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Faith in 2022 and Beyond

WORSHIP TIMES

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Faith Lutheran Church is at a pivotal point in its long history. In all likelihood you will call a new pastor in 2022.

You will begin a new chapter in the life of this community of faith together.

May you live into your mission. Faith's mission statement is: Sharing God's Word, Showing God's Love, Serving God's World. It is a very good statement that points to our need as a church, and individually as Christians, to be the salt and light of the earth, both in word and deed. "Love as I have loved you," Jesus said.

Congregations that lack a vision for ministry tend to drift and suffer decline in membership and vitality. They just keep doing what they have always done. Growing congregations are focused on outreach and are willing to try new ways to do outreach and in-reach, inviting members and non-members into involvement and growing in faith, hope, and love.

Faith's mission statement reflects the Great Commission Jesus gave the church: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19 – 20).

In 2022 may we begin to fruitfully turn those statements into reality. But here is the catch. It needs to be guided and produced by God. "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain" (Psalm 127:1). We need to stay centered in Christ and pray for God to guide and work in us and through us. We are a church, not a club, here for the purpose of serving God and reaching out in his love to the communities we serve.

Serving Christ better together, Pastor Jim

IN THE Life of FAITH



Senior Christians will meet Tuesday,
January 18 at 9:00 a.m. at Perkins.



The Annual Budget and Election Meeting of Faith Lutheran Church will be Sunday, January 23 at 10:15 a.m. We encourage you to attend and vote on our 2022 budget and those being elected to board positions in the congregation. Snow Date: January 30.

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations on Saturday, January 8 at 9:00 a.m. Join us and give us a helping hand.



NEW BABY CARE KITS FOR 2022

We are going to try something new. All kits will stay locally to help families here at home.

Onezies or Cotton T-shirts, Size Newborn -2t

Sleepers (With Feet), Size Newborn – 2t

Receiving Blankets

Disposable Diapers, Size Newborn – 2/3

Sweatshirt or Sweater

Socks, Size Newborn – 2t

Bath Soap – Liquid or Bar (4-5 Oz)

Donated items should be new. Clearly mark Baby Care and place inside the Stewardship Cabinet at the top of the stairs near the church office.



Walk Through Bethlehem



Finances

Income - November 2021

		<i>Budget</i>	<i>YTD Actual</i>	<i>YTD Budget</i>
Envelope Offerings	\$ 20,497.00			
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 1,025.00			
General Fund Income	\$ 21,522.00	\$ 25,816.83	\$ 266,012.54	\$ 283,985.24
Dedicated Income	\$ 210.00		\$ 20,347.96	
Total Income	\$ 21,732.00		\$ 286,360.50	

Operating Expenses - November 2021

Benevolence	\$ 1,533.49			
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 4,659.11			
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 12,189.18			
General Fund Expense	\$ 18,381.78	\$ 25,485.48	\$ 253,929.02	\$ 294,621.91
Dedicated Expense	\$ 210.00		\$ 20,462.99	
Total Expenses	\$ 18,591.78		\$ 274,392.01	

Year to Date General Fund Net Income : \$ 12,083.52

“
Eternal God,
You gave us the greatest
gift: the gift of life.
In the coming year,
help us use it wisely.
May we grow in generosity,
kindness and forgiveness,
hope, faith and love.
Amen.”

RABBI EVAN MOFFIC

How beautiful on the mountains
are the feet of those who bring
good news, who proclaim peace,
who bring good tidings, who
proclaim salvation, who say to
Zion, “Your God reigns!”

