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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 Thursday, December 24 4:15 p.m. Mooreton Lutheran Church - Mooreton, ND 5:30 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church - Dwight, ND

Faith Sunday School Christmas Program Sunday, December 6 at 10:30 a.m.



A potluck dinner will follow the Faith 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.

December Ushers

Faith - Vaughan Griffin Mooreton - Korey & Aimee Skovholt

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



ALL Women of Faith Lutheran are invited to meet at the Fry'n Pan on Thursday,

December 3, 6:30 p.m. for a Christmas get together. Supper is dutch treat.



There will not be Worship at Mooreton on December 6. The congregation is invited to attend the Sunday School Christmas program & potluck at Faith, 10:30 a.m.

Dear friends,

We are about to begin the season of Advent. Advent, of course, is about preparing our hearts for the celebration of the birth of Christ. Preparing our hearts so that the Christ may once again be birthed within them. Preparing our hearts so that the miracle of life born that night so long ago in the person of Jesus, and held in the arms of Mary and Joseph, might once again ignite the feelings of hope, peace and joy in this too often dark and dreary world.

Our family has a tradition of lighting candles on the Advent wreath and then reading from small devotional booklets. We light one of the four candles, read from the devotional and then share the prayer printed for the day. As our children now have their own families our hope is that they will continue this tradition in their own homes. There is something special about rituals such as this around the holidays. They help us to remain rooted in the story of Jesus birth in Bethlehem, so many years ago. The prayers help us to express our amazement and appreciation of what God did when God stepped down from heaven to become one of us.

I hope that this Advent you will take time out from your busy schedules of trying to get everything just right for Christmas to prepare your hearts for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Take time to reflect on the meaning of Jesus life and the hope he has brought into your life and mine. By doing this, I can assure you, the true joy and meaning of Christmas will not elude you but will rather embrace you. You will be so glad.

Love and blessing from our house to yours this blessed season!

Pastor Gordy and Wallyn

Acolyte's

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

December

- 6 No Acolyte/Christmas Program
- 13 Gina Quamme

January

- 3 No Sunday School
- 10 Caiden Anderson
- 17 Jessica Olson
- 24 Megan Roob
- 31 Addie Christensen

Mooreton Cookbooks

"Mooreton Lutheran Church, Celebrating 100 Years!" Cookbooks are available from most members of Mooreton Lutheran and Clarice will have them available at Faith, or you can contact Kari 274-8827 or Clarice 274-8820.

\$15.00 a book for 750 cherished recipes.



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 5, 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 6 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 Worship (10:30 a.m.) *The children with speaking parts are doing great. Please continue practicing at home. We have been reminding them to speak slow, loud, and clear.

*We will have Sunday School on December 13. The children will be able to shop with their stars at the Rewards Store and we will have a Christmas celebration.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Treaters for December are:

6 - Cvndi Olson

13 - Amy Anderson

20 - No Sunday School

27 - No Sunday School

God Bless, Tertia



Mooreton Coffee Treaters

December 6 No Worship

December 13 Gordon & Muriel Johnson December 20 Lyle & Karlene Ellingson

December 27 Clarice Jagodzinski

Mooreton Lutheran members:

Please turn in your Richland-Wilkin Food Pantry
Donations as soon as possible.
Thanks for your support!

Food Pantry

Faith is participating in 1 Box, 1 Can, Feed My Lamb to help benefit the Richland-Wilkin County Food Pantry. Each Sunday we ask that each family bring 1 item for the Food Pantry. Baskets will be at the back of the Sanctuary. The local food pantry is in constant need of donations. We can help them fill up the shelves. Donations will be brought in before Christmas.

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 those in need this Christmas season instead.

All too often those fleeing situations of domestic violence leave with nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Because of generous community support, *Three Rivers Crisis Center* is able to provide many of the things they need. Below is a "Wish List" of those items that helps TRCC provide basic needs for victims in times of crisis. *Personal care items (only new please)*Baby lotion, Laundry detergent, Baby powder, Lotion, Baby shampoo, Razors, Baby wipes, Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Diapers, Shaving cream, Dish soap, First aid supplies, Toilet paper, Hair Spray, Toothbrushes, Kleenex, Toothpaste

These items may be placed under the Christmas tree in the front of the church. We would like all items to be donated by December 6. We would welcome donations from any church member from either congregation. Our hope is to help those in need but to also use this

opportunity to teach the children the importance of helping those around.



Council

Church Council

The Faith/Mooreton joint council meeting will be held December 16, 7:00 p.m. at Mooreton.

- ***Information for the weekly bulletins is due to Tertia by Thursday's at noon.
- ***Information for the January Newsletter is due to Tertia by December 20.
- ***If you notice a mis-spelled name in the bulletin or newsletter, you are asked to contact Tertia
- ***If you have not done so please send an e-mail to the Parish e-mail account.

faithmooretonlutheranchurch@yahoo.com

***If there is a birth, death, or wedding announcement you would like placed in the bulletin or newsletter, e-mail that information to Tertia.







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	4:00 p.m. Confirmation	6:30 p.m. Faith Church Women Christmas supper at Fry'n Pan	4	9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. Faith Christmas Program practice
6 2nd Sunday of Advent - Blue 9:15 Faith Sunday School 10:00 Faith Coffee 10:30 Faith Sunday School Christmas Program followed by Potluck	7 vday hool nam	8	9	10	11	12
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27 1st Sunday of Christmas8:30 Mooreton Worship9:30 Mooreton Coffee10:30 Faith Worship	28	29	30	31 ****		

December Birthdays

Aaron Mennis December 5 December 5 **Brynlie Hegseth** December 6 **Ashley Alberts** Becky Olson December 6 Chris Meyer December 8 December 9 **Hunter Thane** December 9 Alec Helgeson December 9 Judi Mikkelson December 10 Brennan Skovholt 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 27 Pastor Gordon Lee 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.



Birthday Giving

Faith Members...

Do you remember how exciting it was when you were little to bring your birthday pennies to Sunday School, 1 for each year old you were, and put them in the Church bank? As we grow older we find ourselves thankful for each year that has gone by. One way of showing our thankfulness is to help support our Church. When it comes time to celebrate your birthday please consider giving a Birthday Thanksgiving Offering to the Church. \$1.00 for each year of your age. For example, 40 years old = \$40.00. You can give this offering directly to Tertia or place it in the offering plate in an envelope and marked "Birthday Thanksgiving" At the end of the year we will announce how much was collected from this special offering.

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



Our sympathy to Amy (Josh) Lee on the death of her Grandpa, Harold "Casey" Schielke, whose funeral was held November 16 at St. Johns

Lutheran Church in Jamestown. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathy to Hilda Vogeler on the death of her sister Erma Hendrickson whose funeral was held November 12 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Fargo. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Nativity Word Search

C A N O I T A V L A S D N S H S
Q S H E P H E R D S R F A L L U
R A T S A M T S I R H C T E J S
N E M E S I W S H E E P I G O E
J G N I K M A R Y G I U V N S J
M O S Y I H X Q U R Q W I A E T
D O N K E Y R E G N A M T D P M
Z I L I N N K E E P E R Y O H F



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Joseph manger
king Mary
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salvation
sheep
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star

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