

# FACTS OF FAITH

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*"Faith Lutheran Church is committed to  
nurturing and protecting our youngest members  
by providing a safe environment for children."*

## Pastor P's Perspective

### Worship

Often when we think of worship, our minds turn to Sunday morning. No doubt, Sunday worship is the central point for the gathering of our community around Word and Sacrament. We come together to sing and praise, to reflect on God's graciousness and to receive His mercy and forgiveness. We take joy in this gathering of our community—friends and family, brothers and sisters in faith, as we rightly should.

Yet, we must understand that worship is not only a Sunday morning activity. Worship is central to the whole of Christian Life—day in and day out. Indeed, this is what we were created for—to praise and give glory to Almighty God. Those who studied Revelation know that our life in the Kingdom is one of continuous praise. As we wait for the Last Day with great anticipation, we begin our praises now, and "practice" for our ultimate role in God's Kingdom. So what does daily worship look like? How can we adopt a practice, not only of regular attendance at church, but of a lifetime of continuous worship?

It's actually quite simple. Pray—anywhere, anytime. Prayer is worship. God is always near to us and hears the prayers of his children. Don't worry about "constructing" a "proper" prayer. Just pray and trust that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us before God. Some are unsure of how to pray, or how they should pray. In answer, I can give nothing better than the answer Jesus gave when His disciples asked the same thing: "When you pray, pray this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name..." Luther suggested the following: "In the morning, when you rise, you shall bless yourself with the holy cross and say: 'In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.' Then, kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord's Prayer. If you choose, you may, in addition, say this little prayer: 'I thank Thee, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, that Thou hast kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray Thee to keep me this day also from sin and all evil, that all my doings and life may please Thee. For into Thy hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Thy holy angel be with me, that the Wicked Foe may have no power over me. Amen.' Then go to your work with joy, singing a hymn, as the Ten Commandments, or what your devotion may suggest."

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NewsLetter  
**DEADLINE**

The deadline for Facts of Faith is the third Monday of each month. Articles for next month are due to the church office on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

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### UPCOMING DATES AT A GLANCE October 2018

- Oct 4: Blessing of the Animals
- Oct 5: Family Movie Night "Spark"
- Oct 6: Pull in for Prayer
- Oct 10: Potluck with Message
- Oct 13: Pull in for Prayer
- Oct 15: November Facts of Faith Deadline
- Oct 18: Sew & Such
- Oct 20: Kitchen Cleanup
- Oct 20: Pull in for Prayer
- Oct 21: Youth Group
- Oct 25: Lunch Bunch
- Oct 27: Pull in for Prayer
- Oct 27: Community Dinner
- Oct 27: Euchre

**This  
Month**



### Pastor P's Perspective (*continued from Page 1*)

He goes on to prescribe a similar form for evening prayer, including this prayer: "I thank Thee, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, that Thou hast graciously kept me this day, and I pray Thee to forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Thy hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Thy holy angel be with me, that the Wicked Foe may have no power over me. Amen." (Small Catechism) Yet, prayerful worship may take on still other forms, such as singing hymns and praise songs to the radio as you drive. Now that I think of it, I pray a lot when I'm in the car (and all the more now that my son is learning to drive). Praying before each meal is another fine way of adopting a regular life of prayer.

No matter how we do it, no matter where we are, we do well to pray always to worship in every part of our lives—to call on God in our need, and to praise Him for His grace in Christ. Indeed, this is the first step in the process of discipleship - of a closer walk with our Lord.

*"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit."*

1 Thess. 5:16-19



1 THESSALONIANS 5:17

## Habitat for Humanity Service Opportunities

There is one last chance in 2018 to serve with Habitat for Humanity's outreach ministry. Construction continues on two new homes close by on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in College Hill. The new homeowners are getting very excited for their anticipated move-in scheduled for some time before Christmas! Faith's last scheduled workday of 2018 is Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. No special skills are necessary; volunteer crew leaders will provide all the guidance you need. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Ken Clark, at (513) 231-6238 or [kclark@fuse.net](mailto:kclark@fuse.net). He will be happy to provide you with information, answer any questions you may have, and help you register as a volunteer worker. We hope to see you on site!



## Welcome, Jordan!

We are blessed by God to welcome our new Praise Team Leader, Jordan Stadvec! Jordan is an accomplished post-graduate performance student at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, and comes with a wealth of musical knowledge and a strong background in contemporary Christian music. Praise Team rehearsals will begin on Sept. 27, and they will join us in worship about two weeks later! God is faithful, all the time!



