

Faith Notes

November 2025



Mission Statement: "We are a welcoming people of God, striving to reflect Jesus Christ's love and grace, and open to the work of the Holy Spirit."

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Monday-Thursday
9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sunday School: 8:45
a.m. on Sunday
(September-April)

Worship 10 a.m.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."
- Matthew 19:14

You may have noticed that the back of the Sanctuary looks a little different this fall. Where there was once a pew, there is now a "Pray-ground," filled with quiet toys, coloring supplies, and other activities. This space is set up for our littlest members to have adult-supervised playtime during worship. Here at Faith, we believe that children are a blessing to our worshiping community. Yes, they can be unpredictable, but here at Faith, children (and adults) are welcome to be their whole selves. Even if that is sometimes messy, imperfect, or even a little noisy.

While we take our commitment to the welcoming of children seriously, we do know that for some, it is difficult to focus when there is a lot of background noise, and we want to honor those individuals as well. If you are someone that is particularly sensitive to noise, we invite you to sit toward the front of the sanctuary. Hearing assistance devices are also available in the Narthex.

Our hope with the Pray-ground is that all people can find a way to engage in worship. This space is an embodiment of our church's commitment to welcome and hospitality. A beautiful example of Jesus' call to "let the children come."

-Pastor Katie



Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before falling asleep on November 1st!

There will be **NO** Sunday School on Sunday, November 9th due to the fall supper.



Welcome to our newest baptized member of Faith Lutheran! Alyvia Schumacher was baptized on October 19th. Alyvia is the daughter of Justin Schumacher and Jordan Feddersen. Grandparents are Brian and Dianna Feddersen. Great-Grandparents are Richard and Lois Feddersen.

On Sunday, November 2nd, we celebrate those saints who have been baptized, confirmed, and have passed away since October 26th, 2025.

Baptized

Megan Petersen Ryan Petersen Eleanor Petersen
Alina Petersen Luke Petersen
Jackson Wiersema Sam Howard Alyvia Schumacher

Confirmed

Ella Butt
Emma Butt
Allegra Luckritz
Hadley Wilke

Deceased

Scott Bratthauer
Harold Smith
Donna Galusha
Dee Wilson
Dolores Diercks
Tony Cram



The Book of Saints is available to add names of deceased loved ones. The names will be read during worship.

THE FLC W VOICE

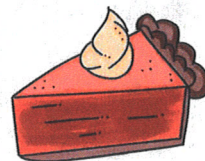
Faith Lutheran Church Women News & Events November 2025

Nov. 4: Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Hostess: Kathy Harmsen @ church
Bible Study: Tricia Perron
(We will divide and pack items for Mission Project)

Nov. 13 & 14: Sewing (10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)
-Bring a sack lunch
-Drop in anytime

**Nov. 16: FLCW Thank Offering Service
& Pie Fellowship**

Nov. 30: Board Meeting
-Discuss Christmas Giving



Thank you for the
donations to our
Homeless Mission
project!

Order forms for poinsettias will be available soon once prices have been established. Watch our Facebook page and weekly announcements for information.

Bake-less Bake Sale Continues

Our Bake-Less Bake Sale continues until November 19th. Offerings can be mailed or placed in the offering box. Envelopes can be found in the entry way if needed.

Each year, FLCW shares our "*bakeless bake sale*" monies with area agencies. This year the emphasis will be again "Hunger and Homelessness." Please consider giving generously.



Looking ahead to Advent

Advent decorating will take place on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6:30 p.m.



Congratulations to Ella Butt, Emma Butt, Allegra Luckritz and Hadley Wilke who affirmed their faith on Sunday, October 26th!



We are very fortunate to have the support for the charities we choose for our Noisy Bucket offerings throughout the year. We were able to present the Clinton County Special Athletes with a donation over \$725!! Our final collection from now until the end of December will be ELCA Good Gifts.

Faith Lutheran Church has a new assistive hearing system installed. This system could help those without hearing aids that would benefit from a little sound amplification. This system could also benefit some hearing aid users. The hearing aids amplify the ambient sound where you are at. The sanctuary has the typical church echo background. This background sound is also amplified by the hearing aids. This amplified background sound can make it more difficult to understand the person speaking. The new system will only transmit the sound picked up by the microphone and not the background echo. It is more like speaking face to face.

We currently have 5 receivers for the system. If you would like to try one, please see Chuck in the entryway before the service. We expect to be tweaking the system a bit as we fine tune it for our church but the changes be should minimal. If you use the system please give Chuck any feedback we can use to improve the system.

Pastor Katie continues to support and get to know the way of life in rural Iowa. She recently went for a combine ride to see how the harvesting process works. In the spring, Pastor witnessed the planting of corn and now she was able to see the outcome after a summer of nourishment and growth.



