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WORSHIP TIMES

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

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Living Out Our Mission

Sharing God's Word, Showing God's Love, Serving God's World

When Jesus ascended to heaven he left his followers with a mission, "Go make disciples... Be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea and to the ends of the earth." What they did next is recorded in Acts 1:14. They went back and "They all joined together constantly in prayer..." They prayed that God would empower them through the promised Holy Spirit to speak his Word and move people to faith by that same Spirit.

It is the work of the Holy Spirit to touch hearts. Our work is to share God's Word and to show God's love. But the foundation of that mission is prayer. My prayer is: "God water the seed of your Word with your Holy Spirit so that it may grow in people's hearts and lives. Lord, may it begin with me: empower my witness and my love for all."

As Luther put it in the Small Catechism, "I believe that I cannot by my own understanding, or effort, believe in Jesus Christ my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and sanctified and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it united with Jesus Christ in the one true faith." God waters the Word with his Spirit that it may grow in our hearts.

Sunday, May 23rd we remember and celebrate Pentecost. Pentecost is sometimes called the birth of the church. After being in prayer for ten days God poured out his Holy Spirit upon the disciples. They became *Apostles*—which means "sent-ones". Jesus handed his mission of gathering people into God's kingdom to these new Apostles. 2,000 years later we have become a part of that on going call to discipleship, to gathering people into God's kingdom so that they may know the depths of God's love for them in Jesus Christ, God's Son. Lord, use us to carry out that mission.

We do that through ministries like Sunday school, VBS, confirmation, worship, quilting, Bible studies, sending our youth to camp, the food pantry, and supporting other ministries that also share God's Word, show God's love, and serve God's world.

The foundation is faith in Christ, and like those first followers, praying for God to use us to touch lives with the Gospel and love of Christ.

Serving Christ better together, Pastor Jim

In the Life of Faith

First Communion will be celebrated with our fourth grade students and families on Sunday, May 2 at the 9:00 am service.

Join us on Mother's Day, May 9 at worship as our Sunday School students will be raising their voices in song.

Drive through Communion distributed by Pastor Wilson is being offered on Sunday, May 16th, from 10:15 AM to 11:15 AM under the main entrance canopy of FLC. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity.

Now through May 16, Sunday School students are collecting their spare change and any extra change you might have lying around. Imago Dei Village, the camp our Sunday School students and Confirmation students have the opportunity to attend, is in need of 1 ½ inch binders and life jackets. Each Sunday a "Noisy Offering" will be collected by some of our Sunday School students. We hope to raise enough money to buy camp at least 25 binders and some life jackets too. Please help our Sunday School students give to the camp they will all attend one day!!!

Two pianos are available to a good home after being retired from many years of faithful service at Faith Lutheran Church. If interested and for more information, please contact the church office at 920-775-4141 to make arrangements for removal of these FREE items.

Dear Families,

Send your kids on a mountaintop adventure! At Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School at Faith Lutheran Church in Valders, kids discover Jesus' power can pull them through life's ups and downs. Rocky Railway VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch and even taste! Scency-Fun Gizmos, team-building games, cool Bible songs and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and safe shoes. Your kids will also participate in a hands-on mission project that will let the children in our community show God's mighty love to those in need around us.

So mark your calendar: **Monday, June 21st through Friday, June 25th**. The fun starts at 12:30 p.m. and will end at 4:00 p.m. each day. On Friday, students will participate in a field trip to see real-life trains at the National Railroad Museum in Green Bay.

For those children attending Summer School in Valders, a bus will be available from Valders Elementary School to Faith Lutheran Church each day. Please check the appropriate box if your child will take the bus from Valders Elementary to VBS. Each family will need to arrange for transportation to pick up their children at the end of each day. Children entering 4K through 6th grade of all denominations are welcome to attend.

The cost for the week is \$10.00 per child (maximum of \$20 per family). The cost of the field trip on Friday is paid for by Faith Lutheran Church's Outreach Ministry fund. Scholarships for VBS are available; please call with questions. Registration by **May 31st** is appreciated so enough food and supplies can be ordered. To register, please complete the registration form below. Mail or drop off the form and fee at: Faith Lutheran Church, 255 Roosevelt Street, PO Box 369 Valders, WI 54245. If you have questions, call Chloe Cigler at 775-4417.



