

S.A.L.T. Parish

(South Arrowhead Lutherans Together)

A joint newsletter from the Minnesota congregations of:

September 2018



Faith, Culver



First, Meadowlands



St. John's, Saginaw



St. Peter's, Canyon



MINISTER'S MESSAGE FROM DAVE'S DESK

Every month I finish my article by signing, "In God's peace, Invite a friend," I like to leave you with a thought to invite someone to worship or a church activity. (Eighty percent of those who join a new church are invited).

I'm happy to see new faces on Sun, along with all the kids who were a part of VBS, 1st Communion, Confirmation, Lent, & Wed. Night Sundae Services. Visitors are a gift from God; how they are treated makes a difference as to whether we see them again. I'm pleased when visitors tell me about their warm & friendly reception at our SALT Churches.

I'd like to share an article that I read from a church that wasn't as welcoming...

A high school girl wrote the following letter to a friend: I attended your church yesterday. Although you invited me, you were not there. I looked for you, hoping to sit with you, I sat alone. As a stranger, I wanted to sit near the back of the church, but those rows were packed with regular attenders. An usher took me to the front. I felt as though I was on parade.

During the hymns, I noticed many weren't singing. Between their sighs and yawns, they just stared into space. Kids that I recognized from campus, whispered to each other all through worship. Another girl was giggling. I really wasn't expecting that in church. The pastor's sermon was interesting, although some of the choir members didn't seem to think so. They looked bored and restless. There were several people who left and came back during the sermon, "How Rude." I could hear constant shuffling of feet; doors opening & closing.

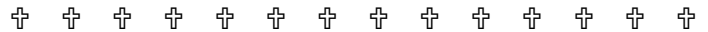
The pastor spoke about the reality of faith. The message got to me and I made up my mind to speak to someone about it after the service. But utter chaos reigned after the benediction. I said "Good Morning" to one couple but their response was not cordial.

My parents don't go to church. I came alone yesterday hoping to find a place to truly worship and feel some love..

I'm sorry, but I didn't find it in your church. I won't be back!

What a sad series of events happened to this young lady as a church visitor. She was already there, yet nobody took the time to welcome her, or treat her as that gift from God. Thank you all for being a welcoming parish!

In God's peace, invite a friend,
Minister Dave



~CLERGY SCHEDULE & CONTACT INFO~

Dave Erdmann, SAM (Synodically Authorized Minister),
is our worship & faith life leader.

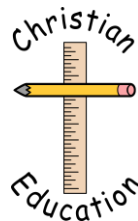
Days off: Mon & Sat. He works from home on Fri
He is *always* available for emergencies.

Office Hrs: Tues. & Thurs. 12-4p (details on p.5 calendar)

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CLASSES OFFERED

Confirmation Classes:

Offered to kids (6th grade & older),
on Weds, beginning Sept. 12th

First Communion Class:

For kids (age 10 & up) Sat, Sept. 29th

Details on pages 3 & 4.

News of Interest...

For our congregations & surrounding communities...

S.A.L.T. PARISH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

In addition to 2 worship services each Sunday in Sept.

Our final 'Wed. Nite Sundaie Service' is on Sept. 19th.

Minister Dave Erdmann presiding.

Please note the worship times at each church.

Sept 2 nd	8:30a: St. John's, Saginaw	10:30a: St. Peter's, Canyon
Sept 9 th	8:45a: Faith, Culver	10:30a: First, Meadowlands
Sept 16 th	8:30a: St. John's, Saginaw	10:30a: St. Peter's, Canyon
Sept. 19 th	WED. NITE SUNDAE SERVICE	
		6:30p: Faith, Culver
Sept 23 rd	8:45a: Faith, Culver	10:30a: First, Meadowlands
Sept 30 th	SALT Sunday Worship, 1 st Communion & Potluck	(Joint worship) St. John's, Saginaw

***** WORSHIP ROTATION**

Back to our normal***

We are returning to our usual rotation schedule...
the above schedule is correct

(We will be at St. Peter's 2 weeks in a row: Aug. 26 & Sept.2)

