

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Faith Matters

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WORSHIP TIMES

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

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Give Us Feedback!

We had a very productive Council meeting recently and we are going to need some feedback from you. People have said they would like me to teach a Bible Study, and I have selected the "Crossways" curriculum. It is well-regarded and students learn a lot about the Bible. The classes would be every week. The question now is "when should I teach it?"

I have a feeling that the weekends would not be a successful time to have it. On Wednesdays and Sundays after worship is not a good time because we already have fellowship and teaching events then. Monday nights are full, twice a month, with board and council meetings.

As I sort it out, we could have it: Monday afternoon, Tuesday AM, PM or evening, Wednesday AM or PM, and Thursday AM, PM or evening. I am also willing to schedule it at noontime to accommodate people who can get off from work for the hour-long class. A daytime class would probably appeal to our retired members, an evening class to our working members. And if there is enough interest from both groups, I'd be happy to teach 2 classes.

So let me know if you want the class and when you'd want it. Just tell me in the handshake line.

The other thing I need some feedback on is this, a pastor gave me advice at the ELCA Conference meeting. She had her congregation offer nursery care for the littlest children during worship. And many families with small children came to worship. She offered it just once per month, only for children younger than school age, but the parents really appreciated it. It got a good response.

I hasten to add right now, that I do not mind children in worship. I do not even mind screaming children in worship. I am glad to have them with us. And, between "sin, death, and the devil" we have more important things to worry about than loud children. But that fussy child is not in my arms or on my lap. I can sure see that a parent might have a more prayerful and worshipful experience if the kid was happily playing in the nursery.

There would be some set-up. We would do background checks on anybody approved for the nursery, do training for "safe places," create adult supervision for the program. So it will not happen right away. But I need feedback to know whether parents are interested. I'm thinking we would also start with once per month (the first Sunday of the month) and see if people would use it. If you are interested, just tell me in the handshake line (or call the church and leave a message).

We also talked about plans for a new photo directory, a new shed, resurfacing the parking lot, and Don Johnson's memorial gift in honor of Delores, which we will show you soon.

Pray for us and give us your feedback! Pastor Dan



Thank you to Ginny
Schwoerer for the
beautiful decorated
cake served on
Mother's Day during
fellowship hour.
Thank you for sharing
your talent.

A tombstone jack has been purchased in memory of Dennis Evenson by Marlene and family. This jack will aid in straightening fallen or tipped gravestones at Faith's cemeteries.



Thank you to the Sunday School Students and teachers for organizing the noisy offerings that were collected for Faith Lutheran Church pantry. Also thank you for the generous donations from our congregation. \$785.18 was collected! This is a great help for the families that use our Food Pantry. When we all share a little, it is easy to share God's blessings.

Sincerely,
Faith Lutheran Church
Pantry and Endowment
Committee.

All high school seniors and families are invited to:

THE VALDERS AREA
BACCALAUREATE SERVICE
at Faith

Sunday, June 4 at 12:30 p.m.

Together we will ask for guidance and blessings for our graduates. **Graduates need to be dressed in their cap and gown and in the Gathering Space by 12:15 P.M.**

June Stewardship—Quilts

Valders Faithful Quilters, an ecumenical group, work in the Fellowship Hall Thursday mornings from 8:00AM until 11:30AM. The ladies rip, trim, iron, sew pieces together, pin sides together, sew around and tie with yarn to complete the quilts. You do not need any sewing abilities to help. If you have any questions or would like to participate, please contact Cheryl Domrath, Marlene Evenson or Kayleen Halderson. Any help is appreciated.

Materials needed: large pieces of new or good used fabric, except fiberglass. Old bed sheets for fillers. **Clean material only please.** Thread for machine sewing, white polyester (Wal-Mart works best). Bright colored yarn.

Donated material should be clearly marked **Quilting** and left downstairs under the coat rack.

Senior Christians will meet Tuesday, June 20 at 9:00 am at the Fork and Knife.



Hey kids ~ check out the new playground equipment outside the fellowship hall. Thanks to Pastor Onkka's family for remembering Faith and for the donation to make this possible!

