



# News You Can Use

Altar flowers are given by Richard and Barbara Doran in honor of their wedding anniversary.  
Communion wine is given in memory of Delyla & Ervin Smith.

Last week's attendance was: 315.

### THIS WEEK WE THANK . . .

A big THANK YOU to the Eric & Jody Schutt Family for donating their pool table for enjoyment in our youth room downstairs. Also, a shout out to Paul Ackley for rounding up a group of strong willing gentlemen to transport and move the pool table in place. Thank you to Quinton Brandt, Cordell Kloth, Henry Byers, Cade Werwinski, and Sam Curtis.

### FAITH FORMATION HOUR

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION:**—Today: Jesus went to gethsemane to pray, see and learn what a gethsemane is in this DVD segment to the Holy Land. Next Week: This DVD session will expand on the story of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection, with cultural details that will help us to see and understand the empty tomb. 9:15 in Room 113

**FACE TIME** Attention Parents!- We are using the book The Love Dare For Parents, by Stephen Kendrick, to provide a starting point for our faith discussions. Rm 210 at 9:15.

**CONFIRMATION (6th, 7th, & 8th Grades)** We have class from 9:10-9:50AM. Today we have Large Group Class; student and parents are invited to attend. Pastor Kelli will be leading today's lesson on the Lord's Prayer.

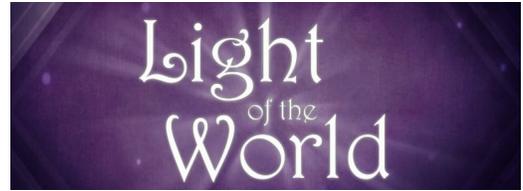
**HS YOUTH GROUP** – We will meet at 11:00AM (after church). February is a short month, but we have a lot planned in the weeks ahead! Join us for the good word and good conversation.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** begins at 9:00AM with music in lower level Room 101. After music, Shepherds will take students to their classrooms. Sunday School ends at 9:50AM.

**3s, 4s, & Kindergarten** will explore a story in their classrooms.

**1st-5th Grade will** explore what Jesus did when he attended a wedding in Cana with the disciples and his mother (John 2).

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.



### Growing Disciples, Growing Faith ~

Sunday School Singing - What is your favorite song? Do you like to sing around the house or in the car? Do you sing while you're playing outside? What's your favorite song to sing at church? Do you like it when others sing to you when you're sad or scared, or maybe at bed-time? Come hear our youngest disciples share a song in worship this Sunday at 10AM!



Administrative Assistant Opening  
McFarland Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant to join our staff! The Position Description is posted on our website ([www.mcfarlandlutheran.org](http://www.mcfarlandlutheran.org)), If you are interested, or know of someone who may be interested, please contact Pastor Tim by phone (838-3184) or email ([tdean@mcfarlandlutheran.org](mailto:tdean@mcfarlandlutheran.org)). We give God thanks for all our staff members, and ask the Holy Spirit to empower and direct their ministries for the sake of our congregation's mission!

## Hands-Only CPR

SAVE THE DATE! **Hands-only CPR training** will take place Feb. 19th 9-11 a.m. in the FLC.

### Super Bowl Food Drive – Today!

This weekend we are collecting food for the McFarland Food Pantry. After services we will be taking a monetary collection to support our local pantry. Thank you for your continued support of food and gifts!



## McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

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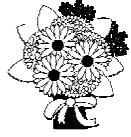


# McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

**First Communion – 2nd & 3rd Graders and families!** Class Options: Saturday, February 11 or Saturday, February 18 at 9:30AM. Celebrate Sunday, February 19 at the 10:00AM service. See Pastor Kelli if you have any questions.



Sign-up sheets for altar flowers and wine giving in 2017 are in the Great Hall



## SIGN UP TODAY!

### **First Annual: MLC Talent Show!**

On **February 25<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00 pm** we will be gathering for a showcase of talent here at McFarland Lutheran Church. We are looking for acts 3-4 minutes in length and they can be just about anything. A piano recital piece. A dance recital piece. A Solo and Ensemble piece. A musical or theatrical piece that you have known for decades.

The MLC staff and other musical groups will be joining the fun for an evening filled with wonderful and light hearted entertainment. There will also be a time for fellowship and wonderful treats. If you are in need of an accompanist, we can provide one. Please contact Chris Malueg if you have any questions.

So join us for a wonderful new event celebrating our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary! **A sign up sheet for the talent show can be found on the music bulletin board.**



### SHOOT FOR THE MOON PROJECT

Global Mission and Uganda Mission participants wish to build a latrine for a village when we travel to Uganda in March. We need to gather \$3000 by February 21<sup>st</sup>. Please help us reach a "full moon" by writing a check to McFarland Lutheran Church denoting: "Moon Project". You will bring bright smiles to Ugandans' faces!

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT YTD AS OF December 31, 2016

Actual Income Received \$565,275      Budgeted Income \$ 584,032  
Actual Expenses Paid \$582,247      Budgeted Expense \$ 604,058

Year to date expenses have exceeded income by \$16,973. This represents a substantial reduction from last month when expenses exceeded income by \$50,000. We are, however, current with paying our benevolences and bills, and expenses are below budget.

In December, additional Capital Building Fund contributions of \$11,480 were received and went to reduce the principal of the mortgage. Thanks be to God for all who have and continue to give so generously. Year to date additional Building Fund contributions received have been \$33,104. (Mortgage balance due is \$1,444,994).

Separate from and in addition to our budgeted church income, other financial gifts (less the additional Capital Building Fund contributions) totaling \$8,133 were received in December. These gifts are used for non-budgeted activities and expenses.

Thank you for your faithful and generous giving!

If you have questions, feel free to call me at 608-712-5871, email me at [brentandruth@charter.net](mailto:brentandruth@charter.net), or speak to a Church Council member.

Brent Odell, MLC Treasurer

### **2016-2017 Council Members**

John Berg, Randall Hansen, Norma Kohl, Tiffany Kvalheim (Sec.), Carol Munch (Vice Pres.), Sharon Mylrea, Dave Nelson, Brent Odell (Treas.), Steve Schoch, Joe Schwartz (President), Lee Thorson, Diane Wells

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