Isaiah 52:7

prayerobles

Liturgical Roles ~ Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

Baptism Ella Ann Zutz

Membership

Baptized 808
 Confirmed..... 591
 Families 110

Worship Attendance

	Sunday	Wednesday
11/14 Worship— 99	Video— 82	41
11/21 Worship— 95	Video— 75	
11/23 Thanksgiving— 45		
11/28 Worship— 152	Video— 65	40
12/5 Worship— 102	Video— 69	47

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

January **Marlene Evenson, Chair (Committee #1)**
 February **Bev Torrison, Chair (Committee #2)**

Lectors

1/2 Joan Pritzl and Carol Ulness
 1/5 Joyce Sorenson
 1/9 Stacy Wilker
 1/12 Jill Backus
 1/16 Bob Wigen
 1/19 Matt Berge
 1/23 Jenniffer Zutz
 1/26 Carol Ulness
 1/30 Chase Wilker



Communion Servers

1/5 Joyce Sorenson
 1/9 Stacy Wilker
 1/19 Judy Valleskey
 1/23 Jenniffer Zutz

Head Ushers

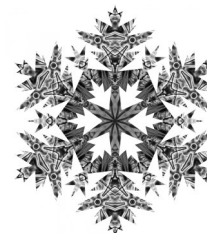
Matt Krogh and Paul Franz

Video Operator/Live Stream

1/2 Bill Riesterer
 1/9 Eric Thomsen
 1/16 Mike Lenzner
 1/23 Carter Lenzner
 1/30 Hunter Spindler

Acolyte Schedule

1/2 Mollie Junk
 1/5 Tristan Teuke
 1/9 Whitney Ulness
 1/12 Tristan Teuke
 1/16 Addison Spindler
 1/19 DJ Schisel
 1/23 Libby Olson
 1/26 Peter Cigler
 1/30 Lucas Spindler



Greeters

1/2 Ron and Jo Jones
 1/5 Carter Valleskey
 1/9 Keith and Audrey Lippert
 1/12 Delton and Cheryl Duchow
 1/16 Bob and Julie Wigen
 1/19 Carter Valleskey
 1/23 Tom and Rae Madson
 1/26 Tim and Julie Endries
 1/30 Dick and Linda Menza

Ushers

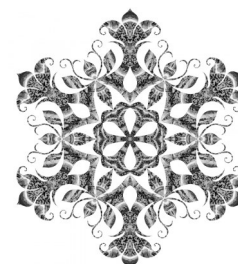
1/2 Ron and Kaye Jandrey
 1/9 Earl and Barb Griffin
 1/16 Tyler Madson and Larry Naidl
 1/23 Gary and Linda Heeler
 1/30 Lori Propson and Ron Jones

Sound Operator

1/2 Loren Ulness
 1/9 Erin Lenzner
 1/16 Bill Riesterer
 1/23 Carter Lenzner
 1/30 Gage Spindler and Loren Ulness

Projection

1/2 Whitney Ulness
 1/5 Timber Schuler
 1/9 Makenna Kaderabek
 1/12 Makenna Kaderabek
 1/16 Bill Riesterer
 1/19 Otis Berge
 1/23 Ethan Ulness
 1/30 Makenna Kaderabek



Thank You

NOVEMBER STEWARDSHIP DONATIONS TO MANITOWOC HEALTH and REHAB CENTER

Lap robes, slipper socks and slippers, undershirts,
ladies pajamas, sweat pants and tops
Blankets
Snacks, soda and water
Puzzles
Wall calendars
Drawing paper
Large print word searches
Colored markers, crayons,
colored pencils and pens
Water colored paints
Note cards
Nail polish and remover
Shavers for men and women
Face cream, shampoo and conditioner
Hand and body lotion, shower gel
Bath salts
Perfume



Thank you to all
who brought in
items for In As
Much Sunday.