Vacation Bible School Registration Form (complete one form per child)

Child's Name: _____ Child's Gender: _____

Child's Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ School grade completed in 2020-21: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Home Church: _____

Allergies or medical conditions: _____

Food Allergies: _____

In case of emergency during VBS, contact: _____

Phone: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Do we have permission to use your child's picture in publicity photos? YES NO (circle one)

Will your child attend the field trip to the National Railroad Museum on Friday, June 25?

YES NO (circle one) If so, we will arrive back at FLC at 5:00 p.m. that Friday.

Please check one:

My child is attending Summer School at Valders and WILL ride the bus from Valders Elementary School to Faith Lutheran Church. I will make sure they have transportation home at 4:00.

I will make my own arrangements for transportation of my child to and from Faith Lutheran Church.

Finances

Income - March 2021

		<i>Budget</i>	<i>YTD Actual</i>	<i>YTD Budget</i>
Envelope Offerings	\$ 18,424.00			
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 2,933.00			
General Fund Income	\$ 21,357.00	\$ 25,816.83	\$ 63,513.19	\$ 77,450.52
Dedicated Income	\$ 886.00		\$ 2,171.00	
Total Income	\$ 22,243.00		\$ 65,684.19	

Operating Expenses - March 2021

Benevolence	\$ 1,649.59			
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 5,275.09			
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 13,840.25			
General Fund Expense	\$ 20,764.93	\$ 25,485.48	\$ 68,214.69	\$ 80,351.43
Dedicated Expense	\$ 906.00		\$ 2,171.00	
Total Expenses	\$ 21,670.93		\$ 70,385.69	

Year to Date General Fund Net Income : \$4,701.50

Capital Appeal

02/28/21	BANK FIRST LOAN BALANCE			\$40,481.34	
Payment Amount			\$1,250.00		
Additional payment			\$1,530.00		
Total March Payment		\$2,658.47	Principle paid	121.530	Interest paid
03/31/21	BANK FIRST LOAN BALANCE			\$37,822.87	

Liturgical Roles ~ Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms..... Collins Karen Duchow,
 Marcus Thompson Loritz
 Funerals Larry Madson and Peter Robley

Membership

Baptized 799
 Confirmed..... 593
 Famillies 110

Worship Attendance

Sunday		Wednesday	
3/21	Worship— 72	Video— 54	59
3/28	Worship— 88	Video— 57	4/1 & 4/2 = 144
4/4	Worship— 194	Video— 147	n/a
4/11	Worship— 89	Video— 49	36

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

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

Lectors

5/2 Jenniffer Zutz
 5/5 Lorin Berge
 5/9 Ron Jones
 5/12 Susan Christel
 5/16 Brian Ulness
 5/19 Matt Berge
 5/23 Clarissa Ulness
 5/26 Kelly Meyer
 5/30 Tiffany Jandrey

Communion Servers

5/2 Jenniffer Zutz
 5/12 Susan Christel
 5/16 Brian Ulness

Acolyte Schedule

5/2 Whitney Ulness
 5/9 Addison Spindler
 5/9 Mollie Junk
 5/12 Addison Spindler
 5/16 Peter Cigler
 5/19 Lucas Spindler
 5/23 Makenna Kaderabek
 5/26 Peter Cigler
 5/30 Peter Cigler

Head Ushers

Matt Krogh and Paul Franz

Greeters

5/2 Brian and Mary Thomsen Family
 5/5 Lucas Spindler
 5/9 Ron and Jo Jones
 5/12 Lucas Spindler
 5/16 Bob and Julie Wigen
 5/19 Addison Spindler
 5/23 Pat Christianson
 5/26 DJ Schisel
 5/30 Delton and Cheryl Duchow

Ushers

5/2 Mitchell Zutz
 5/9 Jim Ahrens
 5/16 Wayne Huske
 5/23 Garrett Ulness
 5/30 Steve Ahrens

