



# The KEY

The newsletter of Faith Lutheran Church

January 2016

## A Note of Gratitude from Pastor Brian

"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, thankful for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." [Philippians 1:3-6, RSV]

You may recall that nearly a year ago I announced my intention to retire no later than February 1, 2016, and by now you should have received my [official letter of resignation](#) as of that date. The brief passage above from Paul's letter to the Philippians says so many things I am feeling at this time.

I have known so much joy during these five and one half years serving as one of your pastors. It has been a wonderful concluding Call for me, with time to study, teach, write, prepare sermons, work in evangelism with new folks coming into the area, host events to build friendship and fellowship in the congregation, be involved in much social ministry, and to visit with and support those in need inside and outside of our congregation.

I have felt a real "partnership in the gospel" with our leaders and members as we have worked together to share Christ's mercy and love near and far.

I will continue to "thank my God in my remembrance of you," with countless wonderful memories of the time we have spent together.

And, finally, I, too, know that "he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion" in so many different ways.

Mary, who continues for some reason to be younger than me, plans to teach another two and a half years in the Arlington Public School District, and thus we are moving to an apartment in Shirlington. As I explained in my letter of resignation, church protocol is that a pastor who leaves a call also gives up membership in the congregation, and joins another congregation of the ELCA. I will no longer be your pastor, and I am thus am not able to perform pastoral acts in your life. However, our friendship and partnership in the gospel can continue, and I hope it will.

It is difficult for Mary and me to let go of our involvement with you through Faith Lutheran, but history shows that a congregation will bond much more quickly with a new pastor if the one leaving is not "hanging around," to use the vernacular of my generation.

But, before that happens, I look forward to being with you and working together to spread the joy and hope of Christmas this coming month.

With love and gratitude,  
*Pastor Brian and Mary*



*Pastor Brian, in his element. Photo courtesy Anne Forney & David Colman.*

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## Mission of the Month: Mexico Scholarship Fund

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

This past February Pastor Brian led our annual Border Immersion Trips to El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico for clergy from our Synod (8 participated). Part of that immersion trip was visiting the families and youth who live in a small barrio outside of Juarez, Mexico, called Lomas de Poleo. Pastor Brian has been taking groups there for a decade now, and the Scholarship Program, which awards scholarship funds to students in the barrio, is now 10 years old.

This year we have 10 students in the program: some each in college, high school, junior high, and elementary school. We have now had three students graduate from college and begin working in Juarez, in such diverse fields as engineering, psychology, and nursing.

It is our Scholarship Program that makes it possible for these students to continue in school beyond the elementary age, when many Mexican youth cannot afford further schooling and thus begin working at very low-paying jobs.

Your gifts go 100% to the students, as the administrator of the program in Mexico volunteers to run it. Please give through the Mission of the Month envelopes in the pews, or online through the Give button at [www.flcva.org](http://www.flcva.org).



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## Southwest Reflections

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*Rev. Tom Knoll*

Having spent two months in Mexico City while I was in seminary training, and after four separate trips to El Salvador with Habitat for Humanity, I fully expected to see poverty and massive unemployment when I visited the border at El Paso and Juarez. What I did not expect to find was, despite incredible hardships, people who were resilient, determined, and positive in their view of life.

I was unaware of how broken our migration policy is — not only for people of Latin descent, but U.S. migration policy as a whole. I was encouraged to see people like Pastor Rose Mary Sanchez-Guzman, Ceci Herrera, and Dr. San Juana Mendoza providing a community network of help, healing and hope. I think that if every American heard and saw the stories we were witness to, they would demand (based solely on human rights) that our current policies be changed.

It was also surprising for me to hear that a man or woman working in Juarez—those lucky enough to have a job—earn around \$5.50 or less per day. A week after returning from El Paso and Juarez, I traveled to El Salvador with Habitat for Humanity. During that time I toured a coffee processing plant and, to my surprise, the daily pay for a worker was also around \$5.50.

