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And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." Luke 2:9-12



Parish Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship
Monday, December 24
4:00 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church - Dwight, ND
5:00 p.m. Mooreton Lutheran Church - Mooreton, ND

Sunday School Christmas Program
"Manger Tales"
Sunday, December 16 at 10:30 a.m.



A potluck dinner will follow the Sunday School program. Please invite your friends and family to join us for great food and fellowship. Please bring 1 (or 2) large dishes to share.



Mooreton Church Women

The Mooreton Church Women will not have a regular meeting this month.



Church Cleaning - Ruth Johnson

We ask all to chip in to keep the Church clean this month for the Christmas season. Thank you.

Faith Church Women

Faith Church Women will not meet this month.



Joint Council

The Faith/Mooreton joint council meeting will be held December 12, 7:00 p.m. at Faith.



December Ushers

Faith - Vaughan Griffin & Wade Griffin

Dear Family of Faith & Mooreton,

We have just returned from Stillwater where our kids hosted the Thanksgiving holiday. All but two of our immediate family were able to be present. We celebrated an abundance of tasty food, the fellowship of one another from the very young to, shall we say, the well seasoned! We enjoyed laughter, second helpings, games, stories, maybe third helpings and came home with happy hearts. We have much to be thankful for!

And now as this is being written, the month of December is nearly here. The flurry of preparation for Christmas has begun.

Depending on how old we are, there are letters being sent to Santa, lists and cards being written, gatherings and parties attended, and for some confined to their home, a waiting in their chair for a visit from their loved ones. Each year we strive

to keep Christ at the center of Christmas, to remember WHO is at the center of this celebration and in this chaotic world we often fail. We are so caught up in getting ready for the party (Jesus Birthday) that once Christmas Day has come and gone, we fall into a slump, forgetting that Jesus birth brings a whole new beginning for us. We can move forward with joy. Some years ago we received a card with the following verse that speaks not only to the celebration we are preparing for, but also to the message we are to carry on when the party is over. " When the song of the angel is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone, When the kings and the princes are home" "When the shepherds are back with their flock; the work of Christmas begins....." "To find the lost--to heal the broken--to feed the hungry--to release the prisoner--to build the nations--""To bring peace among brothers--to make music in their hearts!"

It is our prayer that each of you find the peace and joy that Jesus birth can bring this Christmas and then carry it forward to others! Luke 2:7----John 3:16

Blessings & Love

Pastor Gordy & Wallyn



December

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<p>Holy Communion is held the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.</p>						1
<p>2 1st Sunday of Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship</p>	3	4	5 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	6	7	8
<p>9 2nd Sunday of Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship</p>	10	11	12 7:00 p.m. Joint Council at Faith 	13	14	15 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Christmas Program Practice
<p>16 3rd Sunday of Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Christmas Program/Potluck Youth Group Caroling/ Gift Exchange</p>	17	18 	19 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	20	21	22
<p>23 4th Sunday of Advent - Blue 8:30 Mooreton Worship 10:30 Faith Worship</p>	24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 4:00 Faith 5:00 Mooreton	25 	26	27	28	29
<p>30 1st Sunday after Christmas - White 8:30 Mooreton Worship 10:30 Faith Worship</p>	31					

Faith Sunday School News

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work in preparation for this year's Christmas Program. The children are doing a great job and we are so proud of them. A couple notes:

*There will be a practice on Saturday, December 15, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at the Church. This practice really helps the children as we put the finishing touches on the program.

*We will have Sunday School on December 16 at the regular time. We will do a final run through and the children will get their costumes on. Christmas Program will be held during Faith Worship (10:30 a.m.) Please invite your guests to join us for a potluck dinner following the program.

*There will not be Sunday School December 23 or 30.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

God Bless,
Tertia



Program Practice

As we approach the winter season we ask that you please check the Parish website, Parish Facebook page, WDAY, or KVLV for information about weather related cancellations.



Coffee Treaters

2 - Erica Pajari (F)	Rick & Kristi Ford (M)
9 - Colleen West (F)	Neal & Shirley Skovholt (M)
16 - Kassi Griffin (F)	Clarice Jagodzinski (M)
23 - None (F)	Lyle & Karlene Ellingson (M)
30 - None (F)	Kenneth & Ruth Johnson (M)

Food Pantry

The Youth Group is collecting items for the Richland-Wilkin County Food Pantry. There are baskets located at both Faith and Mooreton to leave your donations in. Thank you!



YOUTH GROUP



December 2 - 4:00-6:00 p.m. Fields of Faith at Kindred High School

Please watch for texts/Facebook posts with information/date for Bell Ringing.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Giving Tree.

