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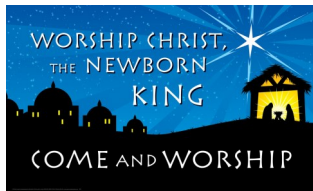
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And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2:9-12



Parish Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship

Saturday, December 24

3:30 p.m. Mooreton Lutheran Church - Mooreton, ND

5:00 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church - Dwight, ND

Faith Sunday School Christmas Program Sunday, December 4 at 10:30 a.m.



A potluck dinner will follow the Faith Sunday School program. Please invite your friends and family to join us for great food and fellowship. Please bring 1 (or 2) large dishes to share.

December Ushers

Faith - Vaughan Griffin
Mooreton - Korey & Aimee Skovholt

Mooreton Church Women



The Mooreton Church Women will not have a regular meeting this month.

Church Cleaning - Ruth Johnson

We ask all to chip in to keep the Church clean this month for the Christmas season. Thank you.

Faith Church Women



ALL Women of Faith Lutheran are invited to meet at the Fry'n Pan on Tuesday, December 6, 6:30 p.m. for a Christmas get together. Supper is dutch treat.



Church Council

Mooreton - December 7 at 7:00 p.m.



The Faith/Mooreton joint council meeting will be held December 14, 7:00 p.m. at Faith

Dear Friends,

It is the day after Thanksgiving and the seasons of Advent/ Christmas has officially started. Many are making gift lists, pulling out the boxes of decorations, addressing cards, baking, & getting ready for programs This month of December often becomes such a flurry of activity, we get stressed out and forget what the celebration is really all about. In Ephesians 3 :14-16, St Paul writes a prayer for families. Take time to read this and share it with your family including the little ones! During the season of Advent we are called to prepare our hearts in anticipation of celebrating Jesus birth. Wallyn and I have made a list of different ways to take time each day this month to remember whose Birthday we are getting ready for. Our prayer is that His birth will fill each of us with a sense of sacred wonder this Christmas season.

- 1) Do a kind deed for a family member, something they would not expect.
- 2) Call a grandparent, aunt or uncle, just to say you are thinking about them and love them.
- 3) Make a tree ornament to give away.
- 4) Bundle up and take a family walk outdoors, enjoy God's creation.
- 5) Kids, talk with your parents about a favorite toy of yours you would be willing to give away to be kind.
- 6) Pay it forward at a coffee shop or restaurant without the recipient knowing you've done it.
- 7) Offer a ride to church or Sunday School to someone who needs the company as much as the transportation.
- 8) Visit someone in retirement living or a nursing home. Take your children with.
- 9) Read the Christmas story several times during the month and talk as a family what life would have been like then.
- 10) Offer to take someone to the Mall to listen to Christmas music sung by school choirs.
- 11) Babysit, without pay, for someone so they can attend a Christmas party or have time out.
- 12) Say prayers together as a family each night.
- 13) Teenagers, spend time with your parents, just because! They will love it!
- 14) Share some of your Christmas goodies with a shut in along with your presence and coffee!
- 15) Turn off the TV and turn on Christmas carols.
- 16) Families, talk together about respecting others who don't celebrate Christmas. It can be a time of learning.
- 17) Show kindness to strangers.
- 18) Grandparents, share your memories with your grandkids. Tell them about Christmas when you were their age.
- 19) Offer to shovel your neighbor's driveway.
- 20) Help someone decorate their tree who might not be able to do it alone.
- 21) Say prayers for someone who is sick or having troubles of any kind.
- 22) Remember to say thank-you!
- 23) Kids, help your parent bake a birthday cake for Jesus.
- 24) Attend a Christmas Eve service with your family.
- 25) Celebrate Jesus Birthday!
- 26) And when the house is chaos from torn gift wrap, toys and presents everywhere, our stomachs don't feel all that great from too much food or too many sweets , or we have a feeling of letdown that often comes after a big party, remember that the baby whose birth we have just celebrated, grew and lived among us. He understands ALL our human feelings, joy or sadness. He came to show us HIS unconditional love for us and how to love one another! Blessings to each and everyone of you.

Love in Christ,
Wallyn and Pastor Gordy





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<p>Holy Communion is held the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.</p>				1	2	3
<p>4 2nd Sunday in Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 M. Coffee 9:15 Faith S.S. 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Christmas Program</p>	5	<p>6 6:30 p.m. Faith Church Women Christmas Supper at Fryn Pan</p>	<p>7 7:00 p.m. Mooreton Church Council</p>	8	9	10
<p>11 3rd Sunday in Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 M. Coffee 9:15 Faith S.S. 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Christmas Program 11:30 Youth Group Christmas Party</p>	12	13	<p>14 4:15 p.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Joint Council Meeting at Faith</p>	15	16	17
<p>18 4th Sunday in Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship</p>		20	21	22	23	<p>24 Parish Candlelight Service 3:30 p.m. Mooreton 5:00 p.m. Faith</p>
<p>25 Christmas Day 10:30 Faith Worship</p>	26	27	28	29	30	31



Faith Sunday School News

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work in preparation for this year's Christmas Program.

The children are doing a great job and we are so proud of them. A couple notes:

*There will be a practice on Saturday, December 3, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Church. This practice really helps the children as we put the finishing touches on the program.

*We will have Sunday School on December 4 at the regular time. We will do a final run through and the children will get their costumes on. Christmas Program will be held during Worship (10:30 a.m.)

