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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.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

It has been said that minutes can seem like hours, but years fly by! This year is truly flying by! It seems like only a few weeks that we have been in discussion with Redeemer Presbyterian, however, it has been over 2 years. Their congregation will be sharing our campus beginning July 1st. Many of their congregants have visited during the past couple of weeks, and they are so impressed with the beauty of our sanctuary, our grounds, Hummon Hall and Charter Hall. The word I hear most often from them is "peaceful." It is so peaceful here! There is a sense of peace in the soul of our congregation and the soul of our church. It comes from deep within all of us, the fire of the Holy Spirit. That is why we love each other, take care of each other and come together to worship on Sunday in this beautiful place. That peace comes too from so many who began

these buildings with dedication, a love of God and a sense of community. Now as we move forward, we remember those who have passed on, those who were an integral and important part of who we are today. Please take a moment to read the column about the church history on page 7 of this newsletter. The fire continues to burn deep within us as we look forward to being the light of Christ in our community. We are one in Christ. Blessings on all who read this. Thank you for sharing your talents, time and treasures at Faith Lutheran Church.

Laurie Wennes, Council
President



"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!
WORSHIP
CHANGES 1 July
to 9:00 AM**



Interim Pastor
Rev. Dr. Ted Peters

Faith Lutheran Church & Preschool
4930 Newanga Ave.
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

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; **Chuck Hammond** and son **Curtis**, in need of caregiver; **Faith Parson** struggling with vision; **Erin Caltstrom** for strength and peace; **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. A neighbor of Blythe suffering w cancer.

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**“He reached down from
heaven and rescued me.”**

Psalm 18:16

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<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!

Your 2018 Church Council

POSITION	NAME	PHONE
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STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Matthew 6: 21



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CHOIR NEWS!

PRAISES for Janice Hall, Sharyl Golway and Joyce Stohman for musical accompaniment this past year, and a special praise for our superb volunteer choir. The choir, pianist, organist and our director have truly made our worship deeply meaningful and enjoyable. Special praise to Chrislyn Carson for teaching our children to sing and to perform for us on the last Sunday of the month. What a treat.

It is with sadness (and gladness) that Sharyl and Joyce have decided to “retire,” but have agreed to help us as the need arises. We WELCOME BACK Maryellen Birkland as our service and choir accompanist!

We end with a potluck at the home of Janice Hall on May 31st. Our last Sunday to sing during worship is June 3rd. There is no scheduled music for the summer. Perhaps someone in the



congregation would consider a special musical offering, or invite guest musicians to perform for our Worship services this summer. This should be coordinated with Maryellen Birkland.

ALTAR GUILD NEWS

Altar Guild provides flowers on the altar, communion bread and wine, changes paraments according to the church calendar and decorates the church for special seasons (Easter and Advent). Altar Guild members met on June 3 to revise and update our procedures. WELCOME LaMont Boyles and Kathy Corsiglia to our team! We will coordinate with Redeemer Presbyterian Church, and their altar needs, beginning July 1.

FLC ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE:

First Sundays: Rose Knight, Linda Coffman

Second Sundays: Blythe Babb, Patti Gillhooley

Third Sundays: Chris Carson, aNna rybaT

Fourth Sundays: Karen Larsen, Laurie Wennes

Fifth Sundays: Linda Coffman

CHURCH DIRECTORY

The traditional church directory has become too expensive to update, so a PDF version is available. The directory contains names, address, phone numbers birthday, anniversary, and photo where available, so it also serves as a social roster and emergency (phone tree) recall. As it has privacy protected info, it will not be available on the church website. It will be updated twice per year. If you would like a (paper) copy, please contact church office. Please send updated info and photo to arybat@comcast.net. Thank you!

CELEBRATE!

**Birthdays and
Anniversaries in
JUNE**

- 5 Norm Nielsen
- 11 Janice Hall
- 12 Alexander Caldera
- 14 Paige DeBiase
- 15 Terry Larson
- 18 Karen & Terry
Larson (51 years!
Congratulations!)
- 22 Laurie Wennes
- 23 Carol Hintze
- 27 India Monroe Geibel



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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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deletions to arybat@comcast.net

Thank you!

