

Greetings!

It's beginning to feel a lot like summer! The humidity and the temperatures are up, the daily afternoon rains have begun, and the days have lengthened. Many of us will take summer vacations, cool off in a pool or at the lake, or sit on the porch and sip a cold lemonade. Children will attend local camps, AFFIRM, and VBS, taking much needed breaks from school. It's a new season.

It's a new season in the church too. Beginning Sunday, June 3, we change to what's called the Time After Pentecost. This is the longest season of the church year and goes from Holy Trinity Sunday on May 27, all the way to Christ the King Sunday on November 25 – a long season to go with the long days of summer. Our paraments will be green, indicating our growth in faith as we follow the ministry of Christ. This season is often referred to as "Ordinary Time." Ordinary time doesn't mean plain or just sort of everyday. It means ordinal, or the counted weeks; the weeks between the festival Sundays. The liturgical texts each Sunday will explore Jesus' earthly ministry, which as we know is anything *but* ordinary.

I invite you to rest and renew yourselves this summer – it's important. But I encourage you to be involved with what Faith Lutheran is doing too – we miss you when you're not here! We've got a lot in store and nothing about this summer is ordinary!

Our Summer Preschool ministry will fill our halls and classrooms with their little voices from Monday, June 4 through August 3.

Vacation Bible School's all exciting and never dull *Rolling River Rampage* cranks up the week of July 16-20 from 6-8:30pm. Sign up your children, your grandchildren, your neighbor's children, and yourself!

We'd love to rock this place with the sounds of children having fun, plus we need adults to set up, have fun with the children, and most importantly show God's love to the children!

We will have Intergenerational Outreach Sunday School the last Sunday of each month. That name is a mouthful, but it means that *everyone* is invited to join us at 9:15am and do a hands-on outreach activity to help the community. All ages and all abilities are encouraged to attend. We are called to serve others and this summer we are blessed to do it together.

Finally, have you ever, even for an instant, wanted to sing in the choir? You can this summer! We've got several Sundays when you can come at 10am, learn a simple but beautiful anthem, and then sing at the 10:30am service. These single commitment Sundays are for all adults and youth! Men's voices are needed on July 1 and August 5, women's voices on July 22, and everyone is welcome on June 17.

As you can see, this summer at Faith will not be **ordinary**, but **fabulous**. Join us!

Blessings,  
Pastor Karen

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Council Meeting Minutes, May 8, 2018

### Committee and Ministry Reports

*Meeting minutes are a summary & a preliminary draft.  
Minutes will not be final until the next council meeting*

Meeting called to order by Council President Skip Craig

**Council Members present:** Skip Craig, Pastor Boda, Jeannine Spann, Emily Craig, Fred Ehrensperger, James Kennedy, Linda Herold, Mary Yarbrough, Beate Cole, Will Daum

**Opening Devotions:** Mary Yarbrough

**Review March Minutes:** Approved by Fred Ehrensperger, second by Linda Herold

**Treasurer's Report:** Presented by Fred Ehrensperger

- Notes included payment of \$407.38 for T.E.A.M Holy Week Luncheon,
- \$1795 from special Lenten offerings and special funds to Living Lutheran Legacy (help fund new synod offices)
- \$1735 to Grace Episcopal Community Kitchen (part of the proceeds from the sale of Ron Erickson's truck).
- Motion to accept report by Will Daum, second by Pastor Boda

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Karen Boda

#### **Worship**

- Preached and presided at early/late worship services each Sunday
- Preached and presided at the memorial service for Pastor David Conrad on April 21 at Faith. Thanks for all who honored and remembered Pastor David and his many years of service and friendship to the church.
- Braxton Matthews Billy was baptized on Sunday, April 22.

#### **Congregational Care**

- Ministered to members and families of Faith through hospital, rehab center, and home visits, phone calls and cards.
- Mourned the passing and attended visitation for Al May Sr, father of Al May and visitation/service for Joe King, father of Ken King.

#### **Education**

- Led weekly Adult Sunday School classes on the lectionary except for last Sunday of the month, when Linda Nelson led the class using *The Wired Word*.
- Led Seekers and Dinner and Discussions each Wednesday on the Book of Acts.
- Led Preschool Chapel for our littlest ones each week.

- Finishing up the 1.5-year confirmation curriculum with five of our youth in preparation for Confirmation Sunday on May 20.
- Spent Sunday School time with the children currently communing. I plan to do this each year as the children grow and mature into deeper levels of understanding.

#### **Outreach**

- Toured Chalkville Elementary School with Principal Ron Thompson, Linda Herold and Skip Craig. We were investigating possible opportunities for Faith to serve that community.
- Assisted with the Yard Sale on 5/27-28.

