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FAITH LUTHERAN

Worship & Sunday School—8:45 am
Fellowship/Coffee Hour 9:45am

NORTH NEW HOPE

Sunday School—9:45 am
Worship: 10:45 am

Holy Communion is celebrated
the first and third Sunday of every month.
All are welcome.

Reverend Michael Peuse

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday Noon-3pm

Church email: faithnhope@wi-net.com

Church Website: www.faithandnewhope.com

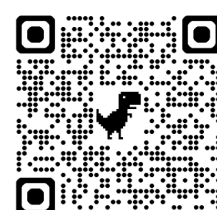
A new way to give!!

**Scan the QR code to be directed to
your church's online giving portal.
Give one time, bi-weekly, 1st & 15th,
or monthly.**

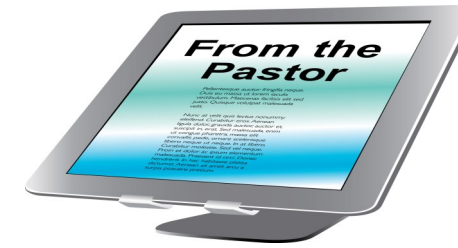
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Faith, Rosholt



North New Hope



What is Lent? We know is a season in the church,
but what is it?

'Lent' is translated from Old English, High German,
and contemporary Dutch meaning 'spring season'.
That's it. Yet, we've put a great deal more into the
season other than its etymological origins of 'spring
season'.

Lent is the pre-Easter season of fasting and prayer.
In the earliest days, for fasting you wouldn't eat or
drink from sunrise to sunset, similar to Islam's
Ramadan. In more recent centuries, fasting has
become less restrictive. Fasting has become more
of a personal choice and individual discipline rather
than communal, except for the Fish Fry on Fridays.
We make choices about fasting from alcohol, soda,
sweets, smoking, or coffee.

In addition to fasting, prayer is an important part of
the season. Particularly, increased and deepened
prayer within worship. This is the particular reason
why the season of Lent adds midweek worship on
Wednesday evenings. We intentionally make
additional time within the busyness of our lives to
remember the claim God's love has for us by
gathering for Evening Prayer.

This year at Faith, we'll spend our Lenten worship &
prayer exploring **Holy Lament**. Each week we will
consider what it means to sit with our grief rather
than try to push it aside. We will discover that many
faithful believers have wrestled with grief, sorrow,
and questions for God about why the innocent suffer.

Lent begins March 5th, Ash Wednesday, at Faith and
New Hope churches; worship begins at New Hope at
4:30p and Faith at 6:30p. Our time in Holy Lament for
midweek worship at Faith begins with a shared meal
at 5p and worship at 6p.

Rev MP



**If you are in need of pastoral care, such as a
home or hospital visit, please contact the
Church office at 715-677-4631 or
email: faithnhope@wi-net.com
to arrange a visit.**



March Parish Nurse Article



litter or bedding material) contaminated with saliva, mucous, or animal feces from wild or domestic birds or other animals with confirmed or suspected avian bird influenza A virus infection.

Do not touch or consume raw milk or raw milk products, especially from animals with confirmed or suspected avian influenza A virus infection. Other groups of people who may have contact with birds or other animals infected or potentially infected with avian influenza A viruses include hunters and people who have backyard flocks. People should report sick birds or other animals or unusual bird or other animal deaths to the state or the federal government, either through their state veterinarian or by calling USDA's toll-free number at 1-866-536-7593.

Information for hunters: Hunters who handle wild birds should dress game birds in the field when possible and practice good hygiene to prevent any potential disease spread. If possible, wear gloves, an N95 respirator if available or, if not available, a well-fitting facemask (e.g., a surgical mask), and eye protection when dressing birds. Afterwards, throw away the gloves and facemask and then wash your hands with soap and water. People should avoid unprotected (not using respiratory and eye protection) exposures to sick or dead animals including wild birds, poultry, other domesticated birds, and other wild or domesticated animals. Wildlife agencies regularly investigate reports of sick or dead animals. This type of reporting could help with the early detection of illnesses like West Nile virus or H5N1 bird flu. If local authorities tell you to throw away the bird's carcass (body), don't touch it with your bare hands. Use gloves or a plastic bag turned inside out to place the body in a garbage bag, which can then be thrown away in your regular trash..

