



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Faith Matters

AUGUST
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The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAYS— 9:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAYS — 6:15 P.M.

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Treasurer: Robert Pautz

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True and False

I wrote this comment years ago and found it again while looking for another document. Sometimes the Holy Spirit shows you things in a timely manner. I was thinking about my fellow Americans who really do not listen to the Gospel or have any interest in God. They know the story but it has no power for them.

Americans have been fed a weakened form of Christianity. We have been dosed with a little bit over a long period of time, an attenuated form we soak in from the culture with Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny -a weakened form of Christianity that vaccinates us against the Real Thing. We get a version wherein "God Bless America" is our prayer. We put "In God We Trust" on our money. And "Honk if you love Jesus" on the bumper of our vehicle.

These slogans twist our faith into a mockery of True Christianity.

"God Bless... our neighbor" is a true Christian prayer. "In God We Trust" should be written on our hearts. And if you love Jesus -you'd better do more than honk.

Jesus suggested that we should "bless those who curse you, pray for those who persecute you, love your enemy, forgive those who sin against you, and serve the least and the last in their needs."

Honking was never on Jesus' list."

Jesus warned us that a case of Real True Christianity could be fatal. He invited us to pick up our crosses to follow. In the end, both forms of Christianity (True and false) will end in our deaths, but only Real True Christianity will lead to our resurrection.

Pastor Dan





Finances

Income - June 2024

		<i>Budget</i>	<i>YTD Actual</i>	<i>YTD Budget</i>
Envelope Offerings	\$ 22,602.00			
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 416.00			
General Fund Income	\$ 23,018.00	\$ 23,757.25	\$ 146,339.59	\$ 142,543.50
Dedicated Income	\$ 938.98		\$ 5,390.07	
Total Income	\$ 23,956.98		\$ 151,729.66	

Operating Expenses - June 2024

Benevolence	\$ 1,841.44			
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 6,334.84			
Personnel Salaries/Benefits ¹	\$ 18,801.54			
General Fund Expense	\$ 26,977.82	\$ 29,797.02	\$ 161,235.54	\$ 178,739.52
Dedicated Expense	\$ 780.00		\$ 3,664.75	
Total Expenses	\$ 27,757.82		\$ 164,900.29	

Year to Date General Fund Net Income : \$(13,401.43)

AUGUST STEWARDSHIP ~ SCHOOL KITS

- (4)) 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper 8 x 10 1/2
No loose leaf paper.
 - (1) centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side & inches on the other.
 - (1) pencil sharpener
 - (5) unsharpened #2 pencils (no mechanical) No pre-sharpened pencils
 - (1) box of 24 crayons
 - (5) black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel or click pens)
 - (1) blunt scissors No pointed please
 - (1) 2 1/2" eraser (no smaller than 2 1/2")
- Please buy only the items listed.
Place items in the stewardship cabinet near the church office labeled "school kits".

Liturgical Roles ~ Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

Baptism Everett Alan Wenzel

Membership

Baptized 817
 Confirmed..... 820
 Families..... 112

Worship Attendance

	Sunday	Wednesday
6/16	85	35
6/23	90	27
6/30	97	33
7/7	95	30
7/14	119	35

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

August..... **Bev Torrison, Chair (Committee #2)**
 September.. **Marlene Evenson, Chair (Committee #1)**

Lectors

8/4 Joyce Sorenson
 8/7 Larry Burzynski
 8/11 Joan Pritzl
 8/14 Don Schreiner
 8/18 Stefanie Kaderabek
 8/21 Kerry Schnell
 8/25 Erin Lenzner
 8/28 Carol Ulness

Communion Servers

8/4 Joyce Sorenson
 8/14 Don Schreiner
 8/18 Stefanie Kaderabek
 8/28 Judy Valleskey

Head Usher Scott Reinertson

Acolyte Schedule

8/4 Carter Kuenstler
 8/11 Cambria Behnke
 8/18 Noah Boll
 8/25 Ethan Spindler

Greeters

8/4 Ben and Chloe Cigler
 8/7 Bob Mattern
 8/11 Joan Pritzl
 8/14 Aric Olson
 8/18 Richard and Linda Menza
 8/21 John and Kerry Schnell
 8/25 Lynda Pautz
 8/28 Judy Valleskey