Sound Operator

5/2 Loren Ulness
 5/5 Hunter Spindler and Kai Meyer
 5/9 Kai Meyer
 5/12 Kayla Hildebrandt
 5/16 Terry Huske
 5/19 Kai Meyer
 5/23 Lyle Roehrig
 5/26 Kai Meyer
 5/30 Jackie Shimek

Video Operator/Live Stream

5/2 Travis Schisel
 5/5 Kai Meyer
 5/9 Carter Lenzner
 5/12 Kayla Hildebrandt
 5/16 Mike Lenzner
 5/19 Kai Meyer
 5/23 Eric Thomsen
 5/26 Travis Schisel
 5/30 Bill Riesterer

Projection

5/2 Hunter Spindler and Stefanie Kaderabek
 5/5 Hunter Spindler and Kai Meyer
 5/9 Kai Meyer
 5/12 Libby Olson
 5/16 Terry Huske
 5/19 Kai Meyer
 5/23 Lyle Roehrig
 5/26 Timber Schuler
 5/30 Judy Harris

Financial Report for the first 3 months of 2021

Each month I produce a financial report and present it to our Church Council. I have decided to also start posting this report on our church bulletin board. This report gives a summary of where we are financially at the end of each month. It also gives a comparison for the past two years.

There is also a summary of the Faith Lutheran Memorial Funds, the Capital Appeal Mortgage, the balance in the Hands on Mission Fund, the Luther League Fund and also a record of our attendance.

In February of this year we received a check from the Government for \$7,040. Last Spring we applied for the Government SSI loan through the Covid rescue plan. When we received this we returned it as we didn't need it at the time. For some reason the Government gave this back to us with interest more as a Grant instead of a loan. If you look at the Financial Report in the April Faith Matters this \$7,040 was included in our income. Our Stewardship Board has recommended to the Council that this sum be given to several organizations that were affected by Covid and not used for our own budget. Therefore you will notice that the Financial Report in this Faith Matters reflects a negative net income. This means that our offerings have been less than our expenses. Since we still have a positive amount in our checkbook all our bills have been paid.

If you have any question please contact me.

Don Domrath
Treasurer
ddomrath@comcast.net



Celebrate Recovery

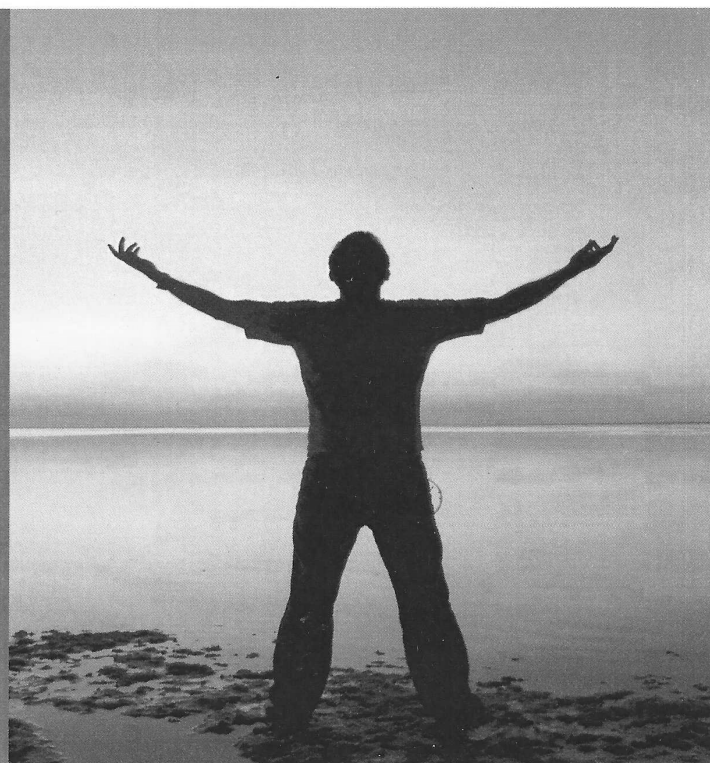
Celebrate Recovery

*healing from life's hurts, hang-ups,
and habits*

Monday nights at 6:30pm

meets at
Renew Church
1029 33rd St, Two Rivers, WI 54241
(carport entrance)

For more information:
(920) 374-3111
rccelebraterecovery@gmail.com
www.renewchurch.today



Celebrate Recovery® is a biblical program emphasizing personal responsibility that helps us overcome our hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Anonymity and confidentiality are basic requirements. What is shared in the group stays in the group. Please join us for a time of worship, teaching, and sharing. This is a time to celebrate God's healing power through the eight recovery principles that are based on the Beatitudes and twelve steps (biblical comparisons included).

