S.A.L.T. Parish

(South Arrowhead Lutherans Together)

A joint newsletter from the Minnesota congregations of:

October 2018









Faith, Culver

First, Meadowlands

St. John's, Saginaw

St. Peter's, Canyon

MINISTER'S MESSAGE FROM DAVE'S DESK

We've all heard the saying, 'Kids say the darndest things'. Whether you are a parent, grandparent, or not, I'm sure you've experienced this. I'm amazed when teaching Christian education to children; the imagination & visualization that comes to life.

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In July, while teaching a lesson at Vacation Bible School, we talked about where we see God. Many examples of creation & nature were given... the question posed by a child was, "Does God make mistakes, & if not, why did he create the mosquito'. This took us a bit off course, but we took time for a mini-science lesson that focused on the need for mosquitos in the food chain & their place in God's plan.

At our 1st confirmation class, we studied creation in the first chapters of Genesis. As we read the story, I asked that the kids focus on a picture of the sky with clouds. After hearing the story, I asked them to draw some visualization from the story. The first one to draw was 'God hovers over the formless earth'. One student drew what he called a 'blue blob'. 'Why a blue blob,' I asked? He told me that the earth was formless, hence the blob, & it was blue because the blob was all water; the land didn't come until another day. We had a wonderful teaching session!

Both studies focused on creation & being good stewards of what God has given us. I'd like to close this message with a short story that I read by Paul Brand, a medical doctor. His father was a missionary in India; he died of Blackwater Fever. Before his death, Paul's father wrote a letter to his son; Paul didn't see the letter until after the funeral. The words were inspirational to his son & I think worth repeating... 'God means us to delight in his world. It isn't necessary to know botany, zoology, or biology in order to enjoy the manifold life of nature. Just observe, remember, & compare, always looking to God with thankfulness & worship for having placed you in such a delightful corner of the universe as the planet earth."

Let us never take God's creation for granted & be sure to take time to observe its beauty through the eyes of a child.

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

First Communion Class:

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

Sunday School: ages 4 – grade 6 (see pg. 4)



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

For our congregations & surrounding communities...

S.A.L.T. PARISH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will have 2 worship services each Sunday

Please note the worship times at each church.

Oct. 7 th	8:30a: St. John's, Saginaw	10:30a: St. Peter's, Canyon
Oct. 14 th	8:45a: Faith, Culver (9:45a – 10:30a Sun. School)	10:30a: First, Mdlnds (9:30a – 10:15a Sun. School)
Oct. 21st	8:30a: St. John's, Saginaw	10:30a: St. Peter's, Canyon
Oct. 28th	8:45a: Faith, Culver (9:45a - 10:30a Sun. School)	10:30a: First, Mdlnds (9:30a – 10:15a Sun. School)

S.A.L.T. BOX

(South Arrowhead Lutherans Together)

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

Oct. 3rd 6:30p: SALT Parish Mtg (St. John's, Saginaw)

Oct. 4th: Ruby's Pantry (Arrowhead Hall, Hwy 2, Brkstn)

Oct. 6th 10a – 2p: Faith's Fall Bazaar (at the church)

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

Oct. 6th 11a – 1p: OCTOBERFEST (Mdlnds Comm Ctr) Oct. 14th: Congregational mtg. for Faith/Immanuel

Oct. 14th & 28th: SALT Sunday School

9:45a-10:30a: Faith, Culver 9:30a – 10:15a: First, Mdlnds

Oct. 19th 8a: Men's Breakfast (Country Corner, Hwy 2)

Oct. 20th 9a - 1p: St. John's Craft Bazaar (at the church)

Oct. 27th 8a-12p: Alborn Pancake Bkfst (see pg. 3)

CHURCH CONTACT PEOPLE

Church	President	Phone
SALT Joint Council	Bob Larson	345-6470
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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

~~NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED~~

After a lot of thought & prayer, I have decided to step down from my position as editor.