#### **Other**

- 4/13, I attended the Synod Personnel Committee meeting in Atlanta.
- Upcoming:
  - I will be on vacation Tuesday, May 29.
  - Synod Assembly, June 1-3 in Chattanooga, which includes First Call Training on "The Rostered Minister's Role in Advocacy". I will also be leading a workshop entitled "Compensation and Benefits Guidelines – It's not just about money - Rethinking how this tool can serve Rostered Ministers and Congregations". A major focus of the workshop will include Flexible Ministry Options.
  - Staff Member at Affirm, June 8-15, University of West Alabama. I'll serve in the Bridges Unit for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Five of our youth will attend Affirm and Terrie Awtrey will also serve as a staff member.

#### **Committee & Ministry Reports**

**Property:** Will Daum

- New Cooktop
  - Original projected cost of \$400 for new cooktop
  - Potential of matching funds from a donor
  - The proposed one for purchase is \$700 plus due to the size of the cooktop
- Railroad ties in the rear parking lot need to be replaced.
  - Estimated cost to be \$180 + \$160

- Committee will look into getting a cross for front of church

**Finance:** Fred Ehrensperger

**Worship and Music Committee:** Beate Cole

**Social Ministry Committee:** Linda Herold

**Youth Committee:** James Kennedy

**Education Committee:** Respectfully Submitted, by Mary Yarbrough, Education Liaison

- All VBS teachers and at least one crew member to get background checks (total of 12; hope to be completed by June)
- Intergenerational Sunday School once a month that is to have an outreach focus to align with priorities for the year.
  - Adult Education sponsoring one at end of June
  - Kristen Svoboda sponsoring one at end of July
  - Still working on finding an August sponsor

**Children's Ministry** – (Terrie Awtrey, Marsha Craig, Amy Hollar, Sandra May, Paula McMillan, Wanda Quinn, Tammie Richey & Mary Yarbrough) Report prepared by Mary Yarbrough

- We had a VBS meeting this month to discuss ideas, plans and to review material that had been received.
- By attending the Cokesbury VBS weekend in Huntsville, we were able to receive 25% off our first order as well as free shipping. We have begun setting class assignments, getting teachers and projecting potential students. We expect to need at least 8-10 crew leaders who will be responsible for 5 students each as well as a few more teachers. This year's rotations will include Bible Storytelling, Crafts, Science and Music with a light dinner, snack along with openings and closings. We are hoping to have a drama team help with the Bible Stories each night too.
- Children's Sunday school will end on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The children will be singing for the congregation during the 10:30AM service on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Adult Education** – (Pastor Karen, Dennis McMillan & Linda Nelson) Report prepared by Linda Nelson

- Pastor has asked the Adult Sunday School class to plan an intergenerational Sunday School class once a month during the summer. They have agreed on the last Sunday in the month starting in June. They are hoping to provide activities that will benefit the Clay Elementary School across the street. Linda Herold is arranging a meeting

with the principal to discuss what their needs might be.

**Fellowship Committee:** Emily Craig –

- Planned receptions for Confirmands and High School graduate Noah Graham. Concession /bake sale at the yard sale raised \$270 toward future kitchen expenses.

**TEAM:** Connie Waylander

- Projected date for T.E.A.M. move is now May 19th

**Updates:**

- Policy & procedures review
  - Committee members: Alan Boda, Katie Beyer, Audrey Miller, and Linda Herold
  - Trying to find a time to meet
- Mutual ministry
  - Looking for a time to meet
  - Committee members to brush up on the manuals
- Status of Erickson legacy
  - Title for car arrived May 8
  - Tim Awtrey did some work on the car and test drove
  - Two weeks to accept bids
  - Ad will be put in newsletter and bulletin
- Preschool background checks and next steps
  - All Preschool background checks are done and are good for three years
- Outreach visit at Chalkville Elementary and next steps
  - Linda H., Skip, and Pastor met with the principal, toured the campus, and donated four boxes of clothing to their "Children's Closet"
  - They are considered a Title I school, so most of their financial needs are met
  - Already working with two large churches
  - No immediate needs at this time – future needs TBD
  - Next step: schedule meeting with the principal at Clay Elementary

**Old Business:**

- Outreach and evangelism group updates; committee and congregational communication, role of Outreach team, and Evangelism definition and resources
  - Trying to find multiple dates for outreach sessions – probably need to push into June