Dear Quilters,

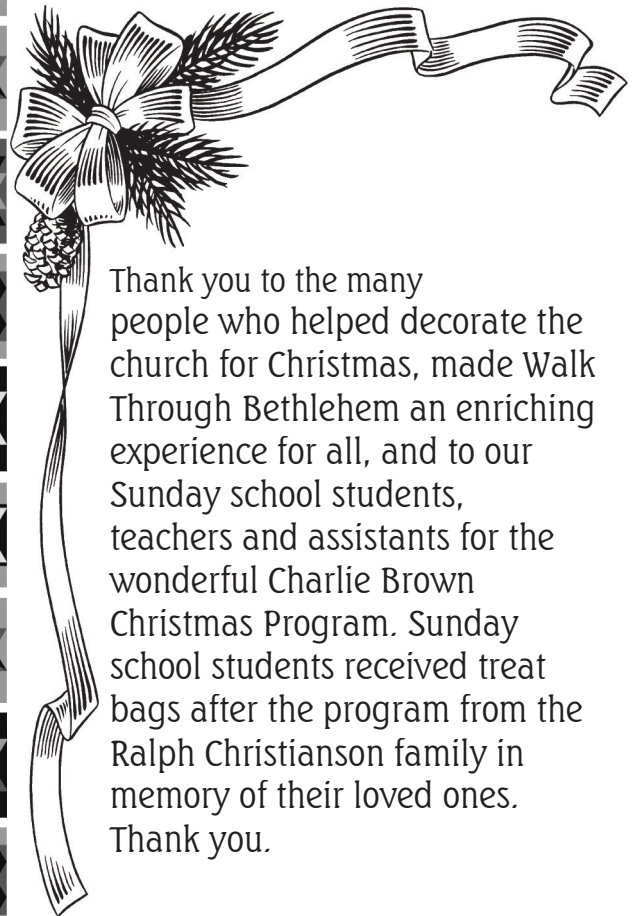
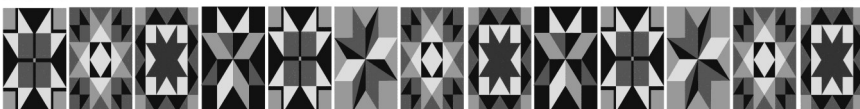
Harry and I would like to thank you for the lovely quilt you recently shared with us. It's perfect because he is always cold and now he can wrap himself up. Thanks for your dedication of making countless quilts over the years. Wishing you all a Blessed Christmas.
Forever grateful, Harry and Cindy Kwasny

Dear Faith's Quilters,

Thank you from our hearts for the beautiful quilt you made for Bob. He has always loved the outdoors and wildlife so it was so fitting for him. He is in his chair, warm and cozy, with love from his church family.
Marge and Bob Klessig

Quilting Ladies,

Thank you for the beautiful quilt you sent over to me. I just love it and it keeps me warm after treatments. Thanks again, Connie Schiesl



Thank you to the many people who helped decorate the church for Christmas, made Walk Through Bethlehem an enriching experience for all, and to our Sunday school students, teachers and assistants for the wonderful Charlie Brown Christmas Program. Sunday school students received treat bags after the program from the Ralph Christianson family in memory of their loved ones. Thank you.

The Faithful Quilters



DOING THE MOST GOOD

Founded in 1865 by William and Catherine Booth

December 9, 2021

Dear Faith Lutheran Church,

We would like to thank you for your donation of 70 quilts for our "Christmas Toy Shop" on 11.29.2021. Many children will have a joyful Christmas because of your generosity. As we reach out to families in need, your donation is crucial. Because of your thoughtfulness and support, together we can continue our work here in Manitowoc County.

Thank you for giving as generously as you have.

*We are grateful for your generous support - we love being able to give out quilts and blankets to families at Christmas. Thank you so much!
Merry Christmas!*


Jenny Moffitt

Donations by phone 1.800.SALARMY or internet www.samanitowoc.org

The Salvation Army is recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and meets all conditions necessary to make gifts deductible for income tax purposes. No goods or services were received in exchange for this gift.

