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The Voice

Welcome to Faith Church: We are a group of flawed people, joining together to be part of God's family. Join us as we serve God by "Feeding the Hungry in Body and Soul."

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Sunday, January 29, Notice of Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting
 The agenda will include approval of annual committee reports, election of 2013 Nominating Committee, and appointment of representatives to 2012 Pacifica Synod Assembly.





DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS AT FAITH 2012! HAPPY NEW YEAR

It is hard to believe that we are entering a new year. Does it seem like 13 years since we celebrated a new millennium concerned that our computers might crash?

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Once again God gives us the opportunity to start anew and to adjust our attitudes and our life-practices as we move ahead living new hopes and dreams.

Eternal God, you have placed us in a world of space and time, and through the events of our lives you bless us with your love. Grant that in the new year we may know your presence, see your love at work, and live in the light of the event that gives us joy forever—the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Prayer for the New Year, Evangelical Lutheran Worship, P63)

I invite you to enter the new year smiling and singing. We wonder what the year holds for Faith Lutheran. We wonder what challenges will face us and what changes will be necessary in the future. We wander a path that presents new possibilities but we must decide if we will pursue them.

Our lives wander on an unknown path; I wonder if we will trust God to guide our decisions in our wandering.

*I love to go a-wandering, Along the mountain track,
And as I go, I love to sing, My knapsack on my back.*

*Chorus:
Val-deri, Val-dera, Val-deri, Val-dera-ha-ha-ha-ha-ha-ha
Val-deri, Val-dera. My knapsack on my back.*

*I love to wander by the stream That dances in the sun,
So joyously it calls to me, "Come! Join my happy song!"*

NEWS RELEASE: For Immediate Release

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Lutheran World Relief Responds to Devastating Floods in the Philippines

Baltimore, December 17, 2011 — Lutheran World Relief is responding to devastating flooding caused by a tropical storm on the island of Mindanao in the southern Philippines Friday night. At least 430 people are reported dead, many more are missing, and tens of thousands are affected. The flooding has destroyed homes and crops, including many in areas where LWR has worked for years.

"The storm had a direct hit on LWR's project area," said Joanne Fairley, LWR's regional director for Asia and the Middle East. "Seaweed farmers were about to harvest for the season, bringing in much needed cash for Christmas. This has been totally destroyed. Many have also lost their homes. The devastation is extensive."

LWR is in contact with local staff and partners on the ground, who are assessing the damage and the needs.

"We plan to help meet some of the most critical immediate needs, and also work to help rehabilitate the farms that have been destroyed," Fairley said.

Cash donations are most the most effective way to help those in need. LWR needs to raise **\$250,000** to respond to this emergency. Donations are accepted online at lwr.org/donate; by phone at [800.597.5972](tel:800.597.5972), or by mail at Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 1706 Baltimore, MD 21298-9832, USA.

Gifts will be used to respond to the Philippines Floods until needs there are met. Gifts received after that time will be used where needs are greatest.

Please visit lwr.org/PhilippinesFloods for more information about LWR's response as it becomes available.

FAITH VOLUNTEERS

*Oh, may I go a-wandering Until the day I die!
Oh, may I always laugh and sing, Beneath God's clear blue sky!*

DATE	TASK	9:30 AM
JAN 1	ACOLYTE	Alec Blue
	READER	David Strack
	USHERS	Norma Burwell - Ombeni Mkanza & Larry Ludwig
	COMM. ASST.	David Strack
	SOUNDBOARD	Stephen Botts
	ALTAR CARE	Jan Wheeler and Becky Malinowski
	LOCKUP	Brian Botts
JAN 8	ACOLYTE	Brooke Willett
	READER	Ann Aul
	USHERS	Norma Burwell - Kristen Larsen & Becky Malinowski
	COMM. ASST.	Becky Malinowski
	SOUNDBOARD	John Shurson
	ALTAR CARE	Jan Wheeler and Becky Malinowski
	LOCKUP	Brian Botts
JAN 15	ACOLYTE	Cami Kirker
	READER	Ned Morgan
	USHERS	Norma Burwell, Glenda Kirker & Scott Hamre
	COMM. ASST.	Ned Morgan
	SOUNDBOARD	Lucas Shurson
	ALTAR CARE	Jan Wheeler and Becky Malinowski
	LOCKUP	Brian Botts
JAN 22	ACOLYTE	Lesley Kunze
	READER	Carol Jensen
	USHERS	Norma Burwell - Janice Wheeler & Burrel Woodring
	COMM. ASST.	Kelsey Kunze
	SOUNDBOARD	Joe Letbetter
	ALTAR CARE	Jan Wheeler and Becky Malinowski
	LOCKUP	Brian Botts
JAN 29	ACOLYTE	Alec Blue
	READER	Scott Hamre
	USHERS	Norma Burwell, Carol Jensen, Glenda Kirker
	COMM. ASST.	Alec Blue
	SOUNDBOARD	Stephen Botts
	ALTAR CARE	Jan Wheeler and Becky Malinowski
	LOCKUP	Brian Botts

The Happy Wanderer

May we walk the road ahead with faith and confidence in God's guidance.