## New Business:

- Motion to purchase replacement tables and replacement lawn mower
  - \$395.01 – mower
  - \$527.87 – six tables
  - Suggested funding source: Honea Memorial Fund
  - Motion approved
- Motion by Worship & Music to purchase two kneelers
  - Request: \$650+ – two kneelers plus shipping
  - Suggested funding source: Memorial Funds
  - Motion approved
- Development of youth ministry; next steps for our youth program
  - Committees are encouraged to think about how to include the youth in their committee activities/tasks
    - i.e. assistant minister, usher, hosting coffee hour, etc.
- Staff performance evaluations; development of review tools and forms
  - Evaluations have not been completed yet this year; Tools and forms are being reviewed
- Review of process for how memorial funds are used and controlled
  - More work to be done to this
  - Memorial Fund Committee needs to be reactivated



## **COMMUNITY KITCHEN**

Please consider volunteering to serve in the Community Kitchen. No experience is necessary just a willingness to serve. A sign-up sheet

is on the bulletin board or you may let Mark Richey know that you can help. Mark's cell phone number is (205) 914-2269.

Details:

- Location: Grace Episcopal Church 5712 1st Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35212
- Dates: Second Saturday of each month (June 9, 2018, July 14, 2018, etc.)
- Time: 11:15 a.m. to approximately 1:30 p.m

## **CLIPPED WINGS LUNCH**

This month, the Clipped Wings group will meet at 12pm on Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at The Choppin' Block Butcher Shop & Restaurant, 140 Purple Heart Blvd. in Springville.

## **PARISH NURSE NOTES**

God is in control and is good. My recovery is progressing well and I will be back very soon. This month I will not write my usual article, but instead wish everyone a wonderful, restful, stress-free, healthy summer.

I have been honored by the many caring wishes I have received from everyone. Thank you all. God willing, I will recover my strength and slowly return to my activities.

Gail Kohser, Parish Nurse

## **JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Olivia Nafziger  
Jule Stahl  
Janet Awtrey  
Eli Bakkegard  
Sharon Butz  
Cora Lynn Hollar  
Michael Lively  
Paula Daum  
Kinsey Waylander  
Rick Yarbrough  
Matt & April Kirksey  
Mark & Jennifer Craig  
Raymond & Ruth Spitzer  
Chuck Squires  
Courtney Yarbrough  
Sonja Uthall  
Noah Graham  
Paula McMillan  
Becky Brittain

## **GRASS CUTTING LIST**

Please sign up on the bulletin board to take a turn cutting the grass around the church and on the playground during the summer months.



## EDUCATION

**Adult Sunday School** will continue to meet this summer on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary at 9:15 to discuss Biblical texts for that Sunday.

### **New This Summer!**

Join us on the last Sunday of each month during the Sunday school hour at 9:15am. All of us will gather together and we'll do a hands-on outreach project to benefit the community. This is a great opportunity for the young and the older to work together, learn together and serve others together. Save the dates: June 24, July 29 & August 26. Stay tuned for details!

### **Do you like to sing? Make a joyful noise?**

Come and join your friends and all who love to sing for our special music Summer Sundays. These are single commitment Sundays. Come and rehearse at 10am and then sing at the 10:30am worship service the same day. That's it! The music can quickly be learned and is something most of us already know. Plus, it's fun!  
6/17 (For the Fruit of all creation) – everyone is welcome, men, women, youth...everyone!  
7/1 – (God of Our Fathers) – men's choir  
7/22 – (Shepherd Me, O God) – women's choir  
8/5 – (O Lord, Bread of Life) – men's choir  
Join us & let's fill the sanctuary with many, many joyful voices!

**Seekers** will be taking the summer off & will begin meeting again in the fall

**Dinner & Discussion** group will meet through 6/6. They will be on vacation from 6/13-7/18. The group will begin meeting again on 7/25 with dinner at 6:30pm & discussion at 7pm. We look forward to having you join us.

**The Women's Bible Study** group will be taking a break for the summer months. We hope you will join us when we start back in the fall. Linda Nelson is always checking out possible materials for the group to use in studies. If you have any suggestions for studies, Linda Nelson would love to hear from you. Please contact her at [theqspeaks@aol.com](mailto:theqspeaks@aol.com).

## PRESCHOOL CORNER

The Preschool end of the year program on May 18 was a great success. Our preschool children performed several songs to the delight of their teachers, family and church friends. The children also received end of the year binders showing the progress each made during the year. Then everyone watched a slideshow of pictures from the school year and shared a covered dish lunch. This year the table decorations were colorful painted vase jars each with a picture of a preschool child on the front of the vase for the parents/guardians to take home. The vases were adorned with artificial flowers courtesy of this year's church yard sale.



