

GREETINGS

From the Pastor

Pastor is just returning from a vacation. He will write a note in October for the ECHO.

COUNCIL SHORTS AUGUST 2009

Pastor Stacy is making many calls to members and shut-ins. Would like to train members for Communion distribution to shut-ins. Widowed Persons breakfasts will be held on 10/03/09, 11/07/09, 01/09/10, 02/06/10 and 04/10/10. A current deficit of \$10,161.89 as of 07/09/09. Council discussed continuing air conditioner problems.

WALK WITH JESUS

Every day is a walk with Jesus. We Christians believe life is spent in the presence of our Lord. Therefore, we can talk about every day as a day during which we walk with Jesus. Some days we feel Jesus' presence. Some days we feel quite a distance from Jesus. We boldly proclaim that, regardless of how we feel, Jesus is there. Jesus walks with us every day.

As we who are Faith Lutheran Church consider our financial stewardship over the next few weeks, you will be asked to think about your use of money and possessions as a part of your walk with Jesus. This is most appropriate, because when Jesus walked this earth with his disciples, he often talked about money and possessions. If money was a part of Jesus' first walk on this earth, it should be a part of our walk with Jesus today.

We believe that everything we have is a trust from God, given to us to care for and manage. What we do with our money is very much a part of our relationship with our Lord. This will be our focus in the coming weeks.

For three consecutive Sundays we will read a bulletin insert and hear a talk in worship. For three weeks, we will each receive a letter from the congregation. All of these will focus on our walk with Jesus, and how money plays an important part in this walk.

Then, on Sunday, October 11th, each member of Faith will have the opportunity to complete an estimate of giving card. On this card,

each of us will indicate our plan for giving for the coming year. This will not only be a plan for giving to Faith Lutheran Church, it will also be a plan for how we will walk with Jesus in the coming year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 2009

	Monthly	Year to date
INCOME	\$ 19,247	\$176,796
EXPENSE	\$ 23,251	\$199,614
NET	\$ (4,004)	\$ (22,818)

WITHIN THE FOLD

BIRTH

Matthew James Fewox, Jr. 09/09/09
Son of Matthew and Christina (Emery) Fewox

DEATHS

Dorothy Krissinger September 2, 2009
Patricia Markert September 4, 2009

ALTAR GUILD

Sheila Rogers & Jo Anne Borkert

GREETERS

9:30am
09/06 Richard & Rosemary Hensley
09/13 Robert & Lucille Keck
09/20 Betty Kelley
09/27 Mary Stasey

USHERS

9:30am
09/06 Ralph McDonald, Marguerite Kull, Charles Richardson,
Margarita Wolfson
09/13 Bob & Doris Bollenbach, Damon & Diane Shelor
09/20 Gary Lohr, Charles Richardson, Marguerite Kull, Jeannette
Vesper
09/27 John & Bonita Kintz, Marguerite Kull, Charles Richardson

ACOLYTES

9:30am

09/06 Vinny Trosterud, Jake Zander, Jeremy Smith

09/13 Natalie Peters & Janell Harvey

09/20 R. J. Iglesias & Chelsea Dzurinko & Tiffany Brimlow

09/27 R. J. Iglesias & Katie Harvey

READERS

9:30am

09/06 Linda Patterson

09/13 Linda Patterson

09/20 LaVon Koenig

09/27 LaVon Koenig

DRIVERS SCHEDULE

09/06 Will Rogers

09/13 John Kintz

09/20 Ed McIntyre

09/27 Damon Shelor

LAWN MOWING

The congregation voted to cancel the lawn service, so we all must pick up the challenge to keep the lawn trimmed weekly. Call the office when you are able to help—369-6177.

Happy Birthday and God's Blessing to:

Sarah Yennerell 09/02

Joe Iglesias 09/03

Scott Hadley 09/03

Kamy Jo Pendarvis 09/03

Jessie Schmidt 09/07

Andrea Schmidt 09/07

Jake Zander 09/07

Larry Vandivier 09/09

Amy Pendarvis 09/12

Becky Emery 09/13

Tracy Bent 09/14

Joni Graves 09/15

Tina Vargas 09/16

Barb Emery	09/16
Janice Crum	09/17
Diane Hansen	09/19
Alex McDowell	09/20
Colleen Cress	09/21
Dan Frantz	09/22
Suzanne Mojta	09/23
Tom Vonderhaar	09/23
Nolan Jerriey	09/23
Don Olney	09/24
David Cress	09/25
Janell Harvey	09/27
Zack Smith	09/30

Happy Anniversary and God's Blessing to:

Rob & Julie Yennerell	09/20
Will & Sheila Rogers	09/25
Bobby & Joni Graves	09/27
Cecil & Nasley Thomas	09/28
Bill & Maria Haniman	09/30

The Lord bless you and keep you.....Num. 6:24

FAITH FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

LCPL Logan Raymond, LCPL Hannah Frank, LCPL Trevor Frank,
Pendleton MB, California

Airman Jennifer Iglesias, Air Force Base , AZ

Senior Airman Kenny Brooks, US Air Force, Davis/Mothan AFB, AZ

Petty Officer Tim Fjelsted, US Navy Reserves

Specialist 4 Nick Schmidt, Denver, CO

Lance Corporal Tyler Blum, US Marine Corp, Iraq

Sergeant Robert Waigand, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA

SA David Pykal, San Diego

WELCA NEWS

The Fall Luncheon/Elections will be held October 3, 2009 at 12 Noon in Whisnant Hall. Bring your favorite dish to share. Tracy Moffat will present the program on Christmas Symbols of the Church.

We are once again knitting/crocheting hats for the *Save The Children* organization. If you would like to help, and need the pattern, please see Joan Sozzi. Last year, we sent 79 hats. Let's top that this year. Thanks to all who have participated and to those who will help this year.

STEWARDSHIP NOTES

This issue of the Echo contains an important newsletter announcing Faith Lutheran's stewardship drive, Walk with Jesus. At the request of Pastor Stacy and your church council a committee has been formed to shepherd the congregation through four weeks of this important event, beginning with September 20th and culminating on October 11th.

Your committee has received instructions from our Interim Pastor, been provided necessary materials and attended a Synod teleconference to prepare us for our assignment. Now we must ask you, our fellow members of Faith to open your hearts and minds to listen to the message as it will be presented in these coming weeks.

Assuredly, our church has financial challenges. These cannot be ignored and will be solved. Each of us is urged to converse within ourselves about the question of our personal stewardship to the Lord; how we respond to the blessings of His gifts during our lifetime.

The response to the appeal for emergency funds has been most gratifying. In the three weeks since its inception over \$12,000 has been donated by you. Our quarterly insurance has been paid (\$10,000) from these gifts. We need to continue this funding to be set aside for the repair of the air conditioning system and like emergencies. Thank you to all who have given to date and those who are planning to do so.

Your committee looks forward to the opportunity to talk with you, pray with you, and thank each of you for what your membership in this body of Christ...Faith Lutheran, means.

Stewardship Committee:

Ruth Richardson, Charlie DiFelice, Chuck Emery and Henry Hendle.
Lorraine Schultz and Tom Nelson co-chairs.