Celebrate Recovery is a safe place for anyone who desires to learn how to grow through the hardships of life. Find the peace that comes with following Jesus and the sharing of testimonies through the Celebrate Recovery program.



Manitowoc County Location:

Renew Church
1029 33rd Street
Two Rivers, WI 54241
www.renewchurch.today

Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—March 15, 2021

Housekeeping Items Valderys Rummage Sale-Cemetery Association Brat Fry, May 7th. The Faith Cemetery Association will be offering a brat fry here on May 7th, serving all day from the little red barn built by the Lion's Club. Country Visions will help with freezer provision. Thank you to Valderys Journal-Judy will make sure a note of thanks is sent for the services they have provided during the past year.

OLD BUSINESS Starting in September, Kelly Meyer will be going to seminary; he is now in the process of registration. Most classes will be online but he will occasionally need to travel to Minneapolis. Endowment does have a Seminary Fund from which they can provide some financial help.

NEW BUSINESS

1. EID Loan is now a Grant. Last spring, because of Covid, we had applied for and received some aid money given to small businesses during the shut-down. One was a grant (PPP); we also applied for an EID loan of \$7000, which we subsequently paid back. During February this year, the government decided it was not necessary to pay it back, and so it was sent back to us. We discussed how best to use this unexpected money. Some suggestions were listed and handed out, for use either by donation or in various ways around church. In accordance with our mission statement, we are leaning toward donating it. A number of suggestions we made, among them (places helped by Hands on Mission): Hope House, the Haven (men's), the Crossing, Salvation Army, Core (drug abuse), In Courage, Crossways. It was decided that the council write down the suggestions and take them back to their boards to also get their input. We will talk about it again next month.
2. Camp Funding: Crossways- the camp is part of our Benevolence fund. There had been a 3-year pledge; further contact would be between Crossways and the individual donors who had pledged. Stacy Wilker had contacted Crossways, Don will ask her if she's heard anything in relation to this, and we'll come back to this next month.
3. Delegates to Synod Assembly (May 14, 15, 16). Registration is open for this meeting which will be done virtually. Those who attend also have a chance to elect members to go to the national convention. Ron has their agenda. Registration should be in, it is believed, by the end of April.

Stewardship – *Stephanie Mittnacht*. A reminder from Stephanie that toward the end of the 2nd quarter, we will need to discuss what we will do with our Capital Loan, since we are due in to sign again.

Lay Ministry – *Joyce Sorenson*. They will offer drive thru communion March 28th 10:15 -11:15. They need to find a home for 2 pianos. Services on Easter: 7:00 a.m. - sunrise service with cross unveiling, 9:00 a.m. - service.

Evangelism – *Julie Endries*. Post cards have again been made available for sending invitations to join us at Easter and/or in worship.

Fellowship – *Cheryl Domrath*. This Sunday (March 21st) is the first day of spring; cinnamon muffins will be given to Sunday School students in their classrooms and handed out, to go, at the end of service (without coffee).

Property – *Lyle Roehrig*. A wish list exists of things that we need to do, but that are not immediately imperative. On this wish list: Painting the sanctuary, it must be sprayed probably, costing around \$10,000? Light Fixtures in fellowship hall and classrooms. (Cost of heating & lighting is \$1000/month). There are some unneeded old computers and equipment in the library that Terry would like to get rid of; they would have to go to recycling and for that there is a fee. Lyle will not be doing the lawn this year, but he knows someone, currently working through Cemetery Association, who will do this lawn here and at West. To follow correct protocol, this will be brought to Personnel; Mike will recommend that he be hired. A question from Council to properties: can we hook our new system up with system for hearing impaired? Lyle will talk to Kelly. Properties has April 10th for clean-up (alt. date 17th) from 9:00-noon.