OUR CAMPUS SUPPORTS:

- AA = 8 Groups (Hummon Hall and Charter Hall)
- AA General Services Monthly Meeting (Hummon Hall)
- AL - ANON = 3 Groups (Charter Hall + Child Care in Youth Room)
- LIVING ROOTS (Red Cottage) LIVING ROOTS CHILDREN'S GAME NIGHT
- P.E.O (Philanthropic Education Organization (Charter Hall)
- SR FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS
- FLC BOOK CLUB (Hummon Hall)
- NORTH BAY EXCURSIONS (Day Program for Developmentally Disabled Adults) Charter Hall
- PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - Effective 1 July 2018 (Sanctuary, and campus)

FUNDRAISERS:

- Suicide Prevention
- Cheer Teams
- Pop Corn Sales (Boy Scouts)

EVENTS

- Birthday Parties/Family Reunions
- Memorial Receptions (Hummon Hall)
- Funerals and Memorial Services (Sanctuary)
- Piano Recital (Sanctuary)
- Voter Polling Place (Charter Hall)
- Wedding and Receptions (Sanctuary and Hummon Hall)
- Art Exhibit (Hummon Hall)
- VBS and Camp Big Oak (campus)
- Church Social Events (Wine & Food, Oktoberfest, Shopping Spree, Car Show, Yard Sale, etc.)

Campus Maintenance



Pre School received new load of sand and misters to keep the children cool in the summer. “Dinosaurs” will be installed in playground. Next phase of roofing repairs will begin July/Aug. Will work with RPC (Redeemer Presbyterian Church) for long term goals. Red Cottage will be vacated next month, so a major cleaning will take place and re-use will be decided by Council. Carpets will be professionally cleaned this month.



" Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. "

John 15:13

OFFICE HOURS

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

**NOTE: OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED FOURTH OF
JULY FOR PICNIC &
CELEBRATION!**



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR IN JUNE ARE LOVINGLY DONATED BY:

- 6/3 Seefeldt's for Ryder's 4th birthday
- 6/10 Memory of Helen O'Donnell and her Dad
- 6/17 Jared Caron's birthday (by Chris Carson)
- 6/24 India Geibel birthday

Remembering those who have served and continue to serve: Medical personnel, our armed forces, Police, professional, Volunteer and Inmate Fire-fighters, EMTs, National Guard and all First Responders.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE

(image from perfectpeaceandjoy.com)

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

If you are a THRIVENT member, you can choose to donate your Thrivent Financial Choice money to Faith Lutheran Church. Go to <https://service.thrivent.com>

or telephone 1.800.847.4836 to speak to an agent

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ANNOUNCEMENTS -- Plan Ahead:

Men's club fellowship cookout night is on the first Wednesday of each month (June 6) around 6 PM. Bring something to grill, a side dish & BYOB.

Vacation Bible School (VBS): Vacation Bible School is planned for the last week of July 23 - 27. Help needed: youth counselors, enrollment, intake, snacks, arts and crafts, games, story tellers, setting up decorations, etc. Camp Big Oak will be the following weekend, August 3, 4 and 5. VBS registration is available on Page 8 of this newsletter or in the church office or Pre-School. Please contact:

Fourth Of July Picnic and Celebration: Join us and Redeemer Presbyterian Family and friends, from 9:00AM - 2PM on the picnic grounds and Hummon Hall for food and fellowship on.....you guessed it! July 4.