Ushers

8/4 Wayne Huske, Lori Propson, John Robley
 8/11 Ron Jones and Jim Ahrens
 8/18 Earl and Barb Griffin, Bob Wigen
 8/25 Thomas and Kathy Muench

Sound Operator

8/4 Terry Huske
 8/11 Garrett Ulness
 8/18 Makenna Kaderabek
 8/25 Loren Ulness

Projection

8/4 Terry Huske
 8/7 Kayla Hildebrandt
 8/11 Whitney Ulness
 8/14 John Schnell
 8/18 Makenna Kaderabek
 8/21 Susan Christel
 8/25 Loren Ulness
 8/28 Kayla Hildebrandt

Video Operator/Live Stream

8/4 Eric Thomsen
 8/11 Carter Lenzner
 8/18 Jake Kaderabek
 8/25 Michael Lenzner

Those who know your name
 trust in you, for you, LORD,
 have never forsaken those who seek you.

Psalm 9:10, NIV





You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: Faith Lutheran Church

When: September 6, 2024



Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk Screenings.**

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Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION



Sunday School Students and parents,

We are excited to announce the return of the Whirl Curriculum! A fun Faith based educational program that will guide our children through the Bible. Each week they will hear a Bible story read aloud, watch a short video, and through activities they will learn how it relates to their lives!

To allow us to have adequate staff and supplies please mail, drop off, or email back registration form(s) no later than September 1st. Forms can be found on our website and will also be mailed to returning students mid August.

Join us Sunday, September 8th...

Bring your school bag for Blessing of the Backpacks @ the 9am service! Sunday School will take place from 10:15-11am. With it being God's Work Our Hands Sunday, the Sunday School teachers and children do a group project and finish class with a large group game.



Bible Presentation Sunday will take place on September 15th...

Children in grades 4K, 3rd, and 7th will be receiving a Bible during the 9am service.

Class to follow at 10:15-11am

New students are welcome! You do not need to be a member of Faith Lutheran to participate in our classes. Please contact valleskeyb@gmail.com for further inquiries.

7th and 8th grade Confirmation teachers are needed for the 2024-2025 year. Classes are held Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm weekly. This can be a co-teaching or weekly (volunteer) position. The curriculum will be provided to you along with all materials needed for teaching this class. Training will be provided. Please contact Bridget Valleskey at valleskeyb@gmail.com if interested.



Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—June 17, 2024

Pastor's Report: On May 21st, he attended the Senior Christians Breakfast at Fork and Knife. On May 30th, it was the anniversary of his ordination, which took place 39 years ago. Also, since it was Memorial Day, the office was closed. However, he did attend a clergy event at Holy Family Hospital that day. On June 2, he hosted and was the speaker at the Baccalaureate Service for Valders High School, (after a valiant effort and making it back from an unexpected, needed trip to and from Nebraska through delayed flights, etc.) He visited with and communed Marge Klessig and Jan Reinertson at MHR on June 6th, and Walter Stenzel in hospice at Aurora Hospital on the June 15th, who then died the following day. He performed the funeral service for Joshua Donaher on June 11th. The funeral for Walter Stenzel is being planned at Harrigan-Parkside. He married Brenda Freiberg and Robert Pautz on June 6th and had a premarital counselling session with Caleb Jandrey and Alicia Levendusky for their wedding planned for October 19th of this year. New members were received; Elijah Hoesterey, son of Sarah Tienor on June 12th, and Jeffery Johnson on June 16th. As an additional item, due to having been approached by a person with a desire to provide special music, he also made the following proposal: A motion was made to allow the empowerment of pastors to provide summer music by entering into negotiations with musicians when approached, and to allow payment up to \$45.00 for that music. Motion passed.

New Business:

Secretary to replace Mary's position: Bill commented that he had contacted Judy Harris, who agreed to step into the position to complete Mary's term. Motion made and carried to appoint Judy Harris to take over the position as Council Secretary to complete Mary's term.