*We will have Sunday School on December 11. The children will be able to shop with their stars at the Rewards Store and we will have a Christmas celebration.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

God Bless,
Tertia



It is better to give than receive. In lieu of Christmas gifts this year, the Sunday School teachers would like to ask the Sunday School families to give a donation to those in need this Christmas season instead.

All too often those fleeing situations of domestic violence leave with nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Because of generous community support, **Three Rivers Crisis Center** is able to provide many of the things they need. Below is a "Wish List" of those items that helps TRCC provide basic needs for victims in times of crisis.

Personal care items (only new please)
detergent, dish soap, basic cleaning supplies, kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels, shampoo, conditioner, bar soap or bodywash.

These items may be placed under the Christmas tree in the front of the church. We would like all items to be donated by December 4. We would welcome donations from any church member from either congregation. Our hope is to help those in need but to also use this opportunity to teach the children the importance of helping those around.



Thank you for your support of our Youth Group! We will be having a bake sale during the Christmas program on December 4.

December 11 we will have a Potluck Christmas Party and go caroling. The kids decided to do a \$5.00-\$10.00 unisex gift exchange. Parents are encouraged to come along to the meeting to discuss the lock in and spread some holiday cheer!

January will try for the lock in. March and April will be Lenten suppers and Easter breakfast. Happy Belated Thanksgiving and wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas Season!

Coffee Treaters

- 4 - Jim & Jennifer Kolbe (M)
Laurie Quamme (F)
- 11 - Brad & Joanne Glarum (M)
Amy Anderson (F)
- 18 - Jeff & Gina Skovholt (M)
- 25 - Clarice Jagodzinski (M)

***Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by Thursday's at noon.

***Information for the January Newsletter is due to Tertia by December 19.

***If you notice a mis-spelled name in the bulletin or newsletter, you are asked to contact Tertia.

***If you have not done so please send an e-mail to the Parish e-mail account.

faithmooretonlutheran-church@yahoo.com

***If there is a birth, death, or wedding announcement you would like placed in the bulletin or newsletter, e-mail that information to Tertia.



Food Pantry

Faith is participating in 1 Box, 1 Can, Feed My Lamb to help benefit the Richland-Wilkin County Food Pantry. Each Sunday we ask that each family bring 1 item for the Food Pantry. Baskets will be at the back of the Sanctuary. The local food pantry is in constant need of donations. In November we donated 186 pounds of food.



December Birthdays

December 5	Aaron Mennis
December 5	Brynlie Hegseth
December 6	Ashley Alberts
December 6	Becky Olson
December 6	Dalton Praska
December 8	Chris Meyer
December 9	Hunter Thane
December 9	Alec Helgeson
December 9	Judi Mikkelson
December 10	Brennan Skovholt
December 10	Jackson Rowland
December 12	Bentley Pajari
December 13	Caiden Anderson
December 18	Josh Griffin
December 18	Brandon Ward
December 18	Kaylee Ward
December 19	Elizabeth Fischer
December 23	Randy Ford
December 25	Thomas Allrich
December 27	Pastor Gordon Lee
December 29	Jennifer Siemieniewski
December 30	Perry Score
December 31	Wallyn Lee

If we missed your birthday, please let us know. We may not have your birthday on file. Thanks.



Birthday Giving

Faith Members...

Do you remember how exciting it was when you were little to bring your birthday pennies to Sunday School, 1 for each year old you were, and put them in the Church bank? As we grow older we find ourselves thankful for each year that has gone by. One way of showing our thankfulness is to help support our Church. When it comes time to celebrate your birthday please consider giving a Birthday Thanksgiving Offering to the Church. \$1.00 for each year of your age. For example, 40 years old = \$40.00. You can give this offering directly to Tertia or place it in the offering plate in an envelope and marked "Birthday Thanksgiving" At the end of the year we will announce how much was collected from this special offering.

As we approach the winter season we ask that you please check the Parish website, Parish Facebook page, WDAY, or KVLV for information about weather related cancellations.



Acolyte's

If you cannot acolyte on your designated Sunday, please exchange with one another.

December

- 4 - Sunday School Program
- 13 - Gina Quamme
- 20 - No Sunday School
- 27 - No Sunday School

January

- 1 - No Sunday School
- 8 - Dalton Praska
- 15 - Caiden Anderson
- 22 - Megan Roob
- 29 - Addie Christensen

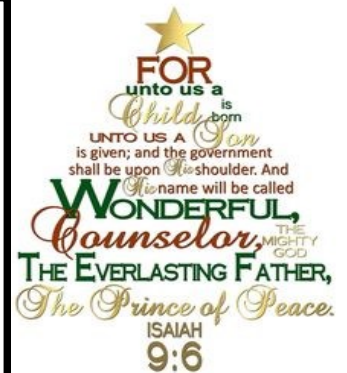
Mooreton Cookbooks

"Mooreton Lutheran Church, Celebrating 100 Years!" Cookbooks are available from most members of Mooreton Lutheran and Clarice will have them available at Faith, or you can contact Kari 274-8827 or Clarice 274-8820. \$15.00 a book for 750 cherished recipes.



Mooreton Lutheran members:

Please turn in your Richland-Wilkin Food Pantry Donations as soon as possible. Thanks for your support!



If you would prefer to receive the monthly newsletter via email instead of a paper copy, please let Tertia know or send an email to



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