

FLC FIRST TIME VISITORS INFORMATION



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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your interest in Faith Lutheran Church today. The following pages provide answers to frequently asked questions about our Christian community, and I hope they answer most of yours.

You may also want to explore our web site for more information about the exciting things God is doing at Faith Lutheran Church.

I also invite you to contact me or make an appointment to come by and see me if you have any questions. I look forward to meeting you in person and discussing how we can grow in our love for God and the communities of people we serve.



Sincerely,

David Berkedal
Pastor

Our worship schedule includes 2 Sunday morning services:

8:30 a.m. **Traditional Blend** worship celebration with piano and the
10:00 a.m. **Ancient-Future** worship celebration with the Road Crew band. Multi-media plays a part in all our worship services. We also have **En Theos Worship and Bible Study** each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. It's preceded by our **Agape Meal**, a potluck supper with Holy Communion that starts at 6:00 p.m. and is independent of our En Theos experience.

The Worship Service bulletins are handed to you by an usher as you enter the worship area. They are printed in a complete, easy-to-follow format for all three worship services. We recycle leftover worship materials. It is printed with our announcement section and is yours to take home and use during the week.

The Tan "Welcome" Cards in the racks in front of your seat give us a record of your presence, your comments, any special interests you have, and they help us serve you better. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate.

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month, on other Sunday holidays, and at all Wednesday En Theos worship services. We believe the Bible's promise that the bread and wine (grape juice is also provided) are the forms of the real presence of Jesus Christ. You are invited to mark the communion registration box on the back of the tan "Welcome" card if you share this belief, and come to receive communion. Children may begin receiving communion when they have been baptized, are either in 4th grade or are 10 years old, and have attended our First Communion preparation class with their parents. Children who are not old enough to receive communion are invited to come to the altar rail for a blessing.



An Offering is received when the ushers pass offering plates and give our members the opportunity to contribute to our growing ministry. **You are not asked to contribute any money. You are our guest.**

Prayer Requests for inclusion in our worship services may be written on a yellow card from the racks in front of your seat at church and placed in the offering plate. The ushers will see that they get to the pastor.

At FLC We Encourage the Presence of Children and their participation in worship. We also offer a "Cry Room" with full line of sight and sound to the worship space with its entrance at the north end of the narthex/lobby. We provide free professional child care at our Sunday 10:00 a.m. Ancient-Future worship service and at other times upon request. It's located in our Parish Hall (the "round" building). Ask an usher for directions.

Children's Activity Sheets with puzzles and pictures based on the Bible reading for

this week are placed with some crayons near the guest book table as you enter the worship space each week.

CD's, MP3's, and even DVD's of our worship services will soon be available when we are able to provide them. Check at the audiovisual control booth at the rear of the worship space for availability.

Baptism may take place at any age. Children should have at least one sponsor (godparent) who is an active member of a Christian church. Adults may have at least one sponsor if they prefer.

Hearing assist devices are available in the entry area. Ask an usher to show you where they are. They are effective and easy to use.

The FLC "Mountain Mover" Newsletter is published monthly. It keeps our



members and friends informed about happenings at Faith Lutheran Church. The "Mountain Mover" describes some of our more than 70 programs and volunteer service opportunities for men, women and children including Faith Lutheran Youth, Small Group Ministries, Sunday School, Newcomers Classes, and so on. Call the church at 909 599-3978, email us or fill out one of the "Welcome" cards for a free copy of the current issue. Most of our members now receive it in its digital

form. Send your email address to flc@faithsd.net and we'll add you to the contact list.

The FLC E-pistle Ezine is our electronic announcement board. It is emailed each week to highlight upcoming events. Email me at dberkedal@faithsd.net and I'll see that you are added to our emailing list.

Thank you for choosing Faith Lutheran Church today.

