



Intern Pastor Dennis Rodenberg

Beginning in January 2020 we will be hosting a pastoral intern from Wartburg Theological Seminary. Dennis Rodenberg was born September 5, 1983 in Corydon, Iowa. He is married to Elise and together they have three children. Currently they live in Mount Vernon where his wife is the Middle School band director. He is a graduate of ISU where he majored in transportation and logistics.

He writes in his paperwork: “I am a second-career candidate for a calling as a pastor of Word and Sacrament in the ELCA. I have been blessed to have been a part of the church since a young age and I cannot think of where I would be without the guidance of so many role models in both my youth and adult life. I have long felt the call to ministry. There was an internal sense of call to share the Gospel message with God’s own people, but there was also an external call that was affirmed on multiple occasions from pastors, fellow students, and adult mentors...Following prayers and time for discernment, my wife and I decided that yes, God is calling us to a life as a minister and accompanying family. It’s time to embrace the calling.”

Dennis will begin his internship here on January 2, 2020. His internship will last one year. He will be mentored by Pastor John. During this time he will be exposed to as many pastoral opportunities as possible: preaching, teaching, pastoral care, youth, and administration. Please pray for him and his family as they begin this journey.

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Peace,

Pastor John Albertson



Pastoral Internship

Faith Church News

We continue to pray for Penny White, Richard Hill, Katelyn & preemie baby (niece of Catherine Dytrt), Pastor Roger McKinstry and Harriet Insteffjord (mother of Connie Bulman).

We express our deepest sympathies to the family of Marv Eberhard who passed away. Services were held here at Faith on Oct 25th.

We also express our sympathies to Dolores Holechek and family on the passing of her son, John.

The Middle School Overnight will take place on Friday, November 1st from 8:00 pm to Saturday, November 2nd at 8:00 am. Sign up on the welcome table.

On Sunday, November 17th, the Worship Committee will be holding informational meetings on worship team positions like ushers, greeters, lectors and communion assistants in the family center.

Good Time Rollers next event will be Friday, November 15th at 6:30 pm at Vitos. Sign up on the welcome table for reservations.

If you were unable to have your picture taken and are submitting a photo for the directory, please contact Jen by Friday, November 1st. If you've already talked to Jen she has you covered. Thanks to everyone for your participation. We hope to have the new directories by the first of the year, fingers crossed.

Sign up now for baking 6 dozen cookies for our cookie walk on December 7th. Sign up sheet on the welcome table in the narthex.

Semi-Annual Meeting

The Semi-Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place on Sunday, November 3rd at 8:30 am in the Sanctuary prior to 9:00 am worship.

Please make plans to attend this important business meeting of our church.



SEMI-ANNUAL
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Parish Nurse Notes

The next blood pressure and blood sugar check is November 10th after service in the Associate office.

Thanks to all who went to my talk about high blood pressure, diabetes and how they affect the body. The take from this talk is if these conditions are not controlled, our nerves and blood vessels are affected, causing damage to all of our organs and systems of the body. We also had great discussion at the end of the talk. We will start having a monthly incentive, beginning in November, at Faith to get our congregation on the road to wellness. There will be a place to put a check mark if you did the incentive of the month with a drawing for a monthly prize. Stay tuned for more details! I am excited to start!

If you would like to talk to me, you can e-mail Christy Pratt at parishnurse@faithlutheran.org or call me at 361-0445. All discussions are confidential!

Blood Drive Results

Thank you all that donated blood at the Marion Churches blood drive on October 17th. The drive collected 27 units, or we helped out 108 patients. Way to go!

Also, the drive helped the Ascension preschool to earn \$277 scholarship! They can spend this on things the preschool needs, like art supplies and toys for centers.

The next drive will be February 18th from 2:30-6:30 pm at Resurrection. Put that in your calendars now! Thanks again for supporting this cause!



Blood Drive!

Fall Education Series

Adult Nurture Committee has been presenting 8 weeks of education during Sunday School and they have been an overwhelming success. You may join in to any and all of the remaining presentations. Lineup:

**Sundays at 10:20 am
Beginning September 15th**

Nov 3rd: Alice Training: Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, Evacuate: Join Stacia Walker for this very important talk on the preparation and planning to more proactively handle the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter. Participants will learn practical approaches and strategies to maximize survival if faced with an aggressive intruder.

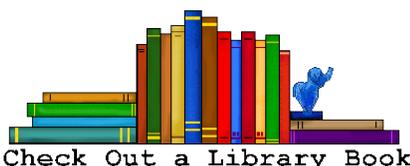
Nov 10th: Marriage & Divorce : Join Pastor John for a graceful conversation on how to honor God's presence and guidance in our marriage and family lives.

Library "Likes"



Happy Reformation Season! Celebrate by reading about Martin Luther or Lutheran beliefs. On the back table by the TV you will find a number of materials on these topics. There are graphic novels (if you haven't read one, take a look! It's a fun and different format for storytelling), biographies, prayer aids, and explanations of Lutheran beliefs.

If you find an item from this collection that looks interesting, take it with you, read it (or decide it's not for you), and then bring it back. Return it to the Return basket by the TV. Enjoy!



Check Out a Library Book

November Movie Night

Join us for Family Movie Night on Saturday, November From 7:00-9:00 pm the all ages options in the Family Center is "Toy Story 4" (G) or for Middle School & Older in the Youth Room we have "The Lion King" (PG).



The Grown Up Pick is "The Art of Racing in the Rain" (PG) (Pre-K youth must be accompanied by parent or caregiver)

Donations are always welcome to help pay for the snacks, come and join the fun family night.

November Youth Event

Our November Fellowship Event will be an Ice Skating Party at Cedar Rapids Ice Arena on Sunday, November 17th from 2:00—4:00 pm. Cost is \$8 for rental and skating. Register at Faith's welcome table. Young skaters need to be accompanied by parent or guardian. Meet at the Ice Area.



Wednesday Night Live

Wednesday, Oct. 30th –WNL with Women's team for cooking and clean-up.

Wednesday, Nov. 6th –WNL with Men's team for cooking and clean-up.

Wednesday, Nov. 13th—WNL with HS team for cooking and clean-up.



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We are a community of Faith,
growing in Christ, sharing God's love.

Worship Opportunities

All are welcome and invited to worship at
Faith Lutheran Church.

Worship Times

Saturdays

5:30 pm— Worship

Sundays

9:00 am— Worship

Fall Education Continues

on

Sundays

At 10:20 am

Faith has been serving the Marion-Cedar Rapids area for more than thirty years; supporting local ministries such as the Marion Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, and Senior Assistance Programs. We are in partnership with the 10,657 congregations, 28 Lutheran colleges and universities, 8 seminaries, 450 global missionaries and one of the largest non-profit social service networks in the United States; as well as Lutheran World Relief worldwide. All are ministries of the 5.2 million member Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

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But most of the real work is done by unpaid members of the congregation, often without recognition, who see their service as a response to God.