JUNE 2018 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 PENTECOST 2 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship	4	5 8 AM Men's & Women's Breakfast iHop	6 Men's Group Cookout 6:00 PM	7	8	9
10 PENTECOST 3 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/ Children's Sunday School	11 Prayer and Share Time 11:00 - 12:00	12 8 AM Men's & Women's Breakfast iHop	13	14	15	16
17 PENTECOST 4 FATHER'S DAY 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/ Children's Sunday School	18 <i>Book Club 3:00 - 4:30 PM Hummon Hall</i>	19 8AM Men's & Women's Breakfast i Hop	20 —	21	22	23
24 PENTECOST 5 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship/	25	26 <i>Seen-Years Day Trip to Armstrong Grove & Lunch at Bodega Bay Meet at 9:00AM at FLC</i>	27	28	29	30
1 JULY PLEASE NOTE: WORSHIP 9:00 AM						

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORY - 1976

reprinted from Mrs. Ruth Bell's notes

Our first woman to be elected Council President, Marianne Burns, presided over the annual meeting. Newly elected council members were Judy Bello, Will Gritter, Mike Lee and Pat Haug. Vice-president, Russell Letterman gave a brief description of "Parish Nights" and listed the responsibilities of its seven committees. It should be noted that we continue to exceed our benevolence goal.

This was the year that we started our Social Ministry Program of the third Sunday of the month and presented to the congregation the various needs of the community.

Housekeeping crews (eight in all) kept the church buildings clean. Roy Emmel kept the lawns mowed. The entire congregation worked at the annual Spring cleanup.

The choir and the contemporary group made a joyful noise when they visited the Village Baptist Church in Marin City. This was in return for their choir presenting two concerts at our church. Jeff Dahlquist headed the fourth group. Sponsors were Val Peterson and Janet and Chuck Hammond. There were many fun activities, campouts, bike rides, and a snow trip, but also there were visits to Sonoma State Hospital, Christmas Caroling, church services and earning money for their projects.

This year the church women organized their third circle, Lydia. Anna and Rebeka were started during the first year of organization.

Sue Wilkening and Jean Flak headed the cook book project, "Food-Fancies from Faith" (good recipes I might add). Sixty-eight people helped with the "Country Faire" a successful money making project. Lucille Smith served as LCW President.

This was the year that our minister was escorted but he police to Easter Morning Sunrise Service. (See former Pastor Flak for further information.) Our softball team, managed by Gary Willing had its first and only win. To celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of our church we had a reception in the Memorial Garden after church service at which Pastor Stan Olson, assistant the the President of Synod, was guest preacher. There was a no-host dinner at Lena's Restaurant (\$6 per person) plus a special program.

Bells were fun following an outdoor worship service on July 4th to celebrate a nationwide observance of the 200th anniversary of the founding of our country.

Lani Thompson served as Sunday School Director. She wrote in her report, "Are we doing a good job? I believe so, but the people to give the true answer will be the children, not today, but 10, 20, 30 years from now."

CAMP MICHELA Ministry suspended until further notice

"And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday."

Isaiah 58:10





Faith Lutheran Church's "Surf Shack"

What: Vacation Bible School 2018 **When:** July 23-27: 9:30 am-12 pm

- Crafts, music, games, snacks and more for kids preschool age "3's" to 6th grade

Where:
 Faith Lutheran Church
 4930 Newanga Ave.
 Santa Rosa, CA 95405
(707) 539-2521

Directions:
 -Hoen past Summerfield
 -Left first block to Newanga Ave.

Register by mailing this form to the church or register online at:
faithsr@sbcglobal.net

Registration Fee: \$30/child, family maximum of \$75 for 3 or more.

Registration Form-2018 VBS Faith Lutheran Church

Child's Name (one child per form)	Birthday	Age	Grade
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Parent's Name	Address	Phone#
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Emergency Contact Person	Relationship	Home Phone#	Alt. Phone#
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Food Allergies	Medical Concerns
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Family Doctor	Phone#
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*I hereby give permission to Faith Lutheran Church to provide emergency First Aid/CPR and seek or transport my child listed above for professional medical assistance if necessary.

Parent's Signature	Date
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A Reading From: Joshua 24: 12 - 15

“And I sent the hornet before you, which drove them out before you, the two kings of the Amorites; it was not by your sword or by your bow. I gave you a land on which you had not labored, and cities which you had not built, and you dwell therein; you eat the fruit of vineyards and olive yards which you did not plant. Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River, and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. And if you be unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day

whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”



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