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Thankful Remembrance

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you" (Philippians 1:3,4).

November is the month we celebrate Thanksgiving. But it is also the month that begins with All Saints Day. Paul is writing to a church that welcomed his ministry and supported him through the challenging times, even when he was in prison.

The church and its ministry is a relay race. As a pastor I hand the baton on to the next pastor who will continue the mission and ministry. In a sense, the life of humanity is a relay race, one generation passing the baton on to the next. But it's more than that. It is each generation training up the next generation for their leg of the race. There is an African proverb: If we stand tall it is because we stand on the shoulders of many ancestors.

As we remember those who have passed on to glory, may we do it reflecting with gratitude upon all that they gave to our lives. Realistically, it wasn't without mistakes or flaws. But it was mostly with best of intentions and love.

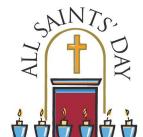
We also have much to be thankful for in this country. Again, it's not without mistakes and flaws. Each generation seeks to mend some of those flaws. May we seek God's wisdom, help and guidance as we do that. But this country has a form of government that allows each generation to do that. Thanks be to God.

In a world still ruled by kings, President George Washington's decision to *not* seek a third term clearly signaled that the United States would be governed by the people, not any ruler-for-life. Washington's Farewell Address—really an open letter to the American people— appeared in newspapers in 1796. The president reminded his fellow citizens that national strength rests on the pillars of private morality, especially religion. The word he used to describe these twin pillars of American democracy is not *desirable* or *helpful*; it was *indispensable*.

"Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are *indispensable* supports... And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion."

We have much to be thankful for, especially those who have gone on before us and handed their baton to us. We stand on the shoulders of the generations before us

Serving Christ better together, Pastor Jim Wilson



We welcome to God's table through Holy Communion our 4th graders and a 5th grader Sunday, November 7 at 9:00 a.m. Senior Christians will meet Tuesday, November 16 at 9:00 a.m. at Whispering Orchards.



Faith Lutheran Church is again sponsoring the "Sharing Tree" and as last year, this giving opportunity will be a Fall project. The tree is located in the Gathering Space. On the tree are tags that represent gift items for two families. A spending suggestion for each tag is \$20.00. All gifts need to be returned to church unwrapped no later than Tuesday, November 23rd. Your support in the past has been tremendous. I am confident these families will see God's love made real through your generosity. Any questions can be directed to Julie Endries at 920–973–9881.



Round 'Em Up for Jesus Event



Finances

Income - September 2021		Budget	Y	TD Actual	Y	TD Budget
Envelope Offerings	\$ 20,188.00					
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 580.05					
General Fund Income	\$ 20,768.05	\$ 25,816.83	\$	215,319.54	\$	232,351.56
Dedicated Income	\$ 430.00		\$	19,835.66		
Total Income	\$ 21,198.05		\$	235,155.20		
Operating Expenses - September 2021						
Benevolence	\$ 1,891.28					
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 7,821.61					
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 12,857.00					
General Fund Expense	\$ 22,569.89	\$ 25,485.48	\$	203,762.20	\$	241,054.29
Dedicated Expense	\$ 430.00		\$	19,738.69		
Total Expenses	\$ 22,999.89		\$	223,500.89		

Year to Date General Fund Net Income: \$11,557.34

Capital Appeal					
08/01/21	BANK FIRST NATIONAL LOAN BALANCE			\$14,779.05	
Payment Amount			\$1,250.00		
Additional payment			\$1,480.00		
Total September		\$2,682.68	Principle	47.32	Interest paid
09/30/21	BANK FIRST NATIONAL LOAN BALANCE			\$12,096.37	



Veterans Day has its roots in what was called Armistice Day, when a peace agreement ended World War I on November 11, 1918. President Wilson proclaimed that Armistice Day was to be marked with solemn pride in heroism and with gratitude for victory as well as the "opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice." In 1954, the remembrance was renamed Veterans Day to honor all U.S. military personnel. It's a reminder to pray for and honor all who serve and sacrifice, to support and assist their families, and to pray that God will bring peace on earth.

Liturgical Roles - Worship Responsibilities

Pastoral Acts

MarriageElyssa Amweg and Brad Gutschow

Membership

Baptized	. 804
Confirmed	. 592
Famillies	. 110

Worship Attendance

	Sunday		Wednesday
9/19	Worship— 146	Video— 78	37
9/26	Worship— 88	Video— 42	42
10/3	Worship— 76	Video— 79	37
10/10	Worship— 96	Video— 82	59

Altar Guild Servers

Communion:

November ... Marlene Evenson, Chair (Committee #1)
December.....Bev Torrison, Chair (Committee #2)

Lectors

11/3	Cheryl Duchow
11/7	Kaye Jandrey
11/10	Kelly Meyer
11/14	Clarissa Ulness
11/17	Susan Christel
11/21	Judy Harris
11/23	Carol Ulness
11/28	Stefanie Kaderabek
12/1	Julie Endries