We are so blessed in the United States with all that we have, especially our quality of life. I hope and pray that we use these blessings to make life better for the people of Mexico and the rest of Latin America, even if it means sacrifices on our part. These are our brothers and sisters, and in the name of human rights I believe we have a responsibility and an opportunity to improve the quality of life for our neighbors to the south. May God bless those who are working in the trenches of poverty, injustice, and broken migration policy to provide new life and new hope.

*Rev. Knoll is a pastor at First Trinity Lutheran Church in Washington, DC. He participated in the Border Immersion Trip led by Pastor Brian in February, 2015.*

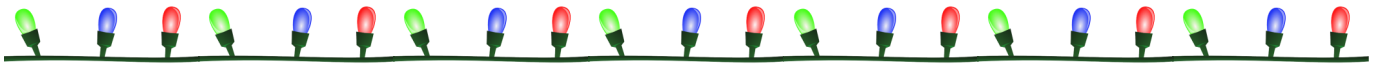
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## 2016 Missions of the Month Line-Up

Contact: Marilyn Haugen, [mb\\_haugen26\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:mb_haugen26(at)comcast.net)

Below you will see the Missions of the Month (MoM) for 2016, along with their primary contact. While every month you'll get more specific information about each particular mission, if you want to learn more, have questions, or want to get involved, please get in touch with the person listed or Marilyn Haugen. As you will see, we're still looking for a principal for the Arlington Free Clinic, as our long-time lead for them, Julia Kiefer, is moving out of the area. If you're interested, please get in touch with Marilyn (and Julia has offered to help with the transition). As always, we all thank you for your generosity and caring for the individuals represented by these organizations.

<b>Month</b>	<b>MoM/Principal Contact</b>
January	Mexico Scholarship Fund, Pastor Brian ( <a href="mailto:pastorbrian(at)flcva.org">pastorbrian(at)flcva.org</a> )
<b>February</b>	<b>AFAC—Backpack Buddies, Yvonne Matsko (<a href="mailto:ydmatsko(at)gmail.com">ydmatsko(at)gmail.com</a>)</b>
March	ELCA World Hunger, Pastor Yvette ( <a href="mailto:pastoryvette(at)flcva.org">pastoryvette(at)flcva.org</a> )
<b>April</b>	<b>Arlington Foster Care, Lisa Thurston, <a href="mailto:LThur0704(at)aol.com">LThur0704(at)aol.com</a></b>
May	Good News Jail & Prison Ministry, Jim Talley, <a href="mailto:jimtalley(at)yahoo.com">jimtalley(at)yahoo.com</a>
<b>June</b>	<b>Arlington Free Clinic, ? - Your Name Here!</b>
July	Dr. Mendoza's Clinic, Pastor Yvette ( <a href="mailto:pastoryvette(at)flcva.org">pastoryvette(at)flcva.org</a> )
<b>August</b>	<b>Bridges to Independence, Kris Finney (<a href="mailto:kristeinfinney(at)gmail.com">kristeinfinney(at)gmail.com</a>)</b>
September	Village of Hope, Liz Talley ( <a href="mailto:lizabethdawn(at)hotmail.com">lizabethdawn(at)hotmail.com</a> )
<b>October</b>	<b>OAR, Mary Hibbits (<a href="mailto:mohibbits(at)comcast.net">mohibbits(at)comcast.net</a>)</b>
November	A-SPAN, Marilyn Haugen ( <a href="mailto:mb_haugen26(at)comcast.net">mb_haugen26(at)comcast.net</a> )
<b>December</b>	<b>Angel Trees (TBD), Becky Thomas (<a href="mailto:beckythomas4236(at)verizon.net">beckythomas4236(at)verizon.net</a>)</b>



### Thank you!

Thanks so much for the many Christmas cards, gifts, greetings and prayers. We appreciate each of these gestures so much!

*Pastor Brian, Mary and Jessi*

*Pastor Yvette, Bob and Holden*



## So Many Thanks from the Social Ministry Team

Contact: Marilyn Haugen at [mb\\_haugen26\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:mb_haugen26(at)comcast.net)

To all of you who contributed items in November for our outdoor homeless ministry. We are extremely well positioned to supply needed items throughout the winter to those still outside most or all of the day.

