



# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

## Faith Matters

SEPTEMBER  
2024

### WORSHIP TIMES

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

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FLC VP Elect: Alan Gilbertson  
Secretary: Judy Harris  
Treasurer: Robert Pautz

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### In View of a Century

I was putting some old files into their filing cabinet and I ran across an old timeline I had made. It showed the events of Luther's time. The timeline ran about 100 years, from 1453 when Gutenberg printed his first Bible on the new printing press, to a century later when Luther died, and the Protestant Reformation had changed history. Henry the 8<sup>th</sup> had been king of England. The Renaissance was happening. DaVinci was painting.

Any span of a century is sort of arbitrary, but in retrospect, they are amazing. My mother and I were talking about my great-grandmother and how she left Sweden in the potato famine (the same one that starved the Irish) and came to America. She was a girl in America in 1903 when the Wright brothers invented the airplane, and she lived into the 1970s, so she saw the invention of television and she watched Armstrong and Aldrin walk on the Moon in 1969.

I took the guided tour through the WW2 submarine in Manitowoc, and although it was really fascinating, in 2024 it seemed very antique. We recently watched the "Band of Brothers" series and, similarly, the WW2 weapons and vehicles all seemed very old and primitive in comparison to modern warfare. As a kid, watching all the war movies of WW2, only 20 years after the war, they looked okay. But now the propeller planes and bare bones Jeeps stand out. Today's jets and missiles and drones and satellite images, I suppose, will one day seem antique also.

So far in my century we have gone from huge black enamel Royal typewriters, to electric typewriters, to computers. And from black bakelite phones, to having no landline but having computer phones in our pockets that are smarter than we are. We have, finally, a successor to the printed book (born about 1453) in that about any words we need can be accessed on our phone or tablet or computer. We went from compasses and tiny magnetic needles to Global Positioning Satellites (GPS) with clever devices that can discern the slight differences in signals sent at the speed of light from the various satellites to show on a screen, "Kwik Trip in 0.2 miles!" And Captain Kirk has actually gone into space! It is a Brave New World we live in.

*Pastor Dan*

Our congregation will soon engage in service work right here in our community. We are one of over 8,700 congregations participating in "God's work. Our hands." on September 8. Across the country, thousands of members will work to make a positive change in our communities, build and deepen relationships and share God's love. Join us as we do God's work with our hands! Your hands can help with the following: blanket making, exterior & interior clean up, LWR School Kits, Soup for the Souls, Highway cleanup, and Chalk the Walk/ Friendship Bracelets for the kids. Please sign up on the sheets available in the Gathering Space. A bag lunch will be provided.



**God's work. Our hands.**



**September 8, 2024**

**10:00-12:00**



The Inspiration Choir will start practice on Sunday, September 8 at 10:15 am in the balcony. We have a new choir director: Bonnie Gordon. Thanks Bonnie for stepping up as Don Domrath has retired from this position. We thank Don for his leadership over the years. Great job Don!

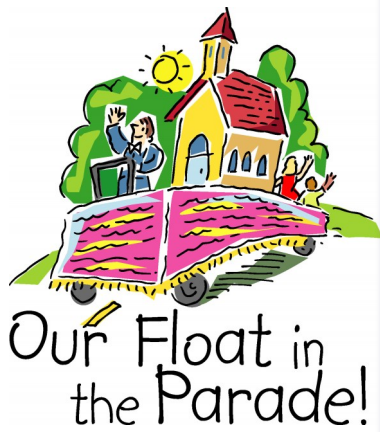
The Bell Choir under the directorship of Bonnie Gordon will begin practices in October 6 at 8:00 am.



**Senior Christians will meet Tuesday, September 17 at 9:00 a.m. at the Fork 'n Knife Restaurant in Manitowoc.**

**Thank you to the person who volunteered to paint the old library/meeting room recently. We appreciate your kind service and you did a fabulous job!**





Terry Haupt, Pastor Dan, Qwynn and Odwyn Jandrey and Judy Valleskey spend s'more time on Faith's float in the Valders parade recently.



