



# The KEY

The newsletter of Faith Lutheran Church **December 2011**

## Mission of the Month: Angel Tree

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When you come to church during December, be sure to check out the Angel Trees on the Fellowship Hall stage. You may notice that the trees have some very unique decorations—gift tags!

Each year, Faith's Angel Tree program supports the needs of local charities.

Simply pick a tag, purchase the gift and return it before the requested due date.

This year's Angel Tree charities are: The Northern Virginia Coalition of Churches and Businesses ([NOVACO](#)), Arlington Street People's Assistance Network ([A-SPAN](#)), [Good News Jail and Prison Ministry](#), Offender Aid and Restoration ([OAR](#)), and [Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey](#) (the church which sponsors the Border Immersion Program).

## Advent & Christmas at Faith

**Sunday, November 27**  
The First Sunday in Advent

**Wednesday, November 30**  
Advent Vespers, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, December 3**  
Breakfast with Santa, 9 a.m.

**Sunday, December 4**  
Second Sunday in Advent

**Wednesday, December 7**  
Advent Vespers, 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, December 11**  
Third Sunday in Advent

**Wednesday, December 14**  
Advent Vespers, 7:30 p.m.  
Hanging of the Greens

**Sunday, December 18**  
Fourth Sunday in Advent  
Children's Christmas Program (during the 11:00 service)

**Christmas Eve Worship**  
Saturday, December 24  
7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.  
Holy Communion Candlelight Service followed by a Christmas Eve Reception

**Christmas Day Worship**  
Sunday, December 25  
One Service at 10:00 a.m.



## Fall Cleanup Day!

Contact: Thierry Reiter, [reiter\(at\)partenaire.us](mailto:reiter(at)partenaire.us)

Help spruce up the church grounds in preparation for Winter. This year's Fall Cleanup Day will take place on Saturday, **December 10**. We will start at 9:00 and look to finish around 12:00.

All are welcome to come and help. To volunteer, watch for sign up sheets, or contact Thierry Reiter by email.

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## From the Church Council

### Annual Congregational Meeting

Be sure to set aside **Sunday, December 4** for the Annual Congregational Meeting, where we will elect a new council and vote on both the new Bylaws and the 2012 Spending Plan. You will receive a packet in the mail containing these items, along with reports from the Ministries and Staff of Faith Lutheran Church. [You can also download your packet here.](#)

### Ministry Updates

#### Education

The Sunday School will perform a special Christmas Program on Sunday, December 18 during the 11:00 worship. Rehearsals will take place during the Sunday School hour.

#### Stewardship

It's not too late to submit your Time & Talent and Giving forms for 2012. Links to online versions of these forms can be found on the Faith website, at [www.flcva.org/stewardship](http://www.flcva.org/stewardship).

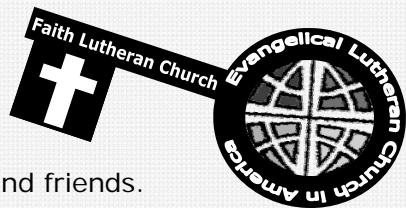
### Upcoming Council Dates

December 4—Annual Meeting  
December 11—Installation of new Council Members

Blessings, **Your Church Council**

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## Advent Services



Midweek Advent Services will take place **Wednesdays during Advent at 7:30 p.m.**

The service will be the *Holden Evening Prayer*, a simple vespers service originally written for the Holden Village Lutheran

Retreat Center—an isolated spot, perfect for reflection and spiritual renewal. Composer Marty Haugen captures the spirit of this idyllic spot perfectly with the *Holden Evening Prayer*.

Dates for Midweek Advent Services are: **November 30, December 7 and December 14.** Please note: Midweek Advent services will not be preceded by dinner this year.



*Did we mention in the last newsletter that all of these people joined in October? Welcome!*

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## HANGING OF THE GREENS

Each year, we decorate the sanctuary during Advent and Christmas. This year, decorating takes place on **Wednesday, December 14**—following the vespers worship.

Now is the time to place your order to dedicate the wreaths, pine roping, and poinsettias that will remain in the sanctuary for this festive time of year.

