



# Forecaster

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH \* AUGUST 2022



**Built for THIS**  
Lutheran Retreats, Camps & Conferences  
Summer 2022  
1 Corinthians 3:9-11

**REBOUND**  
A Youth Gathering Alternative  
Lutheran Retreats, Camps & Conferences

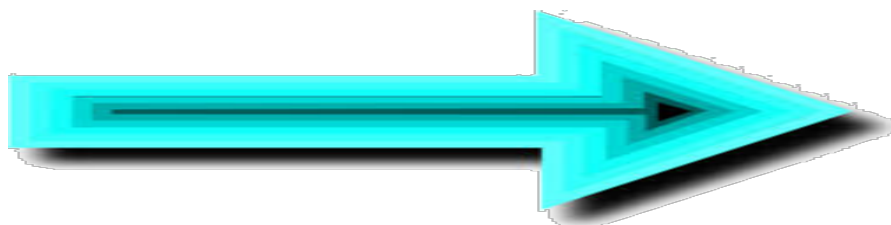
“For we are co-workers in God’s service; you are God’s field, God’s building. By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.”

~1 Cor. 3: 9-11. LRCC 2022 Summer Camp Theme Verse ~

Dear faithful friends and fellow children of God:

Hello From Camp! Alonna, Amy Rae, Deane, and I had a blast at Luther Glen Camp in Yucaipa! We will tell you all about it soon!

In the meantime, check out the pictures taken at camp on the next page!





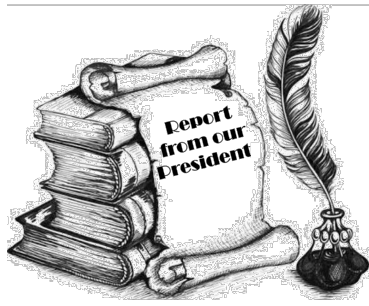
*So, until we see each other again: "May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; may the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26).*

Yours in Christ, Pastor John Barton

# Let's Party!

We will be celebrating Pastor John's first anniversary with Faith...two years late!  
 Please join us in the Fellowship Hall on August 7<sup>th</sup> immediately after worship for cupcakes, coffee and a special surprise for Pastor from the Church Council!





***This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

***Psalm 118:24***

This verse can also be translated: This is the day that the Lord has acted, let us rejoice and be glad in Him! The theme is thanksgiving to God and reliance on God rather than human strength.

We have a few things happening at Faith Lutheran Church in August. Celebration for Pastor John's 1 year anniversary as our church pastor will be held after worship on **August 7<sup>th</sup>**. The Theme is "Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, 2 years late!

All Circles Bible Study this year is **August 11<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am. All are welcome-all ladies of the church, your friends, and men, too.

On **August 14<sup>th</sup>** we will have the blessings of the backpacks in preparation of returning to school. After service we will be having a Youth Pizza Lunch and Afternoon Game Time from 11:30am to 2pm. All ages are welcome-bring a friend-bring a child-come as you are-we are all God's children!

Pastor Tom Goellrich from our Synod Office will be returning to meet with us on **August 17<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join the Outreach Meeting.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee hour after worship on Sunday mornings. We have a sign-up sheet for volunteers to set up before church or serving and clean up after church. Fellowship and WELCA will be providing the food, so we only need help with setting up or cleaning up each Sunday. A ***What to do Information Sheet*** is posted in the Fellowship Hall on the wall. Please call Arlene Dressler or Bea Olsen if you have any questions.

Our next council meeting will be held on **August 29<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 pm in person and on Zoom. All are welcome to come to our council meetings. As a reminder, the church council meeting minutes and committee reports for the previous month are being posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

*Cheerfully in Christ,*

*Kandie Hulme, Council President*

***Come out and play!***

August 14<sup>th</sup>

11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Pizza & Games

ALL ages are welcome!



