

## **Faith News and Notes for January 18, 2026**

PLEASE Note on The Pew Attendance Card which Service you attended  
FAITH FLAME and FAITH NEWS AND NOTES are online at [faithlutheran-npb.com](http://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!

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### **Outreach Through Faith Collects Items for Needy Bundle Up Time!**



After much success with last year's collection of items for homeless experiencing our colder temperatures, the Outreach Through Faith Committee is assembling packages again this year. As the temperatures have dipped rather quickly, we are asking for immediate donations of gently used coats, jackets, and/or sweaters. We are also seeking donations of packages of new socks. So if you plan to purchase new outer garments this season, please consider donating your gently used items. Donations can be dropped off in the Narthex. Thank you for caring.

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### **Tim Richter to be ordained**



Our former Youth Pastor, Tim Richter, is being ordained on February 1, 2026 at Zion Lutheran Church in Ft. Myers.

There is a card on the table in the narthex to sign if you wish to express warm wishes for Tim.

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### **Shower for Yvette Beisel**



With the nearing of the arrival of bouncing baby boy Beisel, the Women of Faith will be holding a shower for first-time mom, Yvette, from 2-4PM on Saturday, February 7 in the Michel Building.

Yvette and Jack are registered at [babylist.com](http://babylist.com). Sign-up in the Narthex as we share the joy with Yvette at her shower. For more information, reach out to Karen Hernandez: 561-635-7446

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### **First Care Walk for Life and Kid's Fund Run Event**

January 31, 2026

8:30 AM—10:00 AM

The King's Academy, 8401 Belvedere Road, W. Palm Beach

Your feet take you where you want to go, but did you know they can help you save lives? Join us for our annual Walk for Life and Kids Fun Run event, which helps us empower women facing crisis pregnancies to choose life for their unborn children—all while sharing the love and good news of Jesus Christ. All ages are welcome! Earn great prizes and receive free Jupiter donuts, coffee, water, and more, all while supporting First Care's life-saving work.

## **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).

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### **Old Testament *Isaiah 49:1–7***

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The Lord called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. <sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." <sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the Lord, and my recompense with my God." <sup>5</sup>And now the Lord says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him—for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—<sup>6</sup>he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." <sup>7</sup>Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you. "

### **Epistle *1 Corinthians 1:1–9***

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—<sup>6</sup>even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Gospel *John 1:29–42a***

<sup>29</sup>The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." <sup>35</sup>The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). <sup>42</sup>He brought him to Jesus.



**January 18 (Epiphany 2)** – Life issues (abortion, suicide, sexual identity, physician-assisted suicide to name a few) can often be the result of a person trying to solve their own problems or fulfill their own needs instead of relying upon the Lord to help them. The appearance of our Lord as the sacrificial Lamb of God (John 1) reminds us that God is always faithful (Isaiah 49:7), even at the cost of His own blood. By faith in Christ, we can and should wait patiently for the Lord (Psalm 40:1) and make Him our trust (Psalm 40:4) in any and every situation, and we should invite our neighbors to do the same.

**January 18** “Our task is to make sure that our fellow Lutherans and our neighbors know how much God loves us just as we are. Look at this fingerprint: God made each of us unique. There is no one else just like you. God knew you before you were born (Jeremiah 1:5). He knitted you together in your mother’s womb. You were fearfully and wonderfully made, and God had a plan for your life even before you took a breath in this sinful, beautiful world that He created for you (Psalm 139:13-16).” *Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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### Protecting His House

Don’t forget to sign up for the Active Shooter Defense Training to be held next Saturday right here at Faith.  
See the flyer on page 5 for details and to register.

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### Right Now Media



**RightNow Media's mission is to work with the global church to inspire people to love others before self and Christ above all.**

Here are three different ways to sign-up for “Right Now Media”

1. Custom Link: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/faithlutheranchurchnp>
  2. Text the code **FAITHNPB** to **49775** and you will receive a text back, welcoming you to “RightNow Media” and provides you with the invite link to register.
  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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### Prayer Requests



**Our Homebound:** **Sandy** Aiken (Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter); **Alma** Coates; **Carla** Sesola (now living in Missouri); **Donna** Van Bommel (Palm Beach Memory Care, NPB); **Gordon** Lerner (Luxe Rehabilitation in Jupiter); **Ernie** Munter (Concordia Village in Tampa)

**Other Requests:** **Faith Lutheran Teachers, Students and their families;** **Gail** Bolognese, **Andrea** Emde, **The family of Judith Gonnerman**, **Dave** Johnson, **Rick** Knudtson, **Istvan** Krisko, **Kathy** McCoy, **Nancy** Meyer, **The family of Ron Nilsen**, **Carole** Satterthwaite, **Tricia** Shankin, **Sally** Schwartz, **Bob and Laura** Tegart, **Walt & Sharon** Wiley, **Lynn** Wilke, and **Ron** Woita.

