

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH FAMILY

For the Lord's healing and protecting hand on:

Bobby Rice, who suffered a stroke.
Jennifer Rowe, Vicki Harden's daughter-in-law, with bone cancer;
Dorel Antim, with ongoing health concerns.
Bob Powell, prayers for healing after suffering a stroke.
Alice Robenson, who suffered a stroke.
John Samson, who has colon cancer.
Veronica, Dorel's daughter, who is terminally ill.
Tammy Kwiatkowski, who is in recovery after a recent surgery.
Margaret Clarke, who is starting 6 month chemotherapy for breast cancer.
Madonna Sandunsky, with health concerns.
Arlene Milton's relative **Peter**, who is recovering from a stroke, and her niece's husband,
Dick Hoyt, who has bacterial meningitis.
Jimmy Soria, who is recovering from a recent illness.
Carol Cope, daughter of Verna Vogt, with colon cancer.
Dora Ramirez, healing after surgery.
Peg Sturtevant, healing from a broken leg.
William and Betty Winters' grandson Demetrius, who is in the hospital with pneumonia.
Don Wilcut, for recovery and strength.
Stephanie Michaud, for healing after car accident.

For Those That Are Home Bound:

Vivian Criswell, Vern Formoe, Jim Godec, Norma Miller

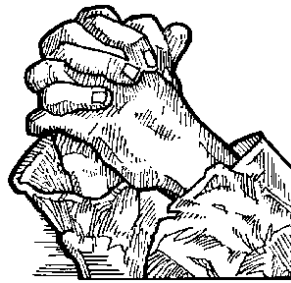
Those in the Military:

Robert Hureto, Eric David Martz, Oscar Acabal, David Wahlstrom & Bradley Carpenter in Iraq;
Daniel Loeschen who is now at Fort Hood, TX;
Jeremy Jackson and Rod Dove who are in Afghanistan;
Rick M. Ferrell who is at Fort Carson, CO;
Joshua Kwiatkowski who was deployed and on the USS Carl Vinson;
Ryan German, who is on the USS Enterprise in Norfolk, VA;
Scott Donaldson, who is stationed in Sacramento, CA;

Comfort For:

Rich and Sharon Bieber for the passing of their son, David.

*If you are need of prayers please contact the office or **Heather Svika** (951) 688-3827 so we can add your prayers to our prayer chain and be aware of your needs.*



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"Bringing
God's
Children
Home"*

