## **Dwight - Mooreton Lutheran Parish**

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## **October**

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## God's Acre: What is it?

"For the upkeep, repair, and maintenance of Faith Lutheran Church." Each year at our Annual Meeting we approve a budget which includes money for our church home. That budget includes basic everyday expenses. However there are times that our church home needs more. For example: brick restoration, mechanical repair, interior/exterior repair and maintenance, and other unforeseen or unexpected repairs.

In 1965 Art Ouren made a motion to the Church Council to have a once a year offering for those extra building needs and the council voted to accept this idea. Each member was asked to give the income from one acre of land, one days wages, one months (days/weeks) interest—one portion, however their income was earned. Because many of our members at that time had some connection with the land, it was decided to call it "God's Acre." since we are still a rural church and since the needs of our church home still sometimes exceed our budgeted amount, we still call it "God's Acre" and each of us personally and as a family can decide what is the "acre" that we can give for this purpose. This year our God's Acre offering and potluck dinner is November 1. If you cannot attend you can still give to "God's Acre" at any time. We currently have several major needs that need to be addressed when we have the funds. Thank you to everyone for taking pride in our church home and being stewards of it's upkeep and ~Faith Church Council preservation.

#### Mooreton Cookbooks

"Mooreton Lutheran Church, Celebrating 100 Years!" cookbook 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.

## 1 Box, 1 Can, Feed My Lamb

Thank you to everyone that have continued to support the Richland-Wilkin Food Pantry. We recently donated 86 pounds of food. The food pantry is in dire need of donations. We have learned that all of the items we donated were distributed within a few short hours after they were dropped off. If each member could bring one or two items each Sunday we could fill our baskets back up. Thank you Russ and Shirley for delivering our last donation.

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

faithmooretonlutheranchurch@yahoo.com

#### Church Council

Faith Council will meet October 14 at 7:00 p.m.

#### Ushers

Mooreton - Lyle & Karlene Ellingson Faith - Terry & Colleen West

#### **Faith Church Women**

Thank you to everyone who helped out at Faith's Meatball Supper. Your hard work is greatly appreciated. Anyone who has not paid their \$10.00 towards the supper's expenses are asked to give it to Nancy Hegseth.

Faith Church Women met at 7:00 p.m. on October 1

Program: Wendy Griffin Devotions: Pam Meyer Hostess: LuAnna Lund



#### **Mooreton Church Women**

Mooreton Church Women will meet October 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Devotions: Kari Ward Church Cleaning: Kristi Ford

Notes: Discuss upcoming activities: Food Drive

and other donations.

## **Mooreton Sunday Coffee Treaters**

October 4 - Jim & Jennifer Kolbe

October 11 - Willerd & Kari Ward



October 25 - Kenneth & Ruth Johnson



#### October

- 4 Autumn Benedict
- 11 Addie Christensen
- 18 Cody West
- 25 Leeann Olson

#### November

- 1 Caiden Anderson
- 8 Jaida Pikarski
- 15 Jessica Olson
- 22 Megan Roob
- 29 Addie Christensen

If you are unable to acolyte on your scheduled Sunday please exchange with one another.

Thank you Brenda Roob for the amazing job that you do on our bulletin board! We appreciate your time and talent. If you have not done so please take time to check it out on the wall opposite of the mail boxes.



## **Faith Sunday School**

It has been so great to see so many smiling faces each Sunday morning. Third Grade and up are asked to please bring their Bible each Sunday. Your Child(ren) will be bringing home the "Fridge Sheet" that reviews the morning lesson. This is a great way for your children to share with you what they learned. You will also find the weekly Bible verse on this page. This year in Sunday School our reward store theme is "Let Your Light Shine" Each student has a sun on the wall and they can earn a star sticker for the following: \*Attending Sunday School \*Attending Church \*Learning the weekly Bible verse \*Being helpful \*Staying to sing in church on the designated Sundays You can find "Reward Store" days on your treating list. The children will be able to cash their stars in for prizes on those days.

#### Please mark your calendars

- \* There is NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on October 25.
- \* Kids will sing during Worship on November 1
- \* December 6- Christmas Program
- \* December 13 Reward Store/Christmas Party Treaters for October are:
- 4 Colleen West
- 11 Kassi Griffin
- 18 Judy Pikarski
- 25 No Sunday School

Just a reminder...we are asking those who treat to please serve and clean up afterwards. This is a great help to the teachers.

Please let me know if you have not received the treating list and I will be sure to get one to you. *If you can not treat on your day please trade with someone.* 

This years teachers/substitute teachers are:

Amy Anderson, Tertia Christensen, Pam Meyer, Laurie Quamme, Kathy Rodgers, Brenda Roob, Jennifer Siemieniewski, Aimee Skovholt, & Colleen West. Thank you ladies for volunteering your time. You are appreciated!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

God Bless, Tertia Christensen



**Bible Scramble:** Unscramble the letters in each word to discover the passage. Solution on page 5.

NDA SKEE TON EY WTHA EY SLLHA TEA, RO WTHA EY SLLHA RNKID, TRNIHEE EB EY FO UUTOLFDB NMID. ROF LLA TSHEE TSNIHG OD EHT TSONNIA FO EHT WROLD SKEE TRFEA: NDA YURO TRHFEA WTONKHE TTHA EY VHEA DEEN FO TSHEE TSNIHG. UTB TRRHEA SKEE EY EHT ONMKIGD FO OGD; NDA LLA TSHEE TSNIHG SLLHA EB EDDDA UTON YUO.



