



## The Joyful Noise

2017

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### *“Seek First the Kingdom of God”*

So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’  
or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’  
For the pagans run after all these things,  
and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.  
But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness,  
and all these things will be given to you as well.  
Matthew 6:31-33

“Ask and it will be given to you;  
seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be opened to you.  
For everyone who asks receives;  
the one who seeks finds;  
and to the one who knocks,  
the door will be opened.  
Matthew 7:7, 8



I invite you to travel to the land of the Bible.  
Come and see the places where the Holy  
Scriptures came to be written for you and for me  
and for all peoples, all generations. Come and  
learn more about this Faith we share as the Body of Christ.  
Come and deepen your understanding and have your faith  
enriched by time together in the Word of God.

Beginning Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> the Sunday Morning Adult  
Sunday School will resume with ***That the World May Know***  
series. Bible teacher Ray Vander Laan takes you to the places  
where the events happened. At the various locations he then  
vividly brings things to life through word pictures. Feel for  
yourself the culture and the environment that the Words of God  
sprang forth.

I've watched several sessions and seeing the sights simply  
mesmerized me. Then add in Ray's dynamic style of teaching,  
the time flies by. We'll enter the land with the ***Life And Ministry  
Of The Messiah - Learning The Faith Of Jesus.***

We'll begin our time with prayer, then watch a video session. Then some time in the study guide that accompanies the video to bring home the learning. The study guide also has devotions to do at home through the week too.

**Mark your calendar for Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00 A.M.** May you begin a new chapter in your learning the same day the New Confirmation Class begins and the Children's Sunday School begins. The sights and scenes are well worth your time. Come learn more and deepen your discipleship.

*Peace,  
Pastor Jeff*

**Prayer Moment:**  
(Preparing for Sunday worship.)



Lord, as I prepare to go before Your holy presence to worship You, help me to resist a wandering mind. Help me invest myself fully in every moment of worship.

When I sing, let me sing with both heart and mind.

When my spirit doesn't feel like praising You, help me offer You the sacrifice of praise, trusting that You will come and transform me.

When I hear Your Word proclaimed, may my ears and heart be open, and may my feet be swift to respond to Your bidding.

May I surrender my personal preferences, any and all critical attitudes, and any undue self-consciousness. For worship is all about You, Lord.

So may my focus be on You, almighty God, this Sunday and every day of the week – that my worship may be genuine.

I pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

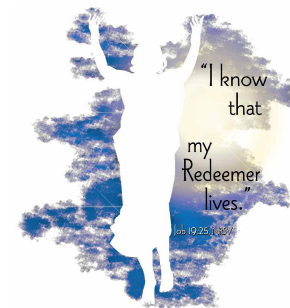


Walking in the Word –  
Tuesday Night Bible Study  
August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M.

We'll meet Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup>. During the study that night we'll look at other possibilities of times to meet for Bible Study. With a high school student now, my family schedule at home has changed and need to make adjustments in other areas of life so I can be sure I am dad for my high school daughter.



- ! Learn what Jesus taught - Study the Scriptures of Old and New Testament.
- ! Do what Jesus taught - Live what you have learned from the Scriptures
- ! Spread what Jesus taught - Go and make disciples of All Nations.



## Outdoor Ministry

Camping at Indian Lake State Park Friday  
August 4<sup>th</sup> through Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup>.

**LET'S GO CAMPING!!!**



Plans for Yellowstone

National Park for first part of June 2018 are in the works with Camping in West Yellowstone, Montana. See Pastor Jeff for latest info.

## TNT Begins Thursday August 31<sup>st</sup>!!!

After the past two years with "Believe" this Fall TNT will begin a New Adventure to grow as Disciples of Jesus Christ.

### TNT Ministry Team

You are invited to be a part of being a disciple maker. The children who come to TNT are incredibly special and sitting with them each week, giving them our full attention during dinner and during Bible time is life transforming for them and you too. God is calling you – Now is the time to come.

See Pastor Jeff or Heather Lee to be a part of this amazing ministry! Orientation and Training will be Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.!

THAT  
THE  
WORLD  
MAY  
KNOW®

### Adult Sunday Morning Sunday School

9:00 A.M. begins Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>!

