



VOICE OF FAITH

Our Mission: "Reaching, Teaching, Serving, and Sharing Christ"

October 2022

⁵ For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Psalm 86:2



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Director of Christian Ed. **Alex Lillis**
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CHURCH OFFICE

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COUNCIL

President **Position Open**
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Secretary **Position Open**
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Elders Board Greg Pioppi
Property Mgmt Board Lynn Klein
Preschool Board Elisabeth Brune
At-Large Cong. Member Lori Brewer
At-Large Cong. Member Bob Harrison
At-Large Cong. Member Lorraine Varela

MINISTRIES

Children Jacquelyn Morrow
Youth **Position Open**
Adult, Fellowship & Social Jeanne Iacono
Assimilation & Stewardship Brenda Gadow
Evangelism **Position Open**

CHURCH CONTACTS

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Choir Director Brenda (Cavella) Stewart
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NOTE:

*Meeting dates, times and location may change.
Please call ahead to confirm. See contact below.*

ALTAR GUILD Lynn Klein

Teams change monthly

ACOLYTES Elisabeth Brune

CRAFTY CREATORS Judi Rabinsky

Tammy Brewer

10 am Thursdays in Fellowship Hall

CHOIR Brenda (Cavella) Stewart

7:15 pm Tuesdays in the Sanctuary

HANDBELL CHOIR Lori Brewer

6:30 pm Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall

LWML Tracy Pioppi

9:15 am Third Sunday in the Sanctuary

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST Ted Cheung

8:00 am First Saturday via Go-To-Meeting

THRIVENT Gloria Miller



ELDERS

HEAD ELDER

Greg Pioppi

Ted Cheung Frank VandeVeegaete
Paul Guptill Erik Wendt
Gary Sandt Tom Zaro

ELDER'S LIST

Located in the Narthex, please find a binder with a list of Faith members and their Elders. Members are welcome to review the list at their leisure and submit an update, if needed.

FROM PASTOR BOB'S JOURNAL: One Fall afternoon, after leaving work at Elkhart General Hospital, I choose an alternate route home. Driving our 12 passenger, three-quarter ton van, I approached a busy four-way stop. When my turn came to go through the intersection, I followed the required laws of stopping, then looking both ways before proceeding. At the middle of the intersection a male bicyclist appeared at the van's front bumper. I could not stop. The van's momentum resulted in my running over the bicyclist with all four tires and the full weight of the van. As panic and fear quickly over-whelmed me, I managed to pull over to one side of the street. Quickly a crowd gathered. There were numerous witnesses to the accident. EMS and Law Enforcement were called. I stood numbly at the corner. When the Police Officer arrived, he asked me a few questions, then took me to the police cruiser and had me sit in the back seat. As the police officer talked to witnesses, I realized that the cruiser was locked. I could not get out. After investigation the officer took me to the Elkhart police station. I did not know what to expect. Still numb, the Officer took me to a back room in the jail, through several locked doors, to a small room. There he gave me a breathalyzer test and took my fingerprints. All standard procedure. After asking me a number of questions he informed me that no charges would be filed and that I could go home. Witnesses to the accident testified that the bicyclist had been riding on the sidewalk, turned suddenly into the street, ignored the stop sign and entered the intersection, leading to the accident. Later that day I returned to the hospital and was informed that the gentleman I had run over died as a result of his injuries. I also found out that he had alcohol in his system. A few days later an investigator from my insurance company recorded my recollection of the event. In the end

the Insurance company was only liable for basic funeral expenses. The man was a transient and had no family in the area. No charges were filed. The matter did not go to court. The accident, and a picture of the van, were in the next day's Elkhart Truth Newspaper. As Paul Harvey might say, "The Rest of the Story" will appear in November's Newsletter ☺.

I AM AVAILABLE 24/7: Please join me for coffee and conversation at McDonald's on Sullivan Trail, near Giant, Monday through Friday, 7 am - 8 am. Office hours begin at 8 am, Monday through Friday. Schnutter Time ☺ is any time my office door is open and I am present.

MY NEXT TIME OFF will be the week of Thanksgiving. Due to changes in the family schedules, we will not be able to celebrate Thanksgiving until the Saturday following Thanksgiving, November 26. Please disregard any previous announcements. Please keep my wife Lindysue in your prayers. She continues to have pain in her right knee and hip. Surgery is scheduled for 2023 .