To all of you who were beyond generous in piling high with gifts our four Angel Trees:

**A-SPAN** (for the new indoor Homeless Services Center)-- While they will be able to put to good use everything that was given, they were especially thrilled with the towels and washcloths as those additions allowed them to supplement what they had to more easily meet the needs of those using the shelter on a regular basis.



*Everyone gets in on the fun at OAR's gift wrapping party.*

*"You can't live a perfect day without doing something for someone who will never be able to repay you."*

*- John Wooden*

**Arlington Foster Care**--They were extremely grateful for all the gifts, especially as the focus was on the teens, sometimes referred to as "the forgotten ones." There were lots of smiles. A particular thanks to everyone who went out of their way to get their presents in quickly this year so they would be available for Foster Care's early Christmas party.

**OAR**--What a great selection of gifts to maybe make someone's transition from incarceration back into the community just a little bit easier or to be able to have an unexpected treat that we take for granted, like a trip to Starbucks.

**Good News Prison Ministry**--The books and greeting cards are given to Chaplain Karl at the Arlington County jail. He distributes the gifts to the inmates when requested and also for good behavior, completing bible studies, and passing tests. Chaplain Karl is very grateful for the ongoing love and support from the Faith community.

On behalf of the entire Social Ministry Team, we're grateful for your support throughout this past year.

## Call Committee Update

The 2015 Call Committee includes Jeff Olson, Chair; Bobbi-Jo Pankaj; Corey Holmes, Brian Brunsvold; Carolyn Landry; David Babich and Cassy Doran.

The committee has been working hard, and concluded the second round of interviews in December. We're down to a handful of terrific candidates! We will continue to keep you posted.

Please remember that much of the work conducted by the Committee is done in confidence, so members may not discuss specific candidates and the interviews outside of the Committee. Nevertheless, we want to be as transparent as possible. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask one of us; you can contact Jeff Olson at [jeffkepi\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:jeffkepi(at)gmail.com).

We ask for your continued support and prayers through this process.

## Heard in the Pews: Stories About Pastor Brian

I consider Pastor Brian a true friend. He is a gentle soul with a heart of gold. When I first attended Faith Lutheran, Pastor Brian emailed me weekly. He also invited me to the parsonage for gatherings, or just to chat. With our men's group, we have attended hockey, basketball, college basketball, and baseball games. Lastly, three situations stand out with Pastor B: the border immersion trip in 2014; my first time speaking in front of the church on Christmas in 2013; and the men's retreat in 2014. Faith Lutheran has provided a sanctuary that I did not think existed without my traditional family. I am going to miss Pastor B dearly, and I hope he enjoys retirement with his family.  
Cheers, Pastor B, Godspeed!

*Corey Holmes*

My memory of Pastor Brian is how every week he lets me 'assist in setting up and give out half the sacraments during communion with him'. We're all the hands and feet of Jesus.

*David Powers*

After many years of being around Faith, in 2012 I reached the tipping point and emailed Pastor Brian that I would like to attend the new members class, noting, "As I said in the men's coffee, perhaps I don't qualify." He replied: "It will be great .... You, of course, are always welcome here whether or not you join. But if you decide to join, there are no qualifications. We're all in the same boat, needing to be 'saved by grace' alone."

Thank you, pastor, for your acceptance, congeniality, and assistance in my faith journey.  
*Wil Danielson*

My husband, Hal, invited Pastor Brian to join his weekly friendly neighborhood poker game-- understand that betting was \$0.25-\$0.50. Pastor Brian thanked him, but politely declined, stating that, although he enjoyed the game of poker, he did not believe the congregation would approve of his participation in that particular activity. Hal understood completely, but was sorry not to enjoy Pastor Brian's company in such a harmless activity.

