FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

"The Lutheran Church of Westchester"

25th Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026



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We welcome all sinners; offering a solution to that sin.
(Hint: It is Jesus!)
We are L.C.M.S - A Confessional, Liturgical, and Sacramental Church Body.

Welcome to Faith - We are glad you joined us!

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Coming Week(s) in Worship / Special Events at Faith

(Where Pastor may be as well)
11/22 - Celebrating the Last Sunday of the Church Year
9:00 am - Divine Service - Word and Sacrament (Eucharist)
10:20 am - (or so)
Adult Bible Study after the service
Children's Bible time and Catechesis after the service

11/25 - Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at 7 pm
11/29 - Celebrating the 1st Sunday in Advent
9:00 am - Divine Service - Word and Sacrament (Eucharist)
After the service we Trim the Tree and decorate for Christmas.
No Bible Studies

Welcome! We are pleased that you have come to worship with us today and we pray that you have been blessed by God and His Word. As a visitor, please ask for a "Welcome to Faith" pamphlet.

** Prayer Ministry at Faith Lutheran **

(Please note) - You may ask for a prayer before we begin worship at anytime, or even ask an usher to relay to Pastor…
**** NOTE **** I understand privacy is a concern for all, so prayers will only be listed here or announced with the OK from those in need. We want to pray as a family of Faith whenever possible, we really care.

Prayers for the world we live in and for His Church

- Our big sister Church, St. John's in Wheaton.
- For good and wise government (Always)
- First Responders (Police and Fire) & Armed Forces, especially with the ongoing conflict (Always)
- For Faith, asking the Holy Spirit to guide us. (Always)

Ongoing prayers

- Mrs. Becker - results are in, more opinions ongoing…keep praying.

Prayers for health, grieving, recovery and hope.

- Reverend Mark Post (fellow Circuit 12 pastor) - had a stroke and in ICU at Elmhurst hospital this past Thursday.

Birthdays and Anniversary's -
Nancy Knapp - November 12 (we did not pray last week)

Please note - You can tell Pastor in person, call the church number, or email Pastor your requests.

Memorials Received in Loving Memory -
For Julia Brunner - From Mrs. and Mrs. Ulm (3rd pub.)

**** Faith worship / service notes ****
Next week's Bible passages: (Sunday Service)
For the Last Sunday of the Church Year: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Psalm 95:1-7, 1 Corinthians 15:20-28, and Matthew 25:31-46

Theme for today: Abysmal distress, anguish, ruin, devastation, darkness, and gloom converge on the day of wrath. But those who live in the light of Christ are armored with faith, love, and hope. We are not destined for wrath but for salvation and care called to invest ourselves with others, committed to be bold encouragers, wise stewards, generous givers, faithful servants, and merciful companions-all for the sake of Christ, who dies for us that we may awake to new and abundant life.

Special dates for people or celebrations in the church upcoming
11/19 - Elizabeth of Hungary

Tree Trim and Christmas decorating - Scheduled for the 29th of November.

Thanksgiving Service - The Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be on Wednesday, November 25 at 7 pm. This will allow for you to prepare and enjoy Thanksgiving Day with friends and family, but still, the night before, you have an opportunity to "give thanks" in worship and prayer.

First Wednesday in Advent is December 2 - A 7 pm service and a potluck dinner before the service. Let's schedule the potluck to begin at 5:30 pm.

Who wants to be mailed the monthly calendar and notes - Why? Because you cannot do email, so tell Pastor. Yes, we are posting the Life Together Bulletin notes weekly, but perhaps you cannot see them or you do not have the ability to do so.

For 2027 and beyond - Bible Study is an important part of our Sunday morning worship and study life, but we seem to get things in the way. Like Voter's Meetings or Impromptu Pastor Chats (which are important), which then cancels out study. Moving forward, unless we break for summer recess or the "Christmas" break, we do not schedule anything during our Bible time. That said, a Voter's meeting or whatever would begin at 11:00 am (after Bible Study). If Pastor wants to chat, come at 8:30 am, or stick around after the Bible Study (Pastor will let you know).

Back in the day, we used to have meetings on Tuesday evenings, but would anyone come at the moment if we went back to an evening meeting?

Voter's Meeting today - Stick around, a few things on the agenda:
01) We look over and vote on the 2027 budget.
02) We discuss Phase 1 of a "big sister to little sister", or "living" partnership with St. John's Wheaton.
03) Let's discuss the Advent and Christmas schedule.

Dartball - Anyone play or does anyone know anything about it? Perhaps it might be a fun evening to try it, even go play against another church (I do think a few still play).