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: Surviving and living your life successfully requires courage. The goals and dreams you are seeking require courage and risk-taking. Learn from the turtle, it only makes progress when it sticks out its neck. Have a Blessed and Challenging Month.

THE BULLETIN BOARD across from my Office, posts the Monthly Calendar, Daily Devotions from Lutheran Church Charities, and my monthly activities and Pastor Report.

Love You All,

Pastor Bob

Intentional
Interim
Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL, YOUTH EVENTS & CHILDREN'S MESSAGES



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Night at Bethlehem SkateawaySeptember 24, 7 pm - 9 pm
Youth Night in New Jersey.....September 25, 6 pm - 7:30 pm
Youth Night at the Brewer Farm.....October 2, 6 pm - 8 pm
Youth Night Reformation Party.....October 23, 6 pm - 8 pm
Trunk Or Treat:October 29, 1 pm - 3 pm

As we are now back into the swing of things with a new school year and activities, it can be easy to get caught up in our busy schedules and carried away by the philosophies of this world. The Apostle Peter gives us a word of hope, that this broken world will not last forever.

“But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. And count the patience of our Lord as salvation” - **2 Peter 3:13-15**

This sinful world will continue to decline until the day Jesus returns. As we wait for that Day when all is made new, Peter encourages us to stay diligent in our faith, not being carried away by falsehood, but growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ, thankful for God’s patience toward us.

Sunday School Classes have begun! Rally Day was a wonderful start to our Sunday School program for the year. This year, our Children’s Classes are doing an overview of the Bible and its themes, tracing God’s plan of salvation from Genesis to Revelation. Our Youth Class is learning about Christian apologetics and defending the faith. Our Sunday Adult Class is continuing their study on the Gospel of Matthew. We also have a new Adult Bible Study on Tuesdays with Pastor. There is something for everybody! Come join us as we study God’s Word together!

Confirmation Classes have started back up again! This year, we have four students in our class, all journeying toward the Rite of Confirmation in May 2023. Throughout the year, we will be studying Luther’s Small Catechism and learning why we believe what we believe as Lutheran Christians. Please keep our Confirmation students in your prayers as we continue on this faith-filled journey.

Classes are back in session at **Faith Lutheran Preschool!** This year, we have a total of 36 students across our three classes. Praise the Lord! Each week, I have a Bible Storytime and a Chapel Time with each of the classes. We are learning all about God’s love for us through the stories of the Bible. Please keep our Preschool in your prayers throughout the year as we seek to teach the little ones and share with them the love of Jesus.

Youth Events continue! In the middle of September, we had a very fun youth game night in the Annex. We played a variety of games together including pool, Disney Trivia, and Apples to Apples. We have more exciting Youth Nights coming up soon! Come join us for youth fellowship and fun! We are also planning our **Winter Youth Retreat** at Spruce Lake on January 27th-29th, 2023. **All youth who want to attend must register and submit their deposit by October 20th.** Don’t miss out on this adventure-filled youth retreat!

GIVE GRACIOUSLY - SUPPORT THE PROJECT FOOD PANTRY

In our continuing efforts to support the community and those in need, Faith Lutheran will collect items to support ProJeCt of Easton's Food Pantry.

ProJeCt's Food Pantry has been a community cornerstone for more than 30 years. The goal of the pantry is to reduce food insecurity and increase food knowledge by providing high quality, nutrient dense food to low-income, at-risk adults, children, and seniors.

They also incorporate learning opportunities for our clients, including how to prepare the food they receive, how to integrate fresh fruit and vegetables into their diet, and how to accommodate allergies, diet restrictions, and more. ProJeCt is committed to providing fresh, healthy food that helps people lead more productive lives.

Faith will collect the following items all through September and October. Drop off during weekly worship or to the church office during office hours at your convenience.

List from ProJeCt of items most in demand:

- * Pancake Mix
- * Pancake Syrup
- * Any Type of Pasta
- * Kidney Beans
- * Rice
- * Juice - Shelf Stable
- * Triscuits
- * Saltines
- * Boxes of Jello
- * Boxes of Pudding
- * Potato Flakes
- * Anything Personal Hygiene



Learn more about ProJeCt on their website at <https://www.projecteaston.org>.

