



### FLY 2nd Sunday - January 12

Join us for Bowling. We will leave the church after the 10:30 worship service, have lunch and enjoy a fun afternoon of bowling. Cost is \$5.



### Thank You for Your Donations

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Child Abuse Network stuffed animal drive. We had a wonderful response. Later this month we will take the all donations to CAN and tour the facility. We'll let you know when we have a date for the tour.

**Journey**  
in  
**January**

### High School Retreat at Camp Lutherhoma - Jan. 17-19

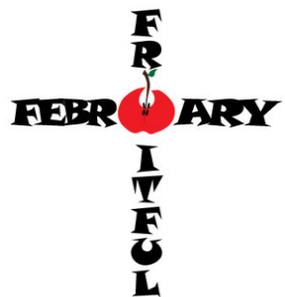
This year's theme is "Do you have a journey now?" based on Psalm 61:1-5. Registration fee \$110.

*Scholarships available.* Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board.

### Mid High Retreat at Camp Lutherhoma - Feb 28-Mar 2

The weekend is full of Christian growth, fellowship, fun, good food and lots of friends. This retreat includes small group Bible studies, fun activities and a full day of challenge course activities. You will stay in one of the new Retreat Cabins. Registration fee is \$100 if you sign up before February 2. *Scholarships available.*

Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board.



### Sales Help Needed

FLY is needed to help sell Gift Cards after each Sunday worship service. Please meet at the table in Luther Hall.



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# Faith News

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## Mark's Thoughts

### Psalm 107:1

*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."*

As a youngster the days following Christmas featured one part of a day set aside to write thank you notes to relatives who had sent gifts. I cannot say I looked forward to it or really enjoyed it; (frankly it reminded me too much of school when school was out), but I learned something from the exercise.

A sense of appreciation if nothing else. Reflecting on the Thanksgiving through Christmas portion of the calendar I recognize that as is always the case it was rather hectic and once again the sanctuary was decorated; candles were ready for Christmas Eve; special music was practiced and performed, the necessary provisions were made for celebrating the Lord's Supper and I did nothing! Not sure I even gave it any thought.

Thank you to those who did, your efforts were noted and are appreciated. We had minimal snow and ice and still the sidewalks were dry and parking lot clear. Thank you trustees. The live nativity was a large undertaking by the Board of Education and others and was really pretty neat even though the weather posed a significant challenge. The above and many other things were done extremely well even during a rather hectic time of year because they wanted to honor Jesus and they did. You also honored your staff with a Christmas bonus for which we thank you and will attempt to honor God and you with our best as well.

### Office Hours:

M-F 8:00am - 5:00pm

### Office Number:

918-272-9858

### Fax Number:

918-272-4629

### Sonshine Preschool:

918-272-8534

### Website:

[faithlutheranowasso.org](http://faithlutheranowasso.org)

### Email:

[lutheranowasso@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lutheranowasso@sbcglobal.net)

## This Week At Faith

### Today

Worship Service, 8 am and 10:30 am

Sunday School, 9:15 am

### Monday - Epiphany

Jr. Girl Scouts, 6:30 pm

Boy Scouts, 6:30 pm

Rejoice Bible Study, 7 pm

### Tuesday

Bible Study, 10:15 am

### Wednesday

MOMs Club, 9:30 am

Dinner, 5:45 pm

Bible Classes, all ages: 6:30 pm

### Thursday

Go-Getters, 11:30 am

Newsletter Article Deadline, noon

Elders, 6 pm

Team One Choir Practice, 6 pm

### Saturday

Girl Scouts, 4 pm

Progressive Dinner, 6 pm

## Those Serving Today

### Elders

8:00 - Erik Clark, Jim Riley

10:30 - Eugene Reeves

### Usher

8:00 - Randy Miller

10:30 - Nelson Kurth

### Reader

8:00 -

10:30 - Craig Rhodes

### Acolyte

8:00 - Rachel Merritt

10:30 - Ethan Morgan

### Accompanist

8:00 - Laura Sole

10:30 - Kathey Childers

### Song Leaders at 10:30 service

Shelly Cooper, Mickie Dessiatova,

Brenda Osborn

### Sound Booth

8:00 - Douglas Hall

10:30 - Matt Doering

**Powerpoint** - Kent Wahlgren

## START THE NEW YEAR WITH SERVICE!

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

**Readers** - Read scripture reading during worship services. You choose either the 8am or 10:30am service. Done on a rotating schedule.