Rev. Paul Wenz
Pastor



Caitlin St. John
Organist



Sundays:
**Worship
Services**
8:00 and 10:30 am

**Bible Study
& Sunday School**
9:15 am



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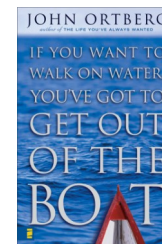
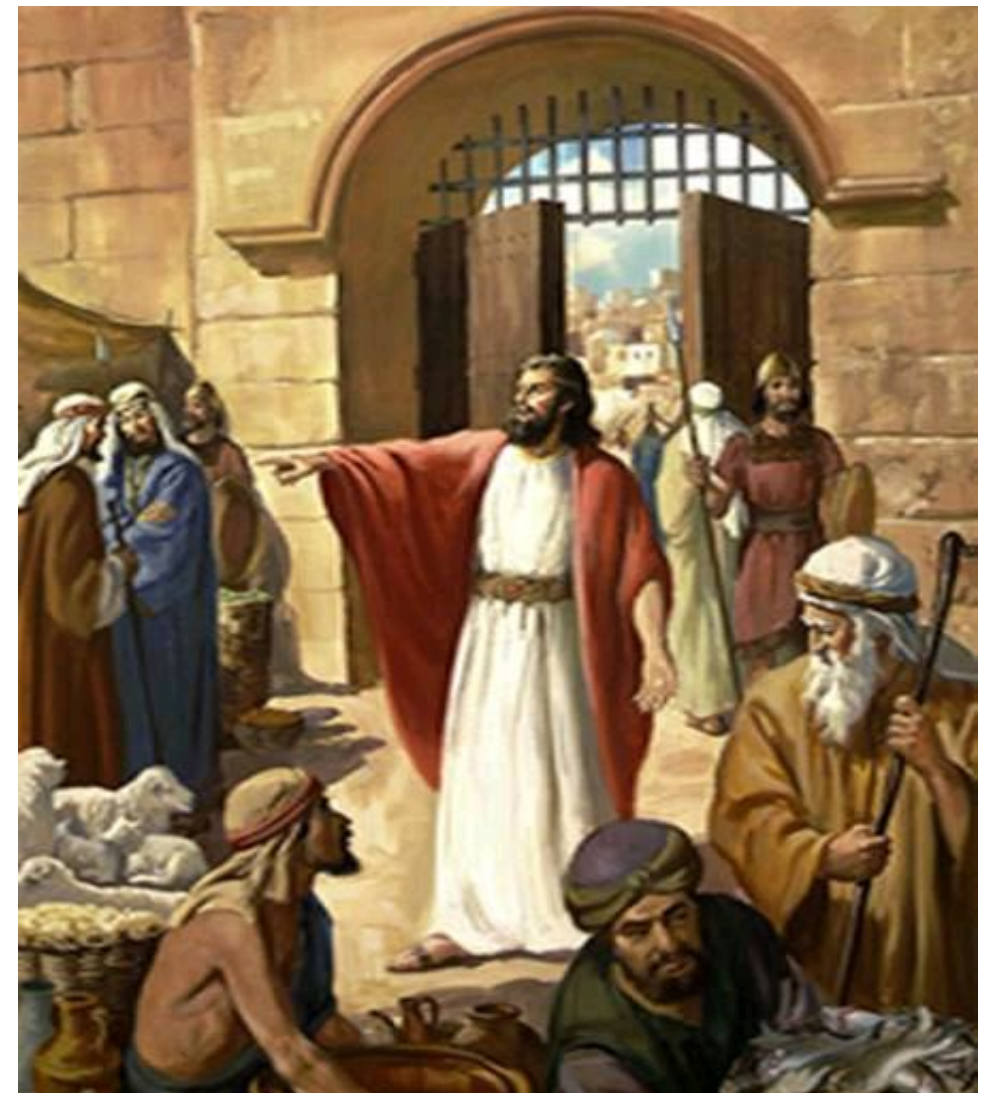
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Faith Sermon Series

Worship Service
Seventh Sunday After Epiphany
February 20, 2011—8:00 AM

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 20, 2011, 8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

Today is the fifth of six sermons in our series based on John Ortberg's book, *"If You Want to Walk on Water You Have to Get out of the Boat."* We will explore Scripture together in order to learn how God leads us to step out in faith to grow in trust of Him. The story of Peter walking on water will be our key text during this series where we will explore how Jesus invites us to a faith journey that is not always comfortable but that is always more fulfilling than what we often settle for. When we find ourselves in difficult situations, like David did when he was hiding from Saul in caves (1 Sam. 18-23), we can blame God for abandoning us, or in faith, realize that He is with us in our "caves."

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *LSB 790*

INVOCATION and PSALM 142: 5-7

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: I cry to you, LORD; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."

People: Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need; rescue me from those who pursue me, for they are too strong for me.

Pastor: Set me free from my prison, that I may praise your name. Then the righteous will gather about me because of your goodness to me.

People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Set me free from my prison, that I may praise your name.

CONFESSION OF SINS

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God almighty and beg His forgiveness in our lives:

People: Lord God, heavenly Father, we come to You this day counting on the forgiveness of sins promised through Jesus Christ. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed by things done and things left undone. We have not loved You completely and without reservation. We have not followed Jesus' example of love and kindness. We are truly sorry for our sins and ask that You would be merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love for the sake of Him who lived and died for us: Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.



Join Us for Our Open Rehearsal

February 28, 2011

6:30 pm Refreshments 7:00 to 9:30 pm Rehearsal

Riverside Community College, Music Building Room 105

Park in the RCC Parking Facility on Magnolia Ave. (building with tennis courts on top)

Purchase a parking pass from the automated meters.

For more information please call Karen Garrett at (951) 222-8000 ext. 5806

Or go to www.RiversideMasterChorale.com



Schedule of Wednesday Lenten Services

Ash Wednesday March 9th at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

March 16th at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

March 23rd at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

March 30th at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

April 6th at 1:00 and 7 p.m.