Jan. 2019 will be my last newsletter, (earlier if possible).

Please prayerfully consider becoming the next SALT Parish Newsletter editor & let Bob Larson or Minister Dave know if you are interested.

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

Next mtg: Oct 3rd 6:30p at St. John's, Saginaw

All are welcome!

~~Ruby's Pantry~~

FOOD DISTRIBUTION SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST THROUGH FOOD

Thursday, Oct 4^{th} 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 Nov. 1, 2018



Faith's Fall Bazaar Oct. 6th 10a - 2p



Seasonal items, baked goods, garden produce, crafts, white elephant section & more!

Free drawings every 30 min. (10:30a-1p - must be present to win)

A Hearty lunch will be available for purchase:

Soup, Stew, Chili, bread, pie, cider, & beverage.

QUILT DRAWING: Tickets \$1 each

Available prior to & @ the event Need not be present to win

1st prize: queen-size quilt

2nd prize: \$50 Super One Gift Card

3rd prize: small watercolor painting & More prizes

Set-up: Fri, Oct. 5th from 9a -?

Donations are welcome:

NO ELECTRONICS or USED CLOTHING please



First's OCTOBERFEST BAKE & CRAFT SALE



Oct. 6th 11a – 1p (at the Meadowlands Community Center)

-Lunch available-

-In House Drawings-



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

(Faith & Immanuel)



OCT 14TH (after worship)

A congregational meeting of members of both Faith & Immanuel is required to approve the merger document for both congregations.

Please plan to attend.



SALT PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ages 4yrs. - Grade 6 Every 2nd & 4th Sunday, starting Oct.14 Faith (Culver) 9:45 - 10:30 am First Lutheran (Meadowlands) 9:30 - 10:15 am

For more information, contact Debbie Neuman, 729-1062

S.A.L.T. PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION
Student's name
Age Date of birth
Present school grade
Parents / Guardians
Address
City State ZIP
Phone
Care giver's or car-pool phone
Allergies or medical conditions
Emergency contact
Relationship to student



Men's Breakfast Oct 19th (Fri) 8a Country Corner, Hwy 2, Brookston All Men Welcome



CRAFT BAZAAR ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

4893 Independence Rd. Saginaw, MN

OCT. 20, 2018, 9a – 1p



Crafts, Harvest, Plants, Bake Sale
QUILT DRAWING (made by Betty Davis)
FREE DOOR PRIZE BASKET DRAWING
LUNCH

ALBORN FIRE DEPT. RELIEF ASSOCIATION PANCAKE BKFST

Oct 27th (Sat) 8a - 12p

at the Alborn Twp Hall



SALT PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORY

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

Contact info forms are available at each church.

~~NEWSLETTER DEADLINE~~

Deadline for the Oct. issue: 3rd Sun of the mo: Sept 19th

NEWSLETTER STAFF

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St. Peter's – Roxanne Larson

Thank you to last month's volunteer mailers!

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

FAITH WELCA:

At our next meeting, we will plan the Christmas party.

Next meeting: Tues Oct 9th, 2p.

FIRST'S WELCA NEWS:

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

Future Event: Women's Christmas Luncheon Dec. 13th

(more info forthcoming)

Next mtg: Oct 11th, 1p at the church

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ST. JOHN'S WELCA:

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

Next mtg: Oct 10th at 6:30p.

St. Peter's Esther Circle

2018 Mission Focus: Adult & Teen Challenge

Mtgs: 2nd Thurs. of ea. month; Oct 11th 9:30 at St. Peter's

~~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

~~100th BIRTHDAY~~

Congratulations to Rosella Amborn, one of St. John's first members, who will be 100 years old on Sept 28, 2018.

Rosella is now living in Maplewood. We would like to wish her a very happy & blessed birthday!

~~A VERSE TO REMEMBER~~

"Praise be to the name of God forever and ever; wisdom and power are his. ²¹He changes times and **seasons**; he deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to **the** discerning.

Daniel 2:20-21