

# Faith News

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## This Week At Faith

### Today

Worship Services, 8 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School, 9:15 am

### Monday

Church Office Closed

Parent's Day Out, 9 am

Jr. Girl Scouts, 6:30 pm

Boy Scouts, 6:30 pm

### Tuesday

Parent's Day Out, 9 am

### Wednesday

MOMs Club, 9:30 am

Parent's Day Out, 9 am

Family Movie Night, 7:30 pm

### Thursday

Faith News Articles Due, noon

Team One Choir Practice, 6 pm

Altar flowers are given by  
**John and Cindy Maloy**  
in celebration of  
Charles and Ashton's  
1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary.



Last Sunday's Attendance: 200

Last Sunday's Offering: \$9552

### Family Movie Night Wednesday

Join us Wednesday, July 8, at 7:30pm in the Gym to watch Disney's The Lion King. Popcorn and lemonade provided. Please bring a snack and seating. Come join the fun! Invite a friend.

### Quarterly Giving Statements

We now print Semi-annual Giving Statements instead of Quarterly Giving Statements. If you need a Quarterly Statement, please notify the church office and one will be printed for you.

### Church Picture Directory

New church picture directories will be printed this fall. Photographers will be at Faith on August 26-29 to photograph individuals and families for the directory. Please check your calendar and be thinking about when the best time to sign up for your photos. Beginning in August, a sign up sheet will be in the narthex.

### Name Tags

With summer upon us, we have many visitors joining us and members attending alternate services. Please help make it easier to get to know one another by wearing your name tag. If you need a name tag, notify Kathey in the church office.

### Summer Go-Getters

We will meet July 16<sup>th</sup> in the Great Room of Faith at 10:30am. Bring a sack lunch. We will play dominoes following lunch or bring a favorite game/cards. Guests are always welcome. Join us for fellowship & fun!

### Sunday School Assistance Needed

We are currently recruiting parents on a rotating schedule to help with Sunday School. If you have a child in 5th grade or younger, we ask that you sign up to assist with class material preparation such as making copies as well as helping the teachers during Sunday School. The sign up sheet is located in the Sunday School area. Contact Lisa Newbrough via the church office for more information.

### Electronic Giving

Going out of town? Budgeting? Forgot your checkbook? Try electronic giving! You can set up electronic giving through the church office for your tithes and offerings. Registration forms are located on the information table in the narthex or stop by the church office and we will get you signed up. It's quick and easy!

## Mark's Thoughts

## Jesus Wept

This particular verse is infamous for being the shortest verse in the Bible. Sort of true! In English it is true but in Greek, or original NT language, there is a shorter one if a person is counting letters.

With confirmands I tease that I am going to choose John 11:35 as their confirmation verse so the sequence goes: Name – Jesus wept, John 11:35. Church buildings being involved in a shooting spree as well as the targets of arsonists brought the image of Jesus weeping to mind. Certainly our behavior toward one another would be enough to make God weep.

It is an odd thing to wrap our minds around... Jesus weeping. In the mid 70's, there was a TV commercial that featured an elderly native American with a tear trickling down his face as he considered how we had polluted our environment. That was the picture that came to mind whenever I heard or read this word of God.

This verse is often used as a proof text of the human nature of Christ. I always thought why would Jesus weep knowing he was going to raise Lazarus from the dead? Some have theorized that he wept because of the sorrow that sin and the consequences brought into this family. Certainly that is a possibility. Recently, at Al Schnackenberg's funeral, Pastor Dreier mentioned another possibility I had never thought about. Pastor Dreier postulated that Jesus wept because he was recalling Lazarus' soul from heaven back to earth. A soul for which he would die to ensure its presence in heaven. I really appreciated that insight. While some of our behavior on earth might bring Jesus to tears; rest assured that our physical death will not.

