

# Dwight - Mooreton Lutheran Parish

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## JANUARY

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### ANNUAL MEETINGS

**Mooreton Lutheran**  
Sunday, January 26, 2020  
**Parish Schedule Change**

8:30 a.m. Faith Worship  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Mooreton Worship ~ potluck dinner ~  
Annual Meeting to immediately follow dinner

#### Faith Lutheran

Sunday, February 2, 2020  
Worship at 10:30 a.m. ~ potluck dinner ~  
Annual Meeting to immediately follow dinner

**Mark these dates on you  
calendar and plan to attend  
these important  
Congregational meetings.**



### Coffee Servers

5 - Laurie Quamme (F)  
Rena Stallman (M)  
12 - Kassi Griffin (F)  
Kristi Ford (M)  
19 - Stephenie Steger (F)  
Karen Helgeson (M)  
26 - Brianne Hegseth (F)



*Coffee & Chat*

Baptized at Mooreton on December 28 was Blakely June Stroehl, daughter of Dustin and Jaclyn Stroehl. Blakely's sponsors are Bryan Ford, Amber Stroehl and Elizabeth Aigner. Her grandparents are Rick & Kristi Ford and Jan & Sharon Stroehl.

Amelia Ardele Retzer, daughter of Adam & Angela Retzer, will be baptized at Faith on January 5. Amelia's sponsors are Brent & Staci Pescion, Andy Bernard, Megan Stone and Alex Schuler. Her grandparents are Pamela Retzer and Nancy & Maurice Pescion.



### January Ushers

**Faith:** Frank & Nancy Hegseth  
**Mooreton:** Korey & Aimee Skovholt

### Church Women

Faith Church Women will not meet in January.



### Faith Alter Guild

January - Wade & Kassi Griffin  
February - Valerie Nelson & Diane Gira  
March - Terry & Colleen West



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[tertiakyle@yahoo.com](mailto:tertiakyle@yahoo.com)



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

\*\*\*Information for the February Newsletter is due to Tertia by January 15.



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Dear friends,

One of my spiritual mentors is a man I have never met, yet the words he writes in his books often serve to help deepen my faith. His name is Pastor Frederick Buechner. He is a man who has achieved great fame through his writings, even being nominated to receive the Pulitzer prize for one book. No small thing.

I have been reading out of his book of meditations again where he writes talks about the importance of listening to our lives. I think that, standing, as we are on the brink of a new year, (a year for which we have likely set new goals for ourselves in the form of New Years resolutions. Most of our resolutions have to do with the physical aspects of our lives such as eating less and exercising more or taking more time to be with our families. My hope is that this year your resolutions, as well as mine will include asking God to deepen our faith and help us to realize how profound the gift of life and Salvation through Christ Jesus is. That means you and I finding more ways to take time to pray, worship and listen for God's guidance as we make important decisions in our lives.

One thing Pastor Buechner makes clear is his belief that God speaks to us each and every day. Did you hear that, God speaks to us each and every day. However, he makes it equally clear that we need to be listening to hear what God is trying to tell us. The events that make up our lives run from the mundane, running the kids to basketball practice, to the remarkable, holding a newborn grandson/daughter for the first time. Sometimes a little child will look up at us and their smile will warm our hearts and lightens our spirits. Sometimes a letter might arrives from an old friend and the memories of long ago come for a short visit.

Pastor Beuchner says that in everyday events such as these God speaks to us. When the snow falls in great white heaps outside our door, God may be saying "grace is like that; it is pure and bountiful, so thick that if it were a physical substance you might have trouble walking through it." When the wind howls and the night is cold, and you are snuggled up in a warm bed, God might be saying, "my love is like this, a warm place of refuge where you feel completely safe and secure." When a child smiles and our world brightens, God may be saying, "I smile when I watch how generous, kind and faithful you are and the difference you are making in the lives of my people." When a letter arrives and memories are stirred, God may be reminding us to also ponder the words of Jesus regarding the sacrament of Holy Communion "do this in remembrance of me."

This year I am planning to once again follow Pastor Beuchner's invitation. Whenever I have not let all the busyness of my life overwhelm me and have taken time to really look about me and take in everything that is good, I find my life is happier and more fulfilling. I also find that rather than seeing nothing in the way of the miraculous, it is difficult to look around and see the miraculous everywhere. For example, having the strength and fortitude to get in the crop in a tough year. Looking up at the night sky and realizing what a miracle this earth we live on is, not to mention the miracles of own lives. It is really quite refreshing as I try to listen to God in the events of my life. I often ask myself "now what is God trying to tell me through this experience."

Now when we say goodbye to 2019, and enter a new year, I invite you to take time each day to listen to your life. Even though you may think it rather boring and not exciting, trust me; God can make each day more enriching and faith building than you might believe possible. On behalf of Wallyn and myself, we pray for you the richest of blessings in the coming year.

Love in Christ, Pastor Gordy

## Acolytes

### January

5 - Wyatt (F)	Shelby (M)
12 - Jasmyn (F)	Elise (M)
19 - Izabella (F)	Owen (M)
26 - Brooklynn (F)	Weston (M)

### February

2 - Gina (F)	Shelby (M)
9 - Dalton (F)	Elise (M)
16 - NONE	
23 - Wyatt (F)	Owen (M)

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



## Confirmation

January 8 - Owen Skovholt  
January 22 - Weston Jensen

Doug Olson is now residing at Sheyene Care Center in Valley City. In November he had a fall with subsequent surgery on his leg, but is progressing well. Visitors are welcomed at the facility and cards are also encouraged. Phone for the facility is 701-845-8222.

Address is:

Sheyene Care Center  
SCU Center, 979 Central Avenue N. Room 1316,  
Valley City, ND 58072




Thank you for your continued prayer for Doug.

~Carol Olson Roller



# January

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

Hoy Communion is held the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month			1 	2	3	4
5 2nd of Christmas White 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee	6	7	8 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	9	10	11
12 Baptism of Our Lord White 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee	13	14	15 	16	17	18
19 2nd after Epiphany Green 8:30 Mooreton Worship 9:30 Mooreton Coffee 9:25 Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Worship	20	21	22 4:00 p.m. Confirmation	23	24	25 
26 2nd after Epiphany Green 8:30 Faith Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Mooreton Worship/Potluck/Annual Meeting	27	28	29	30	31	



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 3    Brad Glarum  
 January 3    Dan Biewer  
 January 3    Liam Griffin  
 January 6    Mariah Booke  
 January 7    Lyle Ellingson  
 January 10    Shelby Pikarski  
 January 11    Jackson Alexander  
 January 13    Sarah Langfeld  
 January 13    Maren Woltjer



January 21    Jeff Allrich  
 January 22    Adrian Dahm  
 January 25    Tiffany Bladow  
 January 25    Betty Thane  
 January 27    Clarice Jagodzinski  
 January 29    Jessica Vogeler

**Happy Birthday to all of you!!**

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

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