CHURCH CONTACT PEOPLE

Church	President	Phone
SALT Joint Council	Bob Larson	345-6470
Faith, Culver	Karen Witkowski	345-6962
First, Meadowlands	Chuck Prudhomme	427-2568
St. John's, Saginaw	Carolyn Collum	729-6008
St. Peter's, Canyon	Fred Zorn	482-5524

S.A.L.T. COUNCIL

President	Bob Larson
Vice President	Linda Anderson
Secretary	Ginny Richmond
Treasurer	Misty Cowell

S.A.L.T. BOX

(South Arrowhead Lutherans Together)

Sept. 5th 6:30p: SALT Parish Mtg (St. Peter's, Canyon)

Sept. 6th: Ruby's Pantry (Arrowhead Hall, Hwy 2, Brkstn)

Sept. 12th 3-4:15p: Confirmation Classes begin (Faith)

6-7p: Ice Cream Social (South Ridge School)

Sept. 19th 6:30p: Wed. Nite Sundaie Service (Faith)

Sept 21st 8a: Men's Breakfast (Country Corner, Hwy 2)

Sept 22nd 9a-3p: St. Peter's Esther Circle Fall Sale

(Northland Fire Hall, Canyon, MN)

Sept. 26th 6:30p: Mental Health/Addiction Team Mtg.

at Faith, Culver

Sept 29th 9:30-11:30: First Communion Class (Faith)

Sept 30th 10a: SALT Sunday Worship, First Communion, & Potluck

Oct. 6th 10a - 2p: Faith's Fall Bazaar (Faith, Culver)

Set-up on Oct. 5th 9a-?

Oct. 6th 11a - 1p: OCTOBERFEST (Mdlnds Comm Ctr)

Oct. 20th 9a-2p: St. John's Fall Bazaar & Bake Sale



SALT PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORY

Directory pictures will be taken on Sundays before/after worship.

Contact info forms are available at each church.

~S.A.L.T. PARISH MEETINGS~

Next mtg: Sept 5th 6:30p at St. Peter's, Canyon

All are welcome!



SALT PARISH SHIRTS

(Available in lime green or blue)



Order your t-shirts & sweatshirts by Sept. 16th
(payment due at time of order)
at any of our 4 SALT churches.

T-shirts - \$11

Crew-neck sweatshirts - \$21

Hooded sweatshirts - \$30

~Ruby's Pantry~

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION
SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST
THROUGH FOOD**

Thursday, Sept 6th 9a – 10:30 a

Arrowhead Town Hall U.S. Hwy 2 – Brookston

*You will receive an abundance of grocery items.

* Everyone who gets hungry qualifies!

* \$20 cash donation at the door appreciated.

Bring your own boxes/baskets for food!

For more information, call 218-345-6334

www.rubyspantry.org

Please consider volunteering for the next distribution of food. No matter your age or ability we can use your help. We meet the first Thursday of each month at the Arrowhead Town Hall on Hwy 2. Arrive by 7:30a - 8a & you can to help with this worth while project. Everyone is welcome to give \$20.00 to get a huge share of food & household supplies, even the volunteers. The value of each share is \$75 & usually quite a bit more. Bring 2 large boxes or laundry baskets to get your items home.

Next Ruby's Pantry date is Oct. 4, 2018

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Wednesday Nite Sundae Service

Sept. 19th



Join us for our final midweek
sundae service of the summer!

At Faith, Culver

6:30 p (fellowship to follow)

(Date change due to the Ice Cream Social
at South Ridge School on Sept. 12th)



Men's Breakfast

Sept 21st (Fri) 8a

Country Corner, Hwy 2, Brookston

All Men Welcome



**CONFIRMATION
CLASSES**

begin WED. SEPT. 12th

Classes will be held from 3p - 4:15p at Faith, Culver

South Ridge students: ride the bus & be dropped off at Faith
after early release.
Cloquet schools dismiss 30 min. later, hence the later start time).

