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PLEASE NOTE OUR MAILING ADDRESS ON THE BACK PAGE
REGULAR MEETING: 7:30 P.M. SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

This month's meeting is on December 8th

Next month's meeting is on January 12th, 2012 @ 7 P.M.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH - 127 2ND AVE E - WEST FARGO, ND

Please enter on the West side (Elevator entrance). Our meeting is in the Fellowship Hall - lower level, west side.

Meeting Topic - Candlelighting Ceremony

DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 11, 2011 - Worldwide Candle Lighting 7 pm

NOTE: As of January 2012, our meetings will begin at 7 P.M.

If you have topic ideas for future meetings, please let us know.

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*****DECEMBER LOVE GIFTS*****

Denny & Pat Wateland in memory of their daughter, Tracy Ann Wateland 12/1971 - 7/1993

Lori Brady & family in memory of their son/brother, Greg Sears 12/1987 - 8/2009

Ralph & Ethel Hest in memory of their daughter, Nancy Hest 7/1951 - 12/2004

Scott & Ruth Blilie in memory of their daughter, Nicole Anne Blilie 12/1989 - 12/2007

Jim & Suzie Hill in memory of their son, Jon Poitra 2/1982 - 12/2010

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Thank you for your tax deductible gifts.

OUR CREDO We need not walk alone. We are The Compassionate Friends. We reach out to each other with love, with understanding, and with hope. The children we mourn have died at all ages and from many different causes, but our love for them unites us. Your pain becomes my pain, just as your hope becomes my hope. We come together from all walks of life, from many different circumstances. We are a unique family because we represent many races, creeds, and relationships. We are young, and we are old. Some of us are far along in our grief, but others still feel a grief so fresh and so intensely painful that they feel helpless and see no hope. Some of us have found our faith to be a source of strength, while some of us are struggling to find answers. Some of us are angry, filled with guilt or in deep depression, while others radiate an inner peace. But whatever pain we bring to this gathering of The Compassionate Friends, it is pain we will share, just as we share with each other our love for the children who have died. We are all seeking and struggling to build a future for ourselves, but we are committed to building a future together. We reach out to each other in love to share the pain as well as the joy, share the anger as well as the peace, share the faith as well as the doubts, and help each other to grieve as well as to grow.

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"It isn't for the moment that you are stuck that you need courage, but for the long uphill battle to faith, sanity, and security."

~ Anne Morrow Lindbergh - (who lost her first born son in a kidnapping and murder in the early 20th century.)