

# Jesus is...Our Righteousness

Jeremiah 23:6 In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.

It's a growing trend for business to incorporate subliminal messages in their logos. A close look at the FedEx logo reveals to it, including salvation and eternal life. an arrow signifying that FedEx is going somewhere. The Tostitos logo has the figures of two people dipping a chip in salsa. The Amazon logo has a smile connecting the letters A and Z in its name to indicate that you can find anything on their site from soup to nuts or should we say from A to Z. And when you look at their website, you can find just about anything you could ever imagine.

It's interesting then that no less than three times in the book of Revelation, Jesus reveals himself as the Alpha and the Omega. One such time is in chapter 1 verse 8 where we read, "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." Alpha is the first letter in the Greek alphabet and Omega is the last letter. In other words, he is our A to Z. He is everything we need. He meets our greatest need for forgiveness of sins with his own perfect life and subsequent suffering and death. He

gives us faith to receive that forgiveness and all of the other blessings he connects We can't earn his forgiveness. We can't go online to Amazon and buy it. Jesus simply gives it to us as a gift of his love.

From the beginning of our life to the end, he promises to be with us always. In times of trial and frustration, he supports and strengthens us. In grief and pain, he comforts us. With times of joy, he blesses us. And he promises to meet all our needs for food and clothes and shelter and companionship. We don't have to wonder if he can or will. There's no search bar where we have to type in the keywords of a product we're looking for. Jesus, the Alpha and the Omega, promises in his Word to supply all that we could possibly need, in this life and in the next in heaven.





# **August Birthdays**

Jamey Haukap	8/4
Richard Fullen	8/4
Sabine Davis	8/5
Louise Skinner	8/7
Brian Nichols	8/12
Natalie Skinner	8/15
Angy Stover	8/15
Jerry Fangel	8/18
Margie Durall	8/24
Donna Reinheimer	8/24
Dawn Orta	8/26
Rob Strickland	8/27
Megan Kassebaum	8/28
John Freeman	8/31
Monique Granicki	8/31
Virgil Oakes	8/31

# **August Anniversaries**

Bonnie and Gordon Dish	8/7
Jeff and Rachel Maurer	8/8
Paul and Megan Kassebaum	8/9
Brian and Ranae Todd	8/14
Cameron and Jennifer Ford	8/15
Malcolm and Ericka Matzdorff	8/16
Peter and Joan Gurney	8/22
Richard and Conny Fullen	8/24
Scott and Tina Milward	8/29
Anthony and Lara Hans	8/30

Note: Please let Tina know if an error has occurred in the newsletter.

# Worship

#### CALL UPDATE

Pastor Holz has decided to return our Call. He was very excited and interested but felt he had too much unfinished business there to accept.

### **DIVINE CALL**

At the last call meeting, we extended our Divine Call to Pastor David Schneider of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Universal City, Texas. I spoke with Pastor Schneider, he is very flattered and honored to have been selected and he asks that we keep him and his family in our prayers as he begins his deliberation. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jake Stover directly.

### **Choir Practice Coming Soon**

Watch the weekly announcements for dates and times of practice.

# **EDUCATION**

### Sunday School, Adult Bible Study and Confirmation

For School Year 2014-2015 will start on *Sunday, September 7th.*The teachers are excited and look forward to feeding our Lambs.
More information will be provided in the weekly announcements.



## **Transition Continues**

When my wife and I arrived that I might serve Faith congregation, we did not know how long the vacancy might last. I viewed myself as more of a "transition" pastor than a "vacancy" pastor. According to the Lord's timetable that time of transition is to continue a little longer. Is there a magic way to shorten the time?

I am reminded of something that was popular years ago called a Magic 8-Ball. Of course, there was nothing "magic" about it; it was just a gimmick, a toy. You would ask the 8-ball a question, and a window in the 8-ball would let you see one side of a 20-sided die floating in a blue liquid. Pre-stamped on the die were 10 affirmative answers, 5 negative answers, and 5 non-committal answers.

That Magic 8-Ball had two main problems. First, you could only ask it yes-or-no type questions. Secondly, and much more importantly, it had no power to give you a correct answer. It was just a hollow plastic cylinder filled with blue-dyed alcohol; a novelty item. Only a truly naïve person could ever think that such a device could be a reliable source of information.