## SEPTEMBER STEWARDSHIP - CLOTH DIAPERS

Cloth diapers, flat fold

There will be envelopes in the pews for September labeled "Dollars for Diapers". These can be placed in the offering plates/box, which will be given to church office and donated monies will be used to buy the Baby Kits. There should be 10 diapers per pack, 4 diapers are needed for each kit. Also needed in the kit are 4 large diaper pins.

Diapers can also be purchased and placed in the Stewardship Cabinet across from the church office. Thank you for your continued support. — *Terry Haupt*

## Faith On Fire

Our HS Youth group will be open to any youth grades 9-12 this year! Please contact our Youth Coordinator if you have questions or if your son/daughter wants to be added to the Team Reach app (our main source of communication with the youth). A parent permission form will go out at the first meeting on Wednesday, September 25th. The youth will meet 7-8 pm downstairs in the youth room. Parent permission forms will need to be returned no later than Wednesday, October 9th. To get your son/daughter started, please send their name, grade level, and cell # to Bridget. [valleskeyb@yahoo.com](mailto:valleskeyb@yahoo.com)



## Finances

## Income - July 2024

<i>Income - July 2024</i>		<i>Budget</i>	<i>YTD Actual</i>	<i>YTD Budget</i>
Envelope Offerings	\$ 32,382.00			
Other Income and Offerings	\$ 716.99			
<b>General Fund Income</b>	<b>\$ 33,098.99</b>	<b>\$23,757.25</b>	<b>\$ 179,393.19</b>	<b>\$ 166,300.75</b>
Dedicated Income	\$ 610.00		\$ 6,000.07	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 33,708.99</b>		<b>\$ 185,393.26</b>	

### Operating Expenses - July 2024

Benevolence	\$ 1,803.84			
Board & Other Expenses	\$ 10,305.45			
Personnel Salaries/Benefits	\$ 19,189.51			
<b>General Fund Expense</b>	<b>\$ 31,298.80</b>	<b>\$29,797.02</b>	<b>\$ 192,974.25</b>	<b>\$ 208,529.44</b>
Dedicated Expense	\$ 868.98		\$ 4,533.73	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 32,167.78</b>		<b>\$ 197,507.98</b>	

Year to Date General	Fund Net	Income:	\$(12,086.54)
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Faiths Open Pantry is running low on several items for September. Our wish list of items include: REGULAR SIZE boxes of Minute Rice, variety of salad dressings, ketchup, boxed mashed potatoes, boxed stuffing mix, BBQ sauce, Ramen noodles, canned fruit/applesauce, Mac & Cheese, cake, cookie, brownie and dessert mixes, canned frosting, instant coffee, juice boxes, pudding, fruit, Jello cups and canned meals.

Please drop of before the 3rd Saturday of September!  
Thank you!  
Sandy Halverson

# Liturgical Roles ~ Worship Responsibilities

## Pastoral Acts

Baptism .....Addison Lynn Voss  
Funeral ..... Karen Halverson

## Membership

Baptized ..... 818  
Confirmed..... 560  
Families ..... 112

## Worship Attendance

	Sunday	Wednesday
7/21	85	41
7/28	76	33
8/4	60	37
8/11	97	43

## Altar Guild Servers

### Communion:

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

## Lectors

9/1 Kaye Jandrey  
9/4 Kathy Mattern  
9/8 Bob Wigen  
9/11 Deb Schreiner  
9/15 Stacy Wilker  
9/18 Dennis Luckow  
9/22 Ava Ulness  
9/25 Larry Burzynski  
9/29 Don Domrath

## Communion Servers

9/1 Nancy Christianson  
9/11 Don Schreiner  
9/15 Stacy Wilker

**Head Ushers** ..... Glenn Otto and Tom Madson

## Acolyte Schedule

9/1 Sage Trepasso  
9/4 Kolten Schisel  
9/8 Alexandra Trepasso  
9/11 Audrey Sorenson  
9/15 Mikaela Spindler  
9/18 Ariana Herrick  
9/22 Logan Bratt  
9/25 Phoebe Cigler  
9/29 Liam Cline

