

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3:

- Last Sunday out at the GLLM Stave Chapel

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6:

- **Feast Orientation:** Interested in volunteering for the Feast service? We'd love to have more people join us on the Feast band and A/V team (sound & slides). If you are interested, contact Todd at 651-210-2880. We will have Feast Orientation night for those who would like to join at 6:00pm.
- **Confirmation Orientation for 6th-8th grade students** and their parents/guardians @ 6:00pm.
- **Confirmation Orientation for 9th grade students** and their parents/guardians @ 7:00pm

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10:

- **RALLY SUNDAY:**
  - One worship service at 9:00am at the Outdoor Amphitheater
  - Yummy food and coffee after service
  - Bounce house, fun activities & crafts and more!
- **Blessing of the Backpacks** (both the Lutheran World Relief Backpacks being made and the backpacks of those heading off for another school year - see inside for more details).

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13:

- **THE FEAST IS BACK!** Meal at 5:15pm, worship at 6:00pm and educational hour to follow.
- **Confirmation classes** start @ 6:35pm.
- **Seeds + Sprouts** is back starting @ 6:35pm.
- **Choir rehearsals** begin again @ 6:45pm
- **LYF High School Youth Group** @ 7:30pm

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:

- **Sunday School starts back up** - kid worship and snack at 10:00am in the Community Room and then split into age-group rooms for class time after that.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 & 29:

- **5th Quarter at Peace Lutheran** - grades 6-8 are invited after the football game for night games & snacks

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 11:00am-1:00pm:

- **FALL FESTIVAL YOUTH FUNDRAISER** at Peace Lutheran
  - Vendor fair, bounce house, carnival games, lunch, & more!
  - The youth who help work this event get money in their account for upcoming events and trips!

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19:

- **MEA Paintball Trip** for grades 6-8. 12:00 - 5:30pm - anticipated cost is \$45 (includes transportation and paintball equipment)

## FRIDAY, NOV. 17 @ 5:30pm - SATURDAY, NOV. 18 @ 12:00pm

- **SW MN SYNOD JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING**
  - Grades 6-8 - anticipated cost is \$90
  - The event is held for students all across Southwestern Minnesota and includes moving speakers, snacks, worship times, & the most popular "Nightlife" free time. Cost includes all activities as well as lodging, meals, and a free T-Shirt.

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## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



### SUNDAY SCHOOL & SEEDS+SPROUTS

Preschool - 5th Grade

Sunday School: Sundays at 10:00am

Seeds + Sprouts: Wednesdays at 6:35pm

Join us for fun faith formation with Bible stories, games, crafts and more!!

### CONFIRMATION

Grades 6th-8th

Wednesdays at 6:35pm following the Feast Meal at 5:15 and Feast Worship at 6:00pm.

Join Pastor Tim and your small group guide as we explore the basics of the Lutheran faith.



### 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! These can include worship assistants, funeral help, property help, music help and more - fill yours out today!

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# In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Lila Burmeister, Arlys Ousman on the death of her brother David Solmson, the death of her cousin Clarice Berg and recovery from her surgery; Pastor Naomi Mahler and family as she takes medical leave; Dave Eliason for quick recovery from surgery; Tom Jacobson for his hip surgery; the family and loved ones of Anitra Loe on her death; LaNae Osmond for recent health concerns

## A WORD FROM PASTOR TIM

Sorry, Pastor Tim can't come to the computer right now... he is buried under too many piles of moving boxes!!



Many prayers and blessings go out to Pastors Tim and Shari as they pack up their home in St. Cloud and get ready to transition closer to Faith!

## FALL FRENZY RETREAT AT SHORES OF ST. ANDREW

Grades 2-6 | September 29, 6:30 PM - September 30, 4:30 PM

Youth Fee: \$85 - **Faith will pay \$45 for each Faith kid attending - so your cost is \$40!**

If you are an experienced camper who can't wait a whole year to come back, or if you are brand new to camp, this is the perfect retreat for you! Come join us as we explore God's word, play games, spend time outside, and enjoy the beauty of camp in the fall! Let's have some fun together! Register at [gllm.org/youth-retreats](http://gllm.org/youth-retreats).