Several years later Pastor Brian presided at Hal's funeral, which was totally befitting Hal's personality and exactly as Hal requested. Our family is forever grateful that God chose Pastor Brian to be the officiant at Hal's funeral.

*Betty Lightle*

What are your "Pastor Brian" stories? Share them at a

**Retirement Celebration  
Sunday, January 24  
1:00 p.m.**

Faith Lutheran Fellowship Hall

BBQ provided; last names A—R bring a side dish, S— Z bring a dessert. Submit your letters, pictures or well wishes for a memory book to the church office before **January 22**.

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## Upcoming Events in Brief

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- **First Friday Families of Faith Potluck**

**Friday, January 8, 5:30—7:00 p.m.** — (Technically, it's the second Friday this month) We're starting a new tradition for the Families of Faith! Come out for food, fellowship, games and maybe even a craft — and bring the kids! A sign up for the potluck will be posted at [www.flcva.org/signup](http://www.flcva.org/signup).

- **eXtra Years of Zest (XYZ)**

**Tuesday, January 5, Noon**—We will meet at Duangrat's on Route 7. If you need a ride, call Carolyn at 703-671-0312.

**Tuesday, January 19, 11:30 a.m.**—We will go to RT's and leave from the church parking lot.

- **Moms & Babies Ministry**

**Thursday, December 7, 9:45—11:00 a.m.**— Mom's and Babies Bible Study.

- **Middle Adult Ministry**

**MAG: Ages 36—70**

**Saturday, January 9, 5:00 p.m.**—Our winter Wine and Cheese Fellowship will take place at the home of Justin and Megan Booth, 619 South Highland. Plenty of street parking available. Childcare, free of charge, will be provided in their home. Please email Pastor Brian ([pastorbrian@flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian@flcva.org)) if you plan to attend, and also let him know how many children (and their ages) you will be bringing.

- **Confirmation**

**Friday, January 22—Saturday, January 23**—Confirmation Retreat

- **Faith Lutheran Preschool Events**

**Thursdays, January 14 & 21**—Open house; come learn about the preschool!

**Friday, January 29**—[Applications](#) for the 2016—2017 school year are due.

- **Annual Congregational Meeting**

**Sunday, January 31, 12:00 p.m.** - We will discuss and vote upon the 2016 mission spending plan, elect Church Council members, and take up other business of the congregation. Please make every effort to attend!

- **Young Adult Ministry**

Thirty folks attended the annual Christmas Party in the home of Pastor Brian and Mary on December 12.

The **Silent Auction**, originally scheduled for January 16, has been postponed until the Spring.

**Sunday, February 7, 6:00 p.m.**—Super Bowl Party at the home of David Colman and Anne Forney, 4405 7th St N, Arlington VA 22203. Please bring a snack or beverage to share. RSVP to [annemarieforney@gmail.com](mailto:annemarieforney@gmail.com).

For more events, visit [www.flcva.org/events](http://www.flcva.org/events).



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## Thank you!

... to Sally Arason, Mary and Kyle Quattlebaum, the Jewell family, Doug and Faris MacIvor, Cindy Taylor, Jeff Busse, Ann Felker, Ginny Paulus, Latrice Davis, Mary Hibbits, and Marilyn Haugen for helping to prepare and serve meals at the homeless bagged meal ministry in December.

## Worship Participants for January

		8:00 a.m.			11:00 a.m.		
	A/V	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR
Jan. 3	Hocker /	Alex Herbst	Dan Cable	Carolyn Landry	Nikolas Lersten	Gregory Mantell	Y'lon Dozier
Jan. 10	/ Booth	Terry Flannery	Corey Holmes	Christina Bohringer	Kayla Guerch	Allison Baker	Tina Kroll-Guerch
Jan. 17	<b>Open</b>	<b>Open</b>	Dan Cable	Rich Cassem	Michelle Lounberg	Gregory Mantell	Carl Hoffman
Jan. 24	<b>Open</b>	Sarah Shaw	Jonathan Bertsch	Anne Johnson	Henry Olson	Katie Brewer	Jeff Campbell
Jan. 31	/ Booth	<b>Open</b>	Dan Cable	Sally Arason	Ben Herbst	Allison Baker	Carl Hoffman