## Greeters

9/1 Mardell Tienor  
9/4 Bob and Kathy Mattern  
9/8 Bob and Julie Wigen  
9/11 Don Schreiner  
9/15 Ron and Jo Jones  
9/18 Dennis and Cathy Luckow  
9/22 Steve and Ginny Schwoerer  
9/25 Tom and Jan Behnke  
9/29 Cheryl Domrath

## Ushers

9/1 Steve Ahrens, Loren Ulness, Al Gilbertson  
9/8 Dean and Rose Behnke Family  
9/15 Ron and Kaye Jandrey, Tyler Madson  
9/22 Richard and Linda Menza, Keith Lippert  
9/29 Bonnie Gordon, Joan Pritzl, Lori Propson

## Sound Operator

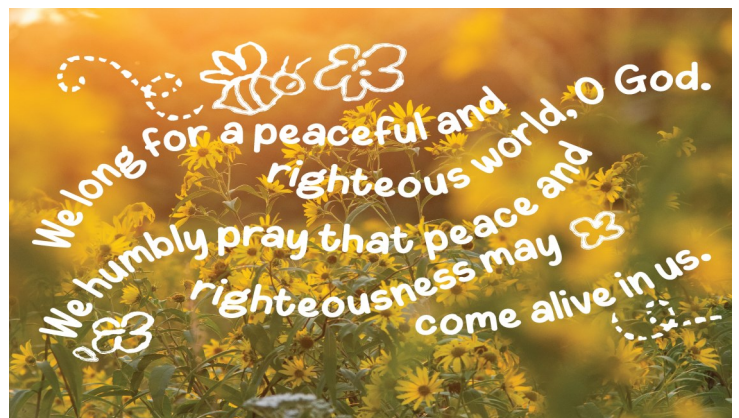
9/1 Bill Riesterer  
9/8 Loren Ulness  
9/15 Carter Lenzner  
9/22 Lucas Spindler  
9/29 Erin Lenzner

## Video Operator/Live Stream

9/1 Bill Riesterer  
9/8 Eric Thomsen  
9/15 Carter Lenzner  
9/22 Jake Kaderabek  
9/29 Michael Lenzner

## Projection

9/1 Libby Olson  
9/4 John Schnell  
9/8 Judy Harris  
9/11 Susan Christel  
9/15 Ethan Ulness  
9/18 Kayla Hildebrandt  
9/22 Addison Spindler  
9/25 John Schnell  
9/29 Erin Lenzner



# synod YOUTH



East Central Synod of Wisconsin - ELCA

Fall 2024

## Youth Committee Interest Form!

The Synod Youth Committee is eager to expand the team, would you like to give Journey with Jesus and synod youth events life through new ideas, and service? If so, please prayerfully and thoughtfully respond to the following questions. Scan the QR Code today!

SCAN  
ME



## Inescapable Love

Plans for Journey with Jesus 2025 and Other Synod Youth Events Underway



[www.ecsw.org/youth](http://www.ecsw.org/youth)



**Sept 28, 2024 - Fall Fun!**  
(Details below)

**January 11, 2025 -**  
Sledding/Tubing

**February 21-23, 2025**  
Journey with Jesus:  
Inescapable Love  
Synod Youth Gathering @IDV

**April 26, 2025 - Bowling**

Scan for Full Calendar



*Synod Day at*  
**LITTLE FARMER**  
**SATURDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 28TH**

Pumpkin Patch | Hay Rides | Corn Mazes  
a synod youth event  
brought to you by the Synod Youth Team

Meet at 11 am in front of the farm by the parking lot. Look for the lady with the pink noodle!  
Little Farmer, N9438 Hwy 151, Malone, WI