## 2026 Flower Chart

Be sure to post your important dates on the 2026 Flower Chart, now displayed in the Narthex.

In Memory of / In Honor of / To the Glory of God

This week's altar flowers



Dr. David McCalla 



In Memory of  
Lois Johnson Silba



Fred & Cathy  
Vandercook

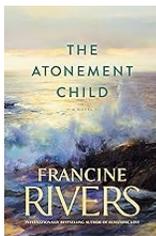
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### Volunteers needed for Friday morning Coffee & Donuts



The first Friday of each month we welcome our school parents during drop off time (7:00—9:00 AM) with a fresh cup of coffee, a donut, and/or fruit. Volunteers are asked to man the entrance to our 555 (Pre-school) and 301 (Toddler Program). The morning includes arriving at the school at 7:00 AM to welcome our school families. You could be part of this fun event. Sign-up in the Narthex today!



Faith's Book Club  
February book of the month:

*The Atonement Child*  
by Francine Rivers



**Date:** Monday, February 23rd / **Dinner:** 5:30 PM @ Venezia, NPB / **Book Discussion:** 7:00 PM in church office

College student Dynah Carey knew where her life was headed. Engaged to a wonderful man, the daughter of doting parents, a faithful child of God—she has it all. Then the unthinkable happens: Dynah's perfect life is irrevocably changed by a rape that results in an unwanted pregnancy.

Her family is torn apart and her seemingly rock-solid faith is pushed to the limits as she faces the most momentous choice of her life: to embrace or to end the life within her.

This is ultimately a tale of three generations of women, as Dynah's plight forces both her mother and her grandmother to confront the choices they made. Written with balance and compassion, this family drama brings a new perspective to the widely debated topic of abortion.

- A moving Christian women's fiction novel
- Poignant themes of wrestling with God, forgiveness, and redemption
- Explores sensitive topics in a thoughtful, nuanced manner

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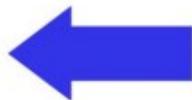
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# Support our School!!

***We recently received word from the beach that it is requesting the sand from our playground be returned ASAP!***

Since our school wing was constructed in 1985, we have always used sand as a soft surface, however, over the years the sand has ended up in the classrooms, in your cars, and in the shoes of our little ones. In celebration of our school's 64th Anniversary, we have decided to replace the sand with a soft surface material like in our playground at our 301 campus.



Total cost including  
sand removal is

**\$47,000**

Donate by check or  
Vanco



See Mrs. Tucker or Ms. Slavin for more information

## This Week at Faith

### **Sunday, January 18**

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7 in Classroom3. Ages 8-12 in Conference Room)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

### **Monday, January 19**

*School Closed in observance of Martin Luther King day*

- 10:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (Michel Building classrooms)
- 6:55 PM—8:45 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Campus wide)
- 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

### **Tuesday, January 20**

- 12:00—2:00 PM Lifewise (Classroom C)

### **Wednesday, January 21**

- 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
- 6:30 PM Village Garden Condo Assn. Meeting (Multipurpose Room)

### **Thursday, January 22**

- 9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A and B)
- 10:30 AM Canasta Club (Upper Room)
- 6:00—7:00 PM New Day Adult Care Support Group (New Day)

### **Friday, January 23**

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A and B)

### **Saturday, January 24**

- 8:00 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A and B)
- 9:00 AM—12:00 PM Protect His House Safety Training (Sanctuary)

### **Sunday, January 25**

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7 in Classroom3. Ages 8-12 in Conference Room)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

**Sunday, February 1 @ 10AM:  
Congregational Breakfast  
Don't miss it!**

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**FAITH LUTHERAN PRE-SCHOOL — 561-842-2487**

Lisandria Slavin: Administrative Director

Pilar Tucker: Director — Evelyn Lawrence: Assistant/After School Director

**NEW DAY ADULT CARE CENTER — 561-844-0012**

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	<b>8:45 AM</b>	<b>10:45 AM</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ben Schuemann	Laura Hess
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Lou Raffa	Barb Cahill
<b>Greeter</b>	Rosabelle & Daniel Newton	Jane Blevins
<b>Lector</b>	Mary Jo Petterson	Laura Hess
<b>Usher</b>	Rick Knudtson Richard Fulton	Matt Henshaw

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**Your Church Elders**

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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.