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We are a family of professing Christians inspired by Christ's grace and love. We are committed to joyful worship, spiritual growth, caring relationships and community outreach.

From the president:

Change is never easy, but without change, there is no growth. We can no longer be that "pretty little church on the way to Spring Lake." We must move forward, show our community what, where and who we are.

There are many more positives than negatives to having our campus. The energy alone, that new people will bring will be like a breath of fresh air. We are NOT MERGING! We would be sharing our beautiful campus with another church on Sunday mornings. Sharing also means sharing the workload

of keeping the buildings in good shape and beautifying the grounds.

This process started in 2016 and now it is time to move forward - or we can stay "The pretty church on the way to Spring Lake." We must let our neighbors and our community know that we are an awesome group of Christians, dedicated to doing the work that God would have us do in His name. (cont. on Page 2)

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"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—and the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you."

- John 14: 16 - 17

Come See!
Adult Sunday School 9:00
AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Children's Sunday School
during worship



Interim Pastor
Rev. Dr. Ted Peters

Faith Lutheran Church & Preschool
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From the president (cont. from Page 1)

Our Congregational Meeting is, April 8, after worship. Please come to Hummon Hall to hear the FLC & RPC's (Redeemer Presbyterian Church) joint committee's recommendations and details for sharing our campus. I encourage you to speak up at the meeting, bring your concerns, your hopes, and an open mind. Please pray for the guidance we need to make the right decision. The peace of the Lord, Laurie Wennes



Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, by Faith Parson



Philip Melancthalon, by Faith Parson



John Calvin, by Faith Parson



Rev. Martin Luther, by Faith Parson

CAMP MICHELA
Homeless Outreach Ministry

THANK YOU to all who have donated, cooked, baked, delivered and helped serve meals to Camp Michela. Camp Michela may be evacuated by 3 April and no one knows yet to where? Stay tuned to this space for updates, and please pray for the people who will be displaced.

BOOK CLUB
The Literary Ladies AND Gentlemen of FLC
will meet Monday, April 16, 3:00 - 4:30
in Hummon Hall
The book to be discussed is "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah
We hope you will join us in the New Year

Prayers of the People

Chris Carson's cousin **Mark** who has been diagnosed w. renal cancer; **Terri Abramson** who is recovering from a fall; **Richard Seefeldt** recovering from pneumonia; **Pat Fleming** recovering from heart bypass surgery; **Connie & Robert Duncan Family**; **Terry Larson** with cancer; **Erickson Family** (friends of Karen Peters) suffering with cancer; The families of **Koonst, Bell, Besser, Helen O'Donnell, Duncan, and Norton Family** as they mourn the loss of loved ones; **Jeanine Dahlquist recovering from surgery**; **Betty Engle** with health struggle; **Linda Coffman** who recently lost her mother; **John Roche**, Janet Hammond's brother, a veteran suffering with health and Janet's second cousin who lost everything (and 4 cats) in a fire; **Chuck Hammond** and son **Curtis**, in need of caregiver; **Faith Parson** struggling with vision; **Erin Caltstrom** for strength and peace; **Helen Kemper** (Connie Duncan's mother); **Patti Gillhooley** with health concerns; **Lucinda Moore** - friend of the congregation; **Ward & Karen Casper** with health; **Carolyn Huntington**, struggling with cancer; **Elena & Tami Barajas**, and **Blythe Babb**; **Nelia Crews**; **Pat & Dick Petersen** with health issues; **Marianne Burns**; **Kenneth Lantz**; **Eleanor & Hal Martin** (Mariann Hubbs' mother and stepfather); **Kay Miller**; **Blanche Mansoor**; **Susan Wilkinson**, high school classmate of Joyce Stohlman suffering with cancer.

Your 2018 Church Council

POSITION	NAME	PHONE
Pastor (Interim)	Rev. Dr. Ted Peters	707-539-2521
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“He reached down from heaven and rescued me.”

Psalm 18:16

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<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2630076>
 Also: Sign up for ESCRIP here:
<http://www.escrip.com/>
 and choose merchants you shop with regularly (Safeway, Lucky, etc.). Choose Faith Lutheran Church and a portion of the profit will go to FLC. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

“The point is this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” - 2 Corinthians 9: 6 - 7



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CELEBRATE!