## Those Serving Today

### Elders

8:00 -

10:30 -

### Usher

8:00 - George Potter

10:30 - Nelson Kurth

### Reader

8:00 - Theresa Haan

10:30 - Kent Wahlgren

**8:00 Greeter** - Riley Family

### Acolyte

8:00 - Greg Haan

10:30 - Ethan Miller

**Accompanist** - Bill Lotter

### Sound Booth

8:00 - Douglas Hall

10:30 - Matt Doering

## Oklahoma Lutheran Travelers Gospelfest Trip

OK Lutheran Travelers are going to the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Gospelfest in OKC on Aug 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a tremendous event which includes not only a variety of music, but a delicious lunch - all for only \$35! Kaleo Tours is the sponsor. Musicians include Oklahoma's own Kyle Dillingham on fiddle, Terry Jordan on piano, the Master's Touch, Paul's Journey, Burchfield Brothers and Southern SONLight. Join us! Reservation forms located on the information table in the narthex.

## Immanuel Lutheran Travelers Branson Trip

The wheels on the bus go round and round, and you'll enjoy going around with your fellow Lutherans! Immanuel Lutheran Travelers in BA are planning their annual trip to Branson, Oct 6-8. Total price is \$260 per person which includes: bus fare, two nights at hotel including breakfasts, 3 lunches & 2 dinners, all shows. Please remit \$100 now to reserve your seat. Balance is due Aug 15th. Send check to Juanita Rittenhouse, 2717 West College Street, Broken Arrow, OK, 74012. For questions? Phone Juanita at 918-258-3439, or Barbara Sabourin at 918-437-4405

## Drillers Faith & Family Night Post-Game Concert July 17<sup>th</sup>

Elgin Ave after the Drillers Fireworks Show. Tulsa Drillers vs. Arkansas Travelers. Game time 7:05pm. Concert featuring Brian Nhira Music.

## Discover: True Love Waits

Parents and students (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to attend "Discover Real Love Waits" on Aug. 22, 9am-3pm, at Holy Trinity Lutheran in Edmond, OK. The event is sponsored for Lutherans for Life and focuses on the virtues of chastity, sexual purity and marriage and helps guide children in making decisions when dating that are pleasing to God. The keynote speaker is Rev. Jonathan Fisk. For more info contact Jackie Mullen at 405-321-3443, tlnormansec@gmail.com

## Lutherans 4 Life

This is a group of members of Faith that, as one function, support the Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC is a pro-life group) in action and prayer. You are encouraged to attend and join this group. They meet the last Sunday of the month in the Katie Luther Room of Faith at 9:15am.

## Faith's Food Pantry

The need for our Food Pantry increases with the summer because of students being home for the summer. Please remember our Food Pantry when you shop. We need donations of non-perishable food items such as: spaghetti, peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, canned fruits and vegetables, cereal, macaroni and cheese, soup, rice, beans, dessert mixes. Thank you!

Email articles to be included in *Faith News* to [lutheranowasso@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lutheranowasso@sbcglobal.net)

## Parents Day Out Now Enrolling

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 9am till noon  
Ages 16 months to 4 years old

We provide loving, Christ-centered care  
and education for your precious little ones.

Summer Program: Now - Aug 26  
Fall Program: Begins Sept. 7

For additional information or to enroll  
contact Kathy Vanderpool, 918-694-4288.



5 - Gwen Tayman  
6 - Diana Cataldo  
Randy Joly  
7 - Natalie Paul  
Curtis Schmeisser  
8 - Chandra Barthel  
Raeleen Buxton  
Kevin Casper  
Shelly Cooper  
Beverly Kunze  
Tristan Osborn

## Prayer Requests & Concerns

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

**Marian Arroyo, 918-638-8820, marianarroyo18@gmail.com**

**Pat Hardy, 918-698-0988, hardypatricia13@yahoo.com**

**Roseanna Kretschmar, 918-492-0823, jlkretzs@sbcglobal.net**

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 Info Table in the narthex.



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-D Nathan Wolf, 371-1328  
E-G Craig Rhodes, 960-1385  
H-K Andrew Merritt, 606-3536  
L-O Ben Drescher, 857-1114  
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U-Z Matt Clifton, 288-6221