Communion Servers

11/7	Kaye Jandrey
11/17	Susan Christel
11/21	Judy Harris
12/1	Julie Endries

Acolyte Schedule

11/3	D.J. Schisel
11/7	Lucas Spindler
11/10	D.J. Schisel
11/14	Whitney Ulness
11/17	Peter Cigler
11/21	Mollie Junk
11/23	Tristan Teuke
11/28	Lucas Spindler
12/1	Peter Cigler



Head Usher Scott Reinertson

Greeters

11/3	Carter Valleskey
11/7	Luke Evenson
11/10	Carter Valleskey
11/14	Wayne Huske
11/17	Carter Valleskey
11/21	Keith and Audrey Lippert
11/23	Ron and Kaye Jandrey
11/28	Tom and Rae Madson
12/1	D.J. Schisel

Ushers

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11/7	Dennis and Bonnie Gordon
11/14	Dean and Rose Behnke Family
11/21	Tom and Kathy Muench
11/23	Wayne Huske
11/28	Jim Ahrens and Keith Lippert

Sound Operator

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11/7	Addison Spindler
11/10	Kayla Hildebrandt
11/14	Bill Riesterer
11/17	Kai Meyer
11/21	Erin Lenzner
11/23	Terry Huske
11/28	Gage Spindler and Loren Ulness
12/1	Kayla Hildebrandt

Video Operator/Live Stream

11/7	Carter Lenzner
11/10	Hunter Spindler and Kayla Hildebrandt
11/14	Hunter Spindler and Bill Riesterer
11/17	Kai Meyer
11/21	Jake Kaderabek
11/23	Kayla Hildebrandt
11/28	Hunter Spindler and Mike Lenzner
12/1	Travis Schisel

Projection

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Luke Evenson						
Hunter Spindler						
Libby Olson						
Carter Lenzner						
Timber Schuler						
Luke Evenson						
Terry Huske						
Makenna Kaderabek						
D.J. Schisel						



Shipping quilts and kits to Lutheran World Relief. We shipped: 24 school kits, 5 sewing kits, 11 personal care kits, 17 baby kits and 34 lbs. of soap to Fort McCoy. Faith's Faithful Quilters shipped 63 boxes of quilts to those in need. Thanks to everyone who helped donate and put together these items!

Our backpacks are blessed for another year of school!



Some of our 4K, 3rd and 7th graders received their new Bibles recently. Congratulations!



Confirmation Classes with mentors has begun.



Manitowoc Health Care and Rehabilitation Center Wish List

It's that time of year again when the Elves are preparing for the holiday season at the Manitowoc Health Care Center. Below is a list of suggested gifts that may be purchased to help out the residents. Please have all items back to the stewardship cabinet or basket in the Gathering Space by Sunday, November 28. Leave all gifts unwrapped. Thank you!

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)

All clothing must be new.

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, puzzles

iTunes gift cards

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

Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—September 20, 2021

Guest Discussion Topic

Update on sound system and impaired hearing system. Bill Riesterer attended the meeting to report on progress in updating our sound system: Last year's Council voted to update the sound system, and at the same time then, to make it simple to use. Kelly had ordered some parts that took some time to come in due to Covid, but now finally they've arrived and the new controls are installed. It is very simple to use. Basically, the operator needs merely to turn it on at the beginning of the service, check to make sure the volume for the pastor is correct, and when the service is over, turn the master switch off. Bill and Carol Ulness will be there for new people learning. As they worked on the new controls and updates, it was found that all bass had been coming from the speakers in front, all treble from those in back. They changed that so it is now its mixed, base and treble both through front and back speakers, and it seems to have much improved the way it sounds through out the whole sanctuary. Moreover, the mix seems to have fixed some of what was causing the difficulty that people, especially those with hearing aids, were having in understanding the service. Therefore, the plans to install a brand new, more complex system consisting of ear buds and special devices for the hearing impaired is now on hold as it may not be needed. So far, it seems members, including the hearing impaired, are saying that they can suddenly hear just fine. Upstairs, the Clavinova does currently play through the sound system, with plans that the organ will also be run through it, and hopes that the keyboard in front will be run through sound system as well. There is still some minor tweaking to do, but we are getting there. Right now, feedback is needed from different parts of church, not regarding volume, but whether people can understand what is said, from people with hearing aids, and also people without.

<u>Pastor's Report:</u> Pastor was again able to do home visits, so he did four, as well as 3 offices visits, and as always, phone calls and emails. Meetings: These included the senior breakfast, BOLM, Evangelism, Youth and Education, Council, and a synod meeting. He also met with new members and parents for a baptism. Along with that were Gods Work, Our Hands and Rally Day. He met with confirmation students.

OLD BUSINESS Policy for the use of the church: a draft of a policy for use of our church building for purposes other than weddings, funerals, and functions normally done through the church and run through the church office was sent out, but it was found during a short discussion that not all had received the email. Therefore, it will be resent for suggestions and approval next month.

NEW BUSINESS Time and Talent sheets/Stewardship: These were received during the church service on Rally Day, or mailed to those who were not in attendance.