Nerf and Nachos—Stole Making

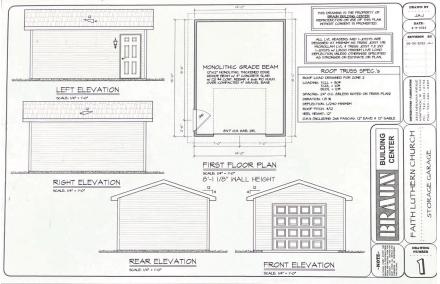
Kids Night Out



Finances

Income - April 2023		Budget	Y	TD Actual	Y'	TD Budget
Envelope Offerings	\$ 30,651.00					
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 2,637.49					
General Fund Income	\$ 33,288.49	\$ 25,883.00	\$	101,324.09	\$	103,532.04
Dedicated Income	\$ 6,416.18		\$	9,113.18		
Total Income	\$ 39,704.67		\$	110,437.27		
Operating Expenses - April 2023						
Benevolence	\$ 2,653.05					
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 3,400.08					
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 18,734.16					
General Fund Expense	\$ 24,787.29	\$ 27,954.66	\$	106,738.49	\$	111,372.56
Dedicated Expense	\$ 7,176.18		\$	8,057.18		
Total Expenses	\$ 31,963.47		\$	114,795.67		

Year to Date General Fund Net Income: \$(5,414.40)



Above is a drawing of the new storage building which Faith Lutheran is purchasing. This building will be replacing the existing small shed on the lower level of the property and will be able to store the lawn mower and snow blower, etc. with room to spare. An approximate cost with building materials, cement and electrical is \$9,000.00. Donations are being accepted and can be brought to the church office or placed in the white envelope in the pews marked "Storage Building" and placed in the offering plate.



Rubber mulch is needed under the new playground equipment. Estimated cost is \$3,500.00. The rubber mulch will provide a softer landing, reduce wood slivers and eliminate the need for lawn cutting under the equipment.

Donations are being accepted and can be brought to the church office or placed in the white envelope in the pews marked "Playground Mulch" and placed in the offering plate.

Liturgical Roles - Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

BaptismBrady Louis Glaeser

Membership

Baptized	812
Confirmed	595
Famillies	111

Worship Attendance

	Sunday	Wednesday
4/16	91	34
4/23	108	45
4/30	105	52
5/7	117	95
5/14	161	35

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

June	.Marlene Evenson,	, Chair	(Committee	#1)
July	Bev Torrison,	Chair	(Committee	#2)

Lectors

6/4	Judy Harris
6/7	Larry Burzynski
6/11	Bob Wigen
6/14	Don Schreiner
6/18	Don Domrath
6/21	Dennis Luckow
6/25	Brian Ulness
6/28	Susan Christel

Communion Servers

6/4	Judy Harris
6/14	Don Schreiner
6/18	Cheryl Domrath
6/28	Susan Christel

Projection

6/4	Addison Spindler
6/7	Susan Christel
6/11	DJ Schisel
6/14	Kerry Schnell
6/18	Erin Lenzner
6/21	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/25	Whitney Ulness
6/28	Kayla Hildebrandt

Acolyte Schedule

6/4	Landen Pinkerton
6/11	Tristan Teuke
6/18	Gage Spindler
6/25	Mollie Junk

Head Usher - Scott Reinertson

Greeters

6/4	Earl and Barb Griffin
6/7	Don and Nancy Christiansor
6/11	Julie Hartman
6/14	Don Schreiner
6/18	Wayne Huske
6/21	Dennis and Cathy Luckow
6/25	Ron and Jo Jones
6/28	Mary Evenson
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Ushers

6/4	Austin McCulley, Stetson McCulley, Joan Pritzl
6/11	Al Gilbertson and John Robley
6/18	Thomas and Kathy Muench and Jim Ahrens
6/25	Ron and Kave Jandrev

Sound Operator

6/4	Lucas Spindler
6/7	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/11	Loren Ulness
6/14	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/18	Erin Lenzner
6/21	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/25	Garrett Ulness
6/28	Kayla Hildebrandt

Video Operator/Live Stream

6/4	Eric Thomsen
6/7	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/11	Travis Schisel
6/14	John Schnell
6/18	Mike Lenzner
6/21	Kayla Hildebrandt
6/25	Carter Lenzner
6/28	Kayla Hildebrandt

Faith Lutheran is now allowing post COVID passing of the peace, but please respect those who are being cautious and still social distancing.