**Ushers** - Pass out bulletins, help people line up for communion, straighten sanctuary after service. You can choose either 8am or 10:30am worship service to volunteer. Done on a rotating schedule.

**Greeters** - Greet people arriving at church. Give directions or help answer questions they may have. Done on a rotating schedule.

**Collators** - Collate bulletins. Done on a rotating schedule on Fridays.



**Site Preparers** - Responsible for cleaning the Sanctuary. Rotating schedule.

Takes approximately 1-2 hours to vacuum, dust and pick up trash depending on number of people helping. Done on a rotating schedule.

**Gardeners** - Adopt a flower bed to help keep the church property looking beautiful.

**Children's Sunday School** - Help needed to play parts/characters during the Bible lesson. All materials are furnished. Substitute teachers are also needed.

**Communion Preparation** - Prepares Communion on Sunday mornings. Done on a rotating schedule.

CONTACT KATHEY IN THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP.

★ Thank You! ★  
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We would like to thank all of you for your kind words, thoughts, prayers and gifts that we received this Christmas season. It is a blessing to work with such a wonderful Family of Faith.

- Pastor Neumann and Kathey Childers

### Mary Martha

The Mary Martha Circle will meet Thursday, January 16th, at 11am.



Altar flowers are given by  
**Dale and Beverly Kunze**  
in celebration of their  
48<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** 185

**Last Sunday's Offering:** \$7826



### Birthdays This Week

6 - Sharon McDonald,  
Kim Neumann

8 - Richard Hesting

9 - Aiden Dean,  
Austin Iceberg,  
Nelson Kurth,  
Tyler Lutz

10 - Jon Kreder

11 - Kendall Kurth

## What Do You Do With

empty inkjet or laser print cartridges, calculators, cell phones, pagers, DVD Video games/players, I-Pods, PDAs, MP3 Players, digital cameras, scientific/graphing laptops, GPS, Tablets, eReaders, iPads?



**Don't trash them! Donate them!**

Donate them to LWML's recycling campaign.

They will redeem them for cash to use for missions. And by keeping these things out of landfills it also helps the environment.

Please include any cords and accessories.

**A collection box is located in the copy room.**

### Thank You

Thank you to all the families who gave a poinsettia to help decorate the altar area for the Christmas season. They always give a special reminder of Christ's birth.

You may take your poinsettia home with you after the January 5th worship service.



**Faith Lutheran Church Owasso OK**  
Stay in touch with events and happenings at Faith.

### Electronic Giving

Did you know that you can set up electronic giving through our very own church office? Registration forms are on the information table in the narthex or come by the church office and let's get you signed up. It's quick and easy. You pick the amount and date of deduction.

### What Skills Do You Have?

Would you be willing to help a fellow member of Faith with some simple chores? Please consider offering your talents. Just fill out the form (on the Information Table in the narthex) and leave it in the church office. We will pair you up with someone here at Faith who needs a little help. *Thank You.*

### Gift Cards on Sale

Purchase gift cards to the places you shop. You can purchase gift cards to Wal-Mart, Sam's, Target, Belk, Best Buy, JC Penney, Kohl's, Lowe's, Chili's, Panera and Amazon just to name a few. We have **MANY** are in stock now!

**There are *hundreds* of stores and restaurants to choose from.**

Each purchase helps raise funds for our youth and you do not pay anything extra.

### Lutheran Church Extension Fund

> oklahoma district

What do kids know about stewardship? Help your child learn to manage gifts from God by being a part of the Y.I. Club. With an investment of just \$25 in a Y.I. StewardAccount, you can help your child save for their future and learn lifelong stewardship concepts. Help your child save for school activities or trips. Don't wait, open a Y.I. StewardAccount and start cultivating a strong sense of stewardship TODAY!

More information contact Becky Elliott at [bellott@kslccms.org](mailto:bellott@kslccms.org) or 405-623-5656.

### Inclement Weather Policy

Church closings will be broadcast on TV channel 6 and channel 8 as well as on our church website, [www.faithlutheranowasso.org](http://www.faithlutheranowasso.org).

Evening activities, Parents Day Out and Sunshine Preschool will be cancelled when Owasso Public Schools are closed.