**"That the World May Know"** takes you to the land where the events of the Bible took place. Through video shot on location and Bible teaching along with a study guide become immersed in the Land where the Word of God came to be written for us. See Pastor Jeff for more info.



Day Camp at Faith in Christ Lutheran Church has become a two-fold ministry: a ministry for the teens AND the youth.

This year fifteen teens participated in a week-long training program (June 19 - 23). During that week the teens made parable movies, worked on leadership skills, participated in Bible Study, practiced worship skills, singing, and skits, and learned how to work together as a team. Throughout the week the teams also had fun swimming, eating, and having a few Nerf battles. During Day Camp three more teens joined the group - two were "sixth graders" as counselors-in-training.

This year's teen troupe was quite unique. They were fun-loving and constantly laughing! This year they added an extra flare wearing hats, crazy socks, backwards t-shirts, and fun hair styles. The teens were enthusiastic and definitely shared the love of Jesus with the kids.

We had many NEW faces at Day Camp this year (June 26 - 30). We had 34 campers (K-6<sup>th</sup> grade) come and learn about "The Stories that Jesus Told." The children learned right away on Monday that the stories that Jesus told are called parables. They also learned that parables are stories about earthly things, but they have heavenly meanings. On Monday the youth learned about "the Wise and Foolish Builders" (Matthew 7:24-27 and Luke 6:47-49). They learned that Jesus is the rock, our lives are the house, and that we must build our lives on Jesus. With our lives built on Jesus, we can stand all storms in our lives - especially the biggest storm - death. With our life built on Jesus we know that when death comes, we will have eternal life!!!

Tuesday, the campers learned about the parable, "The Sower (Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23; Mark 4:2-9, 13-20; and Luke 8:5-8, 11-15)." The campers learned about their hearts - what kind of soil is your heart? God's Word is the seed. Do you

have a heart of good soil where God's Word can grow? Wednesday, the kids learned about "The Two Sons (Matthew 21:28-32)". From this parable the kids learned that we should not just listen to God's Word, but DO it! We must listen and OBEY the will of our Father! We learned that as Christians we can't just say that we are a Christian. We can't just wear a day camp t-shirt or a cross and expect to be a Christian. To be a Christian - we must LIVE IT, SHOW IT, and PRACTICE IT. Listening to our Father is not enough. We must obey and follow our Heavenly Father's commands.

"The Lost Coin (Luke 15:8-10), The Lost Sheep (Matthew 18:10-14; Luke 15:3-7), and the Lost Son" (Luke 15:11-32) were Thursday's parables". From these 3 stories we learned that Jesus came to save the lost. We learned that He came so that all can join his Heavenly Father some day in heaven eternally! We also learned that these stories are about repentance, forgiveness and love. God never leaves us. His arms are always open welcoming us home to Him. Isn't that a wonderful feeling?

Lastly, Friday was about "How Deep the Father's Love Is For Us" (Romans 5:6-8). God demonstrated His own love for us in this that while we were still sinner Christ died for us. It was also sharing that Jesus is the only "Way, Truth, and the Life" to get to Heaven (John 14:6). We need Jesus as our ROCK, we need to have good soil in our hearts, we need to listen AND obey, and that Jesus came to SAVE us SO THAT WE HAVE ETERNAL LIFE with HIM IN HEAVEN SOME DAY! ISN'T THAT AMAZING GOOD NEWS!? (There were many tears at this worship service that day. Campers hearts were touched.)

Day Camp was alive with picnics, crafts, clowning, story builders station, puppetry, games, swimming, worship, Bible Study, snacks, water games, pizza, dancing, and so much more!!! Kids left day camp with songs on their lips and Bible stories in their hearts!

New this year were "Comfort Bags" that the campers made for IHN kids. The bags consisted of shampoo, socks, toothbrushes, Bibles/bible stories, stuffed animals, combs/brushes, and a quilt/crocheted blanket. 24 bags were made. When they were delivered 19 children immediately received these bags. The smiles on their faces were priceless. The love of God was shared in many ways to these children and their families!