December 16 we will have our annual bake sale, caroling and gift exchange.

Bake sale will be free will offering and the proceeds will be given to a local family in need.

Youth Group kids (families) are asked to bring 2 - 3 dozen items for the sale.

Caroling/Gift Exchange - We will leave for caroling following potluck. We will stop at Fryn' Pan or DQ for a treat and gift exchange once we are done caroling. We hope to be back to the church by 3:00.

**Please bring a \$5.00 white elephant gift for our gift exchange.

If you would prefer to receive the monthly newsletter via email instead of a paper copy, please let Tertia know or send an email to



faithmooretonlutheranchurch@yahoo.com

***Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by Wednesday's at noon.

***Information for the January Newsletter is due to Tertia by December 18.

***If you notice a mis-spelled name in the bulletin or newsletter, you are asked to contact Tertia.

***Please contact Tertia if there is an announcement you would like placed in the bulletin or newsletter.

Confirmation

Confirmation classes and treaters for December

December 5 - Dalton Praska

December 19 - Gina Quamme

Reminder: Confirmation students are required to attend Worship and Sunday School a minimum of twice a month. Please refer to the Confirmation letter sent out at the beginning of the year for more information. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Gordy.



Community CHOIR & ORCHESTRA Cantata *One Small Child*

Saturday, December 8 // 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 9 // 2:00 p.m.

NDSCS Cultural Center//

Bremer Bank Theatre

Free Will Offering



December Birthdays

December 5	Aaron Mennis
December 5	Brynlie Hegseth
December 6	Dalton Praska
December 8	Chris Meyer
December 9	Hunter Thane
December 9	Alec Helgeson
December 9	Judi Mikkelson
December 10	Brennan Skovholt
December 10	Jackson Rowland
December 12	Bentley Pajari
December 13	Caiden Anderson
December 18	Josh Griffin
December 18	Brandon Ward
December 18	Kaylee Ward
December 19	Elizabeth Fischer
December 23	Randy Ford
December 25	Thomas Allrich
December 26	Eddy Pajari
December 27	Pastor Gordon Lee
December 29	Jennifer Siemieniewski
December 30	Perry Score
December 31	Wallyn Lee

If we missed your birthday, please let us know. We may not have your birthday on file. Thanks.



If you cannot acolyte on your designated Sunday, please exchange with one another.



December

2 - Wyatt Griffin
9 - Gina Quamme (F) Abbie Skovholt (M)

January

6 - Cody West
13 - Addie Christensen
20 - Jasmyn Benedict (F) Riley Helgeson (M)
27 - Izabella Fischer

Faith is looking for sponsors for upcoming newsletter sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring please contact Tertia. Sponsorship cost is \$50.00.

It is better to give than receive. In lieu of Christmas gifts this year, the Sunday School teachers would like to ask the Sunday School families to give a donation to Jessy's Toy Box. Donations will be collected until December 16.

Jessy's Toy Box is a local nonprofit organization started by James "Jessy" Haberman in 2015. Jessy was born with a rare syndrome in 2009. He was no stranger to the hospital and received an infusion at Roger Maris, in Fargo, ND. During this time he received a gift and he got the idea to start "Jessy's Toy Box". Jessy loved to give back and this is the way he could help other children during their times at the hospital. Jessy and his family made many trips to Rochester for Dr. appointments and surgeries. Sadly, Jessy passed away February 19, 2018. His parents made a promise to him to keep his dream of Jessy's Toy Box to continue in his honor.

How to Donate and What to Donate

Faith Lutheran, has offered to be a drop off spot for donations for Jessy's Toy Box. The ages of the kids we donate to are 0-18 years old. Here are some ideas of what you can donate to Jessy's Toy Box:

***New Toys** (Barbies, Lego's, stuffed animals etc.) any toy that you know that kids love are always a great idea.

***Gift cards** (I-Tunes, Amazon, Xbox, Play Station and Barnes and Noble, etc.) We are in need of these.

***Gift Certificates** to nail salons for manicures and pedicures.

*Blankets, slippers, nail polish, books, board games.

*Cash donations are also accepted, with this money we will buy movie tickets.

Where do these Toys go?

Toys we collect will be taken to Sanford Children's and Roger Maris.

If you would like more information on Jessy's Toy Box you can find us on Facebook or you can go to our website.

<https://jessystoybox.wixsite.com/>
or email us at jessystoybox15@gmail.com



Each week the Sunday School children earn stars for attending Worship, Sunday School, and memorizing Bible verses. They use these stars to shop for prizes at our Reward Store. If anyone is interested in donating prizes they would be greatly appreciated! Donations can be given to Tertia or left in the Sunday School room.



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