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Lenten Dinners Wednesdays  
at 6:00 PM

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Glory to God in the Highest"

LSB 170

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

**+ WORD +**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** 1 Samuel 30: 3-8

When David and his men came to Ziklag, they found it destroyed by fire and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive. <sup>4</sup> So David and his men wept aloud until they had no strength left to weep. <sup>5</sup> David's two wives had been captured—Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail, the widow of Nabal of Carmel. <sup>6</sup> David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters. But David found strength in the LORD his God. <sup>7</sup> Then David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelech, "Bring me the ephod." Abiathar brought it to him, <sup>8</sup> and David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I pursue this raiding party? Will I overtake them?" "Pursue them," he answered. "You will certainly overtake them and succeed in the rescue."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord;

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING** Philippians 3: 12-14

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord;

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 19: 45-47

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19th chapter:

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Then [Jesus] entered the temple area and began driving out those who were selling. <sup>46</sup> "It is written," he said to them, "My house will be a house of prayer"; but you have made it 'a den of robbers.'" <sup>47</sup> Every day he was teaching at the temple. But the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the leaders among the people were trying to kill him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father  
before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one  
substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by  
the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose  
kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and  
the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

*Be seated*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** *Missy Creacy*

**SERMON HYMN** "O Bless the Lord, My Soul" *LSB 814*

**SERMON** "Failure Is the Path of Least Persistence" *by Pastor Paul Wenz*

## SERMON OUTLINE

- I. To boldly go where no one has gone before!
- II. Responses to failure
- III. David and the Cave of failure
- IV. Good news for Cave dwellers

## OFFERING

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For our president and vice president, that You would sustain them during times of crisis; Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** For victims of natural calamity and disaster, especially those who have suffered from recent natural disasters, that You would provide all that is needed to support life; Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Leave your checkbook at home.**

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Electronic Giving, EFT (checking/Savings)*

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**Electronic Giving is a convenient way to provide consistent financial support to our Church. Please contact Bruce Duerfeldt to learn how you can participate.**



On Sunday, February 27th at 4:00pm St. John's Lutheran Church will present **THE GARY BONNER SINGERS**. This 65-voice group will present an exciting and inspiring concert of contemporary anthems, spirituals, and sacred classical music. Directed by nationally acclaimed Dr. Gary Bonner, this elite professional Christian choir has thrilled audiences around the country, and has made numerous recordings. This concert is the sixth in St. John's 2010-2011 Concert Series.

On Friday March 4th at 7:00 pm St. John's Lutheran Church will present **CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY SINGERS AND ORCHESTRA** in a classical concert. This concert is the seventh in St. John's 2010-2011 Concert Series.

The sanctuary is located at 185 S. Center St. in downtown Orange. There is no charge, but a freewill offering will be taken. Childcare is available for children under age of 5. For more information, please call (714) 288-4400.

## New Members Class



## NEW MEMBERS' CLASS

**Starting Soon!**

*This class is open to all:*

- **Who want to learn what Faith believes and teaches**
- **Who want to become members of Faith**
- **Who want to renew their faith walk**
- **Who want a basic Bible study on Christianity**

***If Interested, please contact Pastor Paul***



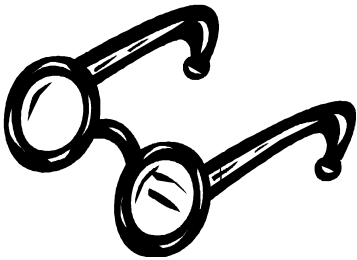
April Kwiatkowski is looking for a ride to church. She currently lives in the Glen Avon/Sunnyslope area. Please contact April at 951-790-7161 for more information.



**FROM THE TREASURER . . .**  
**FOR THE WEEK AT FAITH: 2/13/2011**  
**Attendance: 8 am—87, 10:30 am—54**

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Amount needed per week (average) to operate our Church:         | \$4,100.00         |
| Last Week's offering for expenses for the Lord's work at Faith: | <u>\$2,595.00</u>  |
| <b>Difference</b>                                               | <b>-\$1,505.00</b> |
| Dedicated Funds offerings (for specific programs or purpose):   | \$559.01           |

*Social Ministries is now collecting jackets, blankets, and sleeping bags to provide for the homeless during colder weather. We are accepting new and used ones. All used items need to be in good condition. We are not accepting any other clothing at this time.*



Got Glasses?