**Monday, December 12** is the Deadline for poinsettia dedications. They may be taken home after the late worship on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24. Because the wreaths and roping remain in the sanctuary, dedications for these may be made until **Monday, December 19**.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**



## Lectionary

### December 4

*Second Sunday in Advent*  
 Isaiah 40:1-11  
 Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13  
 2 Peter 3:8-15a  
 Mark 1:1-8

### December 11

*Third Sunday in Advent*  
 Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11  
 Psalm 126  
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24  
 John 1:6-8, 19-28

### December 18

*Fourth Sunday in Advent*  
 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16  
 Luke 1:46b-55  
 Romans 16:25-27  
 Luke 1:26-38

### December 24

*Christmas Eve*  
 Isaiah 9:2-7  
 Psalm 96  
 Titus 2:11-14  
 Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]

### December 25

*Christmas Day*  
 Isaiah 62:6-12  
 Psalm 97  
 Titus 3:4-7  
 Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20

Donor:

_____ Poinsettias (at) \$8.50 each	\$
_____ Wreaths (at) 15.00 each	\$
_____ Pine Roping (at) \$26.00 each	\$

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Honor     Memory     Thanksgiving

## Opportunity to Serve

### Ushers

Ushers are needed for both the 8:00 and 11:00 services. Please contact Mary-Beth Allen at 703-528-5817 for the 8:00 service, or Doug Lauer at 703-351-1483 or dflauer(at)yahoo.com for the 11:00 service.

## Worship Participants for December

		8:00 am			11:00 am		
	VAN	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR
Dec 4	Smoyer	C. Flynt	D. Cable	A. Johnson	M. O'Connor	K. Brewer	C. Hoffman
Dec 11	Sandene	K. Wengert	K. Lowe	D. Morton	N. Lounberg	D. Trout	L. Oney
Dec 18	Burggraf	J. Brandt	L. Spencer	R. Lowe	M. O'Connor	K. Gates	B. Wallestad
<b>Dec 24</b>		<b>7:00 p.m.</b> M. O'Connor	<b>7:00 p.m.</b> D. Trout	<b>7:00 p.m.</b> D. MacIvor	<b>10:00 p.m.</b> TBD	<b>10 p.m.</b> K. Lowe	<b>10:00 p.m.</b> C. Hoffman
Dec 25	Hoffman	<b>One worship Service at 10:00 a.m.</b>			M. Lounberg	L. Spencer	C. Hoffman

## Stewardship Bouquets



This month we say "Thank you" ...

...to Lisa Thurston, Sandra Yeaman, Eliz Storelli, Julia Kiefer, Alisha MacGregor, Jackie Pessaud, David & Aden Brown, Maril & Henry Olson, Leona Spencer, Mary Hibbits, Yvette Schock, Anne Johnson, and Jack Reale, for assisting with the homeless bagged meal ministry in November.

... to the pastors, Jody Manning, David Bleich, Jennifer Bridgman and Fred Kane for helping to get the Time & Talent and Giving Pledge Forms proofread and in the mail to members.

## Indulgence with a Heart

Contact: Jeannette Dere, [djdere\(at\)earthlink.net](mailto:djdere@earthlink.net)

Do you love chocolate? Fair Trade chocolate from Divine is not only delicious, it also helps farmers support their families.

Make sure to purchase your old favorites as well as a few seasonal flavors.



Divine is farmer-owned, Fair Trade chocolate made with cocoa from the Kuapa Kokoo cooperative in Ghana. Farmers in the co-op receive a higher price for their cocoa and additional income to invest in their community, as well as a share of Divine profits and a voice in the industry. Women especially benefit as Divine profits provide training in income generating skills, so they can provide for their families between harvests.

For more information on Divine chocolate, and other Fair Trade handcrafts, visit [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org).

## Faith Youth to Attend National Youth Gathering, July 2012

Contact: Pastor Yvette, [pastoryvette\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastoryvette@flcva.org)



*So Christ came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near... So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God...*

*Ephesians 2: 17-19*

A small but mighty group of Faith's high school youth will be traveling to New Orleans next summer to attend the [National Youth Gathering](#), where we'll worship with 40,000 other Lutheran youth, serve our neighbors in New Orleans, and learn more about what it means to live as "citizens with the saints" and "members of the household of God" in our daily lives. You'll be hearing more about the Gathering as the youth prepare for the trip by praying, studying, reflecting and raising funds.



Look for **Christmas cookie sales** and other opportunities to support our youth in December and in the coming months!

