

Faith News and Notes for April 27, 2025

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Welcome, welcome, welcome in the name of the Lord! We are so glad you are here with us and our prayer is always that the sweet presence of the Lord would be manifested here every time we gather together. May you be encouraged and equipped in your faith today!

School and Church News



Kicking off this week!!
Friday Morning Coffee & Donuts
and
Sunday School

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The time has finally arrived for our highly anticipated *Friday morning Coffee and Donuts* with our school parents. Starting on May 2, from 7:15—9:15, a table will be set up near the entrance of both 301 (daycare) and 555 (preschool) every Friday where church members will have the opportunity to say hello and interact with our school families. We would like one person for each table.

Sign-up in the Narthex if you are interested in jumping on board to man a table at either of the school locations.

How it works: The church will order and pay for the donuts and coffee. The church volunteers will be asked to pick up donuts and coffee from Dunkin Donuts on U.S. One in Lake Park. We may also provide hot water and tea for our non-coffee drinkers.

We're looking forward to seeing what the Lord will do with this new opportunity as it grows and develops.

What a great opportunity to share the love of Jesus with our school families.

Sunday School begins next Sunday!

Sunday School for pre-school children (ages 3-6) and older children begins on May 4th. Our groups will be meeting between services, from 10AM-10:30AM in rooms 3 and 4, which are next to the playground. We look forward to lots of fun while teaching the love of Jesus, the love of learning, and respect for all God's creation. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Vacation Bible School

For the second year in a row, our school children, and children in our community will be participating in VBS. Mornings will be filled with Bible lessons, music, crafts, food, and more the week of July 14-18. Registration opens in May. If you would like to join our planning team, please reach out to Elena Oliveri: 561-282-8120 or Roxanne Finn: 319-243-0089

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." *Proverbs 22:6*

Holy Communion

In this Sacrament, Jesus gives us Himself, His true Body and Blood as we receive the bread and wine. Jesus instituted this when he celebrated Passover with his disciples, and assures us that each time we receive it, we again remember his death and receive the full benefits of His grace and all that he offers. In keeping with the Scripture and the teachings of the Lutheran church, we ask each person to consider these questions:

- *Do I acknowledge the fact that I am indeed a sinner and that I am sorry for my sins?
- *Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from all sin?
- *Am I trusting in Jesus' promise that I receive full forgiveness and strength through this Sacrament?
- *Do I believe and agree that the body and blood of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine?
- *With the Lord's help, will I seek to amend my sinful life and live in conformity with His holy will?

If you answer yes to all these questions and are baptized, you are welcome to come and receive all that Jesus offers in Holy Communion. May the Lord bless your personal reception as well as your daily living under His power and blessing.

We offer assistance for the **hearing impaired**. Just speak to one of our ushers, who will be able to help you. Please return the hearing device to an usher as you exit. We have a **Nursery** for infants through age 3 that is available during our services for you to use. The nursery is through the hall on the right side of the sanctuary (facing the altar).

Old Testament: Acts 5:12-20

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. ¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Epistle: Revelation 1:4-18

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." ⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." ¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. ¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades."

Gospel: St. John 20:19-31

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them

and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.²³ If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book;³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

PLEASE INCLUDE OUR FAITH FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Our Homebound: **Sandy** Aiken (now living at Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter), **Alma** Coates, **Carla** Sesola (now living in Missouri), **Donna** Van Bommel (now living at Gardens Court Nursing Home, PBG)

Other Requests: **Faith Lutheran Teachers, Students and their families; The family of Jose Alfonso, Gail Bolognese, Barbara Cahill, The Van Bommel family** on the passing of Paul, **Andrea** Emde, **Judith** Gonnerman, **Dave** Johnson, **Gordon** Lerner, **Kathy** McCoy, **Nancy** Meyer, **Ernie** Munter, **Carole** Satterthwaite, **Tricia** Shankin, **The family of Mary Jo (Joey) Schoeffel, Sally** Schwartz, **Bob and Laura** Tegart, **Sharon** Wiley, and **Ron** Woita.