*September 2018*  
*a Note From*  
 VALLEY INTERFAITH COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

*To the members of Faith Lutheran Church EtCCA,  
 On behalf of Valley Interfaith's Back to School Program, we would like to thank you for the generous support of the Program! Back to School is officially over and 1,044 children started school with new supplies. Your donation of folders and pencils was a tremendous help! The families and children were so excited and appreciative of the supplies they received. And we at Valley are thankful for your Church's ongoing contributions to our Programs!  
 Emily Schuler*

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE HERE AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Nominating Committee (Becky Donohue, Ed Emmert, Lana Feller, Paula Winters and Phil Wuorinen) is looking for members of the Congregation



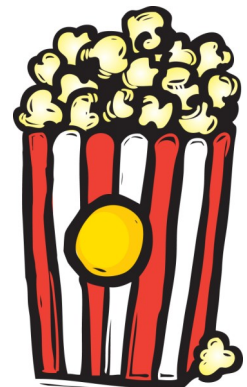
who feel called to serve. The positions that will be up for election this year are President, Vice President, Financial Secretary and Chairpersons for the following committees: Congregational Life, Finance/Stewardship, Financial Secretary, Social Concerns, Worship & Music and Youth. If you feel called to serve our Congregation, please see one of the members of the Nominating Committee. Thank you!

## This month's Movie Night is October 5<sup>th</sup> with "Spark"

Join your friends at Faith for Family Movie Night Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy a free dinner followed by a family-friendly, full length movie. Doors open at 5:45 PM, dinner at 6 PM, with the main feature starting around 6:30 PM. Bring family, friends, and neighbors! Everyone is welcome.

**How you can help.** Volunteers are always appreciated to help set up at 5 PM, mingle with guests or clean up at 8 PM.

More information: Roxanne Johnson at 513-633-0564 or [rmbj123@hotmail.com](mailto:rmbj123@hotmail.com)





## Visit the Faith Lutheran Website

Our church website ([www.faithcinci.org](http://www.faithcinci.org)) is a great place to turn for all information relating to church life here at Faith. You will find all of your favorite features like the weekly calendar, upcoming event information, great photos & links to FOF and Pastor Schultz's sermons.

Do you have ideas or suggestions? Contact Kate at [kategiver8@gmail.com](mailto:kategiver8@gmail.com)

## Office Hours

Church office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9 AM – 3 PM. Changes to that schedule due to vacation or illness will be communicated via email. Contact the church office at [secretary@faithcinci.org](mailto:secretary@faithcinci.org) or 931-6100.

## Prayer Requests

To submit your prayer request, please either call the office (931-6100) or email your prayer requests to Kristin at [secretary@faithcinci.org](mailto:secretary@faithcinci.org) during business hours.

For emergencies during non-business hours, please contact Sharene Schmalz at 521-8235 or email her at [shareschm@zoomtown.com](mailto:shareschm@zoomtown.com)

## Going into the hospital or having outpatient surgery?

Be sure to inform the office so Pastor Paul can arrange to minister to you. During business hours contact Kristin at 931-6100 or [secretary@faithcinci.org](mailto:secretary@faithcinci.org). For emergency admissions, please contact Pastor Paul at 937-594-1612 or Jennifer Schultz at 937-594-1628.

While you're recovering at home request a visit and/or communion by contacting Pastor Paul at 931-6100 or [secretary@faithcinci.org](mailto:secretary@faithcinci.org) during regular business hours.

## Submitting bulletin announcements

Announcements appearing in the Sunday bulletin are due by 12 noon the prior Wednesday. Due to space limitations, please provide the basic information (who, what, where, when, how and a contact name and number for more information). Plan to submit more detailed information to the Facts of Faith newsletter which is distributed to everyone on the email list, is available in hard copy format on the information table and is mailed to those are not able to attend regularly.

## FLC needs your news for Facts of Faith!

The Facts of Faith monthly newsletter reflects the life of our church AND we need your help to make it come alive each month. Remember if it's of interest to you it's probably of interest to your Faith Family.

Feel free to submit your news such as thank you notes, prayer request updates/praises, birth announcements, marriage announcements, other family milestones. Feel free to include photos.

We also encourage small groups and committees to submit announcements of their upcoming events as well as follow up reports with photos.

Email your submissions to Kristin at [secretary@faithcinci.org](mailto:secretary@faithcinci.org) by the deadline or leave written submissions in an envelope on Kristin's desk.

Plan ahead: Upcoming Facts of Faith deadlines:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline for submission</u>
November	October 15
December	November 19
January	December 17



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>6</b> 	<b>1</b> 9:30 AM Flower Judges Group	<b>2</b> 12:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study at Church 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM Youth Meeting	<b>3</b> 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b> 10:00 AM Herb Society 7:00 PM Blessing of the Animals 7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	<b>5</b>  6:00 PM Family Movie Night showing "Spark"	<b>6</b> 9:30 AM Pull in for Prayer
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