# Worship Schedule

## FOR AUGUST 2022

- August 7      In-Person (and Drive-In) Worship & Communion at 9:30 am
- August 14    In-Person (and Drive-In) Worship & Communion at 9:30 am with “Blessing of Backpacks”: All children and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to be blessed for the new school year, followed by pizza and game time for **all ages**.
- August 21    In-Person (and Drive-In) Worship & Communion at 9:30 am
- August 28    In-Person (and Drive-In) Worship & Communion at 9:30 am

Those hesitant to be in larger crowds may continue to worship by choosing one of the following alternatives:

- **Radio:** in our parking lot still broadcasted **live** on 98.9 FM
- **Online:** at our website, any time after 2:00 pm each Sunday

*-The Worship & Music Committee*

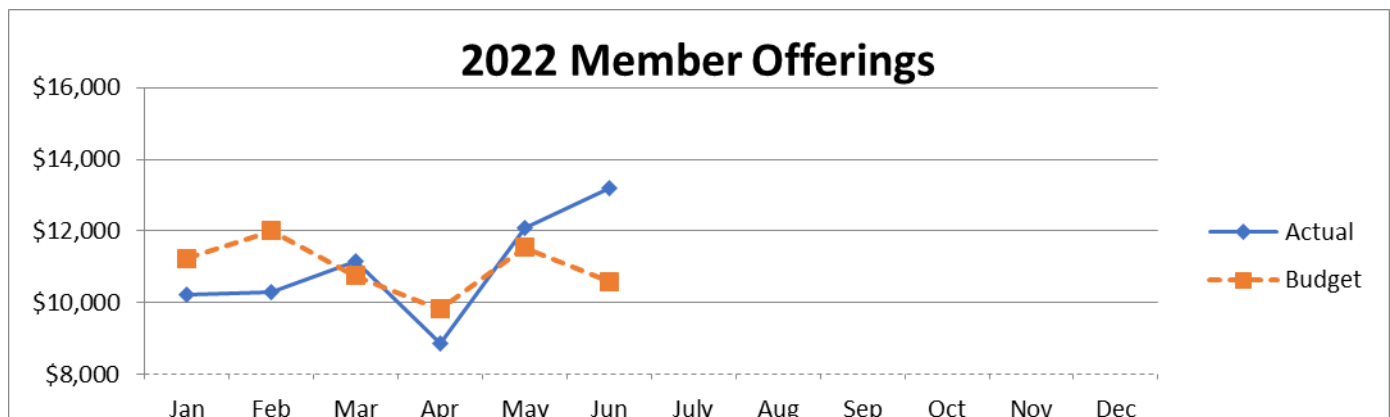


Asst. Ministers	Lectors	Ushers	Power Point
7th: Roderick Sinclair	7th: Harold Whitford	7th: Judy Appel	7th: Lynn Bennett
14th: Joanne McGavran	14th: Valerie Holmes	14th: Gina Howe	14th: Mike McGavran
21st: Deane Meckler	21st: Sandy Chandler	21st: Annie Misko	21st: Sarge Hunter
28th: Marlene Rosselli	28th: Bill Brauer	28th: Kandie Hulme	28th: Sarge Hunter
<b>Greeter:</b> Sharon Seims (all month) <b>Attendance:</b> Marlene Rosselli; Kandi Hulme (08/21)		<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marlene Rosselli (all month)	

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### Ending June 30, 2022

- a. **Offering Envelopes**
  - i) **For the month**, over budget at 124.5% (\$13,200 vs \$10,601).
  - ii) **Year-to-date**, on budget at 99.8% (\$65,814 vs \$65,958).
- b. **Total Income**
  - i) **For the month**, over budget at 126.0% (\$16,671 vs \$13,226).
  - ii) **Year-to-date**, on budget at 100.2% (\$86,231 vs \$86,052).
- c. **Expenses**
  - i) **For the month**, on budget at 99.5% (\$16,609 vs \$16,698).
  - ii) **Year-to-date**, slightly over budget at 101.7% (\$96,654 vs \$95,006).
- d. **Net Operating Income** (Total Income minus Expenses)
  - i) **For the month**, a surplus of \$62 vs the expected loss of \$3,473.
  - ii) **Year-to-date**, a loss of \$10,423 vs the expected loss of \$8,955.
- e. **Checking balance**
  - i) **Balance at Month-end** is \$14,535.
  - ii) **Previous Month-end balance** was \$14,451.
- f. **Comments**
  - i) On paper, June looks very good. Member Offerings exceeded budget by a significant amount. However, this was because a member contributed their offering in a lump sum, rather than over several months. The reality is we continue to be under budget in our Member offerings and overall income, regardless of what the graph below suggests.