LWR SHOPPING LIST FOR THE YEAR

January—Baby Care Kits

2 long or short sleeved gowns or sleepers (no feet)

- 1 receiving blanket
- 1 jacket, sweater, sweatshirt with/without hood
- 2 pair of socks
- 1 hand towel—dark color
- 2 bath size bars of gentle soap (5 oz.)
- 4 double fold cloth diapers
- 2 diaper pins
- 2 light weight cotton T-shirts (if onesies, Terry cuts off the bottom)

Clothing size: 6-24 months. New or gently used, no stains.

February—Fabric Kits

2 pieces of cotton fabric (no knit or polyester)

- 2 1/4 yards of 60" wide fabric (4 1/2 yards total) or
- 3 yards of 44" wide fabric (6 yards total) or
- 4 yards of 36" wide fabric (8 yards total)
- 2 spools of matching or neutral colored thread (250-300 yards each)

April—Baptism Quilts

1 1/2 yards of baby appropriate cotton material for top and bottom (can also use baby flannel)

1 1/2 yards of batting (cotton or low loft)

Can also use a crib size 45x60" in a bag

May—Personal Care Kits

1 medium weight bath towel (dark color)

- 2 bath size bar soap, 5 oz. in original wrapping
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 metal nail clipper
- 1 adult size single toothbrush in original package

June—Large Quilts made by Faith's Quilters

Large pieces of new or good used fabric (no fiberglass)

Old bed sheets for fillers (clean)

White polyester sewing thread (Wal-mart works best)

August—School Kits

- (4) 70 sheet notebooks, wide or college ruled, 8 x 10 1/2" (no loose leaf)
- (1) 30 cm ruler or ruler with cm on one side inches on the other
- (1) pencil sharpener
- (5) unsharpened #2 pencils (no mechanical)
- (1) box of 24 crayons
- (5) black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel or click pens)
- (1) blunt scissors (no pointed)
- (1) 2 1/2" eraser (no smaller than 2 1/2")

September—Soap Sunday and Wednesday

4th Sunday and Wednesday: September 25 & 28 2022 New bars or gentle soap (Dove or Ivory) Place in containers in Gathering Space

October—In Courage

GENERAL ITEMS: dishwasher detergent, dish detergent, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, cleaning supplies, disinfecting wipes, bleach, mops, brooms, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, kitchen utensils, silverware, food storage containers, freezer bags, kitchen towels, dish cloths, bath towels, wash cloths, pillows, pillow cases, twin & full vinyl mattress covers, alarm clocks, laundry baskets, baby monitors, AA & AAA batteries, full size sheet sets.

NEW CLOTHING FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN: socks, underwear, sweatshirts, sweatpants, t-shirts in all sizes, mittens/gloves, hats & scarves. Clothing must have tags on them or gift receipts attached.

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS: infant, child & adult cold, flu & allergy medicine, cough drops, lip balm, feminine products, lotion, face wash/body wash, baby bottles, sippy cups, bottle brushes, teething toys, diapers & pull-ups (size 2, 4, 5 & 6), wipes, diaper rash cream, combs, brushes, hair dryers.

FOOD: non-perishable food items.

GIFT CARDS: gas, groceries, local stores, movie rentals, calling cards. Any gift cards or cash can be left in the church office for pick up.

