

November
2023

Faith Notes

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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Office hours are
Monday-Thursday
9 a.m.-1 p.m.

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

Worship 10 a.m.

Advent Midweek Worship

Dear friends,

I'm excited to share that this Advent we are going to do something a little different: **we are offering a midweek Advent worship service followed by soup/fellowship!**

Starting Wednesday, November 29th and lasting through Wednesday, December 20th, we will gather at church at 1 pm for worship, using Marty Haugen's *Unfailing Light* liturgy. After the service we will share in fellowship. All are invited!

Soup and sandwiches will be provided by the Ark Encounter group as a freewill offering fundraiser!

But wait there's more! I also understand that not everyone will be able to make it to a 1 pm service due to work, school, and other obligations. So, each Wednesday evening of Advent, I will be hosting a time of devotion, prayer, a message, and maybe a little singing via our church's Facebook live. You can eat your soup at home while you watch!

I hope that you'll find time to join me at these services as we prepare for the coming birth of Jesus!

Midweek worship: Wednesday's at 1 pm followed by soup/lunch (Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, and 20).

Online Advent devotional: Wednesday's at 5:30 pm (Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, and 20).

-Anthony



2023 Church Council

President:

Tricia Perron

Vice President/Financial

Secretary:

Andra Eggers

Secretary:

Tait Wilson

Treasurer:

Jeanette Bennett

Property & Management:

Tim Hess

Worship:

Mollie Galusha

Community Life & Care:

Beth Petersen

Faith Formation/Education:

Chuck Corr

Stewardship & Outreach:

Sandy Hansen & Craig Fredrich



Faith will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2024! A planning committee is being established to celebrate this momentous occasion. If you are interested in being on this committee, please let the office know.

Ark Encounter Update

New details have been decided! The trip will be March 11th-13th. We are limited to 33 people being able to attend. A \$50 non-refundable deposit will save your spot. Once all spots are filled, we will start a waiting list.

There will be a meeting on Sunday, November 5th after worship to discuss fundraising opportunities.

Contact Ronda Tietjens, 563-212-0725 or Jamie Luckritz, 563-316-1044 with questions or if you would like to sign-up for the trip.



Our sympathies to the families of Gary Sander who passed away October 11th and Carol Jensen who passed away October 16th.



Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before falling asleep on November 4th!

There will be NO Sunday School on November 12th. We will be setting up and preparing for the fall supper.



In honor of Veterans Day, we honor those who have served and are currently serving in our military. Thank you for your service!

Do you have a special event or announcement? Please contact the church office if you would like the announcement in the weekly announcements or newsletter. Due to policies set in place, you **must** contact the office.

On Sunday, November 5th, we celebrate those saints who have been baptized, confirmed, and have passed away since October 29th, 2023.



Baptized

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| Craig Fredrich | Eli Popelka |
| Elara Moore-Peters | Oscar Gripman |
| Lydia Smith | Reagan Friedrichsen |

Confirmed

Colton Butt
Karleigh Hansen
Kadence Petersen

Deceased

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| Laveta Brady | Doris Jeanne Johnson | Modena Flesner | Janice Still |
| Nancy Luckritz | Gary Sander | Carol Jensen | |

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

The Fall Supper is almost here!

When: November 12th, 3-7pm
Where: Parking lot pick up ONLY
Cost: \$15

Apple, pumpkin and chocolate desserts are still needed along with volunteers to help serve throughout the night. There is a sign-up link available online on our Facebook page, contact Julie Peters, 563-219-1957 or the church office, 563-682-7629, if you are willing to provide a dessert or lend a hand.

It's a wonderful day to work together in fellowship while we serve those in our community!

Faith Lutheran Church Women FLCW News & Events November 2023

Sharing & Caring Circle: Tuesday, November 7th at 6:30 p.m. – meeting at the church

Hostess: Virginia Eggers

Bible Study: Tricia Perron

(Divide and Pack Items for the Homeless Mission Project)

Sewing Days: Thursday, November 16th & Friday, November 17th 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bring a sack lunch

Sunday, November 19th

Remember that the Bakeless Bake Sale Donation Envelopes are due today

FLCW will help lead the Thankoffering Worship

Bring your Thankoffering to worship

Sunday, November 26th - FLCW Board will meet after worship to discuss Christmas Giving and what to serve at the December 3rd fellowship.