Confirmation students invited Pastor Katie to their final volleyball game of the season.

We had a beautiful day and wonderful turnout for our outdoor worship! Our friends from L'Arche were grateful for the invitation to worship together again and pick pumpkins. The Garden Committee did a great job with food and prizes for a fun fall event!



1. Dale Gluesing, Kaelan Kelly
2. Andy Friedrichsen, Austin Hamilton, Mike Krebs, Jordan Feddersen
5. Brian Peters, Kathy Slater
6. Luke Petersen
7. Daniel Randolph
8. Lincoln Lorenzen
9. Renee Friedrichsen, Charlie Jacobs-Ciarcia
10. Avery Ruefer
11. Nancy Christiansen
13. June Forret, Patti Diercks
14. Lois Feddersen, Mason Luckritz, Pastor Katie Jensen
15. George Eggers, Colton Galusha
16. Kimi Johnson
17. Megan Peters
18. Ryan Petersen, Cory Cram
19. Kathy Rickertsen
21. Gary Frahm, Gunnar Petersen
24. Terry Rickertsen
26. Joel Schroeder
27. Erin Tietjens
30. Jessica Howard, Tamarra Friedrichsen



PRAYER REQUEST

Faith Lutheran Church has a prayer chain that sends prayer requests to a list of people for those who invite prayers upon themselves or others. In respect of people's privacy, we ask that you get permission from them before adding their name to the prayer chain. If you would like to be added to the list to pray, please contact the office.

Milestone Anniversaries

Loren & Sherri Ketelsen ~ 50 years

Greg & Nadene Kelly ~ 25 years

Congratulations!!!

Online giving is available! Go to our website, flcandoveria.com and click the donate button!

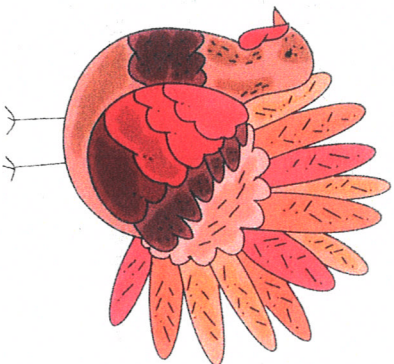


3. James & Deana Jacobs, Ed & Rhonda Lange
4. James & Katie Wilke
8. Loren & Sherri Ketelsen
9. Pastors Eric & Katie Jensen
13. Ben & Jamie Luckritz
22. Arlyn & Leslie Schroeder
23. Joel & Beth Petersen
25. Greg & Nadene Kelly



Christmas Services have been set! As you begin to make plans with your families, notice times of worship will be 1 p.m. & 4 p.m.

There are only a few fellowship dates available for the rest of 2025! Please let Julie Peters know if you can fill **12/28**. Remember, keep it simple!!



SERVING FAITH

November 2025

	<u>11/2</u>	<u>11/9</u>	<u>11/16</u>	<u>11/23</u>	<u>11/30</u>
LECTOR	Luann Harris	Loren Peters	FLCW	Marcy Wilcke	Corbin Peters
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Paul Weber	Barb Corr	FLCW	Marcy Wilcke	Kelli Parker
ALTAR GUILD	Megan Peters	Virginia Eggers	Sherril Johnson	Kristi Seamer	Ronda Tietjens
FELLOWSHIP COFFEE	Tricia Perron & Kathy Harmesen	No Fellowship Fall Supper	FLCW	Jack Smith	Kelli Parker
USHERS	Ben & Jamie Luckritz	Gene & Virginia Eggers	FLCW Pie Fellowship	Need Volunteer	Wayne & Kathy Harmesen
COUNTING TEAM	Team #1 (11/3)	Team #2 (11/10)	Team #3 (11/17)	Team #1 (11/24)	Team #2 (12/1)

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am	3 Counting Team 1	4 Bible Study 10am Sharing/Caring Circle 6:30pm	5 Confirmation 6pm	6 Fellowship Reserved 5pm	7 Hines/Holdgrafer Wedding Rehearsal	8 Hines/Holdgrafer Wedding
All Saints Sunday						
9 Worship 10am Fall Supper 3-7pm	10 Counting Team 2	11 Bible Study 10am	12 Confirmation 6pm	13 Sewing 10am-3pm Council meeting 6:30pm	14 Sewing 10am-3pm	15
16 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am Thankoffering	17 Counting Team 3	18 Bible Study 10am	19 Newsletter info due Confirmation 6pm	20	21	22
23 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am	24 Counting Team 1	25	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed	28	29 Fellowship Reserved
Christ the King Sunday						
30 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am FLCW Bd mtg						