Birthdays and Anniversaries in

APRIL

- 2 Janet & Chuck Hammond
- 5 Samantha & Christian Francis
- 10 Cherie & Joshua Barnett
- 13 Garrett Caldera
- 17 Don Lee
- 23 Genetisiwa & Pat Fleming
- 26 Terri Abramson



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“These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”
- John 15:11

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Thank you!

Treasurer’s Report

The total General (non-Designated) income for February was \$10,931.59 Year to date was \$21,130.59.

The General expenses for February were \$10,110.54 Year to date was \$22,739.47.

The total net income for February was \$821.05 Year to date net deficit was \$1,608.88.

The amount transferred and paid to the Benevolence was \$496.83 (was paid in March) Special funds received were \$195.00 for Campus Maintenance, \$50.00 for Deacon Fund, \$25.00 from printing, \$128.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars, \$690.00 from VBS, \$145.00 for Camp Michaela, \$12.50 from Jam sales, \$9.67 for Camp Big Oak, \$10.00 for Endowment, \$14.09 from Amazon Smile, \$12.92 from Scrip and \$436.00 from Flowers.

1) Offering donations for February were under budget by 969.50 (see page 1 of the Income & Expense Budget Performance, line 1, column 3), and year-to-date they were under budget by 2,504.50

2) Total income for February was under budget by 701.92 (see page 1 of the Income & Expense Budget Performance, last line, column 3), and year-to-date they were under budget by 2,136.56

3) Total expenses for February were under budget by 480.22 (see page 4 of the Income & Expense Budget Performance, 3rd to last line, column 3), and year-to-date were over budget by 1,558.07

4) Net income for February was under budget by 221.70 (see page 4 of the Income & Expense Budget Performance, last line, column 3), and year-to date were under budget by 3,694.63

5) You will notice Notes, Mortgages & Leases 27.1 has a new balance of 411,025.54. This is the balance due on the Pre-School mortgage.

Campus Maintenance



Working with RPC to plan for maintaining/repairing & improving property/buuildings. Post rainy season Catch Up to roofing (Charter Hall and Breezway: \$5,587 & \$1327 (respectively). Warren Roofing contract was time and materials but not to exceed \$7500. Actual cost was \$4898. East side sanctuary A/C unit is old and not performing. It will need to be replaced when it quits as it is too old to fix. Tree & grass trimming began again this spring. Gravel added to back parking lot.



" Dear friends, let us love one another,
for love comes from God. Everyone
who loves has been born of God and
knows God. "

1 John 4:7



**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
in APRIL
lovingly given by:**

- 1: Janet & Chuck Hammond
for 57th anniversary
- 8: Tracy & Wally Francis
for Christian, Sammy, &
Garrett's birthdays
- 15: Elly Kensinger in memory
of Jim

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Remembering those who
serve and who have served,
including our armed forces,
Police, professional,
Volunteer and Inmate Fire-
fighters, EMTs, National
Guard and all First
Responders especially, last
year.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SERVICE AND SACRIFICE**

(image from perfectpeaceandjoy.com)

OFFICE HOURS

MON. - FRI: 9:30 - 2:30
CLOSED WEDNESDAYS

Geni's Jellies & Jams are available for \$5
each or 3 for \$12.50 and India's
crocheted necklaces are also for sale.
Available in the church office. Proceeds
go to the Campus Maintenance Fund

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month. i welcome your photographs (.jpeg) or
articles of general interest! Thank you!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS -- Plan Ahead:

Men's club fellowship cookout night is on the first Wednesday of each
month (April 4) around 5:30PM

Please mark your calendar for APRIL 22: Faith Parson's portraits of
Martin Luther, Phillip Melanchthon, John Calvin and Bishop Elizabeth
Eaton (See Page 2) will be officially installed during the worship service.
There will be an informal reception to follow in Hummon Hall. Faith
has been working tirelessly on these beautiful pieces of art (except for a
brief respite while she was evacuated from her home in October from
wildfires). Faith has generously gifted her portraits to Faith Lutheran
Church. Guests: Pastor Kathryn Gulbranson and Dr. Jeanine Olson.

