tab" ministry. One fivegallon container has been filled and the second one is almost there.

These containers will go to Synod in the spring to be added to containers from other congregations in our Synod for missions throughout our Synod. Last year Faith donated one container. We have already surpassed last year but let's aim for three containers this year!

Thank you for your continued support.

#### Evelyn Jarosz, Missions

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

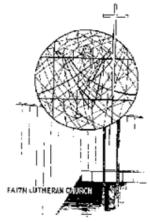
Rev. William Hempel, Interim Pastor

Church Council Officers:

Fred Howard (President) Evelyn Jarosz (Vice President) Barbara Boord (Treasurer) Donna Gibson (Secretary)

### **Council Members**

Doug Adamek (Education) Donna Gibson (Stewardship) Rob Hayward (Office Oversight/Admin) Linda Hulihan Evelyn Jarosz (In Reach/Out Reach) (Missions) Mike Moroskey (Property) Sharon Morris (In Reach/Out Reach) Ben Wagar (Property)



#### COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY MARCH 5, 2018

The minutes of the February meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected.

Barb Boord presented the Treasurer's report which was accepted. There was no Financial Secretary's report.

No President Report.

Pastor Hempel is planning to conduct a Bible study at Faith after the one at Evangelical is completed. Dates are to be announced.

Lutheran Magazine subscriptions are being reviewed to be sure all members are signed up to receive it.

New Business: Synod assembly is June 3-5 in Rochester. Registration opens April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Holy week schedule Maundy Thursday will be at Faith at 7:00 p.m. Good Friday will be at Evangelical at 7:00 p.m.

Committee Reports:

Inreach/Outreach: Sharon Morris and Evelyn Jarosz – Visitation teams are being organized.

Office Administration: Rob Hayward – Rob continues to facilitate the new office procedures.

Missions: Evelyn Jarosz – Box Tops for Education project will begin, and medicine bottles will be collected for the Matthew 25 project. The bottles must be clean, and all labels and glue removed.

Education: Doug Adamek – Sunday School is running well with the new curriculum. The TV and video are used regularly.

Stewardship: Donna Gibson - Envelopes have been distributed with only a few not picked up. Some promise cards have been returned.

Property: Mike Moroskey and Ben Wagar – The electrical inspection has been completed.

The next meeting will be Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m. and was closed with the Lord's Prayer.



It seems like time has flown by so quickly this month. I feel like just yesterday I was writing the newsletter article for March and now it is April already. Not much new "news" to report. We continue to experiment with our new technology and all the different ways we can use it. Hopefully, by the time next fall rolls around we will all be experts in using it to it's fullest extent.

For Easter this year, we purchased several items that will assist people in need in developing countries. This has been a work in progress for the Sunday School and the Kid's Council. Items purchased included chicks, a pig, water purification tablets, fruit trees, clinic visits, vaccines and school supplies. We learned about why these items were needed and how they would help children and families.

We are looking forward to a great spring, see you in church!

#### Sara Martin, Education Director

## **SERVING FAITH in APRIL**

Apr. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Altar	Janet Walsh and Stephanie Wagar		
	Lay Assistant Ushers	Carol Karpien Pat Brundige and Katie Bonnier		
Counters		Donna Gibson and Linda Hulihan		
Coffee Hour		Donna Gibson		

Altar	Janet Walsh and Stephanie Wagar		
Lay Assistant Ushers	Bill Jarosz Roberta and Rob		
Counters	Hayward Michele and Fred Howard		
Coffee Hour	Heather and Errol Bull		
Altar	Roberta Hayward and Evelyn Jarosz		
Lay Assistant Ushers	Rich Anderson Errol and Ryland Bull		
Counters	Bull Evelyn and Bill Jarosz		
Coffee Hour	Janet Walsh and Merilyn Niles		
Altar	Roberta Hayward and Evelyn Jarosz		
Lay Assistant Ushers	Bill Maloney Barbara Boord and Mike Moroskey		
Counters	Polly and Bob Hayward		
Coffee Hour	Sara and John Martin		
Altar	Polly Hayward and Karen Cordes		
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*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.* 