What to do if you had direct contact with birds or other animals infected with avian influenza A virus and become sick: People who become sick within 10 days of their exposure to infected or potentially infected birds or other animals should isolate at home away from their household members and should not go to work or school until they are proven not to have avian influenza A virus infection. The local or state public health department should be notified and can assist in testing if needed, monitoring and advising when isolation is no longer required.

Consuming Food: Eating uncooked or undercooked poultry or beef can make you sick. While there is no evidence that anyone in the United States has gotten infected with avian influenza A viruses after eating properly handled and cooked poultry products, uncooked poultry and poultry products (like blood) could have been the source of a small number of avian influenza A virus infections in people in Southeast Asia.

March Parish Nurse article continued:

Many of us are seeing the increased price of eggs at the grocery store due to the bird flu. I thought I would share some basic information about the bird flu found on the CDC website.

What to know: H5 bird flu is widespread in wild birds worldwide and is causing outbreaks in poultry and U.S. dairy cows with several recent human cases in U.S. dairy and poultry workers.

While the current public health risk is low, CDC is watching the situation carefully and working with states to monitor people with animal exposures. CDC is using its flu surveillance systems to monitor for H5 bird flu activity in people.

Prevention: People should avoid direct contact with wild birds and other animals infected with or suspected to be infected with avian influenza A viruses. People should observe them only from a distance. If you must have direct/close contact with infected or potentially infected birds or other animals, wear recommended personal protective equipment (PPE). The best way to prevent H5N1 bird flu is to avoid exposure whenever possible. Infected birds shed avian influenza A viruses in their saliva, mucous, and feces and other infected animals may shed avian influenza A viruses in respiratory secretions and other body fluids (e.g., cow milk). Avian influenza A viruses also can infect the respiratory tract of mammals and cause infection in other organ tissues. People rarely get avian influenza A virus infection; however, human infections with avian influenza viruses can happen when enough virus gets into a person's eyes, nose or mouth, or is inhaled. This can happen when virus is in the air (in droplets or possibly dust) and a person breathes it in, or when a person touches something that has virus on it and then touches their mouth, eyes or nose. Avian influenza A virus infections in people happen most often after close, prolonged and unprotected (no gloves or other protective wear) contact with infected birds or other animals. People with close or prolonged contact with infected birds or animals or their contaminated environments are at greater risk of infection.

Other tips: Do not touch surfaces or materials (e.g., animal



3/2-Alyce Kolden

3/20-Melissa Richter

3/7-Joe Gburek

3/22-Paul Larson

3/10-Lindsey Wogsland

3/23-Jett Tubbs

3/13-Bette Kaniecki

3/24-Allan O'Neil

3/18-Dawn LeNoble

3/25-Dan Colrud

3/18-Judy Johnson

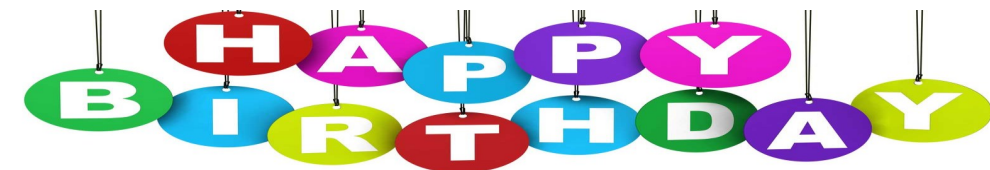
3/25-Dave Colrud

3/18-Leslie Kuklinski

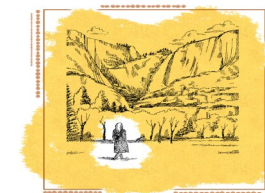
3/27-John Olstad

3/20-Erinn Tubbs

3/29-Dorothy Knopp



- Transfiguration Sunday, *March 2, 2025*
- Ash Wednesday, *March 5, 2025*
- World Day of Prayer, *March 7, 2025*
- Daylight saving time begins, *March 9, 2025*
- First day of spring, *March 20, 2025*



Bible Quiz

Complete this sentence which introduces a well-known Bible

story: "The hand of the LORD was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of ____."