## Christian Education at Faith

Faith offers several opportunities for learning and growing in our Christian faith. All are welcome!

- † Children's Sunday School and Adult Discussion, **Sunday morning, 9:45 a.m.**
- † Confirmation Classes for 6th—8th graders, **Sunday morning, 9:30 a.m.**
- † Lydia Circle for women, **2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month, 7:30 p.m.**
- † Discussion Group in the Fellowship Hall, **Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.**
- † Bible Study in the Lounge, **Thursday Mornings at 10:00 a.m.** led by Pastor Yvette
- † Naomi Ruth Circle for women in the Undercroft **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month, 11:00 a.m.**
- † Men's Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall, **4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month, 8:00 a.m.**

## Preschool News

*By Kirsten Holtz, Faith Lutheran Preschool Director*

*"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying...*

*"Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's children on earth!"*

So it is that we rejoice in the upcoming Christmas holiday that arrives so suddenly each year. December will be a busy month, as we bundle up for cold weather (hopefully a little snow) and of course, get ready to celebrate the birth our Lord, Jesus Christ! This year the preschool community has chosen two outreach service projects both through INOVA hospitals. We are continuing to support the Child Life Center which cares for the social needs of families battling cancer. And we are also collecting items that will benefit the children at the Pediatric Rehabilitation Center. If you would like to participate in our project, there will be more information and another giving tree downstairs in the Preschool lobby.

Remember to mark your calendars for the ninth annual Faith Lutheran Preschool/ Sunday School "Breakfast with Santa" on **Saturday, December 3rd from 9-11 a.m.** There will be delicious goodies, fun activities and personal visits with Mr. & Mrs. Claus.....bring your cameras and invite your neighbors! Although we have fun with Santa, we will be preparing throughout December for the real meaning of the season, the birth of Jesus. On December 15th we will celebrate our annual Christmas Chapel in the Sanctuary, followed by classroom Open Houses for parents. December 16th will be our last day of school before Christmas vacation. Classes resume January 3, 2012.

All of us at the Preschool wish you a very blessed holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.

## Christmas Eve Music, Worship, Reception

There will be worship at 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 24. Both feature candlelight at the end of worship, but the earlier service also includes a children's' message to accommodate families with young children.

Following each worship service there will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to bring a finger food to share with your Faith family, please drop it off at the kitchen.

We often have pre-worship music beginning 30 minutes prior (6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.), so watch for information about this wonderful addition to the celebration. Come! Join us for an amazing evening.



# Faith Family Celebrations!

## December Birthdays

1	Betsy Herbst	10	Elijah Discount	19	Bruce Deming
2	Zach Paulsen	12	Yvette Schock	20	Betty Lightle
3	Nelson Litterst		Mark Smith		Caroline Seipp
4	Frances Weaver	13	Aileen Meyer	21	Donald Werth
	Daniel Koski-Karell	14	Jill Faris	25	Kenrick Brown
5	Mitchell Curlin	15	Kris Finney	27	Timothy Crowley
7	Ben Hoffman		David Kaiser	28	Mildred Aburn
	Kylie Hoffman		Justin Pentola		Clay Deming
8	Christina Bohringer	16	Linda O'Brien	31	Billie Borlaug
9	Nancy Benson	18	Martha Perry		David Babich
	Bailey Petersen		Thomas Holland		
10	John Cubbison		Carl Wiehle		

## December Anniversaries

3	Paul Wengert & Denise Hart	19	Nathan & Jennifer Mitchell
10	Bruce & Clay Deming	22	Robert & Shannon Wilson
12	Ken & Gina Brumback	26	Harvey & June Brasse
		30	Steven Webber & Jill Faris

## Honor Your Special Days With Altar Flowers



Each week flowers adorn the chancel in the sanctuary, which can be dedicated in celebration of a special occasion, in thanksgiving, to the Glory of God, or in memory of someone near and dear to your heart.

The cost for each vase is \$22.50, and flowers may be taken home after the 11 a.m. worship. If you don't wish to take them home, they will be delivered to someone in need of a little cheer!

To dedicate flowers, visit the flower dedication board just outside the sanctuary doors in the breezeway leading to the Fellowship Hall. Choose a date, write your name on the calendar, fill out a dedication form, and place your form and a check in the offering plate or in the Finance mailbox to the left of the calendar.