Christian Education – *Anderia Frank*. They've planned a trip the Railroad museum. A noisy offering will be done to raise money for camp.

Adjourn

Having completed all business, a motion was made and the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:42 pm.

Next meeting on April 19, 2021 at 6:30. Devotions by Stephanie.

Judy Harris,
Secretary

Celebrating Your Birthday!

MAY

- Joan Pritzl
Emma Karstaedt
- Terra Peterson
Austin McCulley
Donald Schisel
Nicole Spindler
- Kim Tan
Stacy Olm
Eric Haupt
Walker Ulness
Dominic Hernandez
- Lorraine Stenzel
Lori Bruckner
Rachel Robley
- Brenda Johnson
Jared Petska
Benjamin Kalies
- Lexie Evenson
Peter Scharenbroch
- Richard Schaeuble
- Daniel Esser
Timothy Brick
- Mardell Huske
Marilyn Robley
Robert Voss
- Erik Gordon
- Leonard Reinertson
David Linzmeier
- Pam Brick
Brenda Olson
Wylder Fochs
Pastor Jim Wilson
- Jennifer Junk
Sandy Halverson
- Vicki Wetenkamp
Ellen Polifka
Jennifer Ott
Michael Wenzel
- Bertha Kulnick
Romelle Rusch
James Pederson
Thomas Rutherford
Joshua Olson
Patrick Mulhaney
- Ty Lippert
- Everett Galien
Ted Torrison
- Doris Olson
- Kenneth O'Leary
Aliza Sabourin
Judy Valleskey
- Scott Reinertson
- Thomas Behnke
Jill Wittmus
Noah Boll

JUNE

- James Schuessler
- Kevin Madson
- Glenn Otto
Don Domrath
- John Thompson
Stacy Wilker
Logan Bratt
- John Polifka
Audrey Sorenson
Camden Duchow
- Virginia Meyer
Donald Tienor
Rebecca Schultz
Shawnae Galien
Cade Staudinger
- Amy Johnson
Andrew Schnell
- Conrad Evenson
Wanda Neumeyer
Dylan Conrad
Kyle Conrad
- Jill Franz
Mikaela Spindler
- Ashlin Hill
- Bryant Schwoerer
- Tim Endries
- Rita Holst
Brian Olson
Isaac Boll
Kristina Sousek
- Bev Hildebrandt
Lucille Rutherford
Matthew Sorenson
John Schnell
Carter Valleskey
- Trevor McCulley
Ashley Pivonka
Daniel Whitehouse
Gracie Irion





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 9:00 Worship with First Communion 10:00 Sunday School 	3 5:00 Board of Lay Ministry 6:00 Jazzercise 6:00 Televised Worship	4 6:00 Board of Evangelism	5 5:00 Hands on Mission 6:15 Worship 7:15 Confirmation	6 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise National Day of Prayer 	7	8
9 8:00 Boards of Christian Ed and Youth 9:00 Worship S. S. sings 10:00 Sunday School 	10 6:00 Jazzercise 6:00 Televised Worship	11	12 5:00 Board of Stewardship 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 <i>Newsletter info due</i>
16 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday School (last) 	17 6:00 Jazzercise 6:00 Televised Worship 6:30 Council	18	19 6:15 Worship	20 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	21	22
23 9:00 Worship 	24 6:00 Jazzercise 6:00 Televised Worship	25	26 6:15 Worship	27 8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	28	29
30 9:00 Worship 	31 <i>Office Closed</i> 6:00 Jazzercise 6:00 Televised Worship 	<div style="border: 1px solid orange; padding: 5px;"> Faith's Baccalaureate Service will be June 6 at 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. </div>			Vacation Bible School is coming June 21-25. Times are 12:30-4:00. JOIN THE FUN! 	

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They solved the mystery and escaped What the Lock!



After learning about Palm Sunday, or Passion Sunday, our Sunday School kids made cards to share with the people at the Manitowoc Health Care Center.