The Valders Faithful Quilters

During the month of December, the quilters were able to distribute 140 quilts locally. This was in addition to those shipped to Lutheran World Relief in September. These were warm quilts and suitable for Wisconsin weather. Many of our ladies not only came from Faith Lutheran but also from St. Mary's, Melnik Presbyterian, and in the Valders area. They are able to inform us of those people in nursing homes or at home who could be comforted with a quilt. We distributed as follows:

- Salvation Army.....70
- Members of Faith Lutheran..... 12
- Faith's Community Pantry....12
- St. Mary's/St. Michael's, Whitelaw and Clarks Mills.....13
- United Ministry St. Nazianz and Two Rivers for The Crossing.....10
- Manitowoc Public School Families..... 4
- In Courage formerly Domestic Violence Center.....15
- The Court (recovery drug unit)..... 4

Thank you to all those in our congregation who so willingly saw a need as we displayed our quilts on pews during the month of November. We collected over \$650. Thank you. We will continue to quilt again beginning on Thursday, January 6 from 8-11:30. Come and join us.

Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—November 15, 2021

NEW BUSINESS

1. Are there funds to assist confirmation projects? There hasn't been in the past. We have allowed noisy offerings, stuff to happen in this space. Two students want to do a project with the end result being the making of a guitar that would be given to a veteran. A confirmand is seeking approval for a noisy offering to help finance it? Discussion followed bringing up pros and cons: Since we just had a noisy offering for a project for a college, we need to be careful not to have one after another or to set a precedent that just gives money for each project. The confirmands are required to do a Service Project; they are to be doing the confirmation project themselves. There is a policy already set about fund raising: Fund-raising is to be approved through Stewardship Board, then approved by the Council. This item is probably one of those things that needs to be put in a policy manual as mentioned as a point in Old Business; Ron will help look through the minutes to pull out policies. Motion was made and carried to approve a noisy offering toward the confirmation project of building a guitar for a veteran.
2. Building Maintenance Fund. Right now, there is technically NOT a specific building maintenance fund. Suggestion was made to do like Lay Ministry for Bell Choir; annually move some money from their funds to be designated for that purpose. Motion made and carried to approve creation of a building maintenance fund.
3. Question of sponsoring a missionary? There was a member asking: Since our building is now paid for, can we sponsor a missionary? We need more information – is there a source we can find out -we can discuss this through ELCA; there should be a list. Pastor will ask synod, which would get the information for the member asking. Mention was made regarding Kelly Meyer's progress toward the seminary. The process he has to follow has changed over the years. He now needs to go through synod, which is more involved. Statement was made that we definitely think Kelly has something to offer if he is still interested.
4. Long-range planning. We are at a crossroads with 5 churches in this county needing ministers; we need to sit down with the synod and start looking, figuring out to do about Pastor Jim retiring in May. What options do we have? Are there some interims who could come here? What are our options about setting up an interim? We need to ask the synod. Pastor Grant-evangelism outreach; Ron could talk to him---- Pastor Asher is associate, that's his job. Don will call to set up a meeting.
5. Date of January Annual Election and Budget Meeting: January 23rd set as date. Jan 30th set as snow date.
6. Annual Reports. These are due in the church office December 17th.

Stewardship – *Stephanie Mittnacht*. Budget sample we received gives 3 options for pastor (with Pastor Jim's retirement considered) for next year; in December we'll need to approve one option to show to the congregation during the annual meeting. We also need to decide where the Thrivent Choice funds will go.

Lay Ministry – *Joyce Sorenson*. Just as reminders: There will be no 10:00 Christmas Eve service. Also, we are not going to be having church worship on Sunday, December 26th or Wednesday the 29th.

Evangelism – *Julie Endries*. A reminder: we do have Pastor Grant coming to the Evangelism meeting at 6:00 pm on Dec. 7th.

Fellowship – *Cheryl Domrath*. There have been big crowds for Sunday fellowship. We still need some youth to help if they'd like to. There is no need to bring baked goods. We are doing well with picking things up before the service.

Property – *Lyle Roehrig*. The (All are Welcome) sign needed some work which was done by Christel Sign of St. Nazianz. The price was \$220.00, which they declined, and instead made it a donation. Judy will send them a Thank you. Insurance Inspection found only two things to be taken care of: lights in our exit signs and lawn mower parked next to fire hydrant. They replaced two lights that shine on lower parking lot. They tried putting LED lights in the fellowship hall--- but found that ceiling is falling down in corner. It is felt they want to put new drop ceiling in, and then they will be replaced--- Lyle is going to get an estimate and he'll come back with that.