Thank you to Faith in Christ for their OUTSTANDING support for this annual ministry. First, thank you to the counselors and adult volunteers: Dylan Day, Eric Day, Marissa Lee, Hailee Clifford, Rachael Matthews, Jeremy O'Connor, Piercen Yowler, Trenton Yowler, Josh Baldrige, Gabrielle Baldrige, Jackie Neer, Adam Hare, Andrew Hare, Robyn Paugh, David Lopez, Nicholas Rogers, Michelle Phillips, Jillian Pinkham, Monalisa Robison, Pastor Jeff Lee, David Hare, Joyce Bender, Beth Brown, Paul Schmid, Dixie Schmid, Cindy Post, Frieda Bowen, Vicki Hartley, Julie Day, Connie Sanders, Dee Szekacs, Angi Rogers, Tony Rogers, Rosemary Dutton, Steve King, and Karen Williamson. Thank you for blessing us with your time, talents, and commitment. Thank you for leaving a "thumbprint" of Christ on a child's life.

A special thank you goes out to FIC's quilting and crocheting group for making and donating the blankets for the IHN Comfort Bags. And a warm thank you for the congregation for the food donations, monetary donations, and the prayers.

It was a success making day camp FREE this year. It will happen again next year. It was great to see so many new faces to come and learn about the love of JESUS CHRIST. Our thought is to do "PARABLES 2" next summer so please keep your calendars open!

God is good all the time! All the time God is good!

*Holly Hare, Krista Choi, and Heather Lee*

### Children's Sunday School Kick Off September 24<sup>th</sup>!

Calling all young Disciples of Jesus!  
Come and grow in your life walk with Jesus  
in Sunday School. We kick off the new  
school year on August 20<sup>th</sup>!

Moms, dads, grandmas and grandpas,  
great-grandma and great-grandpas, these  
intentional times of discipling will nurture the  
FAITH of those entrusted to your care. Make  
a Sunday morning faith commitment for you and your family!  
Attend Sunday School and Worship together and make an  
eternal difference in a child's life.



**Train a child in the way he should go,  
and when he is old he will not turn from it.**



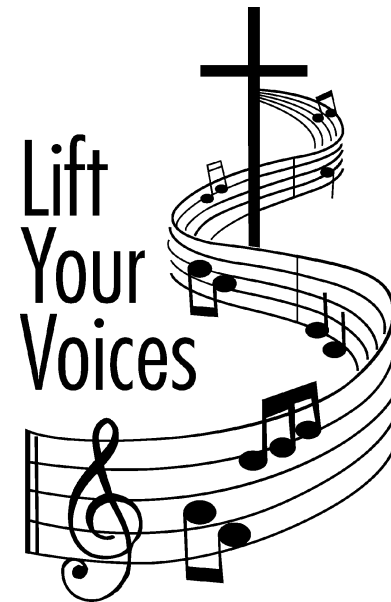
Our Cub Pack 311 and our Troop 311 are going to  
have a car wash at the church on Saturday August  
12<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm. All proceeds are going to  
purchase new flags for the flagpoles at church.

### Scouting at Faith in Christ

Boy Scout Troop 311 - Year round: ages 10½ - 17  
Cub Scout Pack 311 - School year: ages Kindergarten - 10½  
Venture Crew 311 - Coed: boys and girls ages 14 - 20

You Are Invited to Sarah's Senior Recital  
at Faith in Christ Friday August 11<sup>th</sup> 7PM

**You are invited to Sarah Durham's senior voice recital! It  
will take place in the sanctuary on Friday, August 11, at  
7pm. She will be performing a variety of vocal repertoire,  
including selections by Handel, Brahms, Gershwin, and  
many more! A reception in the fellowship hall will follow  
with light refreshments.**



**Chancel Choir practice will start on Wednesday  
August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. You don't need to be able  
to read music. Everyone is welcome!**

## NEW Confirmation Class is beginning!



Class begins Sunday, September 24.  
The class will meet every Sunday morning at 8:45 am.  
Please see Dave or Holly Hare if you have any questions.



**Sunday , Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>**

Teen Servants will be grilling hot dogs.  
Drinks and tableware will also be provided.

Please bring a side dish to share.

Teen Servants vs Congregation  
KICKBALL game to follow the picnic!



## Undie Sunday Project

As an outreach project of FIC, we will now be collecting men's underwear for our **FOURTH ANNUAL** "Undie Sunday" project. All items collected will be donated to IHN's men's shelter, The Hartley House

You are invited to purchase colored or white **Medium, Large or X-Large Sizes** of undershorts (boxers), undershirts or socks and return them to the church. We will celebrate the final day of collection with Sundaes on **Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>** as part of the church picnic.

