



# Faith in Motion: FEBRUARY



### *Team Work Makes the Dream Work!*

Good morning, Faith in Motion Family!

Another busy week! A huge shoutout to all of the instructors and dancers who helped out in Miss Erika's absence this week. Karly, Kailyn, Lydia, and Madison all helped cover extra classes or take two classes at once. Elaina and Amber did a great job leading Ballet 1, and Brielle was very helpful in leading Ballet 2 warm-ups! I am very proud of their willingness to help, all with cheerful attitudes. They all stepped up as leaders. Faith in Motion truly is a family that works together!

As you read this Thursday morning, you may be looking out at your very own "ice rink" outside! Please be careful in these icy conditions. We certainly don't want any injured dancers or dance parents!

## Here are the updates for this week:

- If your dancer has proper dance shoes, they need to wear them each week to class. Feel free to check out the "shoe swap" collection of gently used shoes that are up for grabs. You are welcome to look through what we have before or after class.

- More winter weather is possible Saturday into Sunday. Please watch your e-mail and/or the Facebook page (link in the "Stay Connected" box at the bottom of this e-mail). I will make a decision by 1pm on Sundays and 5pm Mondays for weather-related cancellations.

- February's monthly payment was due last week in class!! Please plan to pay with cash (in an envelope labeled with your dancer's name), checks (made out to Saint Joseph UMC), or credit card. If you choose to pay via credit card, please remember to pay through the registration form:

**<https://stjoemin.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2655118>**

- I have the link to purchase Komets tickets for our performance on April 12th!! This link will be added to the "Stay Connected" box at the bottom of my weekly e-mails. ALL dancers, instructors, and spectators must purchase tickets. Even if you are not staying for the game, tickets must be purchased for anyone who will enter the gameday festivities. This is the Coliseum's policy, not Faith in Motion's or even the Komets' policy. This is also a HUGE fundraiser for us.... we earn \$6 per ticket! <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/FaithInMotion>

- Just a reminder... **Attendance is SO important!!!** Some dancers have already missed multiple classes within the first month. **This is unacceptable...** it is not fair to instructors or peers in class to spend valuable class time reviewing/reteaching. Outside of injury, illness, or family emergency, we expect dancers to attend class. If you are constantly missing classes already, I encourage you to re-evaluate your schedules to ensure dance classes fit into your schedule. **If dancers miss several classes throughout the session and are not prepared to perform, they will be asked to sit out of performances. PLEASE TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY: NO ONE IS EXEMPT FROM THIS EXPECTATION, AND IT WILL BE ENFORCED THE SESSION.**

- We should be able to reuse most (if not all) costumes from the fall. I am really hoping to avoid additional costume fees. I should have this information to you in my e-mail February 13th. Costume fees will be due in mid-March.

- Big things are happening all the time for Faith in Motion! We have two additional performance opportunities for you to consider, **please let me know if your dancers are interested in participating in either ASAP!**

1) We are planning to dance during services on Easter Sunday (April 20th). Practices will take place on Sundays at 1pm (**see updated details below**). We would love to have a presence at 2 services (9am at the church and 10am at the Y). Let me know if your dancers would like to participate... it will be more of a hip-hop routine.

*Update: I am so excited that we have multiple age/skill levels signed up for the Easter performance!! I will be creating a multi-level dance to accommodate all levels of dancers. With that being said:*

- *Level 3 dancers will begin practices Sunday, February 23rd at 1pm.*
- *Level 2 dancers will begin practices on Sunday, March 2nd at 1pm.*

- Level 1 classes will begin practices on Sunday, March 9th at 1pm.
- All dancers will attend practices March 23, April 6, and April 13.

*So far, I have the following dancers signed up to dance on Easter: Lydia, Sadie, Mabyl, Brielle, Marah, Kailyn, Julianna, Ariana, Averie, and Leo. If I do not have your name on this list but you wish to sign up, please do so ASAP.*

2) We have been asked to perform a shortened version of our spring recital at a Senior Adult Ministry event at Brookside Church on Monday, June 9th. This event will take place in the afternoon, so you would need to be sure your dancers are available AND they have transportation to and from Brookside. While I know this is far away, they are looking for a commitment sooner rather than later... please let me know if your dancers can attend!