### Prayer Concerns

For prayer concerns or updates please contact one of the following;

**Marian Arroyo, 918-638-8820**  
[marianarroyo18@gmail.com](mailto:marianarroyo18@gmail.com)  
**OR**  
**Pat Hardy, 918-698-0988**  
[hardypatricia13@yahoo.com](mailto:hardypatricia13@yahoo.com)

If you are in need of prayer please contact us and your concern will be added to the prayer list. The list is shared with the people on the prayer chain so several prayer partners can pray.

*Please be sure to keep us updated.*

The Prayer Circle meets twice a month to update the list. Prayer lists are published at that time and are available on the Information Table in the narthex.

If you would like to join the Prayer Chain to be phoned or emailed to pray for someone, or want to have a list put in your church mailbox. Please contact one of the ladies listed above.

**Our Church Elders**

If you have any questions, concerns or would like to speak to someone, please contact your Elder.

Elders are assigned to families based on the first letter of your last name.

A,B	Nathan Wolf, 371-1328
C,D	Jim Riley, 430-8496
E-J	George Potter, 371-5809
K,L	Earl Kuppinger, 272-3835
M,N	Kevin Casper, 960-4692
O,P	Erik Clark, 287-8076
Q-T	Nathan Wolf, 371-1328
U-Z	Eugene Reeves, 272-4179

### Mr. Murph Recycling

**Recyclable Items:**

- Glass
- Plastic
- Metals
- Cardboard
- Paper

*Items do not need to be separated.*



## Readers Needed

We have an urgent need for readers to read scripture during the 8:00am worship service. It is done on a rotating schedule. For questions or if you would like to be put on the schedule, please contact Kathey in the church office.

## Go-Getters Luncheon Jan. 9

If you are a Senior Citizen, enjoy good food, fun and fellowship, join the Go-Getters. We meet the second Thursday of the month at 11:30am in the Great Room of Faith. Please bring a covered dish to share.

## Voice Of Service

The Voice of Service is the official newsletter of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League - Oklahoma District.

The Winter issue of the *Voice Of Service* is now online.

Visit [oklwml.org](http://oklwml.org).

Find out what's going on in the Oklahoma District LWML.



## Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are needed for the new year. If you would like to sign up, an Altar Flower Sign Up Calendar is posted by the north church entrance. Sign up to give flowers in celebration of special occasions, in memory of loved ones or to celebrate God's blessings. You choose the day, the reason and the flower colors. We will order the arrangements and place them on the Altar. Cost is \$30. For questions? Call Beverly 918-272-3882.

## Faith's Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry serves a large number of our neighbors in need. Without your help we would not be able to serve them.

### Please consider either:

1. Donating canned food items
2. Donating money for the account  
(mark your donation 'Food Pantry')

Be sure to pick up a **Faith Lutheran Church Community Food Pantry** reusable shopping tote. They are located by the church exits. When you shop for your family please consider also shopping for our neighbors in need.



## Progressive Dinner

As a tradition of the congregation, it is a time to set aside for the Family of Faith to gather together in fellowship and a time to share each other's homes. The Annual Progressive Dinner will be January 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6pm. To be a part of the gathering sign up on the LWML bulletin board. Please indicate which course of dinner you would like to help with, or if you would be willing to share your home. The dessert will be served at church. This is a great opportunity to meet your fellow Family of Faith members. (This is a gathering for adult members only.)

## Thank You

Thank you to all who helped with the meal after Martha Brunner's Funeral.

*- The Family of Martha Brunner*

## Mite Box Sunday January 12

Please bring your MITES or spare change on January 12 for the MITE Box. The MITE Box is intended for regular contributions of "MITES" - offerings above and beyond the support given to the congregation and the LCMS. The money is used to fund mission grants. 75% of the money collected stays in Oklahoma and 25% goes to fund national mission grants. Place them in the large purple and white LWML MITE Box located in the narthex. *Remember every penny counts!*



## CHICK FLICKS: DINNER & A MOVIE

All ladies are invited to *Chick Flicks: Dinner & a Movie* on Friday, January 24.

The evening will include a wonderful dinner we prepare together, the movie **'The Holiday'** and lots of laughter and fellowship! The event will be hosted by Karen Campbell at her home. Please call Karen at 918-274-3988 to RSVP.

## DON'T TRASH THOSE COUPONS!

Military personnel and their families stationed at major overseas bases can use those manufacturer's coupons up to six months after they have expired. Please consider recycling any you do not use and any that are just expired so our military can put them to use. Please place your **clipped** coupons separated by "NON FOOD" and "FOOD" in the box marked **Coupons for Military Families** located in the copy room.