If you have a child 6th grade or older & are interested in
participating, please contact Minister Dave at 218-391-7951 or
email at dwerdmann@gmail.com

~ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT SOUTH RIDGE SCHOOL~

School Forum, Wed., Sept. 12, 6p.-7p.; No fee.

Join your neighbors & fellow community members at
South Ridge School for free ice cream & to discuss
strategies to reduce substance use / abuse in our
community.

All ages are welcome!

Contact Alicia Randall , Public Health Educator for
St. Louis County Public Health & Human Services, at
(218) 726-2481 with any questions.

Sponsored by South Ridge Drug Prevention Coalition and
S.A.L.T. (South Arrowhead Lutherans Together).

~THANK YOU~

The SALT Parish is blessed with people who clean, paint,
plant & care for flowers, mow grass, & remove snow
when winter comes.

So...

~FAREWELL AND GODSPEED~

Several members of our church family
at First Lutheran have started a new chapter in their lives.

Roy & Judith Miller have moved to Cromwell,
MN. Chris, Mandy, Ryan & Evan Gayken will be
residing in Dallas TX. Alaura Anderson is attending
college at the UND in Grand Forks.

We bid them a fond farewell &
may God bestow His many blessings upon them.



**ST. PETER'S
ESTHER CIRCLE**

FALL SALE!

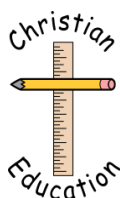
SEPT. 22, 2018 9a – 3p

NORTHLAND FIRE HALL, CANYON

Crafts, knives, baked goods, cards, canned items &

Some slightly used items

LUNCH AVAILABLE



**FIRST
COMMUNION**

**All youth interested in receiving
First Communion instruction**

**Class will be held:
Sat, Sept. 29th from 9:30a – 11:30a**

(Faith Culver)

Students will celebrate their First Communion on
Sept. 30th at our Salt Sunday service (St John's, Saginaw).

Youth, ages 10 and up, are welcome to participate.

If interested, please contact Minister Dave at:

218-391-7951 or at dwerdmann@gmail.com

~ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE~

The Esther Circle at St. Peter's, Canyon is collecting the
following items for Adult & Teen Challenge:

Deodorant	Shampoo	Conditioner	Razors
Floss	Lotion	Soap	Body Wash
Hard Candy	Towels	Wash Cloths	Socks

PLEASE NO TOOTHBRUSHES OR TOOTHPASTE

~A QUOTE~

Faith is the strength by which a shattered world
shall emerge into the light.

Helen Keller

~WOMEN OF OUR S.A.L.T. PARISH~

FAITH WELCA:

At our next meeting, we will plan the Fall Bazaar (Oct. 6)

Next meeting: Tues Sept 11th, 2p.



FIRST'S WELCA NEWS: We paid for the professional
carpet cleaning in the entryway & sanctuary at church. Pew
cushions were also cleaned. We decided to donate \$ to the
church to help pay for the newly installed carpet in the upstairs
at the parsonage.

'OCTOBERFEST' Bake & Craft Sale: Oct. 6th 11a-1p
(Mdlnds Comm. Ctr.)

Future Event: *Women's Christmas Luncheon* Dec. 13th
(more info forthcoming)

Next mtg: Sept 13th, 1p at the home of Percy T.



ST. JOHN'S WELCA:

Meetings are on the 2nd Wed. of ea. mo.

Next mtg: Sept 12th at 6:30p.



ST. PETER'S ESTHER CIRCLE

2018 Mission Focus: Adult & Teen Challenge

Mtgs: 2nd Thurs. of ea. month; Sept 13th 9:30 at St. Peter's.

~NEWSLETTER DEADLINE~

Deadline for the Oct. issue: 3rd Sun of the mo: Sept 21st

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Thank you to last month's volunteer mailers!

~A VERSE TO REMEMBER~

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation
The old has gone, the new has come!

2 Corinthians 5:17