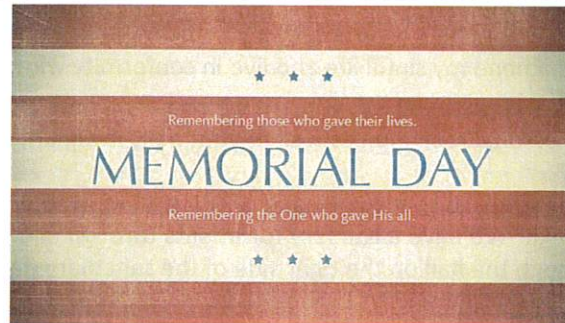


Faith News and Notes for May 25, 2025

PLEASE Note on The Pew Attendance Card which Service you attended
FAITH FLAME and FAITH-NEWS-AND-NOTES are Online at faithlutheran-npb.com

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!



"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13

Faith's Congregational Breakfast

Next Sunday, June 1 @ 10:00 AM
The Michel Building*

*We warmly welcome our visitors. The Michel Building is to your right as you leave the sanctuary.

Note: There will be no Sunday School next Sunday so that everyone can enjoy the Congregational breakfast.



Friday Morning Coffee and Donuts

Our *NEW* monthly Friday Morning Coffee and Donuts with our school families continues, with our next event on June 6

During the morning (7:15—9:00 AM) volunteers are asked to man a table at the entrance of our Faith School locations (301 toddlers and 555 Pre-school), where our parents stop by for coffee, a donut, or fruit, or just to say hello, after dropping off their children. Volunteers are also asked to pick up donut holes the morning of the event. This ministry is held the first Friday of every month.

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Meeting this week



Vacation Bible School has been scheduled the week of July 14-18 from 9AM—12PM.

We are seeking coordinators in the following areas so that we can make the week a joyful one for our children:
Crafts, Music, Bible Study, Missions, Games, Group Leader, plus an Assistant to guide kids from each activity

If you would like to join our planning team, please sign-up up in the Narthex.

We welcome all those interested to a planning meeting:
Wednesday, May 28, 6 PM in the Conference room.

For more information, reach out to Elena Oliveri: 561-282-8120 or Roxanne Finn: 319-243-0089.

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 of 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 16:9-15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. ¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Epistle: Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . . ²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass. ²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

GOSPEL: St. John 5:1-9

¹After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. ³In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" ⁷The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." ⁸Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." ⁹And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.



*A Memorial for Jose Alfonso
has been received from
John and Kathy Bender.*

Ascension Day Service at St. Paul in Boca Raton



May 29th, Ascension Day service of worship at St. Paul, Boca Raton, beginning at 6 PM

Often overlooked in the celebratory feasts of the church calendar, Ascension Day is one of the most important. It's a great way to celebrate the Ascension of our Lord to his place on high. Come find out why, and what it means to us! St. Paul Lutheran is located at 701 W. Palmetto Park Rd, Boca Raton.



Join us Sundays from 10:00—10:30 AM

Ages 3-7 meet across the courtyard in room 3, while 8-12 year olds meet in the Conference Room.

Substitutes are needed (8-12 year old group) on Sunday, June 15th and Sunday, June 22nd.
If you can fill-in, please reach out to See Linda Seitz at 561-602-2256.

Note: Sunday School will not be held next Sunday so that everyone can enjoy our Congregational Breakfast

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; Gail Bolognese, Barbara Cahill, Andrea Emde, Judith Gonnerman, Dave Johnson, Istvan Krisko, 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.

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. 24, Sept. 14, 21, 28 ... Oct. 12 & 26
Nov. 16, 23 & 30 ... Dec. 7 & 28

In Memory of Denny's birthday

by Sue Litzenberg

Care packages for Sargeant Nik Slavin and the Troops of B-BTRY/3-116th FA

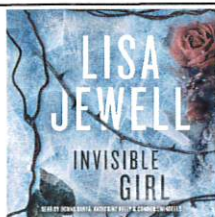


There is still time to support Sgt. Nik Slavin, (son of our Pre-school Director Lee Cee Slavin), by donating items for a Care package for Sgt. Slavin and his unit. A sign is in the Narthex listing suggested items that you may drop in the box. Thank you for supporting our troops.



Deb Schuemann
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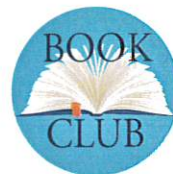
Daniel & Roxanne Finn



Faith's Book Club

June book of the month

Invisible Girl
by Lisa Jewell



Meeting Date: Wednesday June 25.

Dinner: 5:30 PM at Venezia, 513 Northlake Blvd. Book discussion: 7:00 PM in the Conference Room.

The book can be found at the library, on Amazon or at Walmart.com for \$10.

About the book...

Young Saffyre Maddox spent three years under the care of renowned child psychologist Roan Fours. When Dr. Fours decides their sessions should end, Saffyre feels abandoned. She begins looking for ways to connect with him, from waiting outside his office to walking through his neighborhood late at night. She soon learns more than she ever wanted to about Roan and his deceptively perfect family life. On a chilly Valentine's night, Saffyre will disappear, taking any secrets she has learned with her.

Owen Pick's life is falling apart. In his 30s and living in his aunt's spare bedroom, he has just been suspended from his job as a teacher after accusations of sexual misconduct - accusations he strongly denies. Searching for professional advice online, he is inadvertently sucked into the dark world of incel forums, where he meets a charismatic and mysterious figure. Owen lives across the street from the Fours family. The Fours have a bad feeling about their neighbor; Owen is a bit creepy and suspect, and their teenaged daughter swears he followed her home from the train station one night.

Could Owen be responsible? What happened to the beautiful missing Saffyre, and does her disappearance truly connect them all?

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Sunday, May 25

- 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7 in classroom 3. Ages 8-2 in the Conference Room)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

Monday, May 26

- Memorial Day (Church office, School and New Day Adult Care Center closed)
- 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

Tuesday, May 27

- 6:00 PM Confirmation Class (Conference Room)
- 7:00 PM Elder's Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday, May 28

- 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
- 12:00 PM—4:00 PM Peter Pan Preschool Graduation (Gym)
- 6:00 PM VBS Meeting (Conference Room)
- 6:00 PM Village Garden Condo Assn. (Multipurpose Room)

Thursday, May 29

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

Friday, May 30 — Last day of school

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

Saturday, May 31

- 7:30 AM—9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B in the Michel Building)
- 7:00 AM—3:00 PM Prosperity Day Preschool Graduation (Gym)

Sunday, June 1

- 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00 AM Congregational Breakfast — No Sunday School today
- 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	Lou Raffa	Barbara Cahill
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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.