Right Now Media

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 - (3) Use this QR code: hover your phone's camera over the code and it will prompt you to open a mobile browser, select that prompt and the registration page will appear for you to sign up.
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Women & Identity

Tuesdays — 10AM — The Upper Room

Thank you!

Thank you to all of our wonderful ladies and gentlemen who helped with the April Rummage Sale.

As always, it was a resounding success!

The next Sale will be held October 3rd and 4th.



Lisa Fortini
Alma Coates
Parry Bolognese
Connie Luneke
Kathy Knudtson
Tom Weber

John & Jessica Dillahunt



2025 Flower Chart



The 2025 Flower Chart calendar is in the Narthex, with open spaces to sign-up for your meaningful dates (*In Memory of / In Honor of / To the Glory of God.*) The Altar flowers are \$25 per Sunday. Please make your checks payable to Faith Lutheran Church and put "Altar Flowers" in the memo line.

Upcoming Open Dates

Aug. 10 & 24

Sept. 14, 21, 28 ... Oct. 12 & 26

Nov. 16, 23 & 30 ... Dec. 7 & 28

In Memory of Carol Colleran

by Amy Colleran

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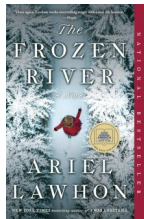
Two years ago, a large quantity of 8.5" x 14" copy paper was donated to the church for printing of the weekly Bulletin. Our supply, however, is diminishing, and we will gladly accept donations of paper at this time. Thank you so much.

Faith's Book Nook



This week's featured read in Faith's Book Nook is *All about the second coming* by H. Lockyer in the non-fiction section as 232 LOC in Faith's Book Nook, located on the 2nd floor of the Michel Building, above the kitchen.

MISSING: Volume 35 of LUTHERS WORKS with a red cover. Please return.



Faith's Book Club

April book of the month:

The Frozen River

by Ariel Law



Faith's Book Club selection for the month of April is *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. The Club will meet on Monday, April 28 for dinner at 5:30 PM at Panda's Hideout (formerly Pronti's), followed by Book Club at 7PM in the Conference Room.

Canasta Club — Join us!

The Canasta Club meets every Thursday from 10:30 until mid-afternoon in the Michel Building's Upper Room. There is no cost and we will teach you how to play. The group breaks around noon for a brown bag lunch brought by the attendees. It is a great time for fun and fellowship. For more information, you may reach out to call Fran Hickman 561-234-7349 or June Johnson 561-329-7521.

Your News!

We love hearing from you with news for News and Notes and our monthly newsletter. If you would like something included in either or both publications, please **email** your requests **two weeks** in advance of when you would like your news published. We will be happy to edit what you email. Send to jen@faithnpb.com

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Sunday, April 27

Via de Cristo (Campus-wide)

8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service

12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

Monday, April 28

9:30 AM—11:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (Michel Building—Classrooms)

5:30 PM Book Club dinner (Panda's Hideout)

7:00 PM Book Club (Conference Room)

7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

7:00 PM—8:30 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Campus-wide)

Tuesday, April 29

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study (The Upper Room)

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Confirmation Class (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 30

10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry

Thursday, May 1

9:00 AM—10:30 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B in the Michel Building)

10:30AM Canasta (Upper Room)

Friday, May 2

7:15 AM—9:30 AM Coffee and Donuts (Daycare and Pre-school)

9:30 AM—11:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B in the Michel Building)

Saturday, May 3

7:30 AM—9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B in the Michel Building)

Sunday, May 4

8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

No congregational breakfast this morning

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service

12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

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Julie Tombari: Administrator

	<u>8:45 AM</u>	<u>10:45 AM</u>
Altar Guild	Ben Schuemann	Fran Hickman
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OUR VISION

**We believe God calls us to engage, encourage and equip our church,
community and world with His unfailing love.**

We will **engage** all people in meaningful relationships with God's unfailing love as the foundation.

We will **encourage** all people to a closer relationship with Jesus.

We will **equip** all people to live a loving, powerful, Spirit-filled life.