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS September 12, 2022

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KIDS' CORNER



Welcome to the “Kids’ Corner,” where families and congregant members can stay up to date with Sunday School material and Children’s Ministry offerings!

Sunday School kicked off on Rally Day with smiling faces and a lot of fun! What a blessing to see so many of our friends! Children in Grades PreK to 5 are studying the story of God’s love from the very beginning - the book of Genesis. Teens in grades 6 to 12 are jumping back into the study of apologetics, which is a fancy word that means they are learning how to answer questions they or others may have about Jesus and the Christian faith.

Have you checked your attics and basements for **donations for the revitalized church nursery**? Check out the list of need items below (some are already crossed of - thank you to all who have donated so far!). Items can be dropped if in the church office or contact Jackie Morrow to arrange a pick up time. Please be sure to clearly mark the items as for the nursery, which is separate from the preschool. A donation list as well as a sign-up sheet to help

in the nursery can also be found on the Kid’s Corner bulletin board across from Pastor’s office.

Finally, mark your calendars for **Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**. Never participated in Trunk or Treat before? This is a fun event where congregant members park their cars in the church parking lot and provide candy to children of the congregation and community as they “trick or treat” from car to car. Decorating your car is encouraged, but optional. Last year this event was not well supported by the congregation and there were very few cars in the parking lot. In order for this event to be a success we need at least 10-15 cars (hopefully more!). Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex, on the Kid’s Corner bulletin board, or contact Jackie Morrow.

FAITH LUTHERAN NURSERY DONATION LIST

See Above for More Information



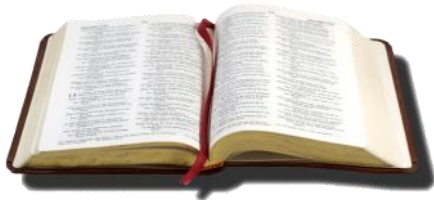
- Changing table
- Rocking chair or glider
- ~~Tension baby gate~~
- Outlet covers
- Cabinet locks
- Handheld vacuum
- Storage bins/baskets
- Small trashcan with lid
- Gently used toys
- Clean stuffed animals
- Board books
- Children’s DVDs and CDs
- Playdoh
- Coloring books
- Building blocks
- Train table and wooden trains
- Wooden play kitchen
- Pop-up tunnel or play tent
- Baby Wipes
- Diaper disposal bags
- Disposable gloves
- Name tag stickers
- Parenting books/devotionals
- ~~Single-brew coffee machine (such as a Keurig)~~
- Coffee pods
- ~~Coffee pod storage~~

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

with Pastor Bob

Tuesdays at 12:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Bring a Bible
Bring a Lunch
Bring a Friend!



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You shop. Amazon gives.

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2. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'
3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN NEED OF COMFORT?

Faith Lutheran Church is proud to offer Prayer Shawls to our community. Our prayer shawls come in many shapes and sizes, including traditional shawls, quilts, baby blankets and hats to name a few. Provide comfort to the sick, discouraged, preemies, and more. Each prayer shawl comes with a bible verse. Contact the church office with requests.

PRAYER SHAWLS ARE OFFERED AT NO CHARGE

Donations are gratefully accepted in the form of cash or wool. All cash donations will be used to purchase supplies.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Cut flower bouquets beautify the altar while reminding us of the fragility of life. Flowers may be given "in honor of" or "in memory of" loved ones or for a special family occasion.

Sign up today on the 2022 large yellow poster in the church hallway.

Please make \$20 check payable to:

Faith Lutheran Church
Memo - Altar Flowers



FAITH LUTHERAN FAMILY PRAYERS

Please include the following families in your prayers this month. They will also be remembered in a special way during Sunday Worship.



Faith Families

10/02	Colleen & Terry Conrad	Couch Family
10/09	Mac & Kay Cowen	Katy & Martin Denault
10/16	Judy & Robert Dilts	Evancho Family
10/23	Fallos Family	Jan & Rob Fedorczyk
10/30	Julie & Risa Fogt	Steve & Teri Fogt

Military Families

Courtney Conforth	Bryan Muhlbach
Vincent Franchino	John Pekol
Joanne Gabl	Brandon Read
Tom Heller	Stephen Sargent
Spencer Muhlbach	Jef Spangler
Justin Muhlbach	Zachary Tolson

FARM FUNDRAISER

**Saturday & Sunday
October 1 & 2, 2022**

Remember the fun and excitement we all had at Klein Farm Open House? Let's do it again! Enjoy live entertainment, homemade baked goods sale, and food sales including hotdogs and Lynn's homemade chili.