Bring money for hay rides and corn maze, cost \$5 each +tax; caramel apples start at \$4 each  
Each congregation is responsible for their own payments and supervision.  
RSVP to [pkoplitz@our-saviors.org](mailto:pkoplitz@our-saviors.org)

 **East Central Synod of Wisconsin**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

  **Young Advocates' Retreat**  
**"Called to be Advocates"**

**Date:**  
October 4-6, 2024

**Location:**  
Pine Lake Camp  
@ Crossways Camps  
W 5631 Akron Ave.  
Waupaca, WI 54981

**Who:**  
High School Youth  
& Young Adults

**Registration:**


- \$100 per participant
- Includes housing & meals
- Registration  
◦ Opens 5/1/24  
◦ Deadline: 9/15/24

**Topics:**

- Environmental Justice
- Gun Violence
- Women's Rights
- LGBTQIA+ Advocacy

**Participating Synods:**

- East Central Synod of WI
- Director Milwaukee Synod
- La Crosse Area Synod
- Northwestern Great Lakes Synod
- Northwest Synod of WI
- South-Central Synod of WI



<https://www.ripple.org/resources/youth-advocacy/>

# Back to School

**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!**

Sunday School and Confirmation letters have been mailed to our 3k-9th grade members. To allow us to have adequate staff and supplies please mail, drop off, or email back the registration form **no later than September 1st. To sign up a new student please contact the office or [valleskeyb@gmail.com](mailto:valleskeyb@gmail.com).**

## **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 will be making cards to be delivered to our homebound members and also for our young members of Faith who serve in our military.

## **Bible Presentation Sunday will take place on September 15th**

Children in grades 3k-4k, 3rd, and 7th will be receiving a Bible during the 9am service. Faith Lutheran considers receiving his/her own Bible to be a significant milestone in a child's life. We feel it is important for parents and children to be in attendance for this special service.

## **Religious education volunteers for the '24-'25 school year**

3K/4K	Libby Olson and Alexandra Trepasso
K/1st	Valerie Valleskey and Stephanie Madson
2nd/3rd/4th	Anderia Frank
5th/6th	Angie Ulness
7th	Bob and Kathy Mattern
8th	James Schuessler
9th	Larry Burzynski

**We would love to grow our substitute list! Please contact our Youth Coordinator if you are interested.**

**Ever consider being a Mentor? We are looking for adult men and women of Faith Lutheran who would consider being a Confirmation Mentor for the upcoming school year. The 9th grade confirmation class will meet one Sunday during the months of Sept-May. If you are interested please contact Bridget, Larry, or Pastor Dan.**

# Faith Lutheran Church Minutes—July 15, 2024

## **New Business:** Laser Projector, church visits update

Pastor Dan, Larry, and Bill were able to visit St. Francis of Assisi to observe their setup. This church is physically most like our needs if we were to update with this type of projector. The length of throw is about the same as ours; ours being 100', theirs is 112'. In their findings, the group found the picture to be very crisp, with excellent color, its appearance like that of TV. The biggest concern is the cost (+/- \$14,000). While the color on their images absolutely pops, we currently use more text than image. Our system has been tweaked and its contrast has improved making it clearer to see, but it is still not as good as what they saw from the laser projector at St. Francis of Assisi. Knowing we will have to change eventually we do still have a little time before it becomes an immediate issue. This would be a plug and play system and would take only about a day to install. If we stay with 8,000 lumens, we can use supporting equipment already here. Therefore, the recommendation is that we should keep this in mind for the budget, and maybe put money aside to save for it. Motion made and carried to create a fund specifically for projection replacement. It will be put under Memorial Funds, started with the remainder of the unused funds from the Stephen Ministry Fund.