## Lectionary

### January 3

*2nd Sunday of Christmas*  
 Jeremiah 31:7–14  
 Psalm 147:12–20  
 Ephesians 1:3–14  
 John 1:1–18

### January 10

*Baptism of Our Lord*  
 Isaiah 43:1–7  
 Psalm 29  
 Acts 8:14–17  
 Luke 3:15–17, 21–22

### January 24

*3rd Sunday after Epiphany*  
 Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10  
 Psalm 19  
 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a  
 Luke 4:14–21

### January 6

*Epiphany*  
 Isaiah 60:1–6  
 Psalm 72:1–7, 10–14  
 Ephesians 3:1–12  
 Matthew 2:1–12

### January 17

*2nd Sunday after Epiphany*  
 Isaiah 62:1–5  
 Psalm 36:5–10  
 1 Corinthians 12:1–11  
 Luke 4:21–30

### January 31

*4th Sunday after Epiphany*  
 Jeremiah 1:4–10  
 Psalm 71:1–6  
 1 Corinthians 13:1–13  
 Luke 4:21–30

### 2015 Church Council

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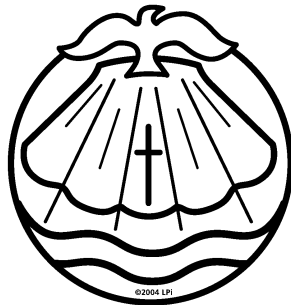
Andy Ruge, Youth Ministry  
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## January Birthdays

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|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Mary Day            | 10 Lindsey Gates    | 23 Tom Lersten     |
| Margaret Morton       | Sara Grawe          | Paul Wengert       |
| 2 Lisa Chamness       | 11 Noah Garner      | 24 Eleni Cassem    |
| 3 Gabriel De Pace     | 12 Mary Quattlebaum | Kristy Croushore   |
| Brian Stephens        | Devin Rodriguez     | Alexander Lamb     |
| Geneva Webber         | Zach Troy           | 25 Mary Hibbits    |
| 4 Stephanie Barnes    | Lee Wright          | Olivia Willard     |
| Burt Wagner           | 14 Aden Brown       | 26 Allison Babich  |
| 5 Sarah Chamness      | Chris Carbone       | Sarah Frankosky    |
| Kristen VanHaaren     | 17 Megan Booth      | McLean Sieverding  |
| 6 Kiersten Link       | Rebecca Iverson     | 27 Helen Barrow    |
| Violet Mullen         | Emma Pryor          | 28 Alex Gonzalez   |
| 7 Arthur Koski-Karell | 18 Beckett Milam    | 29 Bill Horne      |
| Maril Olson           | Dave Wallestad      | Jake Rodriguez     |
| 8 Erik Pederson       | 19 Michael Eddy     | 30 Laura Horne     |
| Holden Schock Francis | Leo Franks Sevilla  | Andrew Lersten     |
| 9 Holly Jewel         | 20 Chuck Seipp      | 31 Suzanne Wheeler |
| 10 Lauren Gates       | 22 Amara Maddux     |                    |

## January Baptism Anniversaries

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|---------------------|
| 1 Rachel Crouch     |
| Eliot Schaefer      |
| Ellie Schaefer      |
| 2 Wyatt Cleland     |
| 4 Brooks Cleland    |
| 5 Anderson Pryor    |
| 6 Arden McAvoy      |
| 8 Abigail Kramer    |
| 9 Sally Arason      |
| 12 Evelyn Brewer    |
| 13 Elsie Dewitt     |
| 14 Kirsten Baker    |
| Christina Bohringer |
| 15 Eliot Olson      |
| 16 Rich Cassem      |
| Wil Danielson       |
| Jacob Hocker        |
| 18 Jacob Beard      |
| Jill Faris          |
| 19 Sandra Noack     |
| 30 Anna McAllister  |



**Celebrating the baptismal anniversary** can be especially meaningful for young children who were baptized as infants, and offers an opportunity for parents and other adult role models to share their faith stories with the youngsters in their lives. Re-lighting the baptismal candle, reading the Bible or singing hymns are just some ideas for celebrating. If you would like a copy of the ELCA Anniversary of Baptism service, please email [office\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:office(at)flcva.org).