- A. flowers
- B. sheep
- C. rocks
- D. bones



2025

BIBLE QUIZ: Answer: D (See Ezekiel 37:1, NIV.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Faith-worship 8:45am Coffee & Conversation WELCA serving warm cinnamon rolls & tableside coffee service! NNH-worship 10:45am	3 Pastor's Sabbath Office Closed	4 Faithful Knotters meet at 8:30 am	5 BibleStudy:3:30pm online Ash Wednesday services: NNH 4:30pm Faith 6:30pm No Confirmation class	6 ADRG Senior Meal site @ Nelson-Kaminski Legion Hall, Rosholt. Age 60 or older. Suggested donation \$5	7	1 8
9 Faith-worship 8:45am w/coffee hour following NNH-Coffee & Conversation 10:15am Worship-10:45am	10 Pastor's Sabbath Office Closed	11 Faithful Knotters meet at 8:30 am	12 BibleStudy:3:30 online At Faith-Soup & Sandwich supper 5pm and Lenten worship 6pm Confirmation Class following worship	13 ADRG Senior Meal site @ Nelson-Kaminski Legion Hall, Rosholt. Age 60 or older. Suggested donation \$5	14	15
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30 Faith-worship 8:45am w/ coffee hour following NNH-worship 10:45am with Noisy Offering	31 Pastor's Sabbath Office Closed					

Old Fashion Sunday Dinner

Faith Lutheran Church
253 S. Main St, Rosholt

March 16, 2025 11 am – 1 pm



Serving:
*Corned Beef & Cabbage,
Pork roast, vegetables,
potatoes, Soda bread,
dessert, and beverage.*

ADULTS: \$15
12 TO 5 years \$10
4 & under: Free

Handicap Accessible
Call 715-677-4631 for carry-outs

Proceeds fund Faith & Community ministries

**JOB
OPENING**

Faith Church Council is seeking a candidate for the paid Treasurer position. If interested, please contact the church office for more information. 715-677-4631 or email: faithnhope@wi-net.com



JOINT YOUTH GROUP

(7th thru 12th grades)

Youth Group meets every other Sunday night at Faith Church 7:00 pm.

Updates are shared via text and on our Youth Group Facebook page.
Contact Naomi, naomi.peuse@gmail.com
or call (715) 677-4994

**NORTH NEW
HOPE
SUNDAY
SCHOOL**



9:45am before worship services.
Noisy Offerings last Sunday of every month.



**FAITH SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

Sunday School held during worship.
Inform an usher that your child will attend & Josh or Chelsea will lead them to the Fireside room for lessons, crafts, treats, and fun!!
Please call or text Joshua Panter with any questions. (715.340.8058)



Faith

Faith Coffee & Conversations 1st Sunday of every month, following worship, during coffee hour.

North New Hope

North New Hope Coffee & Conversations 2nd Sunday of every month, before worship, at 10:15am.



Sign up sheet on bulletin board by north entrance.

Make coffee, serve desserts/treats, and clean up.

Sign up with family and/or friends.

MARCH FAITH COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

- 3/2/2025 WELCA
- 3/9/2025 Open
- 3/16/2025 Old Fashion Sunday Dinner
- 3/23/2025 Lori T, Phyllis L, Patricia J
- 3/30/2025 Open

BEWARE OF PHONE SCAMS!

Please know that Pastor would *never* request gift cards and would never request via the phones. If there would be a need, the requests would come from in person contact, the pulpit, bulletins, or newsletter. If you are unsure, contact the office or email Pastor directly. Always be suspicious of *anyone* requesting gift cards and *never ever* give out your personal information! Charities do not ask for gift cards. **Be vigilant, cautious, and safe!!**

THE PICKLE JAR IS BACK!

Join us for Faith's March

M.O.M. Event

As part of our Ministry of the Month (MOM) through the end of March, Faith will be celebrating the "One Big Jar for the One Big Tent Event". Any funds dropped into our pickle jar will be designated towards the One Big Tent of Portage County. This initiative was suggested during our monthly Coffee & Conversations from several of our members.

