## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & Upcoming Events**



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Ministry

Ladies Bible Study Tuesdays 10:00 AM—11:00 AM at Faith Fellowship Led by Pastor Becky



Children's Lunch & Lesson

#### Each Sunday at 12:15 p.m.

Please bring your children to attend this special. time. Will not meet February 20, we will have our God Loves You Dinner that day.

#### Phoebe Fellowship & Outreach

Several months ago Donna Brown led the Tuesday morning Bible study on the women of the Bible. Phoebe is only mentioned once in Romans 16:1~2. She was the person who delivered Paul's letter to the Romans. Phoebe is one who serves or ministers in any way. Donna told all the ladies that we need to be Phoebes. And so, a group a ladies decided to start a Phoebe Outreach. Helping others as the need arises. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. If interested in participating please sign up. We will keep everyone informed and updated on our progress. Thanks for being a Phoebe, a Trustworthy Servant. God Bless!!



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dry cleaned. \$20 for

each panel. To see in

person, contact Angie

in the office.

Card to Faith Fellowship, Thank you so much for the beautiful plant for my dad's funeral service. Thank you for all you prayers and support during this difficult time.

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LCMC has more than 300,000 members

We helped 8

families in

January

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will not meet on February 20, we will

have our God Loves You Dinner that day.

Our Garage Sale stuff has

moved upstairs.

Any additional items go

there and feel free to start

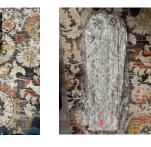
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Thank you to **Blooming Rose for** providing us with **Altar Flowers for** Sundays.

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# Becky's Billet Doux

"All things are lawful," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. Do not seek your own advantage, but that of the other. 1 Corinthian 10:23-24

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! The very name that frees us from sin, death, and the devil. That's right, He FREES us from sin. Cool, huh? That means that "all things are lawful" for us. What do you think about that? That's being free in Christ. Jesus Christ suffered horrendously for us, died for us, was separated from our Father for us. He did this so that we will never be separated from the Father or his love, never. ever, ever! Because of this we are free. "All things are lawful" for you. Congratulations, you are free.

What would you like to do with your freedom? What's first on your list? Tell off old so-andso? Manipulate people to suit

your wishes? Steal? Take advantage of people? Be rude? Stop helping others? Enjoy your gluttony (of sleep, food, drink, pills -whatever your temptation is?) Worry more? Pray less? What do you want to do with your freedom, the very freedom that was purchased for you with Christ's own blood?

Living in Christ means living for the 'other.' The list of behaviors in the previous paragraph are all selfish behaviors. Behaviors of those in bondage to sin. Those are not behaviors of those freed from sin. Those freed from sin can, somehow, some time, let go of their selfishness and live for the Continued on p. 2

# Faith

#### FAITH FELLOWSHIP LUTHERAN CHURCH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FEBRUARY 2022- VOLUME 16

#### **Church Events**

- Feb. 8—Game Fellowship at • 6pm
- Feb. 11-12—Board Retreat/ **Board Meeting**
- Feb. 13—Super Bowl Sunday •
- Feb. 14—Valentine's Day
- Feb. 20—God Loves You Dinner
- Feb. 21—President's Day

#### Weekly Activities:

**Tuesdays:** Ladies Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal; 6:00 p.m. Theology Study

Sundays: Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and Worship Service at 11 AM.

New Members Class after the Sunday Worship Service.

Children's Lunch & Lesson after the Sunday Worship Service.

'other,' seek what benefits the other, the neighbor, the church family, the community. Odd, isn't it? Freedom in Christ is not self-serving, but selfgiving.

The joy of Freedom is letting go of selfish desires. Letting go of always trying to get your way is freeing in and of itself. When you can hold your best ideas loosely, willing to let them go takes all the pressure of 'making something happen' off you. You can now seek God's will in all things and follow where he leads. Oh, it is SO MUCH easier to be a simple creature in God's creation. living within the boundaries of God's plan. Sit back and enjoy the ride. There will be work to do, rest, and enjoyment. Doesn't that sound freeing?