Do you have old eyeglasses that are just laying around the house? If so, then donate them today! Social Ministries is collecting old and used eye glasses to provide for the homeless and needy families. There will be a drop off box located in the Narthex. For more information please see Stephanie Michaud, or call the office.

**CELLPHONES FOR SOLDIERS**

As we begin a new year, please continue to remember our troops serving abroad and at home by donating your used cell phones. The phones are recycled and calling cards are provided to keep our troops connected to their loved ones at home.

For the year 2010, a total of 74 phones were donated.  
 Thank you,  
 Carolyn Donaldson



**Lutheran Church Extension Fund** investments earn more than a competitive interest rate: they make funds available for loans and services to churches, schools and rostered church workers, all with the divine purpose of furthering the Lord's work. See Bruce Duerfeldt for more information or contact LCEF at 1-800-843-5233 or visit [www.lcef.org](http://www.lcef.org).

**Pastor:** For all of us gathered today, that when You ask us to do something difficult You might also grant us the resources to accomplish the task You have in mind for us; Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People:** **hear our prayer.**  
**Pastor:** For those times when we behave badly toward You and others, that You would grant us forgiveness of sins and strength to live a life more pleasing to You; Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People:** **hear our prayer.**  
**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**People:** **Amen.**

**+ SACRAMENT +**

**PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you. *[2 Timothy 4:22]*  
**People:** **And also with you.**  
**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*  
**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*  
**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**  
**Pastor:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; for in Him we see the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. *(Luke 1:78-79)*. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**SANCTUS** (*Sung, see LSB p. 178 for music*)  
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:**  
**Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,**  
**Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses**  
**As we forgive those who trespass against us;**  
**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For Thine is the kingdom and the power**  
**and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** (Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Cor. 11:23–25 )

**PEACE OF THE LORD**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord + be with you always.  
People: Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us ” LSB 851  
“O Lord, Have Mercy” LSB 617  
“Lamb of God ” LSB 550

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, You have provided abundant forgiveness, comfort, and strength in Your presence this day in this Sacrament of Your holy supper. Lift up our hearts as we begin another week of service challenged by Your call to love others in the same way You love us. Help us exemplify Your forgiving love and eternal patience to all whom we connect with this week. We ask this in Your precious name.  
People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The blessing of almighty God—the Father who made us, the † Son who saved us, and the Spirit who called us with the Gospel—bless you and keep you now and forever.  
People: Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** “Hail, O Source of Every Blessing ” LSB 409

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*To God Alone Be the Glory!*

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A “Parents’ Lounge,” with a TV monitor displaying the entire service, is located off the north end of the lobby should young children become restless.*

**Those Serving and Assisting You in God’s Service Today:**  
Pastor Paul Wenz – Organist, Caitlin St. John

|                                      |           |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| Altar Guild                          | 8:00 a.m. | Jeanne Kenlon                       |
|                                      | 10:30 am  | Ruby Doucette                       |
| Elder                                | 8:00 am   | Joe Kwiatkowski                     |
|                                      | 10:30 am  | David Tito                          |
| This week at Faith:<br>Feb. 20, 2010 |           |                                     |
| ** Today**                           | 8:00 am   | <b>Traditional Worship Service</b>  |
|                                      | 9:15 am   | Adult Bible Study and Sunday School |
|                                      | 10:30 am  | <b>Contemporary Worship Service</b> |
| Monday                               |           | OFFICE CLOSED                       |
|                                      | 6:00 pm   | Women’s Bible Study                 |
|                                      | 7:00 pm   | Praise Team practice                |
| Tuesday                              | 9:30 am   | Food Distribution Set Up            |
| Wednesday                            | 10:15 am  | Food Distribution                   |
|                                      | 11:00 am  | Whispering Fountains Bible Study    |
| Thursday                             | 10:00 am  | “Walking on Water” Bible Study      |
| Friday                               | 6:30 pm   | “Walking on Water” Bible Study      |
| Saturday                             | 7:30 am   | Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study       |
|                                      | 10:30-1pm | Treasure Box Distribution           |
| Next Sunday                          | 8:00 am   | <b>Traditional Service</b>          |
|                                      | 9:15 am   | Adult Bible Study and Sunday School |
|                                      | 10:30 am  | <b>Contemporary Worship Service</b> |



**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON:**

**MONDAY FEBRUARY 21ST  
FOR PRESIDENT’S DAY**