## Volunteer Corner

The following are ongoing opportunities for people of all ages to lend a hand. If you're not sure what these jobs entail, please contact the coordinators listed. Special opportunities and some sign up sheets can also be found at [www.flcva.org/signup](http://www.flcva.org/signup).

### Acolytes:

Paul Wengert, [poor.yorick@verizon.net](mailto:poor.yorick@verizon.net)

### Lectors/Asst. Ministers:

Anne Johnson, [Augustiniana@verizon.net](mailto:Augustiniana@verizon.net)

### Communion Assistants:

Sally Arason, [arasonroscoe@aol.com](mailto:arasonroscoe@aol.com)

### Ushers:

Doug Lauer, [dflauer@yahoo.com](mailto:dflauer@yahoo.com)

### Coffee Fellowship:

Cindy Taylor, [ctaylorara@gmail.com](mailto:ctaylorara@gmail.com)

### A/V:

(9:30) Annette Hocker,  
[ahwahoo98@gmail.com](mailto:ahwahoo98@gmail.com);

(8 & 11) David Babich,  
[davidbabich1@hotmail.com](mailto:davidbabich1@hotmail.com)

### Homeless Service Center Volunteering:

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### Bagged Meal & Clothing Ministry:

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## Regular Sunday Schedule

<b>8am</b>	Worship with Holy Communion—S
<b>9:30am</b>	Worship with Holy Communion—S
<b>9:45am</b>	Learning for All Ages
<b>11am</b>	Worship with Holy Communion—S
<b>2pm</b>	Korean Worship—P

## ABBREVIATIONS:

- BP - Bride's Parlor
- CR - Choir Room
- FH - Fellowship Hall
- K - Kitchen
- L - Lounge
- VR - Nursery
- S - Sanctuary
- SM - Stephen Ministry
- U - Undercroft
- XYZ - eXtra Years of Zest (seniors)
- YAG - Young Adult Gathering
- MAG—Middle Adult Group
- FLP—Faith Lutheran Preschool

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 1st Sunday of Christmas Contemporary worship: 9:30 Traditional worship: 11	<b>Preschool Winter Break</b>					2
	28 <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i>  11am—Meals on Wheels	29	30	31 New Year's Eve  11:30am—XYZ to Red Lobster	1  New Year's Day Office Closed	
<b>3 Epiphany (observed)</b>  Traditional worship: 8 & 11 Contemporary worship: 9:30	<b>4</b> <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i>  7:30pm—Stephen Ministry	<b>5</b>  12pm—XYZ meet at Duangrat's	<b>6 Epiphany</b>  6:30pm - Praise Team Rehearsal  7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	<b>7</b> 9:45am—Moms with Babies Bible Study  10am—Bible Study	<b>8</b> <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i>  <b>Annual Reports Due</b>  5:30pm—First Friday Potluck	<b>9</b>  1pm - Bagged Meals for the Homeless Prep  5pm—MAG  5:30pm - Bagged Meal & Clothing Distr.
<b>10 Baptism of Our Lord</b>  Traditional worship: 8 & 11 Contemporary worship: 9:30	<b>11</b> <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i>  7:15pm—Lydia Circle	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  6:30pm - Praise Team Rehearsal  7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	<b>14</b> <i>FLP Open House</i>  10am—Bible Study 10:30am—MONA	<b>15</b> <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i>  <b>February/March Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17 2nd Sunday after Epiphany</b>  Traditional worship: 8 & 11 Contemporary worship: 9:30	<b>18</b> Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—Office Closed  8am—5pm—Everwonder Camp  7:30pm—Stephen Ministry	<b>19</b>  11:30am—XYZ to RT's	<b>20</b>  6:30pm - Praise Team Rehearsal  7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	<b>21</b> <i>FLP Open House</i>  10am—Bible Study 1:30pm—Newsletter Volunteers  7pm—FLC Council	<b>Confirmation Retreat</b>	
<b>24 3rd Sunday after Epiphany</b> <i>Pastor Brian's last Sunday</i> Trad. worship: 8 & 11 Cont. worship: 9:30 <b>1pm—Retirement Celebration</b>	<b>25</b> <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i>  11am—Meals on Wheels	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>  6:30pm - Praise Team Rehearsal  7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	<b>28</b>  10am—Bible Study	<b>29</b>  <b>FLP Applications Due</b>	<b>30</b>  10am—MONA
<b>31 4th Sunday after Epiphany</b>  Trad. worship: 8 & 11 Cont. worship: 9:30 <b>12pm—Annual Meeting</b>						



