



Faith, Culver



First, Meadowlands



St. John's, Saginaw



St. Peter's, Canyon



MINISTER’S MESSAGE FROM DAVE’S DESK

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have celebrated the birthday of the Christian church known as Pentecost. It was the time for Jesus to be with the Father in heaven, and he commissions his disciples to make disciples of all nations. He also sends the Holy Spirit to walk alongside the disciples in their mission.

Just like us, the disciples were indifferent in the spreading of the Gospel and sharing their faith story. But when they were sent out into the streets of Jerusalem, they had newfound courage, knowing that the Holy Spirit was walking with them. The bible tells us that Peter, who was by no means an accomplished preacher, brought 3000 people into Christian faith on that day.

Where are you in your commission to share the Gospel and inviting others to worship? Are we scared like the disciples were? Are we afraid that we can't find the proper words, or afraid that we will be ridiculed? I'd like to share a true story with you that brings this point home.

There was a lady named Jen who was attending a funeral of a dear friend. As she looked into the casket, there he lay dead. He was gone and unsaved. Lived a life and then, in the flash of an eye, he was in Hell. Someone she loved and respected was gone and so was Jen's opportunity to share the Gospel with him. His funeral was in a church, one that he never graced the doors of other than a few occasions. People spoke of him in loving memory and talked about heaven. Yet Jen sat there and knew this was not true...He was in Hell...she remembered

that awful feeling knowing she never shared the Gospel with him, and it was too late. In her eyes, a plot of land was wasted and a life ended without a Savior. Jen felt that she wasn't kingdom minded and was selfish and didn't want to be uncomfortable. Now she stood at a funeral, uncomfortable to the umpteenth degree!

So, next time you say evangelism is too hard, please remember that standing before a dead person you didn't share the Gospel with is even harder. So, who have we been using this excuse with? Let us walk with courage knowing the Holy Spirit walks with us. No more excuses! Let's go share our faith with all who will listen and grow our church, our parish and the entire Christian church.

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 is always available for emergencies.

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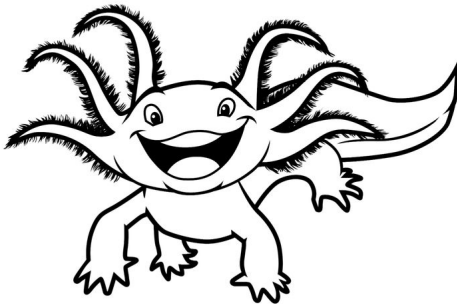
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~S.A.L.T. PARISH MEETING~
 Next meeting: July 3rd, 6:30p at St. John's
 All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Axi says:
 Even when you're left out...
 Jesus loves you!



"I am with you always, even to
 the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20)

**SALT Parish Vacation
 Bible School**
 August 4-7
 9:00a - 12:00p
 4 years old - 6th Grade
 Faith Lutheran Church, Culver
"Weird Animals"
**Where Jesus Love is
 One- of- a- Kind**

A Snack is provided

Old Testament Bible Reading Plan

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| WEEK 25 Judges 15 Psalm 119:49-64 Judges 16 Psalm 119:65-88 Ruth 1 Psalm 119:89-112 Ruth 2 Psalm 119:113-136 Ruth 3 Psalm 119:137-152 | WEEK 26 Ruth 4 Psalm 119:153-176 1 Samuel 1 Psalm 120 1 Samuel 2 Psalm 121 1 Samuel 3 Psalm 122 1 Samuel 8 Psalm 123 |
| WEEK 27 1 Samuel 9 Psalm 124 1 Samuel 10 Psalm 125 1 Samuel 12 Psalm 126 1 Samuel 14 Psalm 127 1 Samuel 15 Psalm 128 | WEEK 28 1 Samuel 16 Psalm 129 1 Samuel 17 Psalm 130 1 Samuel 18 Psalm 131 1 Samuel 19 Psalm 132 1 Samuel 20 Psalm 133 |

**HELP
 NEEDED**

Newsletter Mailing Coordinator
 Christine would like some assistance. For more information call Christine Wolvin at 218-345-6626.

S.A.L.T. Parish Secretary
 SALT Parish Council is looking for a secretary to take minutes at the meetings (once a month) and have them ready for the following meeting. Please prayerfully consider helping in this ministry. Contact Minister Dave for more details.