### Did we miss it?

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please email the office at [office\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:office@flcva.org) to update our records.  
Thanks!

### Save the Date: A-SPAN 20th Anniversary Gala

On Friday, **December 9, 2011**, from 6:00—9:30 p.m., A-SPAN will celebrate 20 years of helping Arlington's homeless access a continuum of care and striving to end homelessness in Arlington. The gala will take place at the Washington Golf and Country Club, 3017 Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22207.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit them on the web at [www.a-span.org](http://www.a-span.org).

# Faith Photo Album



**Above, left and right:** Each month, Faith prepares bagged meals and collects clothing and blankets to distribute to homeless Arlingtonians through A-SPAN.

**Left:** Paul Wengert gave a temple talk about A-SPAN, the November Mission of the Month. Members filled up grocery bags with items from a wish list, including things like toiletries, clothing and underwear.



**Right:** Members of Faith and the surrounding community were treated to an afternoon of Celtic music on Sunday, November 20. "[Points of Roguery](#)," pictured here, also led all three worship services in the morning.



*Baptism is truly a joyous occasion at Faith.*

**Left:** Devin really "gets into" his baptism, as Pastor Yvette holds him over the font.

**Right:** Happy parents Irene and Kyle celebrate with the newly baptized Augustine.



## Men's Activity Club

Contact: Andy Ruge, [macruge\(at\)verizon.net](mailto:macruge(at)verizon.net)

Again this year men of all ages are invited to attend the George Mason/Old Dominion basketball game on **Saturday, February 4, at 5pm** at the George Mason Patriot Center. After the game we will head to a Fairfax watering hole for food and drink.



Tickets are only \$9 (half price), thanks to Andy Ruge, Assistant Athletic Director. Reserve your ticket(s) by emailing Andy by January 17.

## XYZ News

*"eXtra Years of Zest" - a social group for Faith's active seniors.*

Contact: Carolyn Baker, 703-671-0312

Our December will begin on **Thursday the 8th**, when we go to the Homestead Nursery Christmas display. Then off to the Amish Market for shopping and lunch. The van will leave at 10:30 a.m.

On **Tuesday the 20th**, we plan to go to the Public House #7, an English Pub, on Route 7. The van leaves at 11:30 a.m.

We will celebrate New Years' Eve on **Saturday the 31st** at the Fairfax Red Lobster. The van leaves at 11:30 a.m.

## Young Adult Ministry Happenings

Contact: Pastor Brian Erickson, [pastorbrian\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian(at)flcva.org)

*Young Adult Coffee & Conversation (YACC):* **Monday, November 28, 7:00 p.m.** Busboys and Poets in Shirlington. Topic for Discussion: Thinking Theologically About Steve Jobs.

*Young Adult Gathering (YAG):* **Saturday, December 17, 5:00 p.m.** at the Parsonage (3313 1st Street N). Wine and cheese social time and White Elephant Gift Exchange (optional—if you wish to participate, please bring a nice or strange, inexpensive gift, wrapped, including re-gifts—just make sure whoever gave it to you is not planning to attend).



## Crafters: God's Work, Our Hands

Contact: Jeanette Dere, [djdere\(at\)earthlink.net](mailto:djdere(at)earthlink.net)

The Fabric Crafters continue to make lap robes, comfort pillows, tied quilts for local retirement homes and Lutheran World Relief.

We gather in the Undercroft of the church at 10 a.m. Bring a sandwich and visit with these ladies! **December dates are the 7th and 21st.**

## Thinking Stephen Ministry

*Contacts: Eleanor Lauer, lauer54(at)yahoo.com; Carl Hoffman, carl.f.hoffman(at)gmail.com*

Stephen Ministry is a ministry that belongs to every member of Faith Lutheran Church and needs the support of everyone in any way possible. One essential way each of us can help is to “Think Stephen Ministry”. What does that mean?



Thinking Stephen Ministry is remembering Stephen Ministry as you meet and talk to people. When you notice a need, ask about it and listen some more. Is this a need for Stephen Ministry? Let yourself be the eyes and ears of Jesus. Let Jesus work through you to recognize needs and find ways to fill those needs.