<u>Lay Ministry</u> – *Joyce Sorenson*: They have been looking around for somebody to help with special music; have contacted Silver Lake Conservatory for music to ask if anyone was interested. For the Bell Choir it is a little too soon. Praise band plays every other week.

Evangelism – *Julie Endries*: It was mentioned by a Council member that a new person attending our service did so because we had a Web site that was kept updated; it was appreciated, Evangelism was thanked for doing so by our members.

<u>Fellowship</u> – *Cheryl Domrath*: They met twice last month; once when doing soup for the souls and for Rally Day. It was noted that they served 135 people, in 15 minutes on Rally Day. People donated things, which were all appreciated, including such as the gas tanks from Cenex, use of their big skillets from the Farm Bureau. Next up will be the day of the mortgage burning—they'll have big cinnamon rolls, cut in half.

<u>Property</u> – *Lyle Roehrig*: Outside lights are installed under the portico. The storage of the models of the 3 churches; right now they're at the Roehrig home and need a new place. Mention was made that since a new person will be needed as a chair person for the board, it would be best if someone was found fairly soon because there is a lot to do. That way this person could be shown where things are, everything that needs to be done, etc.

<u>Christian Education</u> – *Anderia Frank*: There were 35 kids in Sunday School programs on Rally Day; they're hoping to get 40-50 in Sunday School this year. They need more people to sign up for helping.

<u>Youth and Family Ministry</u> – *Erin Lenzner*: They will be promoting the Junior high blast in October. Lefse was discussed; now with Covid on the rise again, it is a bit if-y but as of right now it is 'on' for November.

<u>Call Committee</u> – *Ron Jones*: The pastor interviewed from Montana didn't work out; highest among their reasons, the desire to place their kids in a bigger school system.

LWR: Cheryl noted that 510 quilts were sent out from our church; 6 or 7 people helped load. They rented a truck, sharing its expense with First Lutheran. Arlene Roehrig was able to get a Thrivent Action Team \$250 card to defray expenses. **Adjourn:** Having completed all business, upon motion the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:56 pm.

Next meeting on October 18, at 6:30. Devotions by Julie Endries. Judy Harris,

Secretary

Celebrating Your Birthday!

NOVEMBER

- Sandra Lemberger Judith Voss Dominic Gorgas
- 2. Donald Gilbertson Amber Meidl
- 3. Janice Behnke Peggy Madson Darlene Posey Tanyia Sorenson Blake Bergel
- 4. Mollie Junk
 Damon Erskine
 Ryah Sabourin
 Aaliyah Williams
- 5. Chelsea Reinertson Halle Frank
- 6. Anderia Frank Janet Persinger
- 8. Julie Jeske
- 9. Jeanne Wenzel
- 10. Joyce Lodel
- 11. Tammy Brill
- 12. John Thews
- 13. John Robley Jodi Goehring James O'Leary

- 14. Keith Johnson Bennett McCulley
- 15. Richard Menza James Ahrens
- 16. Travis Boll
- 17. Future Bast
- 18. Desirae Behnke
- 20. Daniel Meyer Michelle Bratt Katelyn Mulhaney Cassandra Zutz
- 22. Robert Linsmeier
- 23. Norma Argall Thomas Voss Jennifer Jeske
- 24. Roger Pingel Kimberly Johnson Aubree Haberman
- 25. Gladys Hansen Luna Tan
- 26. Erin Schwoerer Janet Reinertson
- 27. Dennis Gordon Henry Bubolz Bjorn Kalies
- 29. Abbey Zutz
 Paisley Loucks
- 30. Gary Olson

DECEMBER

- 3. Carter Lenzner
- 5. Dayton Goehring John Obias
- 6. Quinten Robley Jomarie Obias
- 7. Carol Nelson Landen Pinkerton
- 8. Elizabeth Robley
- 10. Marlene Evenson





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	6:00 Televised Worship and Jazzercise	5:00 Board of Lay Ministry 6:00 Board of Evangelism	6:15 Worship with Holy Communion 7:15 Confirmation	8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise		
7 8:00 Boards of Christian Ed & Youth 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Sunday School/Fellowship	8	9	10	11 8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting 6:00 Jazzercise	12	9:00 Saturday Circle in the library
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14 9:00 Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20
Baptism—Hadley Rey Beckman 10:00 Sunday School/Fellowship 10:15 9th gr. Confirmation	Newsletter info due 6:00 Televised Worship and Jazzercise 6:30 Council	9:00 Senior Christians at Whispering Orchards	6:15 Worship with Holy Communion 7:15 Confirmation	8:00 Quilting 6:00 Jazzercise	10:00-8:00 Lefse Making	9:00 Lefse orders filled 9:00-10:00 Open Pantry
21	22	23 6:15 Worship	24	25 Office Closed	26 Office Closed	27
9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Sunday School/Fellowship	6:00 Televised Worship and Jazzercise	THANKSGIVING Jenvice	NO Worship or Confirmation	HAPPY Momks GIVING DAY		
9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday School/Fellowship First Sunday of Advent	6:00 Televised Worship and Jazzercise	30				

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