

# Dwight - Mooreton Lutheran Parish

Faith Lutheran Church  
Dwight, North Dakota

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## JANUARY

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### ANNUAL MEETINGS

#### Mooreton Lutheran

Sunday, January 22, 2023  
8:30 a.m. Mooreton Worship  
Annual Meeting & Coffee to immediately  
follow Worship.

#### Faith Lutheran

Sunday, January 29, 2023  
10:30 a.m. Faith Worship  
Potluck Dinner and  
Annual Meeting  
to immediately  
follow Worship.

**Please mark your calendar and  
plan to attend these important  
Congregational meetings.**



**Faith Church Council** will have a budget  
meeting on January 11 at 7:00 p.m.



#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



We are in need of volunteers to  
help run the live-streaming  
system on Sunday mornings.  
Your help would be greatly  
appreciated! If interested please  
contact Pastor Gordy or Tertia.

With the winter season upon us please  
check the Parish website, Facebook  
page, or news stations for information  
about weather related cancellations.



Faith is looking for sponsors for upcoming  
newsletters. If you are interested in  
sponsoring please contact Tertia.  
Sponsorship cost is \$50.00.



### Mooreton Lutheran Fellowship Schedule

Please switch with someone if you cannot make it. please  
make sure you have someone to serve and clean up.

#### January

8 - Karlene Ellingson  
15 - Karen Helgeson  
22 - Ruth Johnson  
29 - Kari Ward



#### February

5 - Joey Glarum  
12 - Gina Skovholt  
19 - Kristi Ford  
26 - Emily Woltjer

### Faith Altar Guild

January  
February  
March  
April

Vaughan & Wendy  
Toviao & Linda  
Valerie & Diane  
Terry & Colleen



### Church Women

Faith Church Women will not meet in January.



Our sympathy to Rena Stallman on the death of her  
son, Dean Stallman whose funeral was held  
December 10 at Vertin Munson. Please keep Rena  
and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathy to Lyle Ellingson on the death  
of his brother Arlen Ellingson, whose funeral  
was held December 31 at Vertin Munson.  
Please keep Lyle & Karlene and their family in  
your thoughts and prayers.



\*\*\*Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by  
**Wednesday at noon.**

\*\*\*Information for the February newsletter **must** be in to  
Tertia by **January 15.**

\*\*\*If you would prefer to receive the monthly newsletter via  
email versus a paper copy, please let Tertia know or send  
an email to: [tertiakyle@yahoo.com](mailto:tertiakyle@yahoo.com)

Dear friends,

2022 is now in the rear-view mirror. For most of us it has been a year with stressors as well as blessings. In this sense it was a pretty normal year. For my part, I remember pledging to up my game in certain areas of my life; and looking back I, in all honesty, made a little progress in walking more but that was offset by eating more sweets.

One day Wallyn came to me with a message she had received from a friend on face book. I thought there were parts of this writing that was worth sharing now as you and I enter another new year, 2023!

It was written by a woman named Donna Ashworth. Donna wrote: "Why do we start a new year, with promises to improve?"

Who began this tradition of never-ending pressure?

I say, the end of a year, should be filled with congratulations, for all we survived.

And I say a new year should start with promises to be kinder to ourselves, to understand better just how much we bear, as humans on this sometimes-exhausting treadmill of life.

And if we are to promise more, let's pledge to rest, before our bodies force us.

Let's pledge to stop, and drink in life as it happens.

Let's pledge to strip away a layer of perfection to reveal the flawed and wondrous humanity we truly are inside.

Why start another year, gifted to us on this earth by our gracious God, with yet more demands on our already lives.

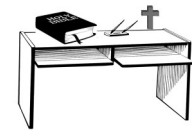
It is when we accept ourselves and others as beings created in the image of God, as people who all have our imperfections and who are also gifted in our own ways that we experience more of the beauty of life. And along with that we experience a deeper sense of inner peace. Peace that comes from not feeling a need to prove ourselves to anyone because we know ourselves to be children of God, co-heirs with Christ Jesus.

I am reminded of words from the letter of First Peter 2:9-10. But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

In a confirmation sermon my friend Pastor Norman Anderson told his confirmands. In the future what is really important is not who you are but whose you are. Have a wonderful 2023!

With love through Christ Jesus,

Pastor Gordy



From the  
**Pastor's  
Desk**



### Parish Social Media

These sites will allow you to stay up to date with Parish news, schedule changes, and watch Faith Worship services live. Please be sure to bookmark, like, follow and subscribe.

Parish Facebook private group: <https://bit.ly/3EQBUQv>  
OR search "**Faith Lutheran-Mooreton Lutheran Church News**"

Parish Facebook Page for Live Stream Services:  
<https://bit.ly/3pH0QUe> OR search "**Faith Mooreton Lutheran Parish**"

Parish YouTube Channel: <https://bit.ly/31L6dd7>  
OR search: **Faith Lutheran - Mooreton Lutheran Parish**

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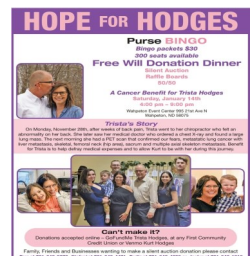


Hope for Hodges  
Benefit for Trista Hodges  
Saturday, January 14th  
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
Wahpeton Event Center

Free Will  
Donation Dinner

Purse Bingo  
Silent Auction  
Raffle Boards  
and 50/50

(Trista is Tertia Christensen's sister)



# JANUARY

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 <i>Baptism of Our Lord - White</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	9	10	11 7:00 p.m. Faith Church Council Budget Meeting	12	13	14
15 <i>2nd After Epiphany - Green</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 <i>3rd After Epiphany - Green</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Annual Meeting/Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 <i>4th After Epiphany - Green</i> 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:20 Sunday School 10:30 Faith Worship/ Potluck/Annual Meeting	30	31				

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 3 Brad Glarum  
 January 3 Dan Biewer  
 January 3 Liam Griffin  
 January 6 Mariah Booke  
 January 7 Lyle Ellingson  
 January 10 Shelby Pikarski  
 January 11 Jackson Alexander



January 13 Maren Woltjer  
 January 14 Harold Ness  
 January 22 Adrian Dahm  
 January 27 Clarice Jagodzinski  
 January 29 Jessica Vogeler

**Happy Birthday to all of you!!**

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

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