VOLUNTEERS & BAKED GOODS NEEDED! Sign up for either or both days. Look for Lynn and her clipboard!



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FAITH LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

BAKED POTATO FUNDRAISER

**Sunday, October 9, 2022
after 11:00 am**



**\$5.00 /Spud
Eat in or Take Out**

Supporting Faith Lutheran Preschool

DONATE YOUR BOOKS

Share your love of reading by donating your used books to Faith's upcoming book sale! Hardcover, paperback, fiction, nonfiction, children's - all accepted. Books will be sold at a Book Sale on November 6 and 13 (Sundays) as well as Election Day, November 8, at Faith Lutheran. Drop off books either during Sunday worship in the box in the Narthex or to the church office during office hours. This Fundraiser supports Faith Lutheran Preschool. Thank you in advance for contributing to this sale!





OCTOBER

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Faith Lutheran Members - Did We Miss Your Birthday?

Update on Realm or email faithlcms@outlook.com

GET (AND KEEP) CONNECTED



Reminder to Faith members, new and existing, to register for their Realm Account. Realm is accessible via web or through the app. The NEWS section includes Member Info such as a weekly Elder's Message from Gary Sandt, Faith Friday News with important announcements, volunteer opportunities, and more!

Contact the church office and request a Realm invitation be emailed to you and start connecting today.

Note for Members with Realm

- kindly take a moment to **update your profile with birthdays**, contact info and preferences. Thank you!



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

with Prayers and Cards

VISITATION TEAM

Pastor Bob, Gary Sandt, Alex Lillis

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WORSHIP

Sun, Oct 2

Officiant:
Assistant/Reader:
Greeters:
Organist:

9:45 am

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Greg Pioppi, Frank VandeVeegaete
Mr & Mrs Bob Jordan
Sue Tucker



Sat, Oct 8

Officiant:
Assistant/Reader:
Organist:

5:00 pm

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Erik Wendt
Sue Tucker

Sun, Oct 9

Officiant:
Assistant:
Reader:
Greeters:
Organist:

9:45 am

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Gary Sandt, Ted Cheung
Bambi Guptill
Lorraine Varela
Sue Tucker



Sun, Oct 16

Officiant:
Assistant/Reader:
Greeters:
Organist:

9:45 am

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Frank VandeVeegaete, Erik Wendt
Nancy Smith, Marge Kresge
Sue Tucker



Sat, Oct 22

Officiant:
Assistant/Reader:
Organist:

5:00 pm

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Erik Wendt
Sue Tucker

Sun, Oct 23

Officiant:
Assistant:
Reader:
Greeters:
Organist:

9:45 am

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Gary Sandt, Tom Zaro
John Murdock
Sandt Family
Sue Tucker

Sun, Oct 30

Officiant:
Assistant:
Reader:
Organist:

9:45 am

Robert O Bartz (Pastor Bob)
Greg Pioppi, Ted Cheung
Frank VandeVeegaete
Sue Tucker

Worship schedule subject to change. Please check the website and/or weekly bulletins for the most up-to-date information.

WORSHIP NOTES

If you feel unwell, please stay home and worship with us on YouTube. Thank you for helping us keep our members and guests healthy! Please visit the CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> for additional resources and information

Childcare Room

is open for parents to accompany their child ages 5 and younger during Sunday worship services. Please note: toys have been locked away to prevent the spread of any germs; plan to bring your own toys.

SEVERE WEATHER REMINDER

Faith Lutheran Church will remain open for services.

Please Use Caution!
Driving conditions may vary between your home and Forks Township.

 **YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/faithlcmseaston>

Be sure to visit Faith Lutheran Church's YouTube channel! Weekly worship is streamed LIVE every Sunday at 9:45 am (subject to change). Videos posted include past weekly and holiday worship, fun kid's messages, and various other videos. We can be fed by God's Word together. We pray that God will continue to bless you and reveal His grace in amazing ways.