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 Carrie Beyer  
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**Communion Ministers**  
*Serve Holy Communion to members who are homebound or hospitalized.*

**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**  
 Lisa Thurston H: 703-216-4126  
 LThur0704(at)aol.com

**Stephen Ministry**  
*Provide Christian care to people in crisis.*  
 Greg Mantell, greg(at)sharptel.com

**CD Ministry**  
*Duplicate CDs of worship services*  
 Mary Quattlebaum,  
 Maryqbaum(at)gmail.com

**ADMINISTRATION**

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

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

**Notification Tree**  
 Mary Beth Allen H: 703-528-5817

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

**Acolyte / Crucifer**  
*Youth who participate in Sunday worship.*  
 Paul Wengert,  
 poor.yorick(at)verizon.net

**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.*  
 Anne Johnson  
 Augustiniana(at)verizon.net

**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.*  
 Paulette Sandene H: 703-273-8380  
 Sandenepc(at)aol.com

**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.*  
 (9:30) Annette Hocker: ahwahoo98(at)gmail.com;  
 (8&11) David Babich, davidbabich1(at)Hotmail.com

**Ushers**  
 Doug Lauer  
 Dflauer(at)yahoo.com

**YOUTH**

**Youth Ministry/Confirmation**  
 Pastor Yvette  
 Pastoryvette(at)flcva.org

**FYI (Faith Youth Incorporated)**  
 Andy Ruge, Macruge(at)verizon.net

**EDUCATION**

**Sunday School**  
 Kirsten Walter Baker,  
 bakerkirstenm(at)gmail.com

**Little Lambs**  
*2 year old Sunday School every other week in the Virginia Room during Sunday School*  
 Cindy Lersten  
 Clersten(at)yahoo.com

**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).*  
 2015 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**OUTREACH**

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

**Website**  
*Update and maintain Faith's website.*  
 Jen Moore  
 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.*  
 Marilyn Haugen,  
 mb\_haugen26(at)comcast.net

**Creation Care**  
*Goal: to reduce Faith's carbon footprint.*  
 Greg Blatt, gpb113(at)yahoo.com

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

**FELLOWSHIP & COMMUNITY LIFE**

**Coffee Fellowship**  
*Prepares coffee for and cleans up after fellowship on Sundays.*  
 Cindy Taylor, ctaylorara(at)gmail.com

**Quilting Group**  
 Rachel Miller-Bleich,  
 R.miller.bleich(at)gmail.com

**Families of Faith**  
 Pastor Yvette  
 Pastoryvette(at)flcva.org

**Green Team/Creation Care**  
*Being good stewards of God's creation.*  
 Greg Blatt, gpb113(at)yahoo.com

**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.*  
 Pastor Brian, pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

**Middle Adult Ministry**  
*Social gatherings for ages 40—65.*  
 Pastor Brian  
 Pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

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

**ACTIVITIES**  
 Pastor Yvette,  
 Pastoryvette(at)flcva.org

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

**Young Adult Ministry**  
*Social and discussion group for ages 18—39.*  
 Pastor Brian  
 Pastorbrian(at)flcva.org