***Looking ahead to 2024 the Faith Lutheran Church Women need several willing women volunteers to join our board. According to our Constitution in odd numbered years we need to elect the following leadership positions to help plan and implement the activities of the women of our congregation.*

President – one year term

Vice President – one year term and to step up to be President the following year

Secretary – two year term

Please consider if now is the time to share your talents and be a FLCW Board member and let Virginia Eggers know**

Faith was blessed with beautiful weather for outdoor worship and wonderful fellowship for our Pumpkin Picking Event! We are grateful to share our time and pumpkins with our friends from L'Arche. Thank you to the Garden Committee for coordinating a fun event!





Dear Faith Lutheran,
 Riley and I invite you to help celebrate our upcoming marriage in November. We would love if you would share a recipe with us! You can email the recipe along with stories and pictures to rileyreed2020@gmail.com (please include your name and church!)
 - Anthony

Homebound members love hearing from members of the congregation, especially as the holidays get closer. If you would like to send a letter or card to them, please ask the office for a current list of addresses.



Christmas Services have been set! As you begin to make plans with your families, notice times of worship.

Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year, therefore, our 10am worship will be an Advent worship service. A candlelight service will be held later at 4pm.

A pre-recorded Christmas Day Service will be posted to our Facebook page Christmas morning.



Clipping the extra weeds in the garden.



Our Thank Offering service will be Sunday, November 19th.

A drawing for some fun fall items was held for anyone who attended worship.



L'Arche members enjoying some hot dogs, chips and dessert.



Searching for the perfect pumpkin.



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



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

Copies of the council minutes are available in the overflow room on the white turnaround. Things happening at Faith and our financials can be found in the minutes. If you would like to know the amount of donations you have given so far this year, please let the office know.



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

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.



SERVING FAITH

November 2023

| | <u>11/5</u> | <u>11/12</u> | <u>11/19</u> | <u>11/26</u> | <u>12/3</u> |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| LECTOR | Kim Hess | Marcy Wilcke | FLCW | Kelli Parker | Luann Harris |
| COMMUNION ASSISTANT | Barb Corr, Ardith Hamilton | Ken Perron, Brad Peters | No Communion | Sheridan & Annie Petersen | Barb Corr, Erin Petersen |
| ALTAR GUILD | Julie Peters | Carol Schroeder | Kristi Seamer | Virginia Eggers | Ronda Tietjens |
| FELLOWSHIP COFFEE | Tricia Perron, Jeanette Bennett | Fall Supper No Fellowship | Beth Petersen | Lou Schroeder | FLCW |
| USHERS | Kristi Seamer, Darla Hasken | Lou Schroeder, Deb Rickertsen | Paul Weber, Jim Jacobs | Loren & Marilyn Peters | Brad & Megan Peters Family |
| COUNTING TEAM | Team #2 (11/6) | Team #3 (11/13) | Team #1 (11/20) | Team #2 (11/27) | Team #3 (12/4) |

November 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 Confirmation 6pm | 2 Bible Study 10am Fellowship Reserved 5pm | 3 | 4 |
| 5 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am All Saints' Sunday | 6 Counting Team 2 | 7 Sharing/Caring Circle 6:30pm | 8 Confirmation 6pm | 9 Bible Study 10am Council mtg 7pm | 10 | 11 Veterans Day |
| 12 NO SS/STUFF Worship 10am Fall Supper 3-7pm | 13 Counting Team 3 | 14 | 15 Confirmation 6pm | 16 Bible Study 10am Sewing 10am-3pm | 17 Sewing 10am-3pm | 18 |
| 19 SS/STUFF 8:45am Thankoffering Worship 10am | 20 Counting Team 1 Newsletter info due | 21 | 22 | 23 Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed | 24 | 25 |
| 26 SS/STUFF 8:45am Worship 10am FLCW Bd mtg Christ the King Sunday | 27 Counting Team 2 | 28 | 29 Mid-Week Advent Service 1pm | 30 | | |