Outdoor sign: We have been notified that our outdoor sign is 12 years old and parts are longer available for its repair, and support for our Software (which is Watchfire) will not be available in the future. An upgrade was there fore suggested to us. This would cost \$35,000 to \$45,000. This suggestion was discussed, and we felt that we would not upgrade while the sign is still working but perhaps do any upgrade at the time when it no longer does work. **While looking into this, however, it was discovered that only Christine knows how to program the sign, which is probably not ideal. There should be others, in case of need, at least one other who does know how it's done. Therefore, Bob Pautz has volunteered to learn its programing.

QR code for contributions: Julie Hartman did some checking into what it would take to get one, and she has some details. In discussion she mentioned there is a fee; we could choose whether the church pays that fee or the doners who used it, set a minimum donation after which no fee would be charged to them. Julie and Bob will study this further and report back next month.

Church visits: Bill reported that our projector is 15 years old and getting dimmer. In researching this, it's been found that a new bulb does not seem to be a viable option, but another option is that we replace our current projector with a Laser Projector instead. Bill's contact provided a list of area churches we could visit to establish if it would be a better choice. This type is supposed to provide a vibrant image regardless of angle and screen onto which the image is projected. A few volunteers will get together and go check on this in some of the churches listed and report back.

Stewardship – Concerning the Directory: The actual cost after everything was considered was \$104.19. This was taken from the undesignated line of Memorial Funds.

Evangelism – We won't be able to have horses for the Valders parade float. We'll have to come up with a new plan. They are looking into getting new Faith window stickers with the church logo. The old ones obtained in 2012 were \$0.48/ea. Now they are \$1.03/ea. For the new logo they will need a vector file or a .eps file.

Property – The plan is to repave the parking lot. They have received a bid from Popp's for \$19,800. This would be for the prep, to fill in the cracks, and put down an overlay. Mark had some information from Asphalt Seal and Repair. If we were to fill the cracks with an infrared asphalt seal, it would last longer before we had to it again. That would add \$8900 for a total of \$31,150. After some discussion, since we also have been needing some new windows, it was decided it would be better, for now, to go with the less expensive option for the parking lot, plus replace the windows and look at using the asphalt on the parking lot next time we need to do it. Motion made and carried to accept the bid of \$19,800 from Popp Seal and Repair for repaving the parking lot, and also put in straight glass windows.

Christian Education – Larry reported that VBS was underway with 70 kids attending, and 15 teen helpers plus 15 adult helpers.

Youth and Family Ministry – There will be an outing at the Manitowoc Aquatic Center Friday July 19, from 6 to 7:30 and ice cream to follow at Cedar Crest. Confirmation camp for 7th and 8th graders is scheduled for July 7-12. The youth are raising \$300 for purchasing 9 pairs of snowshoes for the camp.

Close of Meeting: Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:47 pm. Recorded by Judy Harris

Celebrating Your Birthday!

AUGUST

2. Cathleen Luckow
Matthew Berge
Caleb Boll
3. Donald Sebo
Maelyn Miller
4. Stephanie Mittnacht
Callie Wenzel
5. Myrna Lippert
Aubrey Hill
Hadley Beckman
6. Tammy Meyer
Taylor Zucchi
7. Thomas Madson
Scott Zucchi
Mary Reichardt
8. Guy Valleskey
Hunter Spindler
Carver McCulley
9. Mark Ulness
Hunter Griffin
10. Cheryl Domrath
Kylee Tuschel
Matthew Brill
Kylee Griffin
Edyn Peterson
Jordan Torrison

11. Gloria Giese
James Jandrey
Courtney Platten
Janice Pingel
12. Talon Meyer
13. Jeffrey Wittmus
Julie Hartman
Levi Wenzel
14. Tara Rutherford
Hunter Popp
15. Lauren Pritzl
Bridget Valleskey
16. Julie Endries
Bailey Koehler
17. Steven Tracy
19. Abigail Beckman
Kari Schisel
Carter Kuenstler
20. Greg Evenson

