

Our Vibrant Faith Frame: 6-5-4-3

The guide for Children, Youth & Family Ministry at First Lutheran this year (2022-23) is the “Vibrant Faith Frame: 6-5-4-3” from David W. Anderson’s book *from the Great Omission to Vibrant Faith - The role of the home in renewing the church* (Vibrant Faith Publishing by the Youth & Family Institute)

6 Locations of Ministry (places for shaping faith)

Children and Youth - Children and youth, recognized and empowered as disciples of Jesus Christ, use their God-given gifts in purposeful ministry.

Homes - Families are equipped & strengthened by their congregation to be the primary nurturers of faith.

Congregations - 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.

Community - Christians live their faith daily, experiencing Christ in Community, learning from, as well as serving the needs of community.

Culture - 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.

Creation - Christians live in harmony with Creation, recognizing, receiving, celebrating, and caring for God’s handiwork.

5 Principles of a Vibrant Church (for passing on faith)

Faith is formed by the power of the Holy Spirit through personal trusted relationships – often in our own homes.

The church is a living partnership between the ministry of the congregation and ministry of the home.

Where Christ is present in faith, the home is church too.

Faith is caught more than it is taught.

If we want Christian children and youth, we need Christian adults.

4 Keys for Practicing Faith

*Caring Conversations

*Devotions/Scripture

*Service/Outreach

*Rituals & Traditions

3 Characteristics of Christian DisciplesAuthentic.....Available.....Affirm