



Faith and Film Series
Winter/Spring 2017

A series of feature films celebrating faith in our lives

all showings begin at 7 PM

presented at

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

To be shown in the Fellowship Center
3604 Chatham Road (at Frederick Road)
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042
Church Office: 410-465-2977

All are welcome to attend, refreshments served, all films shown with closed captions

The Faith and Film series is about celebrating life and inspiring each of us through the power of story. Since the advent of the movies, there have been countless stories that have reached in and touched the soul. Consider the power of story to move you along in your journey. Consider the power of story to remind each of us of the importance of faith, hope and love. Consider the potential for the world to be a better place. And consider the possibility that films change people and people change the world. This series will be shown in the Fellowship Center at First Evangelical Lutheran Church and the community is invited to attend. All showings are at 7 PM. All films are shown with closed captions. Light refreshments are provided by the Fellowship Committee of FELC. All this information, and more, can be found on the church web page: <http://www.firstlutheranec.org/>

THE QUEEN OF KATWE

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

"Queen of Katwe" is the true story of a young girl selling corn on the streets of rural Uganda. Her world rapidly changes one day when she meets Robert Katende) at a missionary program where she is introduced to the game of chess, and, as a result of the support she receives from her family and community, is instilled with the confidence and determination she needs to pursue her dream of becoming an international chess champion. Released just this past October, this Disney release had very limited play in the theaters but garnered a 95% critic rating on Rotten Tomatoes. Released 2016. Rating: PG; 124 minutes.

"What could have so easily been turned into a sickly-sweet, coming-of-age story actually ends up being a realistic and warm celebration of family, faith and having a sense of purpose that will leave you feeling moved." N.Y. Times

RISEN

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

The first forty days after the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is told through the eyes of a Roman Centurion charged by Pontius Pilate to investigate rumors of a risen Jewish Messiah and locate the missing deceased body of Jesus of Nazareth in order to subdue an imminent uprising in Jerusalem. During Centurion's mission, his doubts of such a supernatural occurrence peel away as he encounters the Apostles and other historic biblical characters and bears witness to the legendary storied events that followed the Resurrection. A great mystery unfolds during Centurion's quest to find the body and he is deeply affected by his first-person investigation, as his previous beliefs on the matter are forever altered based on what he's now witnessed. The outstanding cast, includes Joseph Fiennes (Shakespeare in Love, Luther). Released 2016. Rating: PG-13; 107 minutes.

"As faith-based films go, RISEN is one of the better ones." Roger Ebert.com.

THE EAGLE HUNTRESS

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

THE EAGLE HUNTRESS follows Aisholpan, a 13-year-old girl, as she trains to become the first female in twelve generations of her Kazakh family to become an eagle hunter, and rises to the pinnacle of a tradition that has been handed down from father to son for centuries. Set against the breath-taking expanse of the Mongolian steppe, THE EAGLE HUNTRESS features some of the most awe-inspiring cinematography ever captured in a documentary, giving this intimate tale of a young girl's quest the dramatic force of an epic narrative film. While there are many old Kazakh eagle hunters who vehemently reject the idea of any female taking part in their ancient tradition, Aisholpan's father Nurgaiv believes that a girl can do anything a boy can, as long as she's determined. One of the best reviewed films of 2016, Daisy Ridley (Star Wars: The Force Awakens) narrates this inspiring true story. Released 2016. Rating: G 87 minutes.

"Soulful and angelic, it's one of the most uplifting and spiritually rousing documentaries of the past few years." Los Angeles Times Parents: You are encouraged to bring your middle school and older children to this G-rated gem. Film will be over by 8:35pm.