This project is one of many outreach ministries of the Outreach Committee and is sponsored by FIC's Women in Service Group, otherwise known as - **WinS**.



**Blessings  
in a Bottle**

Together we raised **\$1000** to make a difference in women's and children's lives in Clark County. Praise the Lord for everyone who donated so Faith in Christ can be such a huge blessing in other people's lives.

# WinS



*Women  
in  
Service*

## Loyal Followers of Christ (LFC)

LFC Will meet on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at 12 Noon at Teaberries.  
Newcomers are always welcome.

## Women of Today (WOT)

Will meet at 3:00 p.m. Monday,  
August 15<sup>th</sup> & September 19<sup>th</sup> at FIC.

WOT will have a table at the Monarch Butterfly Festival on Saturday Aug. 26, 10- 5. This will be at national Trails Park office on Mitchell Blvd. We will be selling our homemade cards. There will also be other vendors and food available.

WOT will also be selling greeting cards again beginning in Sept. All monies raised will go towards refurbishing the Fellowship Hall.

## Wednesday Morning Crocheting

The Wednesday morning Crocheting group meets for fun and fellowship at 10:00 A.M. in the conference room. Beginners are always welcome to come and learn. We meet each Wednesday. We currently are on break for August. We will begin meeting again in September. Newcomers are always welcome.

## Summer Travel and Supporting the Mission of Faith in Christ

As you travel this summer, enjoying vacations with family, friends, and the Lord's creation, please remember your commitment to support God's ministry through the mission of Faith in Christ. Your offering envelop is addressed and only needs a stamp to mail your weekly commitment to ministry and the building fund.

Remember, the expense of providing and doing  
ministry does not take a vacation.

## Listen Online to a Sunday Sermon Message

Sunday Sermon messages are recorded and made available for listening on our Website: [www.ficlc.net](http://www.ficlc.net) The link to the message archive is found on the Pastor page.



This is a great opportunity to hear again the Word Preached and also a great opportunity to share the Word Preached with a friend at work or anywhere you have access to the internet. The Lord can bring a blessing and draw another to Faith in Christ.



*"For where two or three  
come together in my name,  
there am I with them."*  
Matthew 18:20, NIV



## Faith in Christ Lutheran Church

### What We Believe

- \* We are saved by the **grace of God alone** – not by anything we do.
- \* Our Salvation is through **faith alone** – We only need to trust God made known in Christ who promises us forgiveness, life and salvation.
- \* **The Bible is the Word of God** – that guides and shapes our lives.

### Sunday Mornings

- \* 9:00 A.M. Sunday School for All ages
- \* 10:15 A.M. Worship with Traditional Liturgy & Praise Contemporary worship alternating on Sundays in the month
- \* 11:30 A.M. Fellowship

### Children's Ministry

Thursday Nights Together Resuming Thursday August 31<sup>st</sup>

- \* Youth ministry for age 4 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- \* Meets Thursdays from 6:00 – 8:10 P.M.
- \* Family Style Dinner
- \* Recreation/Games
- \* Bible Study
- \* Worship
- \* Overnights
- \* and Much, MUCH More!!

### Teen Ministry

Teen Servants - 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade

- \* Thursday Nights Together planning and leading worship for TNT
- \* Sunday mornings for Bible Study
- \* Sundays following worship for ministry/fun/adventures/stock food pantry
- \* and much, Much, MUCH More!!!

### Adult Ministries

- \* Bible Study
- \* Women's Groups
- \* Men's Group
- \* Family Ministry
- \* Camping Ministry
- \* Prayer Shawl Ministry Team
- \* Food Pantry Ministry
- \* Praise Band and Choir Ministries
- \* Prayer Team
- \* and Much More

Faith In Christ is a very special place where God is doing Amazing Wonders in and through us! Come and experience for yourself these wonders take place in and through you!

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### Ministers of the Church

Everyone!

### Pastor

Pastor Jeff Lee

### Council President

Beth Brown

### Music Director

Beth Helwagen

### Admin. Assistant

Connie Sanders

### Technical Director

Tony Rogers

### Confirmation Ministry

Dave & Holly Hare

### Teen Ministry

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### Scout Master, Troop #311

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Marc Quick

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