I love to go a-wandering,
Along the mountain track,
And as I go, I love to sing,
My knapsack on my back.

Chorus:
Val-deri, Val-dera,
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Val-dera-ha-ha-ha-ha-ha
Val-deri, Val-dera.
My knapsack on my back.

I love to wander by the stream
That dances in the sun,
So joyously it calls to me,
"Come! Join my happy song!"

I wave my hat to all I meet,
And they wave back to me,
And blackbirds call so loud and sweet
From ev'ry green wood tree.

High overhead, the skylarks wing,
They never rest at home
But just like me, they love to sing,
As o'er the world we roam.

Oh, may I go a-wandering
Until the day I die!
Oh, may I always laugh and sing,
Beneath God's clear blue sky!



**Faith Lutheran Church
Women:**

Calendar for January, 2012

Wed., Jan. 3rd – 9:30 am	Deborah-Sarah Circle—home of Monica Valdez, 13560 Beverly Court, Yucaipa
Mon., Jan. 9 – 6:30 pm	Ladies Night Out – St. Alban’s,
Mon., Jan 9 – 7:00 pm	Naomi Circle – home of Karen Hall, 35254 Mt. View St., Yucaipa
Wed., Jan. 11th – 9:30 am	Quilting – Church Sewing Room
Wed. Jan. 25 th – 9:30 am	Quilting – Church Sewing Room
Thurs., Jan. 26 th – 6:30 pm	WELCA Board – Church Library

Quilting: The Quilters will be back at their twice-monthly work in January. Do you want to cut or sew? Join the Quilters 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month in that very special Sewing Room.

The calendar for 2012 will be the January agenda item for the Women’s Board. The Board NEEDS YOUR INPUT. What functions do the women want for 2012? Please feel free to attend the Board meeting on January 26th or call one of the following with your ideas:

Vicki Rollins 909-446-0311, Carol Jensen 951-845-4113, Becky Shurson 909-790-4864, Karen Hall 909-790-1603, Pat Kilday 909-797-8313.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Charles Neumann	1/01
Sharon Cady	1/04
Jordan Padilla	1/05
Carol D Jensen	1/06
Jacque Kottmeier	1/10
Marie Noggle	1/10
Rita Luxford	1/18
Ray Boehm	1/20
Brad Blue	1/21
Lindsey Maroquin	1/21
Corbyn Hallberg	1/23
Caroline Mkanza	1/23
Paul Whitt	1/26



Wedding Anniversaries

Bud and Diane Wat son	1/01
Dennis and Jacque Kottmeier	1/23





2012 RUMMAGE SALE A SUCCESS

Thanks to the hard work of over 25 people who gave over 300 volunteer hours, the annual Faith rummage sale brought in \$2,047.47 plus a supplemental grant of \$485.00 from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for a total of \$2,531.47. This will enable the Food Pantry to purchase a lot of meals for families in need.

Special thanks to the following:

- Dona, Jan & Norma for their faithful, every day for 2 weeks working to sort, price, stack, etc. etc.;
- Fred and his truck for picking up and delivering furniture and boxes of clothing, plus all the other things he did for us;
- David S. for getting rid of non-working electrical stuff, pricing the “man” stuff, etc.;
- Georgene & Vicki for handling the sales table and money;
- Burrel & Brad for the great publicity articles;
- Becky for signs;
- Joe for handling printing we needed done, handling phone calls, smoothing things over, etc.;
- Sharon, Steve, Lynda, Cecilia, Bonnie, Nelson, Karen, Cami, Cassidy, Ned, Sue, David L. for toting, sorting, stacking, cleaning up, etc., etc.;
- AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, the many, many people who donated all the stuff!!!!!!

Several shoppers left saying they come every year because they know it’s a safe place with lots of selection. The people of Faith make this possible.

Thank you.
Carol Jensen and Social Concerns Committee



Social Concerns/Outreach

Kudos to the chefs for the wonderful food at the annual Faith Christmas Party BUT the sad news is only 25 people came to visit, eat and sing. Do we axe this event from the yearly calendar?

What a party!!!! The people of Faith hosted an outstanding party for the children and their families that are recipients of the Food Pantry. 100 children and adults came, heard the Christmas story, ate, sang, got their pictures taken with Santa and went away with gifts, turkeys and goodies. Thank you to the families of Faith for the gifts. A special thank you to the Deborah/Sarah Circle for the extra gifts provided. Those gifts filled in the holes.

Next meeting for Social Concerns/Outreach – Tuesday, Jan. 10th at 6:30 pm – Sewing Room. The main agenda item will be the 2012 calendar.

CONFIRMATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The next Confirmation classes is Jan. 15

They are at 10:50 am after worship and will meet in the quilting room.



. The program will last one year and the participants will be confirmed on Pentecost, Sunday, May 27, 2012. Those in either 7th or 8th grade are welcome.

TALK TO THE PASTOR

You are invited to remain following the service on the 2nd Sunday of each month, for our monthly 16 minute ‘think tank’ time of sharing ideas, comments and suggestions.