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LWR Kits continued

November—Manitowoc Health Care & Rehab Center ** ALL CLOTHING MUST BE NEW **

Jewelry

Ladies cologne, lotion, body spray

Men's cologne/aftershave/body spray

Nail polish (light shades) and remover

Lipstick and blush

Sweatshirts and Sweatpants (L, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Under T-shirts for men and women (L, XL, XXL)

Pajamas and Lounge pants (L, XL, XXL)

Robes (L, XL, XXL)

Cardigan sweaters (L, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Profession Teams Sportswear (L, XL, XXL)

Slipper Sox with grips on bottom (L, XL)

Body pillows and Fleece blankets

DVD musicals, Lawrence Welk, family movies,

relaxation

CD's (old time music, polka's sing-a-long)

CD players

Alarm clock radios (large numbers)

Music boxes

Wall calendars

Razors for men or women

Postage stamps (Forever stamps)

Assorted greeting cards, stationary and pens

Large print word search/puzzle books

Individual snacks (chips, cookies, crackers, diet pudding)

Soda (diet or regular)

Crayola markers, crayons, color pencils, water color paints, paper, adult coloring books

iTunes gift cards

Gift Certificates from Wal-Mart, Game Stop, Salon 1325, MHRC's Café and Gift Shop.

December—Sharing Tree

Gift tags are hung on a Sharing Tree on the counter in the Gathering Space during November for needy families. A suggested dollar amount to spend is \$20.00. Gifts are to be returned to the Gathering Space with gift tags attached and gifts left unwrapped. Any gift cards can be left in the church office to be picked up.

Any monetary donations for the stewardship items can be left in the church office. Items can be placed in the Stewardship Cabinet across from the church office. Please clearly mark them. Look for items at rummage or estate sales, etc. You might even have some items lying around the house that you are not currently using. Thank you—Terry Haupt



The following confirmed their faith on Sunday, May 21:

Peter Cigler

Dominic Hernandez

Makenna Kaderabek

Donald Schisel

Addison Spindler

Whitney Ulness

Carter Valleskey

May God's loving arms surround you on your Faith journey. Congratulations!

Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—April 17, 2023

Old Business: Playground equipment is penciled in for the 4th week of May. Mark and Erin looked over the property to determine where it will be built. Synod Assembly delegates needed for May 20th at First English Lutheran Church in Appleton, from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm. Two voting delegates are allowed from Faith Lutheran. A motion was made and carried to approve Joan Pritzl as a delegate for the 2023 East Central WI Synod Assembly. Funeral policy - Bill voiced concern about a lack of understanding of Faith's current funeral policy. We have a policy that the casket is placed in the sanctuary in front of the altar & family members form a line in the sanctuary along the pews. Bill suggested a letter be sent to all funeral directors explaining our policy. This policy came about to encourage a better flow for visitors and prevent the need to move furniture out of the Gathering Space.

New Business: Valders School has requested having a bin or 2 of items be stored here in the event of an emergency that requires students be sent here. Contents would mainly be forms that would be needed in an emergency situation. A motion was made and carried to allow Valders Public School system to store one or two bins of supplies needed during an emergency evacuation at Faith Lutheran.

<u>Stewardship</u> – Joan reported in Stephanie's absence that Stewardship noticed an error during their April meeting on the March financial statements. An amount equal to the Youth Coordinator expense each month needs to be recorded as income. This income is the transfer out of the \$100,000 fund restricted for the Youth Coordinator position. Since this fund was set aside for the Youth Coordinator position, the expense for this position was not included in the 2023 budget. Recording income equal to funds transferred out of the Youth Coordinator Restricted Fund to pay staff will eliminate a negative effect to the bottom line in the 2023 financial statements.

<u>Evangelism</u> – Julie Hartman: Developing a system for new members to be introduced at church services, possibly having their pictures on our website & provide new members with Time & Talent sheets to encourage involvement.

<u>Fellowship</u> – *Marilyn Robley:* Marilyn thanked everyone involved with putting on the Easter breakfast. It was well done. Soup & sandwich – Faith received a \$250 gift card from Thrivent for supplies. Since supplies were sometimes donated by our hosts, there is \$89.81 left on the gift card to purchase items to be donated to homeless shelters, including The Haven and Hope House. Items suggested were breakfast items.

<u>Property</u> – *Mark Zutz:* Plans for new storage building have been drawn up. We received the bill for snow plowing for the 22/23 season, and it was \$2,500.