Sharon Morris, Worship Chairperson. Roberta Hayward, Altar Guild Heather Bull, Coffee Hour

#### **FLOWERS** for APRIL

April	1 <sup>st</sup>	EASTER Memorial Flowers
April	8 <sup>th</sup>	In Memory of Bob Lynch Given by Janet Walsh
April	15 <sup>th</sup>	To the Glory of God
April	22 <sup>nd</sup>	To the Glory of God
April	<b>29</b> <sup>th</sup>	To the Glory of God

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Alter Flowers in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion can be ordered for \$19.00 per bouquet. The sign up is on the calendar hanging in the Narthex.

#### **CHOIR REHERSAL**

Choir rehearsals are generally held every Thursday at 7:00 PM for about an hour. Anyone interest in joining is welcome to come and enjoy singing our praises to the Lord.



#### **DINNER CLUB**

April Dinner Club will gather on the 10<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall to enjoy a wonderful meal, pleasant conversation and entertainment.

All are welcome to come and enjoy an evening out with friends. Where else can you go for \$7.00 a person for a meal that includes everything from appetizers, salad, main course, dessert, beverages and entertainment to boot! Hope to see you there.



The Prayer Group was first started in May 2016. It is comprised of women from both Faith Lutheran and Evangelical Poestenkill. We also have one man in our group. Anyone wishing to join is welcome. We pray for those from our congregations as well as others whom we know of with prayer concerns.

The Prayer Group was first started to undergird the process of obtaining a new Pastor for our congregations. We also pray for those who are ill or have other prayer needs. If you would like to place someone on our list, please contact Michele Howard at 518-753-4288.

Most prayers are offered at home. However, every week, when possible, there are a few of us who meet and pray together. In April, we will be meeting at Evangelical Poestenkill at 1:00 pm on Tuesdays. Since we have had to cancel for snow days or other reasons, we would advise your contacting Michele to be sure that we are planning to meet. Those who have met together have found it a blessed time and rewarding time.

#### **PROPERTY ANNOUNCEMENT**

After our recent heating problem members of the property committee discussed the heat situation and are sharing with Faith members some valuable information. It is very important that whenever the Sunday School rooms, Fellowship Hall or Offices are being used that the doors be kept closed. If they are left open the heating system will try to heat the entire building which will result in wasted heat.

#### **VISION MISSION TO HONDURAS**

The First Presbyterian Church of Chili (near Rochester) will be missioning to rural Honduras mid-March 29018. This 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.

### BARBARA BOORD 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 May newsletter deadline is Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please email your articles to: barbboord@hotmail.com.

Assistance with the compiling and distribution of the Newsletter is always appreciated. Anyone that can give some time to this joint effort is encouraged to contact me at the above e-mail address.

#### LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

Any member of Faith that does not currently receive the Lutheran Magazine and would like to be added to the mailing list please let Barbara Boord know. You can contact her at 518-982-1250 or barbboord@hotmail.com.

## **APRIL 2018**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
EASTER				Choir 7:00 PM		
	CREATIVE					
HALLELUJH	THREADS					
HE IS RISEN	10:30 A.M.			Home Bureau		
	COUNCIL 7 P.M.			2:00 to 4:00 PM		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	CREATIVE			Choir 7:00 PM		
	THREADS		Speigle Elders			Dinner Club
	10:30 A.M.		10:30AM-2:30PM			6:00 PM
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	CREATIVE			Choir 7:00 PM		
	THREADS					
	10:30 A.M.			Home Bureau		
				2:00 to 4:00 PM		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	CREATIVE	WELCA		Choir 7:00 PM		
	THREADS	10:00 A.M.	Speigle Elders			
	10:30 A.M.		10:30AM-2:30PM			
	Newsletter Items					
29	30					
	CREATIVE					
	THREADS					
	10:30 A.M.					