

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Join us on **Saturday October 7th from 11am-1pm** for a fun afternoon raising funds for our shared youth ministry. **Peace is hosting this year**, and we will have carnival games with a prize tent, a dunk tank, lunch, and a Vendor Fair! Here are the many ways you can help:

-----YOU'RE INVITED!!-----

Join us for the fun - For \$10/person we invite you to play games, eat lunch, dunk Quentin in the dunk tank, and get some fabulous prizes!

Donate to the prize tent - We are seeking new and very gently used toys, games, and gift cards to give away in our prize tent. Last year this was HUGE success and we are thankful for any and all donations.

Participate in the Vendor Fair - We are seeking Vendors for our Vendor Fair. Whether you have a business or hobby we want you! All are welcome- crafts, food, anything goes. We are asking for a \$20 donation to our fundraiser in exchange for a 6ft table indoors at our Vendor Fair and advertising help beforehand.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact Quentin at youth@faithspicer.org.

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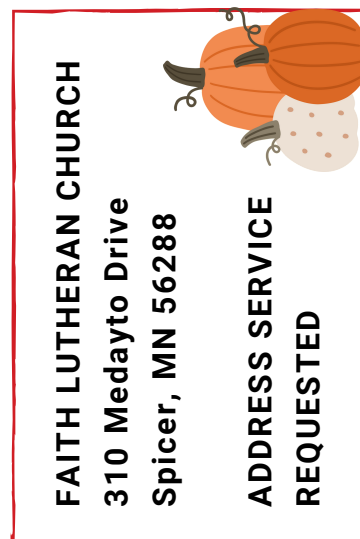
FAITH QUILTERS

The Faith Quilters would like to send our thank yous to each and everyone of you who have blessed our mission with many years of monetary gifts and donations of material, sewing notions, and helping hands. With these blessings you have bestowed to us, we in turn have passed those blessings on in the form of hundreds of quilts to bless lives of many needy individuals. We will continue to do so as long as we can with your continued support. So we thank and bless all of you!

PS. We also welcome helping hands.

OCTOBER QUILTING

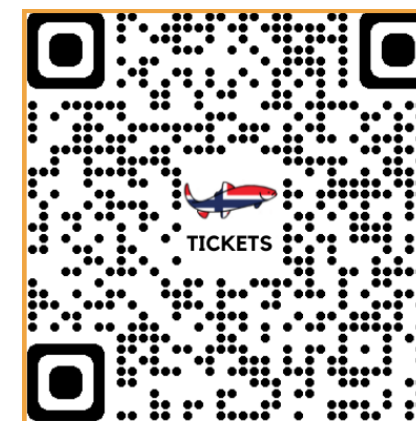
October 9 & 10, 23 & 24 - 9:00am to 3:00pm



THE LUTEFISK OPENER - OCTOBER 28 4:00PM - 7:00PM, DOORS OPEN AT 3:30PM

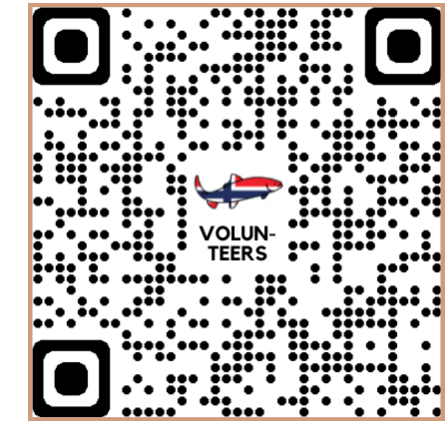
Join us for the much anticipated LUTEFISK OPENER, back again by popular demand! We will be serving Lutefisk, Meatballs, Lefse, Sanbakels, Krumkake and many other treats. **Help to keep the tradition alive** - plan to bring your entire family and your neighbors as well!!

This is a community event that helps fund many important ministries here at Faith.



TICKETS

Buy tickets online at faithspicer.org or stop by the Welcome Center.



VOLUNTEERS

We need your help to make this event possible! Sign up online or in the Narthex.



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

- Lila Burmeister
- Dennis Peterson on recovery from emergency abdominal surgery
- Gloria Schultz on recent fall and broken hip
- Pastor Naomi Mahler and family
- The family & loved ones of Denise Gjerde on her death



A WORD FROM PASTOR TIM

Letting go when we move...

God be with you!

This month Shari and I will be moving a little closer to Faith Lutheran Church in Spicer. We will be spending a little time at the bible camp. Thank you, Green Lake Bible Camp! We have been downsizing for a while now and I still have feelings about how much stuff we have. I have always tried to travel lightly but twenty-five years of marriage and a couple of homes later...we have stuff. So, we are sorting!

It is good for my soul to do. I remember helping my aunts sort through my Grandparents stuff after sixty years of farming after World War II. I said to myself, "I would never have so much stuff!" Stuff still collects even if we don't want it to...it lingers with memory.

In our catechism we hear from the Lord's Prayer, "Give us today our daily bread." Luther asks us: "What does this mean?"