<u>Christian Education</u> – Larry and Bridget: Noisy offering goal is \$600, currently about 2/3rds of the way there. Confirmation is May 21st. Faith Statements due this week. Kayla Hildebrandt will take pictures on Confirmation. VBS Last Day Celebration will have a carnival theme. Bridget has secured 2 food trucks, Valders Fire Dept. bringing 2 fire trucks, face painting by Lori Christel & a bounce house to add to festivities. Bridget met with Bailey Goehring, Emmy Hastreiter, and Kiara Krogh to brainstorm for high school youth program. They are very interested and have ideas, but want to also talk with our youth, and need a dedicated space for youth to meet. Bridget reported that she has completed her required training.

<u>Youth and Family Ministry</u> – *Gretchen Spindler:* Easter breakfast was well attended. Camp Sunday on April 30 with a representative from camp attending church and Sunday School. Brewer's game open to all members on May 27th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next Meeting: May 15, 2023.

Recorded by Joan Pritzl

Celebrating Your Birthday!

JUNE

- 1. James Schuessler
- 2. Kevin Madson Baylor Fochs
- 3. Glenn Otto Don Domrath
- 4. John Thompson Stacy Wilker Logan Bratt
- 5. John Polifka Audrey Sorenson Camden Duchow
- 6. Virginia Meyer Donald Tienor Rebecca Schultz Shawnae Galien
- 7. Andrew Schnell
- 9. Conrad Evenson Wanda Neumeyer Dylan Conrad Kyle Conrad
- Jill Franz
 Mikaela Spindler
 Mary Siewert
- 11. Linda Heeler Christine Olson Nolan Peterson
- 12. Doug Meyer
- 13. Caroline Bratt
- 14. Rose Behnke

16. Megan Valleskey Dustin Eisenschink Jr.

- 17. Kyle Christianson Jasmine Koehler Gabriella Platten Tina Wenzel
- 18. Bradley Fahley Callie Olson Bryce Madson
- 20. Elijah Platten
- 21. Mathew Krogh Deborah Goehring
- 22. Julie Wigen
- 23. Debby Otto
- 24. Ronald Zutz
- 25. Peytyn Peterson
- 26. Tiana Schisel



JULY

- 1. Nancy Saueressig Tiffany Jandrey
- 2. Gloria Smith
- 3. Ruth Torrison
 Mary Thomsen
 Emily Schwoerer
- 4. Rand Harris
 Gloria Scharenbroch
 Rylee Endries
- 5. Barbara Griffin Anders Sorenson Jeffrey Ahrens Lauren Halverson
- 6. Mark McCulley Makenzie Simon
- 7. Dorene Schneider Mark Zutz Addyson Johnson Ashley Reinertson Madalyn Larson Mckenzie Ott
- 8. Sharon Naidl Lee A. Evenson Tammy Karstaedt Michelle Schwoerer
- 10. Taylor Wittmus Katherine Thomsen



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Baccalaureate WORSHIP SERVICE	Great			1 8:00 Quilting 5:30 Jazzercise	2	3
9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship Hour 12:30 Baccalaureate Service	5:30 Jazzercise 6:00 Boards of Lay Ministry and Evangelism	6	7 6:15 Worship 7:00 Boards of Christian Education and Youth & Family	8 8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting 5:30 Jazzercise	9	10
9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour	12 5:30 Jazzercise	13	5:00 Board of Stewardship 6:15 Worship with Holy Communion	15 8:00 Quilting Newsletter info due 5:30 Jazzercise	16	9:00 Open Pantry
18 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship Hour HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	19 12:30-4:00 Vacation Bible School 5:30 Jazzercise 6:30 Council	9:00 Senior Christians at Fork and Knife 12:30-4:00 Vacation Bible School	21 12:30-4:00 Vacation Bible School 6:15 Worship	8:00 Quilting 12:30-4:00 Vacation Bible School 5:30 Jazzercise	5:00-8:00 VBS Outdoor Carnival	24
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Ephesians 2:8

When
you're
tempted to
lose
patience
with
someone,
think how
patient
God has
been with
you all the
time.

We're all works in progress.
So let's extend grace to each other.

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