Pastor Becky

Looking Ahead to March Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> is ASH Wednesday. Sat., March 12 Pastor Randy Freund will be here to share news of LCMC and Augustana District. We'll have a great meal and wonderful fellowship. Pr. Randy will preach on March 13<sup>th</sup> (daylight savings time begins that day too)

Watch for Upcoming:

Pastoral Care Training Men's Coffee Klatch

March Fellowship is Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Meet Pastor Randy Freund, Chair, LCMC Board of Trustees, and Service Coordinator for Augustana District. Hope you've been paying attention to the tidbits of information about LCMC in the bulletin and Faith Matters. There will be a game and those 'fun facts' will come in handy! If you need a ride to this event please let Sherry Shearer know.

**Lenten Midweek Services** 

Lunch & Service at 12:00-1:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall beginning March 2

LCMC has 7 staff members



Game Fellowship

Night

**Tuesday, February 8** 

6:00 p.m.

Come join us for a great time of food, games & fellowship. Invite your friends and family.

### **Genesis Fast Facts**



The first book of the Bible

Some believe it is authored by Moses

God passes the promise of Jesus from Adam and Eve to Israel and all nations.

#### Important Stories

**Genesis 1- Creation** Genesis 6- Noah and the flood Genesis 12- God calls Abram Genesis 25-36 - Jacob and Esau

#### Genesis 39- Joseph in Egypt

#### People

Adam, Eve, Cain, Able, Seth, Noah, Shem, Canaan, Abraham, Sarah, Lot, Melchizedek, Hagar, Ishmael, Abimelech, Issac, Rebekah, Laban, Jacob, Esau, Rachel, Leah, Sons of Israel (12 brothers), Dinah, Tamar, Potiphar, Manasseh, Ephraim

# DINNER Sunday February 20 immediately after the Worship Service

Ard, Farrell & Kellie (healing) Arnold, Dale (health) Bowman. Michael Bristow family in the loss of Milton Brown, Bonnie Brown, Donna (healing) Burditt, Larry (Angie Gullett's brothgrandson) er-in-law, Parkinson's is worse) Byerly, Evelyn (at MCH, for healing) Carr, Billie (Betty Lively's sister, old son) **Collerd**, Tyler Cox, Wanda (Angie's sis-in-law, Marsha heart issues, Diabetes, health) **Dudley**, Phyllis Silhan. Charlie **Duff**, Norma (peace) Eilers, Melvin (healing) Ervin, Gerald (health) Estrada, Mary & Bobby Fowler, Ginnie Fowler, Jerry Garrison, Marilee (lung cancer) Gonzales, Lisa (treatments, loss of step-dad, Efrain Suarez, Esmeralda's husband)

Gullett, Angie & family, (mourning loss of her father)

**Pr. Kaskela**, Jerry (healing)

healing)

Kurek, Darrell (recovery from surgery)





# **Prayer Requests**

Maroney Family in loss of Jeanette (Angie's friend)

**McCarter**, Sarah (healing)

McGee, Helen (healing)

Mullins, Ellie (6 yr old, transplanted kidney; health)

Nance, Bodhi (Watson's

**Oppermann**, Nicki (healing) Otwell, Joyce (health) **Overstreet** family (loss of 18 yr.

Perez family in the loss of

**Scott**, Abe (cancer, for healing)

Simendinger, Bonnie (cancer)

**Smith**, Mava (Chemo treatments)

Southard, John (CHF)

Strickland, Gary (salvation)

Theesfield, Carol (healing)

Vencil, Navlan (health)

Weaver, Sharlene (health)

West, Kim (healing)

Winkler, Tammy (loss of husband, & daughter, and heal-

Worthen Family (Terri's greatnephew, Canyon, for upcoming health procedures)

Prayer of the Month Holy Lord, thank you for the freedom you have so graciously given to us. Teach us to live in this freedom in service to our neighbor, our friends, our family and to strangers. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



To the Perez (Nessel) family in the loss of of Marsha.

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