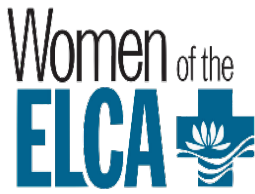


*Submitted by Mike McGavran, Treasurer*

## Is Your Church Directory Outdated???

If your church directory is outdated, you are NOT alone! You'll be glad to know that updating the directory is one of the projects being worked on in the church office!

More information will follow...thank you for your patience!



**It's August – All Circles Bible Study Month!** That means we'll all come together at the same time, with Pr. John as our study leader. Woohoo! We will be discussing the conclusion of the three-part summer Bible study series, **Crafted in Christ – A Summer of Rest and Renewal**. “**Ties That Bind**,” found in the July/August issue of *Gather* magazine, examines how God invites us to

commit to a new way of life with God and with each other. Come and bring your friends!! **ALL women are MOST WELCOME!! – Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at Church and on Zoom!**

#### CIRCLE YOUR CALENDAR & PLAN TO COME:

- **Tuesday, September 13: Lydia Circle** meets at 2:00pm in person
- **Wednesday, September 14: Mary Circle** meets at 10:00am in person and on Zoom
- **Thursday, SEPT 22: Faith W-ELCA General Meeting and Luncheon** - 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Special Speaker, Jason White, Founder of Great Life Senior Care.
- **September 25: Thankoffering Sunday.** The tradition began years ago, with Lutheran women filling their Thankoffering Boxes, a coin or two at a time, in thanksgiving for God's blessings. At the end of each year, they brought their boxes to a special service of thanks, after which their offerings were sent where needed. Each year our congregation is invited to participate in Thankoffering by giving a special gift, over and above their regular giving, in support of W-ELCA ministries here in the U.S. and abroad. **Pease make checks out to Faith W-ELCA, with the MEMO: Thankoffering, and mail or bring to church.**
- **November 4 & 5: Pacifica W-ELCA Convention & Gathering,** Hope Lutheran Church in Temecula. Look for lots more info to come on this exciting event. The Convention portion on the 4<sup>th</sup> is 1:00pm-8:00pm; the Gathering on the 5<sup>th</sup> is 9:00am-4:00pm. Just down the road from us, we'll be able to load up our cars and carpool... yahoo!



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**“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.”**

(1 Corinthians 12:12)

Walking, praying and serving WITH you!

Joanne McGavran

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## LUNCH & LEARN

### AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup> AT 11:00

We invite you to learn from Pr. John about the acceptable burial/cremation options within the Lutheran church. Following, a representative from Evans Brown Mortuary will talk about the importance of pre-planning and how it can bless the lives of your family! Lunch will be provided!



**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

To

August 2, 1932	Mardene Miller
August 4, 1956	Ronald Biggs
August 5, 1997	Jackie Culp
August 8, 1926	Julie Wrangle
August 9, 1943	JoLynne Buehring
August 14, 1946	Pam Heinz
August 16, 1932	Bill Hallahan
August 22, 1943	Eileen Johnson
August 29, 1951	Sandy Chandler



**ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS**

To

August 9, 2015	Bryant & Valerie Holmes
August 13, 1978	Rich & Sandy Chandler
August 13, 1960	Ray & Pat Olson



If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please notify the church office so we can add you to our list!