One Big Tent, supported by a partnership of faith-based organizations in the area, works to support those in the area who may be experiencing poverty & isolation.

Several ELCA congregations are partners including:

Good Shepherd Lutheran, Plover,
Trinity Lutheran, Stevens Point,
and Beloved Community, Stevens Point.

This group helps those of all faiths by connecting needy individuals with resources such as food, shelter, gas cards, rent assistance, hygiene products, clothing, job resources, and even laundry costs.

Some of you may have seen in the news recently that the One Big Tent is low on funding but still continues to help.

Let's help our friends at One Big Tent help others by filling the jar!

Also, check out their web site

<http://www.onebigtentpc.org/>.



March Parish nurse article cont:

Preparing food

For poultry:

Cooking poultry and eggs to an internal temperature of 165°F kills bacteria and viruses, including avian influenza A viruses. People should separate uncooked (raw) poultry from cooked foods and foods that won't be cooked. Cook all poultry and poultry products (including eggs) all the way before eating.

For beef:

Cooking beef to the appropriate internal temperature kills bacteria and viruses, including avian influenza A viruses. Cook all beef products thoroughly before eating. Ground beef should reach a safe internal temperature of 160°F and whole cuts of beef should reach 145°F then rest for 3 minutes. Separate uncooked (raw) beef from cooked foods or foods that won't be cooked to prevent cross-contamination.

Unpasteurized (raw) milk safety : Choosing pasteurized milk and products made with pasteurized milk is the best way to keep you and your family safe. Unpasteurized (raw) milk and products made from raw milk, including soft cheese, ice cream, and yogurt, can be contaminated with germs that can cause serious illness, hospitalization, or death. Pasteurization kills bacteria and viruses, like avian influenza A viruses, in milk. Make the best decision for your health and the health of your family by always choosing pasteurized milk and products made with it. Anyone, even healthy adults, can get sick from drinking unpasteurized (raw) milk. Based on the limited research and information available, we do not know at this time if avian influenza A viruses can be transmitted to people through consumption of raw milk and products (such as cheese) made from raw milk from infected cows.

Raw milk: Make the best decision for your health and the health of your family by always choosing pasteurized milk and products made with it. Anyone, even healthy adults, can get sick from drinking unpasteurized (raw) milk.

Have a Blessed Spring

Your Parish Nurse



Source:

<https://www.cdc.gov/bird-flu/prevention/index.html>



03/05/2025 **Ash Wednesday** worship

4:30pm N New Hope and 6:30pm Faith

03/12/2025 Midweek worship at Faith 6pm

03/19/2025 Midweek worship at Faith 6pm

03/26/2025 Midweek worship at Faith 6pm

04/02/2025 Midweek worship at Faith 6pm

04/09/2025 Midweek worship at Faith 6pm

04/17/2025 **Maundy Thursday** worship

4:30pm N New Hope and 6:30pm Faith

04/18/2025 **Good Friday** worship

4:30pm N New Hope and 6:30pm Faith

04/20/2025 **Easter Sunday**

8:45am Faith and 10:45am N New Hope

NEW WORSHIP HELPERS SIGN-UP

SHEETS AT FAITH

Sign up to help by the week.
1 Leader (Council member) and 3-4 helpers.

Sign up sheets same as
Lector or Coffee Hosts or Flowers.
Sign-up Sheets on the bulletin board
by the north entrance

North New Hope Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes February 9th, 2025

Attendance:

Melissa Richter, Krys Ferg, Patti Gburek, Michelle Raddatz, Tammie Ellingson and Pastor Mike

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Tammie

Council Officer Selections:

President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer:
Pastor Mike motioned to accept the officers as discussed with a unanimous ballot. Patti seconded. The motion carried. The new council members are:
President: Tammie Ellingson
Vice-President: Jim Hotvedt
Secretary: Michelle Raddatz
Treasurer: Melissa Richter

Pastor's report and devotions:

Pastor is planning an install of the new council members and acknowledgement of outgoing council members on March 2nd (Transfiguration Sunday). Lenten Mid-week services will be held at Faith this year. Pastor asked for voting members to attend the Tomorrow River conference that will be from 2-4 pm on Feb. 16th at the Beloved Redeemer Lutheran Church in Steven's Point. Anyone interested to attend is to contact Karen.