The sad thing is, there are many naïve people out there. They want to believe in something like a Magic 8-Ball. They want the answer right now – and they want the answer they want or it is really not an answer! Yet many people want to believe in the Magic 8-Ball, in their horoscopes, in fortune telling, in non-traditional medicine, or in something beyond their ability to comprehend or explain. As believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we know God is hearing – and yes, answering – our prayers. His answer is that we are to wait a little longer until just the right time for the congregation and for the newly called pastor. What he is showing Faith congregation is that he continues to take care of you during this time of transition. In that you can believe and trust with all certainty!

There is something else of which you can be sure. When your new pastor arrives he will not bring a new philosophy of life, a new Magic 8-Ball. He will bring that same "old" message of the cross that you have heard from your previous pastors and from your transition pastors. He will bring answers that are absolutely true and reliable – because they are not just from him, but they are from God himself. They will be proclaiming a message of truth revealed in the Word of God – God's Word of Truth – the Bible. Some of your questions might be yes-or-no type questions; others might be more involved. But no matter the simplicity or difficulty of the question, you can be assured that you will receive real answers from our Savior. That isn't to say that God promises us every answer to every question we have this side of heaven. But instruction from the Bible does even more than provide answers – it teaches us to ask the right questions. How shall I serve You, Lord? How can I best structure my life to give You glory, Lord? Yes, your new pastor will help you ask the right questions as well as giving the right answers! Kay and I thank you for the opportunity to have been with you during this transition time. We will cherish the friendships we made at Faith and will take all of you with us in our thoughts and prayers. May the Lord **continue to bless the Faith congregation family** as you continue trusting in the Lord during this time of transition!

With Christian love, **Pastor and Kay Zehms** 

#### **Transition Continues with:**

Pastor Keith Kuschel and his wife will be here before Aug 10th to take over. We are truly blessed.

# **Church Council**



We have had (nearly) a full Church Council for the first time in this congregations history. However, we have Committee Chairmen with no committee's! As the next step in growing the congregation and its lay leadership we would like to establish a true Fellowship and Property Committee with at least two other individuals besides the Chairman. This gives the Chairman help in managing his respective responsibilities, it also gets other people involved in the decisions being made and hopefully develops future leadership as well. Women can be committee members and are encouraged to volunteer! Once the Committee's are established there will be committee meetings possibly monthly or quarterly depending on need. Once we have a full time Pastor again, we are looking to build our Stewardship and Outreach Committee's as well. Those committee's will need a lot of Pastoral guidance. If you are interested please see Jake Stover, Cam Ford (Fellowship) or Michael Rowlette (Property) for more information

FUNDRAISING: The Council would like to remind everyone not to bring fundraisers to church for solicitation. Its not that we don't want to support our youth, its just not the message that we want to send to visitors and guests.

# "We cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard!" (Acts 4:20)



Here is our Twitter address: *FaithLutheranKy* 



Here is our name for the Facebook home page:
Faith Lutheran Church, Radcliff, Kentucky

### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

A Nominator Committee is needed to determine possible candidates for the next Church Council. The committee will compile a list of name of individuals that wish to serve and also determine if any current Council Member s wish to remain. All eligible names will be on a ballot at the October Voter's Meeting and will start serving in January 2015. If you feel you would like to be on this committee or serve as a council member, please contact any council member ASAP.

# **EDUCATION**

### <u>ONLINE</u> BIBLE STUDY SERIES

"In September 2014, Rev. Michael Quandt, pastor at Redemption, St. George, Utah, Will teach a Bible study entitled: "God's grace to runaways—the book Jonah." Please join us for a four-part study of Jonah and God's amazing grace. We will examine and confront the runaway heart that beats inside all of us. Most importantly, we will enjoy the awe and wonder of our God's tender care for us.

The one-hour studies are broadcast live via the Internet, both audio and video, with an interactive chat feature. The study is designed for segment of presentation by the instructor followed by time for individuals and congregations to interact and discuss.

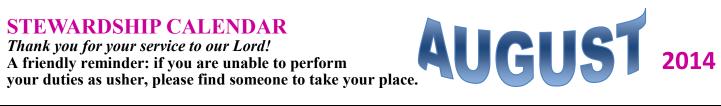
Join us each Wednesday evening 6:00 or 8:00 pm. CST in September. For more information, visit www.wels.net/interactivefaith."



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