# October



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Holy Communion is held the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. All are welcome to commune.	Pastor Appreciation Month			7:00 p.m. Faith Church Women	2	3
4 19th after Pentecost – Green 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:15 Faith Sunday School 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship	5	6	7 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	8	9	10
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25 Reformation Sunday - Red 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship	7:00 p.m. Mooreton Church Women	27	28	29	30	Haloween

Dear friends,

It is so wonderful to be back in full swing with the various ministries of our congregations. When I look out at our congregations I continually harbor the hope that each one of you grow in your awareness that you are a beloved child of God. Another prayer I have is that each of us realize that God walks through each day of our life with us, desiring to transform you and me into more Christ-like individuals through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

We are all on the way on our journeys to become more mature in our faith. Each and every day I encourage you to begin it with a prayer of gratitude for all of the blessings in your life. Then, as you travel through your day, as you encounter joys and frustrations that you are always open to new awakenings, new taps on the shoulder, new aha moments.

The Holy Spirit is continually at work in each of us trying to encourage us to notice things we have looked past before, the child who looks as though he or she hasn't had enough to eat; the mother who you know is trying to raise a family on her own, the man whose face is streaked with tears as he holds an emaciated child in his arms because he has no means of providing for her/him. And then I pray that our faith does what Martin Luther says flows from faith, it becomes active in love. Then when the day is done, I pray you and I are able to thank God for seeing us through another day with all of its frustrations and joys, and trust God to protect us and our loved ones through the night.

As we go through our days, I know how easy it is to feel that my boat is so small and the ocean is so vast, how easy it is to feel my efforts are so insignificant in light of all of the needs I see around me. When you feel this way, just remember the story of the young boy who provided Jesus with fish and loaves of bread which Jesus multiplied to make enough food to feed over 5,000 men, women and children. God can take our self-perceived small gifts and make them so much more.

God calls each of us to be stewards of the many gifts God has blessed us with. I have lived long enough to realize that I am healthiest and happiest when I don't cling to anything too tightly. I have learned there is great joy in gratitude when I am on the receiving end of some kindness and there is even more joy in generosity.

This fall, enjoy the weather, rejoice in your status as one of God's own people, and then listen to that small inner voice whenever you feel called to do something on behalf of another. I'll be listening as well.

Have a blessed fall!!

Love in Christ, Pastor Gordy

## **October Birthdays**

October 2 Sarah Kummer October 3 Jared Johnson October 4 Danielle Stein Lori Vogeler October 8

October 11 Dena Siemieniewski

October 14 Leeann Olson

October 16 Wayne Ellingson

October 18 Jasmyn Benedict

October 20 Aaron Retzer

October 22 David Sanborn

October 22 Elise Skovholt

October 23 Arlen Ellingson

October 23 Makenna Alexander

October 25 Jake Woltjer

October 27 Cody Anderson

October 28 Mara Porter

October 28 LuAnna Lund

October 29 Shawn Klimek

October 30 Wendy Griffin

October 31 Gary Allrich

#### Happy Birthday to all of you!!

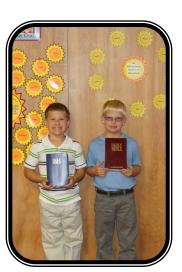
If we missed your birthday, or if any of the above dates are incorrect, please let us know as our files may not be up to date. Thanks.



Faith has a wonderful children's and adult library in the basement. Please feel free to check these books out. There is a notebook to write your name and the book borrowed. Please fill that out before taking your book

home to enjoy. If anyone has books that they would like to donate please contact Tertia.





Caiden Anderson & **Owen Skovholt** received their Bible's on September 20





Our sympathy to the family of Heartfelt Darline Faye Singbeil whose burial Sympathy was held September 13 at Faith Cemetery. Darline is Donald Erickson sister. Please keep

Darline's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathy to Brian Anderson on the death of his Grandma, Theresia Boute. Theresia's funeral was held October 3 at Gearty-Delmore Plymouth Chapel. Please keep Brian & Amy, and family in your thoughts and prayers.

#### Notes from Tertia....

- \*\*\*Information for weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by Thursday's at 12:00 noon.
- \*\*\*Information for the November newsletter must be in to Tertia by October 18.
- \*\*\*If you notice a mis-spelled name in the bulletin or newsletter please contact Tertia.
- \*\*\*If you would like to be included in e-mailed information such as cancellations, schedule changes, and weather related announcements please send a message to

faithmooretonlutheranchurch@yahoo.com \*\*\*If there is a birth, death, or wedding announcement you would like included in the bulletin or newsletter please e-mail that information to Tertia.

\*\*\*Tertia would like to include pictures of Church happenings in upcoming newsletters. If you have a picture you would like to share, please e-mail it to her.



Sunday School

#### **Solution to Bible Scramble:**

And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. Luke 12:29-31

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