### **THANK YOU!**

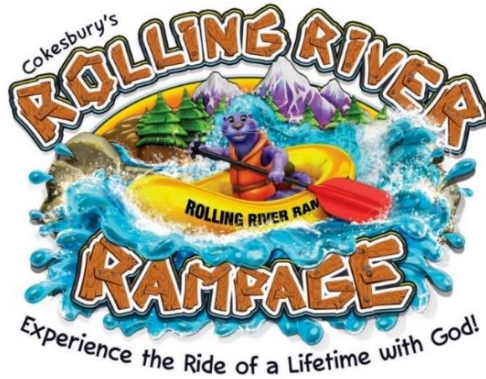
Words can't begin to describe the comfort that the congregation gave me through your prayers, cards and calls during my recovery. A special thank you to Pastor Karen for her visits. I am very blessed to have such a caring extended church family. Thank you all very much.  
- Gail Kohser

The family of Al May Jr. would like to thank all of the friends at Faith Lutheran for the cards, prayers and visits during Dad's recent illness and passing. We really appreciate everything you have done for us during this time.

- Al, Sandra, David, Mike, Andy and Lisa May

Thank you to our Faith Lutheran family & friends for your outpouring of love, sympathy and support after the loss of Ken's Dad, Joseph King. The cards, prayers and words of encouragement helped lift us up during this difficult time. A special thank you to Pastor Karen for her visits, prayers and presence at the funeral services.

- Ken & Paulette King  
- Stefan & Caroline Hegg



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Theme:** Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God

**Bible Verse Focus:** When you pass through the waters, I will be with you. (Isaiah 43:2)

**Dates:** July 16 – July 20, 2018

**Time:** 6:00PM – 8:30PM Monday through Friday

Crew leaders are needed for the week of VBS. Each leader will be responsible for groups of about 5 children leading them from station to station. You can work random nights or all nights that week. Whatever works for you. There will be a training class prior to VBS this year.

Help is also needed:

- prior to the week making decorations
- putting up decorations 7/14 and after the 10:30am service on 7/15
- converting the rolling river back into a church at the end of VBS

It's a lot of fun so please make plans to plug in somewhere and join in the adventure. Contact Mary Yarbrough if you have questions.

Parents – please go ahead and complete a registration form for your child. Forms are available on the round table in the Narthex.

## Dinner & Snack donations for VBS

Please see list on bulletin board for quantities needed & to sign up.

Monetary donations are also welcome

Mac & cheese

Apples

Oranges

Bananas

Watermelon

Apple sauce

Large marshmallows

Pretzel sticks

Potato chips

Boxes of Jell-O (any flavor)

String licorice

Graham crackers

Vanilla icing

Snack size TWIX candy bars

Goldfish

Teddy Grahams

All non-perishable items may be brought any time before Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. Please mark them “VBS” and leave them in the kitchen. Contact Marsha Craig for more details.

**JUNE 2018  
WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**8:30a.m.**

**June 3** Asst. Minister – Sharon Towry  
**June 10** Asst. Minister – Skip Craig

**June 17** Asst. Minister – Linda Herold  
**June 24** Asst. Minister – Tim Awtrey

**10:30 a.m.**

**Ushers:** Jerry & Sharon Towry, Wayne Graham,  
Karl & Linda Nelson

**Greeters:** Beate Cole & Linda Graham

**June 3**

Asst. Minister: Sharon Towry  
Lector: Mark Craig  
Acolyte: Michael May  
Crucifer: David May  
Comm. Presenters: Ken & Paulette King

**June 17**

Asst. Minister: Paula McMillan  
Lector: Amy Hollar  
Acolyte: Lily Nafziger  
Crucifer: Oliva Nafziger  
Comm. Presenters: Mark & Tammie Richey

**June 10**

Asst. Minister: Skip Craig  
Lector: April Kirksey  
Acolyte: Annabelle Beyer  
Crucifer: Ky-lin Berg  
Comm. Presenters: John & Katie Beyer

**June 24**

Asst. Minister: Paula Daum  
Lector: Tim Awtrey  
Acolyte: Ava Nafziger  
Crucifer: Devin Kennedy  
Comm. Presenters: James & Brandi Kennedy

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**Members:** Nancy Doane, Bill Holsombeck, Gail Kohser, Sue Kuechenmeister, Teresa McCullough, Dennis McMillan, Nancy Quinn, Tammie Richey, & Raymond Spitzer