APRIL 2018 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>EASTER SUNDAY</i> Pancake Breakfast Open to Public 8-9:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt 9:00 AM 10:00 worship	2	3 8 AM Men's & Women's Breakfast iHop	4 Men's Group 5:30	5	6 4:30 Camp Michela ?????	7
8 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship	9	10 8 AM Men's & Women's Breakfast iHop	11	12 Choir rehearsal 7PM	13 4:30 Camp Michela ?????	14
15 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/ Children's Sunday School	16 <i>Book Club 3:00 - 4:30 PM Hummon Hall</i>	17 8 AM Men's & Women's Breakfast iHop	18 Dine & Donate 3-9PM Stout Bros. Irish Pub on 4th St. —	19 Choir rehearsal 7PM	20 4:30 Camp Michela ?????	21
22 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/ Children's Sunday School Faith Parson's aRt installation & Reception after worship	23	24 8AM Men's & Women's Breakfast i Hop	25	26 Choir rehearsal 7PM	27 4:30 Camp Michela ?????	28
29 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/ Children's CHOIR	30					

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORY - 1974

reprinted from Mrs. Ruth Bell's notes

Another busy year. Roy Besser remains as president of the council. Newly elected members are Blaine Delvaux, Marianne Burns and Mary Cavallero.

Easter time was special because 23 youth members participated in a Good Friday interpretive drama, "Were You There?" directed by Jean Flak.

It should be noted that Mildred Linden has given her time and talent to typing and mimeographing much of the information, bulletins and newsletters that come out of the office, which is located in the Red Cottage.

The Executive Board reports that we show a steady growth in membership. All current bills, including the mortgage are paid. Our benevolence gifted to Synod were over and above our pledge this year. It made us proud to be members of Faith Lutheran Church.

Greg Dahlquist was president of the youth group. They continued their activities as in the past years plus having an agape feast for the congregation and collected money for "Flower of the Dragon" which helped returning veterans.

Our church library was moved from Hummon Hall to the Fireside Room in the Red Cottage.

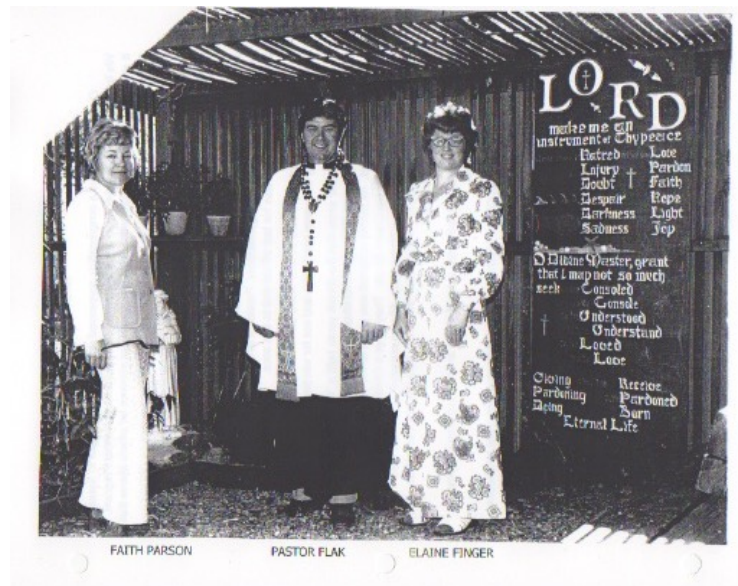
Vacation Church School 1974 was very successful. Almost every member of the congregation was in some way involved in the program. This must have been some kind of record.

Donna Besser of the Worship and Music Committee writes that the first contemporary service was held April 21 at 11 AM. We are very appreciative of the musicians who practice once a week to accompany the service. This service has changed the "church going habits" of some of our members, but our church continues to grow and reach out to many different people. Donna also mentioned in her report that the highlight of the holiday season was the beautiful Christmas Cantata, "Night of Miracles," presented at both services. Lily Greer, Barbara Leach and Faith Parson are faithful and talented members who served by playing the organ. Many others are always in the background, serving. Ruth Elvig, who schedules Greeters, Esther Christensen who schedules the acolytes and Betty Freeman who

was in charge of the Memorial Fund.

Our lath house was turned into a meditation corner. Faith Parson created the "Prayer of St. Francis" wall board.

The recording of the year was "Song of Mystery" and "Joy Breaking Out" sung by Pastor Flak and produced by Dr. R. C. Bell, Jr. The Hammonds and the Fingers and their helpers provided a delicious Thanksgiving feast which they planned, cooked and served for us to enjoy. They made \$24 profit which went to the Hunger Appeal Bank and we had a wonderful dinner.



L: Faith Parson, Pastor Flak, Elaine Finger

A Reading from Philippians 2: 5 - 11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



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