~CULVER QUILTERS~

If you would like to support our quilt ministry, our supply needs list includes Cotton Fabric (any sized pieces) Thread, Batting, Flat sheets (Dbl., Q or K size), Cash donations can be given to Faith's WELCA. Thank you!
 Culver Quilter's Meet Mondays at Faith 10:30am

~NEWSLETTER DEADLINE~ **Deadline for the July issue: 2nd Sun of Month: July 13th**
To mail information to Misty: 1236 County Rd 4 Wrenshall MN 55797 Or email to: Bergman.misty22@gmail.com

~~RUBY'S PANTRY~~

5577 Cromwell Park Dr, Cromwell, MN
 2nd Thursday of the Month, July 10th, 2024
 9:00 – 10:30 am

5007 Maple Grove Rd Hermantown, MN
 2nd Tuesday of the Month, July 8th, 2024
 5:00 – 6:30 pm

2300 E Skyline Blvd (Copper Top Church)
 3rd Thursday of the Month, July 17th, 2024
 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Bring your own boxes/baskets for food. (\$25) cash donation at the door is appreciated.
 Everyone is welcome!!! For more information call 651-674-0009 or visit www.rubyspantry.org.

If anyone is interested in attending Confirmation Classes this Fall, please let Minister Dave know. Planning is underway for dates and times to work with the students' schedules.

Men's Breakfast, July 18th, 8am
 Country Corner, Hwy 2, Brookston



Sunday Morning Livestream

SALT Parish Facebook Page
 10:30 am



Bulletins will now be available for The Livestream. The link will be posted on the Parish Facebook page or the bulletin can be accessed at saltparish.org/bulletins

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June SALT Parish Council Meeting Summary

SALT Parish meeting was at St. Peter's on June 5th. In Church news: St. Peter's is planning their 125th Anniversary celebration. They have invited previous Pastors to the event. They will also be having a Food Truck using their parking lot for the summer. They hosted a wedding on Memorial Weekend and the Bride was so pleased and grateful. St. John's had their annual meeting with a potluck, and it was well attended. They also have a PVC pipe that needs to be re-dug and got someone to do it so that the lawnmower won't hit it again hopefully. First notes that there are fewer and fewer people for activities and that they have a Council meeting on Father's Day. Faith, the WELCA ladies and the Quilters cleaned out the Children's room and were able to donate items to the Parish Rummage sale. The children can use the room now and just in time for VBS. VBS will be held August 4th-7th from 9am – 12 noon at Faith. Amber will be getting more information out soon and she is looking for any volunteers to help. In Mission reports there will be a speaker on Estate Planning on June 25th at Faith at 6:30pm. The Brookston 4th Of July Parade the Parish is asking for volunteers to walk and hand out flyers for the upcoming VBS. Community Wellness Night at South Ridge Schol will be held on October 6th. The Parish will be donating some quilts and \$100 worth of gift cards.

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Health and Wellness

Kindness and Conversation: Two Simple Ways to Change a Day

Recently I was in line at the grocery store and a gentleman next to me told me that he hated hot weather due to his history of being in combat in the armed services in a place that was over 100 degrees. The line was long, so we chatted throughout the wait. At the end of the conversation, he said “Anyway, thanks for talking to me, nobody ever does” which has been weighing on my mind.

It’s easy to overlook the power of simple human connection. But taking a moment to be kind, or just to talk to someone, can have a ripple effect that goes far beyond what we see in the moment. Whether it’s a hello, a compliment, or a few minutes of listening, kindness is free, and conversation can be healing.

A kind word, a smile, or a quick check-in can brighten someone’s day more than you realize. Many people carry invisible burdens—stress, grief, loneliness—and a small amount of kindness may be the only positive moment they experience all day. You don’t have to fix someone’s problems; just showing up with care and attention is enough.

Starting a conversation doesn’t have to be complicated. A simple “How are you doing?” or “What’s been going on with you lately?” can open the door to connection. People need to feel seen, and sometimes just knowing that someone is willing to talk makes all the difference.

Kindness isn’t just about being polite; it’s about being genuinely interested in other people. Ask questions, listen without interrupting, and try to understand where someone is coming from. Even if you don’t agree or fully understand their experience, your willingness to listen shows respect and care.

I talk to people all day long so; I will absolutely admit that I don’t always seek out conversation. I was certainly not walking into the store hoping to take home a life lesson that day but, a short conversation offered me just that. We may never know the full impact of our words or actions, but we know this: kindness is never wasted, and conversation brings a little light into lonely places. In moments when you’re not sure what to do, you simply need to start with “hello.”

Dani Spolarich LPCC LADC
Director of Crisis Services at Range Mental Health Center



St. Peter’s is turning 125!!! St. Peter’s planning committee are preparing for their upcoming Celebration and are looking to gather photos or stories to include in a book that Marnie Ludwig is compiling. If you would like to contribute any photos or stories, please email the items to Marnie at marnie@bugwigstudios.com.