How do you recognize when needs exist? Look around you. Who do you see? Who do you know? What do they say? What don't they say? How do they act? If a person you talk to every week at church isn't there one week, give them a call to be sure everything is all right. If someone you know at work or in your neighborhood begins to behave differently, take notice. Sometimes people withdraw when a crisis occurs, or may not have the energy or drive to contact others to let them know something is wrong. They may be embarrassed about needing help and try to cover up that need.

That is where it is important for everyone in our church, not just the pastors or Stephen Ministers, to recognize our responsibility to look out for one another. You may be the only one who notices that someone has a need. If that person doesn't tell anyone – and you don't either – the need goes unmet and the person slips away.

As you Think Stephen Ministry, consider that needs aren't always obvious. Two different people can be affected in different ways by an event. What might make one person happy could trigger sadness or grief in another. Each person may react with different emotions. Thinking Stephen Ministry is being sensitive to these facts and looking for emotions that surface in response to the most insignificant of events. Thinking Stephen Ministry is having your antennae up so that you are aware of the needs around you and looking for ways to meet those needs.

If you see someone whom you feel could benefit from the distinctively Christian care of Stephen Ministry, please mention it to one of the Pastors or to a Stephen Leader. They can follow up as appropriate. You may be helping someone who needs help.

Your Stephen Leaders: Eleanor Lauer, Carl Hoffman, Jim Frankosky, and Robert Wilson.

## Christmas Gifts for Good

This Christmas, consider giving the gift of charity by making a donation on behalf of your loved ones to worthy organizations all over the world. Several gift programs are supported by our local Synod and the ELCA. Here's a partial listing:

[Gifts of Hope](http://giftsofhopemetrodcd.org)—donations support charities in the DC Area (giftsofhopemetrodcd.org)

[LWR Gifts](http://lwrgifts.org)—unique gifts which enable a needy person to change her future (lwrgifts.org)

[ELCA Good Gifts](http://elca.org)—honor someone with livestock! (elca.org, search for “good gifts”)

If you like to give tangible gifts, consider a fairly-traded gift from [SERRV.org](http://SERRV.org) (an LWR partner).

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## A-SPAN Emergency Winter Shelter Needs YOU!

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Contact: Liz Schuch, [lizabethdawn\(at\)hotmail.com](mailto:lizabethdawn(at)hotmail.com)

Faith has been involved with [A-SPAN's Emergency Winter Shelter](#) (EWS) for over 10 years. This year, Faith will once again have the first Wednesday of each month (December 7, January 4, February 1 and March 7).

Four volunteers are needed for each of our nights to serve the evening meal, distribute bedding and toiletries, and monitor the clothing rooms and fire exits. The evening shifts are from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. If none of Faith's designated dates work for you, you can always volunteer on a different night on your own by contacting Sarah Morse, the EWS Volunteer Coordinator, at 703-228-9375 or [smorse\(at\)a-span.org](mailto:smorse(at)a-span.org).

In addition to providing volunteers, we are collecting supplies to stock the Shelter for the season. Their current wish list includes:



- Toiletries (any size)
- Cereal
- Towels
- Flat twin sheets
- Twin- or full-sized blankets
- Pillowcases
- New socks
- New men's underwear
- New women's underwear
- Men's and women's adult clothing, winter shoes and boots.

There will be boxes in the Fellowship Hall where you can deposit your donated items.

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## Mission Trip to the U.S./Mexico Border, Spring 2012

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Contact: Pastor Yvette, [pastoryvette\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastoryvette(at)flcva.org)

Immigration issues continue to be at the center of national and local conversations--in August this year delegates to the ELCA churchwide assembly passed a resolution in support of immigration reform, and immigration issues will likely continue to be a hot-button issue in the presidential race next year.

Next spring you're invited to join a week-long journey with Pastor Yvette and other Faith members to El Paso, Texas, to learn firsthand how these issues play out for individuals who live, work and minister to God's children on both sides of the border. Financial support from Faith Lutheran's Endowment Fund will help defray travel costs for participants, so don't let cost get in the way of a meaningful experience. Dates to be decided.



If you have questions and/or are interested in participating, please contact Pastor Yvette.

## Many, Many Thanks from our Homeless Bagged Meal Participants

*Clothing Ministry Contact: Mary Hibbits, mohibbits(at)comcast.net*

Many thanks to all who have donated clothing and personal care items for Faith's ministry to the Homeless. We had a wonderful response to our ASPAN (Arlington Street People's Assistance Network) Mission of the Month effort in November. Every item you contributed already has made the life of a homeless client a bit better.