*So far, I have the following dancers signed up to dance at this event: Lydia, Sadie, Mabyl, Kailyn, Julianna, Addy, Ariana, and Averie. If I do not have your name on this list but you wish to sign up, please let me know!*

- Our fall recital is now LIVE on our YouTube channel!! This makes it easier to view and share to friends and families. If you still would like a DVD of the show, please let me know. I have a small supply available to share. Here is the link to the recital: [https://youtu.be/s\\_wZJgWNVa8?si=dMoqLMvyAuYNGqc6](https://youtu.be/s_wZJgWNVa8?si=dMoqLMvyAuYNGqc6)

See you all soon!!  
Holly Fox



## SAVE THESE DATES:

Monthly Payments Due: March 2/3, April 6/7

Group Practices: February 17, March 17, April 21

Komets Performance: Saturday, April 12



## STAY CONNECTED

Social Media:  
[www.facebook.com/faithinmotiondancestudio](http://www.facebook.com/faithinmotiondancestudio)

YouTube:  
<https://youtube.com/@hollyglentzer6378?si=hOiSVQbpMnBoQRsk>

Dress Rehearsal: Friday, May 2, 6-8pm

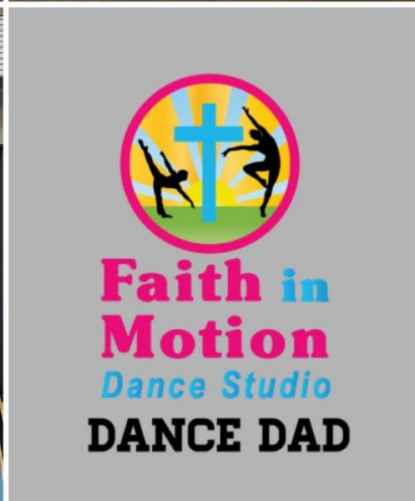
Recital: Saturday, May 3

Website: [stjoemin.com/dance](http://stjoemin.com/dance)

Komets Ticket Link: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/FaithInMotion>

*"Teaching more than just dance!"*

## WEEKLY DANSPARATION



*"Father Knows Best"*

This week, I am excited to share about our very own DANCE DADS!!! For those of you who attended the fall recital, you may remember Pastor Glenn making a comment about wanting an official Faith in Motion "Dance Dad" shirt. This got the wheels turning in a certain, long-time dance dad's head: Jerry (Marah's dad). During recital, Jerry made a list of the core group of dance dads who are also a part of our St. Joe church family and are ALWAYS doing things behind the scenes to help out. After coming up with our list of 12 dads, we put the plan into action. It was so fun to serve as the "middle man" between Jerry and the print shop to design the shirts. However, waiting in anticipation for the finished product and keeping the whole project a secret proved to be very difficult! Once we had the shirts, Jerry and I put our heads together to decide the

best way to present the shirts. Of course, we couldn't distribute them discreetly... And waiting until our performances was just WAY too far away! We decided to ask if we could make a special presentation in all three church services last week. Now, this also proved to be a challenge...because one of the people who needed to grant us a few minutes of each service was proud dance dad, Pastor Glenn! Fortunately, Pastor Ashley (also a proud dance parent) was able to help us plan this out AND drive Pastor Glenn crazy as a bonus! It was so great to be able to share a brief update about Faith in Motion with the congregation and recognize our St. Joe Dance Dads! We were able to not only recognize 8 current dance dads, but we were also able to recognize 2 "retired" long-time dance dads, 1 honorary dance dad (Barry), and the longest standing dance dad, MY dad! These guys are always helping by setting up and tearing down our stage for recital, recording and editing our recitals, cutting music, and so much more! We appreciate their willingness to lend a hand always! To our past and present Dance Dads, thank you so very much!!! And don't think the official Dance Dad shirt won't be on the costume packing list for performances! To the rest of our dance dads, you may just find this shirt on our spirit wear website for purchase next session!!

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