

# Your Vibrant Faith

We are changing "Youth & Family Ministries" to ***Vibrant Faith***. This identifies the 6-5-4-3 framework that we have talked about in the past and your commitment to the children, youth, and adults of Our Savior's as shown at the last annual meeting. (See the reverse side of this sheet for details.)

## Upcoming Events

Join us for these potluck suppers where you bring a dish to pass and ideas to plan events that pass on *Vibrant Faith* (sign-up in fellowship hall):

- **January 29** (6pm)
- **March 26** (6pm)
- **April 21** (6pm)
- **September 24** (6pm)
- **November 12** (6pm)

Join us for this community outreach project - for ALL ages of children, youth, and adults:

- **February 20** (9am) - Project Linus – Security Through Blankets
  - All ages of children will be tying knots with adults to create hand-tied blankets to provide “security through blankets” for children and youth in hospitals and dealing with domestic abuse.
  - **January 24** - We will be sponsoring Coffee Fellowship to help support this outreach project.
  - We appreciate all of your financial support and new fleece fabric donations are needed before January 31.
  - Sign-up to participate in the fellowship hall.

Join us for these upcoming *Vibrant Faith* events - for ALL ages:

- **February 5** (6pm) - Family Movie Night: *Flubber*
- **October 23** (1pm) - Trunk-or-Treat
- **December 11** (10am) - Christmas Cookie Exchange Party

Make plans **NOW** to join us in sharing your ideas on how we can equip our children, youth, and adults to be disciples of Jesus Christ!

Watch for additional *Vibrant Faith* events on the “Connecting Events” page of our church website: [www.OSLCosh.org](http://www.OSLCosh.org) and posted in the fellowship hall.

Contact Mark Zimmerman (203-1034) for more information on how YOU can become involved the *Vibrant Faith* of Our Savior's.

# What is *Vibrant Faith*?

## 6 - Places for Shaping Faith

1. **Children and youth**, recognized and empowered as disciples of Jesus Christ, use their God-given gifts in purposeful ministry.
2. **Families** are equipped and strengthened by their congregation to be the primary nurturers of faith.
3. **Congregations** are safe, inclusive, welcoming, and nurturing for all children, youth, and adults, as they live out their faith in the midst of community and the larger world.
4. Christians live their faith daily, experiencing Christ in **Community**, learning from as well as serving the needs of community.
5. Children, youth, and adults experience God's presence, learning from people from a variety of **Cultures**, while being part of God's transformational work within culture.
6. Christians live in harmony with **Creation**, recognizing, receiving, celebrating, and caring for God's handiwork.

## 5 - Principles for Passing on Faith

1. Faith is formed by the power of the Holy Spirit through personal, trusted relationships - often in our own homes.
2. The church is a living partnership between the ministry of the congregation and the ministry of the home.
3. Where Christ is present in faith, the home is church, too.
4. Faith is caught more than it is taught.
5. If we want Christian children and youth, we need Christian adults and parents.

## 4 - Keys for Practicing Faith

1. Caring Conversations
2. Devotions
3. Service
4. Rituals and Traditions

## 3 - Characteristics of Christian Disciples

1. Authentic
2. Available
3. Affirming

An important tool to bring *Vibrant Faith* into your daily life is the *Taking Faith Home* resource made available to you in Sunday bulletins and on our church website: [www.OSLCosh.org](http://www.OSLCosh.org). Please remember... “Don't leave your faith at church -- take it home with you!”

If you have questions or would like to learn more about *Vibrant Faith* or the *Taking Faith Home* resources, please contact Mark Zimmerman (203-1034).