## WOMEN, WINE, AND THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Join together for a time of devotion, fellowship and good conversation!

**WHO:** Women of all ages

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 14 @ 6:30pm

**WHERE:** 13454 Indian Beach Rd, Spicer



## 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.

## BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Join us at worship on Rally Sunday, September 10 for the Blessing of the Backpacks! We will both be saying a blessing over the Lutheran World Relief backpacks members have been filling up as well as the backpacks of our kids going back to school!

**So don't forget!! Bring your backpack with to our 9:00am Outdoor Service & get blessed for the school year ahead!!**



## FROM THE COUNCIL:

January 1-July 31, 2023					
	YTD Budget	2023	2022	Difference	Compared to Budget
Income	418,104.20	283,725.63	303,752.17	(20,026.54)	(134,378.57)
Expense	417,795.60	323,861.50	367,205.92	(43,344.42)	(93,934.10)
Net Income	308.60	(40,135.87)	(63,453.75)	23,317.88	(40,444.47)
Mortgage Principal TTL	34,634.25	35,916.72	33,683.45	2,233.27	1,282.47
Other Income			100,367.52	(100,367.52)	0.00
Net Profit (Loss)	34,942.85	(4,219.15)	70,597.22	(74,816.37)	(39,162.00)

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

1. We will be holding an outdoor service at the Outdoor Amphitheater for **Rally Sunday - Sunday, September 10 @ 9:00am.**
2. Pastor Tim will be holding an adult forum following the 9:00 services in September called, "What happened to the Lutheran Church after Luther died?"
3. We are still looking for volunteers for The Link. Volunteers needed just two times a month! Call the church office for more information!

## 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.



## NEW ONLINE DIRECTORY!

We are in the process of compiling images of our members. This new directory will be of photos you have each selected. **Choose an image of good quality, recently taken.** Whether you are single, a couple or a family unit, we ask you to submit an electronic photo for us to update our directory. **When you have your photos picked out, please send them to [office@faithspicer.org](mailto:office@faithspicer.org).** The deadline will be early fall. Have fun with this! Questions? Call Marti Carlson 320-894-1168.

## SEPTEMBER QUILTING

September 11 & 12 - 9:00am to 3:00pm  
September 25 & 26 - 9:00am to 3:00pm





### Faith's Lutefisk Opener Ticket

Saturday  
October 28, 2023  
4:00-7:00pm

ADMIT ONE

## THE LUTEFISK OPENER IS COMING

You are invited to help Celebrate the LUTEFISK OPENER at Faith Lutheran in Spicer: **October 28, 2023 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm with doors opening at 3:30.** We will be serving Lutefisk, Meatballs, Lefse, Sanbakels, Krumkake and many other treats. Keep the tradition alive - plan to bring your entire family and your neighbors as well!!

Tickets & volunteer sign-ups will be available soon. This is a community event that helps fund many important ministries here at Faith.

## NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

As we start back up into our many programs this fall, we are looking for some more people to work our nursery on Sundays and Wednesdays. **These are paid positions - \$18/hour!** Sundays from 8:30-11:00am, Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30pm - contact the church office if you are interested in working the nursery (or know someone who is!). Email [office@faithspicer.org](mailto:office@faithspicer.org) or call 320-796-2522.

September Mission of the Month:

Freezer Meal Ministry



## FREEZER MEAL MINISTRY

This is a creative ministry here at Faith Lutheran Church! Every few months, a group of people at Faith get together to make 4 different delicious meals. Those who participate get to take home one of each of these meals for their families to enjoy back home, and extra meals are made to be given out for Faith visitation and support visits. These wonderful meals help spread God's love through food!

## RACHEL BIBLE STUDY CIRCLE

September 28 at 1:30 pm at the home of Beverly Tharaldson