21. Lilliona Loucks
22. Caroline Alfson
Carol Zutz
Nicole Zucchi
Gary Exner
Alan Gilbertson
23. Daniel Pederson
24. Sage Peterson
25. Ronald Torrison
Jill Backus
Charlotte Stalvey
27. Craig Klessig
28. Samantha Duchow
29. Ronald Jones
Matthew Jones
Isabel Gordon
31. Emily Kasbaum
Daniel Griepentrog

SEPTEMBER

1. Ann Jeske
2. Karen Voss
Jeanette Schuessler
3. Gary Heeler
4. Chad Junk
5. Cynthia Kwasny
Caleb Madson
6. Kenneth Popp
Ethan Halverson
7. Mitchell Kaderabek
8. Earl Griffin
9. Lee W. Evenson
Terry Huske
Larry Burzynski
Zachary Lenzner
10. Autumn Robley






SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 8:00 Quilting 5:30 Jazzercise	2	3
4 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	5 9:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Jazzercise 6:00 Boards of Lay Ministry and Evangelism	6	7 9:00 Jazzercise 6:15 Worship Board of Christian Education-TBD	8 8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting 5:30 Jazzercise	9	10 9:00 2nd Saturday Bible Study
11 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	12 9:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Jazzercise	13	14 9:00 Jazzercise 6:15 Worship with Praise Band	15 8:00 Quilting Newsletter info due 5:30 Jazzercise	16	17 9:00-10:00 Open Pantry
18 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	19 9:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Jazzercise 5:30 Board of Stewardship 6:30 Council	20 9:00 Senior Christians at 7 Angels in Chilton	21 9:00 Jazzercise 6:15 Worship	22 8:00 Quilting 5:30 Jazzercise	23	24
25 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	26 9:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Jazzercise	27	28 9:00 Jazzercise 6:15 Worship with Praise Band	29 8:00 Quilting 5:30 Jazzercise	30	31

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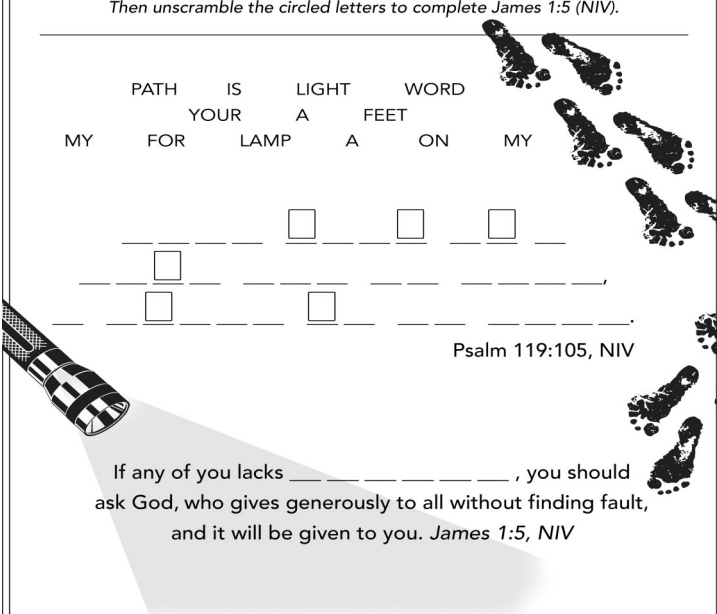
God grants us knowledge and understanding through his holy Word, which is like a flashlight.

Directions: Arrange the words from Psalm 119:105 (NIV) in order. Then unscramble the circled letters to complete James 1:5 (NIV).

PATH IS LIGHT WORD
YOUR A FEET
MY FOR LAMP A ON MY

Psalm 119:105, NIV

If any of you lacks _____, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. James 1:5, NIV



Answer: Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path; wisdom

Alcoholics Anonymous
Meets at 6:00 p.m. Mondays
St. Gregory's School, 212 Church Street, St. Nazianz

Al Anon
Meets at 7:00 p.m. Mondays
404 S. 29th Street, Manitowoc
and
Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.
443 Manhattan Street, Chilton