Camp items: Pastor Dan brought up that Chase Wilker had been a counselor at the camp and is involved in a lot of leadership activities. While at the camp this year, his guitar was broken; the cost to repair it would be about \$300. Pastor Dan proposed that we pay that cost, and in return he would play 3 times for church. Pastor Dan, stating that for many people who go into the ministry as a career, many of them point to their camp years as having had great influence on their decision, he proposed an idea for counselor salaries. These young people currently make \$310/week for 11 weeks, + \$20 as a bump if the individual returns the following year, another \$20 the next year after. Pastor Dan's proposal would be that we pay for the salary (totaling \$3850 for 2025); it would not always necessarily be a counselor from Faith. Motion made and carried to make the Stephen Ministry funds available to pay for guitar repairs for Chase Wilker and allow Bridget to implement this. Motion made and carried to move the balance of any funds in Stephen Ministry funds over to Undesignated Funds.

**Treasurer – Bob Pautz:** Income for June was \$23,956.98. Expenses for June were \$27,757.82. Month of June EOM Net Income is \$(3,800.84). Year-to-date Net Loss, as of June 30 is \$(11,678.04). Balance remaining in Youth Coordinator Restricted Funds, as of EOM June 2024, is \$55,894.54. Comment: Difference in amounts "in and out" between profit and loss last year when compared with this year while figures appeared to be similar; this is due to the manner of entry regarding money donated to, then paid out by the church for the new stained-glass window.

**Stewardship – Joan Pritzl:** Under Memorial accounts, they want to change some names of funds for easier understanding. These were discussed and a few changes were made. Motion made and carried to change memorial account names as follows: Change the name of Capital Expanded Ministry to Community Ministry Fund. Change the name of Local Benevolence to Member Benevolence Fund. Change the name of Memorial/Inheritance/Interest Account to Undesignated Fund.

**Lay Ministry – Jennifer Ott:** Concern was brought up about the light in the sanctuary that is dimming and brightening during the service. Aside from the fact it is not working properly, it is distracting. This is being investigated. Don Domrath has retired as director of the Inspirational Choir, so we need to look for a replacement. We will need to budget for things needed for the Meeting Room (former Library).

**Evangelism – Julie Hartman:** They will have a float in Valders parade- its theme will be "S'more time with Jesus". Window cling decals– they need to know which package to buy. Julie gave us the various packages and their prices, stating there would be a set-up charge if we include our logo which will add \$25. We decided to purchase the package of 500 at a cost of \$800, with the logo and set-up charge for a total of \$825. It will be paid for by using money from the Undesignated Memorial fund.

**Fellowship – Marilyn Robley:** Several things are being planned, mostly in September, listed as follows: September 8th -Gods work. Our hands. September 11th -Senior Appreciation luncheon. September 15<sup>th</sup> -Sunday School begins. September 29<sup>th</sup> -Pastor is thinking about doing a Healing Service. October 6<sup>th</sup> -Oktoberfest with a Potluck.

**Property – Mark Zutz:** WPS is going to lower our utilities. This is based on what we've used this year. The window people will be coming to finalize plans for the new windows.

**Christian Education – Alisa Madson:** They need fun kits.

**Youth and Family Ministry – Gretchen Spindler:** We were given a reminder of the mini golf outing at Manitowoc Aquatic on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:17 pm. Next Meeting: August 19. *Recorded by Judy Harris*

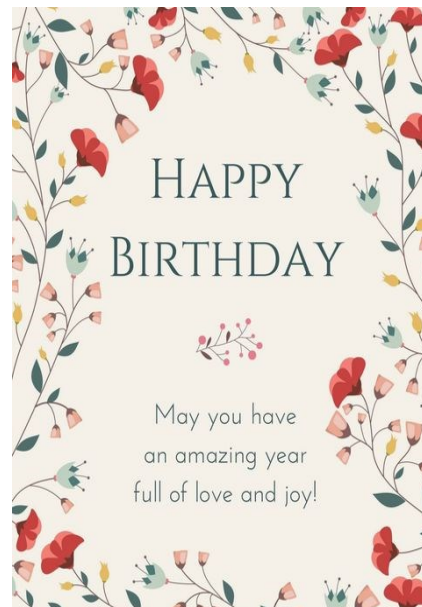
# Celebrating Your Birthday!