The need continues, especially as the temperatures drop. Please help. Our winter focus is on Men's heavy hooded sweatshirts (darker colors preferred); Men's thermal underwear, especially "long Johns"; new socks; Men's jeans; warm winter hats, (especially "watch-style" stocking caps); scarves; and Men's winter gloves. Twin-size blankets, stadium or lap blankets and warm throws, etc. are also needed. Freshly washed, gently used items are acceptable.

Travel/trial sized personal care items are always needed, as are toothbrush/toothpaste sets, double-edge razors and small-size shaving cream.

When you happen upon a special sale, discover unused winter clothing in a drawer, or hear your friend talk about cleaning out a closet, please remember this important ministry and donate needed items. Bins are located in the Parish Hall near the doors on the Jackson Street side of the church. Bless you for caring.

**ALERT:** At our last bagged meal service opportunity, about 35 of our clients requested Men's jeans or sweatpants. We had none to offer. Please donate clean, gently used Men's jeans and sweatpants. Every pair will be put to use.

## GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

### Thank you from the Arlington Food Assistance Center

Dear Pastor Brian,

Please accept this note of thanks for Faith Lutheran Church's recent generous donation to [AFAC](#). Of course a more formal letter will follow, but I wanted to take a moment to personally thank you for your gift. Faith Lutheran's \$1,000 donation will help us feed the nearly 1600 families in our care each week. I am so grateful for your support!

As we enter into the Holiday season I hope Faith Lutheran will remain connected to AFAC. We have a long road ahead as we anticipate increased need for food assistance through the end of the year. Families that would otherwise go hungry at the holidays are coming to us for their holiday meals. Please know that your gift not only sponsors food for a family in need, but also enables them to gather together, break bread, and celebrate their blessings.

Many blessings to you,

*Joy Myers*

Major Gifts Coordinator, AFAC



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# DECEMBER 2011

## ABBREVIATIONS:

- BP - Bride's Parlor
- CR - Choir Room
- FC - Fabric Crafters
- FH - Fellowship Hal
- K - Kitchen
- L - Lounge
- MAC - Men's Activity Club
- VR - Nursery
- P - Preschool
- S - Sanctuary
- SM - Stephen Ministry
- U - Undercroft
- XYZ - eXtra Years of Zest (seniors)
- YACC - Young Adult Coffee and Conversation
- YAG - Young Adult Gathering

## Regular Sunday Schedule

- 8am** Worship with Holy Communion—S  
**9:30am** Worship with Holy Communion—S  
**9:45am** Learning for All Ages  
**11am** Worship with Holy Communion—S  
**2pm** Korean Worship—P