Answer: To be sure, God provides daily bread, even to the wicked, without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that God may make us aware of his gifts and enable us to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread?

Answer: Everything required to satisfy our bodily needs, such as food and clothing, house and home, fields and flocks, money and property; a pious spouse and good children, trustworthy servants, godly and faithful rulers, good government; seasonable weather, peace and health, order and honor; true friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

We ask in this prayer to be made aware of God's gifts and to receive them with thanksgiving! I hope we can become aware of "everything" we receive by God's grace today and every day.

Blessings to your lives in October!

Pastor Tim

P.S. Please check out the full calendar on our website. Join us where you can.



FROM THE COUNCIL:

January 1-August 31, 2023					
	YTD Budget	2023	2022	Difference	Compared to Budget
Income	477,833.36	325,899.22	347,786.18	(21,886.96)	(151,934.14)
Expense	477,480.68	366,341.82	417,162.26	(50,820.44)	(111,138.86)
Net Income	352.68	(40,442.60)	(69,376.08)	28,933.48	(40,795.28)
Mortgage Principal TTL	39,582.00	39,183.66	38,212.67	970.99	(398.34)
Other Income		1,470.00	100,367.52	(98,897.52)	1,470.00
Net Profit (Loss)	39,934.68	211.06	69,204.11	(68,993.05)	(39,723.62)

The other income in 2022 contains preschool payback and ERC funds.

NOTES FROM COUNCIL MEETING:

- Thanksgiving Eve service will be held at Faith with a meal and pie including the Peace congregation.
- The new shades have been installed in the sanctuary.
- The Christmas Eve service will be at 3:00pm and 5:00 pm with no Sunday morning service on Christmas Day.



TIME AND TALENTS FORM

Have you taken the time to fill out our membership update form yet? Part of the form is a Time and Talents section that helps us gear up for fall volunteer opportunities! **Only those who turn in their forms will be a visible part of the online directory - so please fill out your form today!**

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

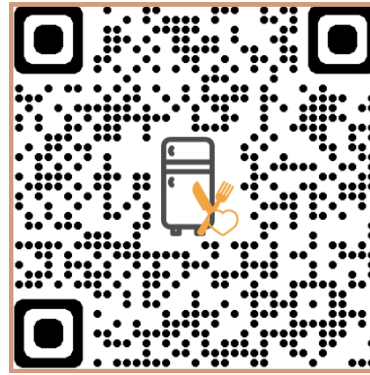
Join Pastor Tim on **Saturday, October 14 from 9:00am -12:00pm** for Faith's First Communion Class to learn all about communion and even make your own communion bread! For any age (parents, if you feel like your child is ready to learn about communion and participate, all are welcome!). Parents AND children should attend. Kids will participate in Communion on Sunday, October 29.



FREEZER MEALS MINISTRY EVENT - OCT. 8

Our next Freezer Meals Ministry will take place on **Sunday, October 8 at 1:00pm**. Prepare freezer meals for yourself and donate meals to pastoral care use! Cost is \$45 per person. You will go home with four freezer meals and instructions on how to prepare them at home. Sign up with the QR code or on our website.

The four meals being made are: Chicken Spaghetti, Mexican Soup, Slow cooker Beef & Broccoli, Spinach Stuffed Shells.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A Grief Support Group will begin Monday, October 16th at 6:30pm at Faith. Brenda Wiese, who led a group last year, will be with us again for this session. She welcomes anyone who is going through grief and would like support in the process. The group will meet for 4 weeks. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend.

JOIN THE PARISH ARTS TEAM TODAY!

Are you creative and interested in visual displays? We need you! The Parish Arts Team (PAT) is a fun and flexible group of people, who create visual enhancements and projects to welcome Faith's members to celebrate the church seasons. Past examples of our projects include Christmas and Easter displays, the stain glass window and Luther's Rose display. PAT meets approximately 6 times a year to plan and implement our visions. If you are interested in joining this team sign up at the Welcome Center or reach out to another member of the team. Sharolyn Peterson, Naomi Noeldner, Lisa Stahl, Christy Collins, Jill Jackson, or Kira Grotelueschen.

6th - 12th GRADE UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUNDAY SWEETS - OCTOBER 1 & 29

Grades 6-8- Join Quentin in the Youth Room after Sunday worship for some fun and games and a devotional

MEA PAINTBALL TRIP - OCTOBER 19

Cost includes transportation and paintball equipment rental. Paintball Equipment includes the weapon, paint, and a safety mask. Students will want to wear athletic clothes that cover arms and legs, as well as shoes that are appropriate for running and quick movements. Forms are available at the Welcome Center or on our website. Forms and payment are due Sun. Oct. 8th.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING - NOV. 17-18

This is one of the finest events we can offer for our Middle School students. The event is held for students all across Southwestern Minnesota and includes moving speakers, snacks, worship times, and the most popular "Nightlife" free time. Cost includes all of these activities as well as lodging, meals, and a free T-Shirt. We will be staying at a hotel in Willmar. Forms are available at the Welcome Center or on our website. Forms and payment are due Sun. Oct. 8th.