Christian Education – *Anderia Frank*. In-as-much Sunday will be December 12th for the kids' gifts; Christmas program on December 19th. The still need volunteers for SS classes.

Personnel Committee – *Mike Zutz*. Bob Argall wants to step off; Bill Riesterer will take his place. They have appointed him now and will put him on the ballot in January.

Having completed all business, a motion was made and the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:50 pm. Next meeting December 20, 2021 at 6:30. Devotions by Erin Lenzner.

Judy Harris,
Secretary

Celebrating Your Birthday!

JANUARY

1. Breckin Franz
2. Marcus Simon
3. Esther Halverson
Kimora Williams
4. Wayne Huske
Jo Jones
5. Jennifer Kiel
7. Robert Klessig
Ginger Linsmeier
Addison Pinkerton
8. Elma Castro
Abigail Reinke
Tannor Wittmus
Marann Schmidt
9. Susan Jeske
Shannon Jorgenson
Lenka Hougen
11. Phoebe Cigler
Casen Ott
12. Justin Kalies
13. Paige Neumeyer
Greta Greif
Ethan Spindler

14. Roy Sebo
Kayla Hildebrandt
Ann Reinke
Mya Bast
16. Janelle Schisel
17. Kathy Muench
Lucas Spindler
18. Dick Halverson
19. Ric Schultz
20. Randy Neumeyer
Chase Wilker
Nicolle Behnke
21. Libby Olson
22. Marilyn Schad
Jeffrey Evenson
Sue Pederson
24. Kenneth Evenson
Rae Madson
25. Jody Koehler
Jacob Halverson
28. Audrey Lippert
29. Aaron Robley
Collins Duchow
30. Liam Cline
Tammy Esser
31. Kiara Krogh

FEBRUARY

2. Travis Schisel
3. Debra Linzmeier
Craig Zutz
Tristan Teuke
5. Gregory Saueressig
Garrett Ulness
6. Marcus Galien
7. Virginia Schwoerer
8. Lawrence Naidl
Eli Nelson
10. Cynthia Pederson
Stephanie McCulley





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 8:00 Boards of Christian Ed and Youth 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school, Fellowship hour	3 <i>Office Closed</i>	4 5:00 Board of Lay Ministry 6:00 Board of Evangelism	5 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation parent meeting	6 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	7	8 9:00 Saturday Circle 9:00 Christmas un-decorating
9 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school, Fellowship hour 10:15 9th grade confirmation 	10 6:00 Televised Worship 6:00 Jazzercise	11	12 5:00 Board of Stewardship 6:00 Card Making 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	13 8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting 6:00 Jazzercise	14	15 9:00-10:00 Open Pantry Newsletter info due
16 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school, Fellowship hour	17 6:00 Televised Worship 6:00 Jazzercise 6:30 Council	18 9:00 Senior Christians at Perkins	19 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	20 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	21	22
23 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school, Fellowship hour 10:15 Election & Budget Meeting	24 6:00 Televised Worship 6:00 Jazzercise	25	26 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	27 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	28	29
30 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school, Fellowship hour Snow date for Election & Budget Meeting	31 6:00 Televised Worship 6:00 Jazzercise					

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BLIZZARD	ICE	SLEDDING
BOOTS	JACKET	SNOWFLAKE
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COLD	PLOW	SWEATER
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WINTER WORD SEARCH

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WORDS TO FIND:

BLIZZARD	BOOTS	CHILLY
COLD	FIREPLACE	FROSTY
FROZEN	GIVING	GLOVES
HAT	HOLIDAYS	HOTCHOCOLATE
ICE	ICESKATE	ICICLE
MITTENS	PINETREE	SCARF
SNOW	SNOWBALL	SNOWFLAKE
SNOWMAN	SNOWSUIT	WIND
WINTER		