## SEPTEMBER

1. Ann Jeske  
Jeanette Schuessler
2. Karen Voss
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  
Zachary Lenzner  
Laurance Burzynski
10. Autumn Robley
11. Mitchell Zutz  
Stephanie Leiteritz  
Mark Spindler
13. Timber Schuler
14. Corrine Torrison  
Suzanne Riesterer  
Samuel Gordon
15. Darlene Colbo
18. Judy Evenson  
Kristin Pederson  
Geoffrey Valleskey
20. Joyce Sorenson  
Makenna Kaderabek
21. Herbert Krueger Sr.  
Jackie Shimek  
Lynn Burzynski  
Steve Kuenstler
22. Roger Sorenson
23. Travis Goehring  
Michiela Miller
24. Harry Kwasny Jr.
25. Linda Hoefner
26. Marlene Kohlmann  
Tricia Olson  
Carolyn Coble  
Taylor Jeske  
Kathy Mattern
27. Chad Frank  
Kelly Meyer
28. Shelia Kalies  
Peter Cigler
29. Theodore Jeske Jr.  
Courtney Fahley





## OCTOBER

1. Judy Jorgenson  
Hannah Evenson
2. Michael Goehring
3. Skyler Schuler  
Kevin Schultz  
Ted Goman  
Jessica Stalvey
4. Linda Berge  
Myranda Manke  
Connor McDonald
5. Caroline Berge  
Michael Propson
6. Jill Meyer-Lippert  
Stefanie Kaderabek
7. Harper Frank
9. Gail McCulley  
Trevor Griffin  
Judith Tracy
10. Evan Brick  
Delton Duchow



# September

Save the Date  
Health Fair  
Saturday, October 12  
More details to come

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship Hour	2 Office Closed  	3	4 9:00 Jazzercise  6:15 Worship with Praise Band	5 8:00 Quilting  5:30 Jazzercise	6 8:00-5:30 Lifeline Screening in fellowship hall	7
8 8:00 Board of Youth Ministry 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour 10:15 Sunday School and Inspiration Choir <i>Grandparents Day</i>	9 9:00 Women's Bible Study  5:30 Jazzercise 6:00 Boards of Lay Ministry and Evangelism	10	11 9:00 Jazzercise 11:00 Senior Appreciation Worship and Luncheon 6:15 Worship 7:00 7 & 8 grades Parent and student Confirmation Mtg	12 8:00 Quilting 8:30 Secretary's Meeting  5:30 Jazzercise	13	14  9:00 2nd Saturday Bible Study
15 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship Hour 10:15 Sunday School and Inspiration Choir	16 9:00 Women's Bible Study  5:30 Board of Stewardship 5:30 Jazzercise 6:30 Council	17 9:00 Senior Christians at Fork 'n Knife in Manitowoc	18 9:00 Jazzercise  6:15 Worship with Praise Band 7:00 7th & 8th Confirmation	19 8:00 Quilting  5:30 Jazzercise	20  3:30 Kayla Meetz and Travis Goehring Wedding at Round Lake Farm	21  9:00 Open Pantry
22 9:00 Worship Baptism—Zayden Gregory Mitnacht 10:00 Fellowship Hour 10:15 Sunday School, Inspiration Choir, 9th grade Confirmation Orientation	23 9:00 Women's Bible Study  5:30 Jazzercise	24	25 9:00 Jazzercise  6:15 Worship 7:00 7th & 8th Confirmation 7:00 Faith on Fire	26 8:00 Quilting  5:30 Jazzercise	27	28
29 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship Hour 10:15 Sunday School and Inspiration Choir	30 9:00 Women's Bible Study  5:30 Jazzercise	<div>God's work. Our hands.</div> <div></div> <div>September 8, 2024</div>		<div> SEPTEMBER 8</div> <div> Presentation of Bibles September 15</div>		

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Nazianz**

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404 S. 29th Street, Manitowoc  
and  
Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.  
443 Manhattan Street, Chilton**