**Military:** Conner Butz (Terry & Sharon Butz), Greg Quinn & Bailey Quinn (Son & Grandson of Fred & Wanda Quinn)

**Homebound:** Dorothy Body, Norma Holsombeck, Johnnie Starnes and Jane Wuerdeman

**Friends:** **Cooper League** (friend of Sarah Nafziger), **Brandie Felice and family** (friend of Dick Brittain), **Rozann Brittain** (Sister in Law of Dick Brittain), **Johnny Fricke, Larry Fricke** (cousins of Becky Brittain); **George Brown** (dad of Sandra May); **David Spitzer, Mark Spitzer, Jeff Spitzer** (sons of Raymond & Ruth Spitzer); **Mary Hamson** (Al Awtrey's sister), **Martin & Doreen Henry** (friends of Johnnie Starnes); **Kenneth & Ina Piper** (cousins of Fred & Joyce Ehrensperger); **Claire Reeves & Candi Prejean** (friends of the Ehrensperger Family); **Brian Poole, Gracie Ann Poole, Jackson** (Wanda Quinn), **Reba Roberts** (friends of Fred & Wanda Quinn), **Kay Roussell** (sister in law of Havis Johnson); **Jeany King Salvagio** (friend of Ken & Paulette King); **Shirley Sanders** (niece of Norma Holsombeck); **Patricia Hofer & Winnie Starnes** (sisters of Merle Wentzell); **Pat Hall, Bonnye Stitt** (friends of Hazel Wentzell); **Emily Stephenson** (friend of the Diuguid family), **Marlene Meyers** (wife of Pastor Donald Meyers); **Donald Hatcher, Sr.** (husband of Pastor Marie Hatcher), **Eddie Adams and Callie Hartley** (friends of Denny & Paula McMillan), **Bradley Family** (friends of Noah Graham), **Candy Sapp-Sabata & Rosemary Coyle** (friend of Sue Kuechenmeister), **Michelle Miskelley** (friend of Marsha Craig), **Willard Leopard** (brother of Wyomie McRae), **Joanne Sencindiver** (sister of Linda Herold)

**College Students:** Allison Boda (Furman), Andrew Boyd (UAH), Caroline Hoffman (Jacksonville State), Tristan Hollar (MSU), Sarah Nafziger (UAB), Troy Nelson (UAB), Luke Richey (Auburn) & Courtney Yarbrough (UAB)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>June 2018</b>						
					1 Pastor Karen, Linda Herold & Beate Cole at Synod Assembly	2 Pastor Karen, Linda Herold & Beate Cole Assembly training
3 Pastor Karen, Linda Herold & Beate Cole Assembly training	4 9am Summer Preschool begins	5 10am Quilters	6 9am Preschool  6:30pm Dinner & Discussion	7 6:30pm Property Committee Meeting	8 9am Preschool  Clipped Wings lunch Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	9 Community Kitchen  Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm
10 Sending of youth to Affirm  Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	11 9am Preschool  Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	12 Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	13 9am Preschool  Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	14 Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	15 9am Preschool  Pastor Karen & Terrie Awtrey at Affirm	16
17	18 9am Preschool	19 6:30pm Council Meeting	20 9am Preschool	21	22 9am Preschool	23
24 Inter-generational Adult Sunday school outreach	25 9am Preschool	26 Deadline for scroll submissions.	27 9am Preschool	28	29 9am Preschool	30





Early Worship Service: 8:30 am  
Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Late Worship Service: 10:30 am  
Coffee Fellowship: 11:45 am  
Choir Practice: 12:15 pm

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9 am to 2 pm  
Friday 9am to 1pm

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Secretary's desk.

#### 2018 Church Council

President-Skip Craig  
Vice-President-Linda Herold  
Secretary-Will Daum  
Treasurer-Fred Ehrensperger  
Financial Secretary-Rick Yarbrough

#### Committee Liaisons

Youth - James Kennedy  
Fellowship - Emily Craig  
Finance- Fred Ehrensperger  
Property-Will Daum  
Stewardship -Sarah Nafziger  
Evangelism-Troy Nelson  
Social Ministry-Linda Herold  
Mutual Ministry-Jeannine Spann  
Worship and Music-Beate Cole  
Education - Mary Yarbrough  
Skip Craig  
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#### Faith Lutheran Staff

Rev. Karen Boda, Pastor  
Terrie Awtrey, Preschool Director  
Martha Lewis, Secretary  
Adam Bowles, Keyboardist  
Gail Kohser, Parish Nurse

Attention Thrivent Members:  
If you have any questions about Thrivent Choice,  
please see Skip Craig for more information.



The deadline for the  
July 2018 Scroll  
is June 26th

Information received after this date is not guaranteed  
to be included. Please make submissions to the church  
secretary or email [flcoffice1@gmail.com](mailto:flcoffice1@gmail.com).