Approval of November Meeting minutes:

Patti motioned to accept the minutes and Pastor Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Secretary Report:

Krys presented financial information for Jan, Feb and projected for March. She reviewed with the group how she tabulates donations and expenses with her program. Questions answered. Patti motioned to accept the report, Melissa seconded and motion was carried. Krys reported that she will investigate the grant opportunities for the purchase of a generator for the church as the church will be the designated site in the event of an emergency in the town of New Hope

Old Business:

Coffee and Conversation topics/ date and time:

We will continue with Coffee and Conversations the second Sunday of each month at 10:15.

Council Calendar Discussion:

Tammie will keep this calendar current to remind the council of certain dates and events. Tammie will add the Tomorrow River Conference and the Annual Synod Conference to this calendar.

New Business:

Sign up for Sunday Worship tasks (lead person):

The council decided to trial this process that identifies a lead person for each Worship Service. The role of this person is to open and close the church. Identify/ask those congregation members that are in attendance to perform each task: lecturer, light candles, run power point and two folks to count the donations. Pastor would like the confirmation youth to light the candles but if there are no youth available to let him know or we can light the candles. We do not need only council members to perform the count, and this can be two congregation members. It was suggested that the council communicate with each other in the event the lead council member cannot attend so that someone else could cover the role. This process and calendar will be discussed at each council meeting. Those in attendance volunteered to be the lead person for the following dates: Feb 16: Tammie, Feb. 23rd: Patti, March 2nd: Michelle, March 6th (Ash Wed): Tammie, March 9th: Krys, March 16th: Melissa, March 23: Patti, March 30th Tammie

Church Anniversary Celebration:

The council discussed this upcoming event. The committee for this is: Lenore Peterson, Ruth Aanrud, Pat Ludeman and Tammie Ellingson. The date has been set for May 4th. It is proposed to have a joint worship service with Faith on this date and celebrate with a pot luck luncheon to follow. This will be discussed more in upcoming meetings.

Adjourned:

The next council meeting will be March 9th after worship service. Patti motioned to adjourn, Melissa seconded and motion carried.

2025 Help for the Homeless

Hygiene Drive

Faith WELCA collecting

FEBRUARY 23 — MARCH 16, 2025

**BRING TO FAITH & PLACE IN THE CARDBOARD BIN IN NARTHEX:
Sundays during worship or Tuesday-Friday Office hours-Noon to 3pm**

Cleaning Supplies:

Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Garbage Bags kitchen size (shelters have A LOT Of waste baskets!), Floor Cleaner, Bleach Cleansers, Sponges, Disinfectant Cleaner, Toilet Cleaner & Brushes, Laundry soap, Dryer Sheets, Dishwashing Gloves, Bleach.

Paper Products:

Toilet Tissue, Facial Tissue, Paper Towels, Feminine Care-Pads-Tampons.

Hair Care:

Shampoo, Conditioner, Hair-Brushes, Combs, Clips, & Elastics, Styling Products - for ethnic & all hair types. Head Lice Treatment

Baby Care:

Diapers & Pull-Ups, sizes 4-6 Wipes, Baby Bottles, Sip Cups, Baby Lotion, Baby Shampoo, Rash Ointment.

Personal Care:

Soft Soap, Bar Soap, Deodorant (unscented), Razors, Shaving Cream, Nail Clippers, Cotton Balls, Q-tips, Moisturizer/Lotions, Contact Solution, Lip Balm

First Aid;

Children's Pain Meds, Pedialyte, Band Aids, Rubbing Alcohol, Hydrogen Peroxide, Anti-Diarrheal Meds, Antacids, Antibiotic Ointment, Cold Meds, Liquid Benadryl, Sun Screen.

Dental Care:

SOFT Toothbrushes (kids too), Toothpaste, Dental Floss, Denture Care.
Mouthwash that **DOES NOT** contain alcohol please!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!