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>27 1st Sunday in Advent</b> <i>Newsletter available</i>  VAN— Sandene Acolyte 8am— C. Flynt Acolyte 11am— M. Lounberg  2:00pm—Danish Worship	28 11am –Meals on Wheels  7:00pm—YACC @Busboys & Poets  7:00pm—Stephen Ministry Training—FH	29   7:00pm—Discovering the Bible Study—FH	30 Pastor Yvette's Day Off  6:30pm—Yoga Class 7:30pm—Midweek Advent Vespers	1  10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L	2 Pastor Brian's Day Off	3 9am—FLP Breakfast with Santa
<b>4 2nd Sunday of Advent</b>  VAN— Smoyer Acolyte 8am— C. Flynt Acolyte 11am— M. O'Connor  9:30 Confirmation & HS Class making gift packages for the homeless  <b>12:15—Annual Congregational Meeting</b>	5 Pastor Yvette's Day Off  7:00pm—Stephen Ministry Training—FH	<b>6 Election Day</b>  7:00pm—Discovering the Bible Study—FH	7 10:00am—Fabric Crafters in the Craft Room  5:30pm—Volunteering at the Winter Shelter  6:30pm—Yoga Class 7:30pm—Midweek Advent Vespers	8 10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L  10:30am—XYZ to Homestead Nursery  11am—Naomi Ruth Circle—U	9 Pastor Brian's Day Off  6:00pm—ASPAN 20th Anniversary Gala	10 1:00pm—Bagged Meal Prep  5:30pm—Bagged Meal & Clothing Distribution
<b>11 3rd Sunday of Advent</b> Installation of Council Members  VAN— Sandene Acolyte 8am— K. Wengert Acolyte 11am— N. Lounberg  9:30—Confirmation Class	12 Pastor Yvette's Day Off  7:00pm—Stephen Ministry Training—FH  7:15pm—Lydia Circle	13  7:00pm—Discovering the Bible Study—FH	14  6:30pm—Yoga Class  7:30pm—Midweek Advent Vespers	15 9:00am—FLP Christmas Program—FH  10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L  6:30pm—Council & Staff Gathering	16 Pastor Brian's Day Off  <b>JANUARY NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE</b>	17  5:00pm—YAG Christmas Party @the Parsonage
<b>18 4th Sunday of Advent</b> Youth Cookie Sale Children's Christmas Program  VAN— Burggraf Acolyte 8am— J. Brandt Acolyte 11am— M. O'Connor  9:30—Confirmation Class	19 <i>Preschool Closed</i> Pastor Yvette's Day Off  7:00pm—Stephen Ministry Training—FH	20 <i>Preschool Closed</i> 11:30am—XYZ to Public House #7  7:00pm—Discovering the Bible Study—FH	21 <i>Preschool Closed</i> Pastor Yvette's Day Off  10am—Fabric Crafters in the Craft Room  6:30pm—Yoga Class 6:45pm—Praise Team 7:45pm—Choir	22 <i>Preschool Closed</i>  10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L  1:30pm—Newsletter Fold and Sort	23 <i>Preschool Closed</i>	<b>24 Christmas Eve</b> 7 & 10pm—Christmas Eve Worship  Acolyte 7pm—M. O'Connor Acolyte 10pm—TBD  Reception after each worship service
<b>25 Christmas Day</b> (no Sunday School)  10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (one service)  VAN—Hoffman Acolyte—M. Lounberg	<i>Pastor Brian &amp; Pastor Yvette Away</i>					
10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (one service)  VAN—Hoffman Acolyte—M. Lounberg	26 <i>Office Closed</i>	27 <i>Preschool Closed</i>	28 <i>Preschool Closed</i>  6:45pm—Praise Team 7:45pm—Choir	29 <i>Preschool Closed</i>  10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L	30 <i>Preschool Closed</i> Pastor Brian's Day Off	31 11:30am—XYZ New Year's at Red Lobster

# Ministry Central

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## PASTORAL CARE

Comfort Shawl Ministry  
*Provide (through the pastor) shawls for those in need of comfort.*  
Carrie Beyer  
Cbeyer(at)comcast.net

Communion Ministers  
*Serve Holy Communion to members who are homebound or hospitalized.*  
Pastor Lisa Hufford C: 703-342-8663  
Lisa.hufford(at)gmail.com

Faith Family Freezer  
*Provide (through the pastor) meals to those in times of family distress*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

Patient Companion Program  
*This program—through the Virginia Hospital Center—provides someone who sits at the bedside of a patient during their final hours.*  
Barbara Foelber  
bgfoelber(at)aol.com  
Prayer Chain  
Carolyn Mauck H: 703-892-0349  
Carolynmauck(at)verizon.net

## Stephen Ministry

*Provide Christian care to people in crisis.*  
Leaders: Jim Frankosky, Carl Hoffman,  
Eleanor Lauer, and Robert Wilson

## Tape Ministry

*Duplicate CDs of worship services*  
Carolyn Mauck H: 703-892-0349  
Carolynmauck(at)verizon.net

## ADMINISTRATION

### Counting Teams

*Meet after the 11:00 service to count and record the offerings.*  
The Finance Team  
Finance(at)flcva.org

### IT Support Team

Jon Dagle  
Jond(at)flcva.org

### Newsletter Team

*Labels and sorts the newsletter monthly.*  
Adriana Stone H: 703-536-5914

### Name Tags

*Provided for members and visitors.*  
Carolyn Mauck H: 703-892-0349  
Carolynmauck(at)verizon.net

### Notification Tree

Mary Beth Allen H: 703-528-5817

## WORSHIP AND MUSIC

### Acolyte / Crucifer

*Youth who participate in Sunday worship.*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

### Altar Guild

*Prepares the altar and chancel for worship.*  
Carol Tschudy H: 703-521-6792  
Ctschudy(at)aol.com

