

# *Journey of Faith*

## *Sunday School 2008-2009*

Welcome to the 2008 - 2009 Journey of Faith program at First Lutheran Church. We are excited to start another year of learning with your children. Journey of Faith continues to take place during the 10:15 worship service each Sunday. **Preschool children will start out going to church with their families and will be excused from worship during the lessons to attend Journey of Faith. Grades K-6 will continue to go directly to their assigned Sunday school rooms at 10:15.** Journey of Faith begins September 7, 2008 and runs thru May 17, 2009. Journey of Faith is for children 3 years of age thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Grades K-5 will be worshipping with their peers in the chapel.

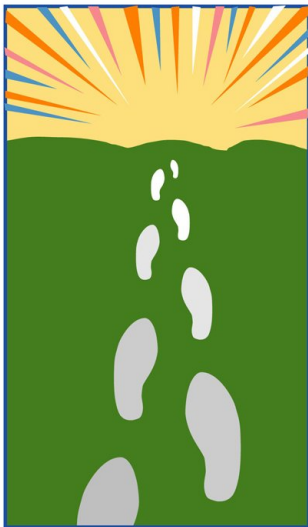
Throughout the year your children will be involved in bi-monthly service projects. During the months of September and October our first service project will be collecting cereal for our local Breakfast Clubs. The children will be asked to bring boxes of cereal, jelly and peanut butter. Their offering money for September and October will also be sent to our local clubs. We encourage your children to participate each month in our service projects.

### **Check Out the New Registration Form**

Your time is valuable, so this year the registration form includes three different educational ministries offered at First Lutheran- Journey of Faith, Awana, and Mission 567. Just circle the ministry or ministries for which you'd like to register.

Please complete and return the enclosed **Registration form** to the church office before **August 31** so that class assignments can be prepared. It is very helpful if these forms are filled out so we can assign classrooms and they know where to go. Thank you.

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**Preschool children** will remain on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, rooms 226 - 232. They will continue to study the stories of the bible using Group curriculum.

**Grade K** will meet in Room 233.

**Grade 1** will meet in Room 229.

**Grade 2** will meet in Room 225.

**Grade 3** will meet in room 302.

**Grade 4** will meet in Fellowship Hall.

**Grade 5** will meet in Fellowship Hall Lounge.

**Grade 6** will meet on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in Room 301. They will be using a pre-confirmation curriculum. They will meet each Sunday. They will worship together as a class the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month.

**Children=s Worship** - Grades K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade continue to worship each week with their peers. Your children will gather in their assigned rooms. Attendance will be taken, and then all grades will meet in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor choir room for worship. After worship, they will travel with their shepherds to their rotation for the day. Parents will pick up their children at their assigned rotation for the day.

## **Also - please note the Journey of Faith calendar**

Rally Sunday will be held on Sunday, September 7. Sunday worship service on September 7 will be at 9:00am. All Journey of Faith children will meet in their assigned classrooms at 8:45. For those who have not registered prior to that date, you will have the opportunity to do so at this time. A registration table will be set out in front of the gym for that purpose. I encourage you to sign up before this Sunday, as it is important our children know where their classrooms are.

Third Grade Bibles will be presented on September 21. Those families with 3<sup>rd</sup> graders should mark their calendars for this important day. Third graders will be given *The New Adventure Bible* during the 10:15 worship service.

If you have any questions regarding registration or the Journey of Faith Program, please call the church office. Thank you for your continued support of this important learning ministry.

**Rotation Sunday school for grades K-5** - First Lutheran shares with our children a rotation model Sunday school for grades K-5. It involves our children learning the same Bible story or theme for 6 weeks. Five new stories are introduced throughout the year. Each week, our children learn these Bible stories thru storytelling, art, science, video, cooking and games. The story remains the same, but children encounter it in different ways at each rotation station. The more ways children explore a story or concept, the more it is reinforced in their memories. Rotational learning is an active learning experience.

**Awana, for grades K-4**, meets Mondays at 6-7:30 pm in the Chapel. Awana includes games, music, theme nights, awards, engaging lessons about Jesus, and lots of fun. For more information or a schedule, call Eric at 752-7434 x 19 or 209-7083.

**Mission 567** is a new ministry designed to meet the developmental needs of youth in **grades 5, 6, and 7**. A typical night at Mission 567 includes time to hang in the gym and youth room, group games, a relevant message or illustration, scripture, prayer, and group discussion or activity. Mission 567 meets Mondays at 6-7:30 pm in the Youth Room. For more information call Renee at 752-7434 x 16.

Peace,

Laurie Sheldon, Journey of Faith Coordinator