### Assisting Minister / Lector

*Assists with worship and reads Scripture lessons.*  
Robbie Lowe H: 703-664-0670  
Lowe\_family(at)hotmail.com

### Communion Assistants

*Assist with Communion distribution during worship services.*  
Sally Arason H: 540-783-2040  
Arasonroscoe(at)aol.com

### Friendship Folders

*Maintains folders that are used on Sundays for sign-in, prayer cards, etc.*  
Carolyn Mauck H: 703-892-0349  
Carolynmauck(at)verizon.net

### Pew Bibles

*Ensures each pew has Bibles.*  
Sue Burggraf H: 703-522-1549  
Sburggraf(at)comcast.net

### Sound Ministry

*Runs the sound system during worship and records services.*  
Bruce Irby H: 703-820-6543  
Bruirb(at)aol.com

### Ushers

Doug Lauer  
Dflauer(at)yahoo.com

## EDUCATION

Sunday School  
Melissa DeWitt  
Xenafife(at)me.com

### Little Lambs

*2 year old Sunday School every other week in the Virginia Room during Sunday School*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

### Tuesday Evening Class

Pastor Brian  
Pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

### Thursday Morning Bible Study

Pastor Yvette  
Pastor Yvette (at)flcva.org

### Vacation Bible School

*Meet in August to give a wonderful spirit-filled experience to children from age 4 through 5th grade (and older children may volunteer to assist).*  
Melissa Dewitt, xenafife(at)me.com

## OUTREACH

### Greeters

*Welcome worshippers as they enter the sanctuary.*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

### Van Ministry

*Provide transportation on Sunday morning to those who are unable to drive to church.*  
Carl Hoffman H: 703-527-0358

### Website

*Update and maintain Faith's website.*  
Jennifer Bridgman—administrator  
Jen Moore—content and calendar requests  
Jenmoore(at)flcva.org

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### Bagged Meal Program

*Prepares and distributes meals the second Saturday of each month for Arlington's homeless.*  
Paul Wengert , Poor.yorick(at)verizon.net

### Clothing Program (ASPAN)

*Collects gently used clothing and new toiletries.*  
Mary Hibbits, mohibbits(at)comcast.net

### Friends of the Seminary (LTSG)

*Liaison between Faith and the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg that provides information to the congregation about events at the seminary.*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

### Meals on Wheels

*Delivers prepared meals to shut-ins in the Arlington area.*  
Kay Flatin H: 703-379-0445

### National Lutheran Home Auxiliary

*Liaison for senior residential facility in Rockville, MD.*  
Nancy Benson H: 703-644-0609

## FELLOWSHIP & COMMUNITY LIFE

### Coffee Fellowship

*Prepares coffee for and cleans up after fellowship on Sundays.*  
Sandra Yeaman H: 703-294-6726  
Sandrayeaman(at)gmail.com

### Dining Out Fellowship

*Dines out once a month at local restaurants.*  
Adriana Stone H: 703-536-5914

### Fabric Crafters

*Makes items for the National Lutheran Home, Culpepper Gardens, and LWR.*  
Jeannette Dere H: 703-370-3793  
Djdere(at)earthlink.net

### Families of Faith

Pastor Brian  
Pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

### Moms & Babies

*For moms with babies under 1 year.*  
Mary Klapmust  
mmklapmust(at)gmail.com

### Men of Faith

*Meets once a month for breakfast, fellowship, and discussion.*  
Carl Hoffman H: 703-527-0358

### Women of Faith

*Meet regularly for fellowship and study.*  
Paulette Sandene  
H: 703-273-8380  
Sandenepc(at)aol.com

### eXtra Years of Zest

*50+s who meet frequently for lunch and fellowship.*  
Carolyn Baker H: 703-671-0312

### Young Adult Ministry

*Meets monthly for coffee and conversation.*  
Pastor Brian  
Pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

### Young Women Small Group

Jennifer Bridgman  
Jlkremplin(at)comcast.net

## YOUTH

### Confirmation

Pastor Brian  
pastorbrian@flcva.org

### Youth Ministry

Pastor Yvette  
Pastoryvette@flcva.org

### FYI (Faith Youth Incorporated)

*Helps to plan various activities for the older youth of the congregation and their peers*  
COORDINATOR NEEDED