**Hunger Never Rests!**

**The Menifee Valley Community Cupboard is in need of  
Canned Tuna and Chicken for August!**

Your donations are still welcome and needed! You may 1) Drop your items off at The Cupboard at 26944 Cherry Hills Blvd (951/301-4414). 2) Call Pastor John (949/258-3452) for pick up and delivery! 3) Bring your donations to the church office during our regular hours. When you drop off your donations please inform the Community Cupboard you are from Faith Lutheran. If you are a Thrivent member you may wish to use your Thrivent Action Card to purchase up to \$250.00 of food for the Cupboard. For more information, call David Moe at (951) 230-8493.



*Diane Swarts - Community Cupboard Liaison*

The Lake Elsinore Storm baseball game originally scheduled for August 12<sup>th</sup> has been canceled!





## News from the Endowment Fund Board

The Endowment Fund Board would like to share some wonderful news with the congregation. In May, the Board awarded \$1500 scholarships to two outstanding applicants from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary: Steven Namburi and Charbel Zgheib. Then, by completing required forms, the Board secured matching funds through the Congregational Partners in Education Award Program.

Overnight, Faith's \$3000 in scholarships awarded for the 2022-2023 school year had turned into \$6000, and those two seminarians had received extra encouragement in their quest to follow God's calling. Thanks be to God!

Coincidentally, both scholarship recipients are international students. Steven Namburi is a fifth-generation Christian from India. His Dalit (untouchable) ancestor converted from Hinduism to Christianity. Thanks to God's work through missionaries, the Dalits have been lifted from inhumane atrocities to hopeful opportunities. Now on the path to become an ordained ELCA pastor, Steven asserts, "I will strive to serve the lost, the least, and the last for the rest of my life."

Born in Lebanon, Charbel Zgheib grew up in a land suffering from civil war. In his adult years, Charbel has had several unique experiences including volunteering at a Christian radio station and serving as a social worker who brought support to foreign inmates in a Lebanese prison. After taking PLTS courses online while still in Lebanon, Charbel moved to California in 2021 to continue his seminary education. Now he is on internship.

What a joyful privilege it is for the Faith family to be able to award scholarships to deserving students! Through the years, donations to the scholarship funds of the Endowment Fund Board have made such scholarships possible. May we continue to support this worthwhile endeavor.

*Pat Adams, Chairperson of the Endowment Fund Board*

## Property Committee Report

We have been idle on exterior maintenance (thankfully with the heat) but there have been a few interior jobs. Our contractor (Robert Monk) repaired a toilet in the women's bathroom and repaired the A/C that cools the office and those rooms down the hallway.

Sarge has volunteered (I thought he learned better in the Army) and he is working diligently on the inventory. He doesn't miss a thing!

Sarge and I will alternate on opening the Church and setting the thermostats. We are willing to perform these tasks but not stay until everyone exits. Last out locks up! **This is Important:** the locks will NOT be in the open position, which means you can go out by pushing the crash bar. Once the door closes behind you, the door is locked. During Church hours we've been propping the door into the Narthex open' this door needs a good push to secure it.

*Harold Whitford – Chair, Property Committee*







**In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."**

**Acts 20:35**

Bishop Eaton invites us to "God's Work. Our Hands" Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. She states that this annual day of service is an opportunity for us to celebrate who we are as the ELCA-one church, freed in Christ to love and serve our neighbors.

We will be making hygiene kits for the homeless again this year. We will be passing door hangers out to our neighbors with information about our church and our service project. Donations will be so welcomed - please bring your items to the church and put them on the stage in the Fellowship Hall. The following travel size items are some suggestions for donations to our kits:

Toothbrush/Toothpaste	Razors	Dental floss	Lotion
Mouthwash	Washcloths	Shampoo	Socks
Hair conditioner	Applesauce	Comb/brush set	Granola Bars
Deodorant	Fruit snack	Powder	

Crackers with peanut butter or cheese

On September 11th after church, we would appreciate volunteers to help assemble our kits and place in zip lock bags. We will be delivering some of them to the police station, but we can also keep some in our cars and give out to someone in need. Please let us know if you have any questions!

## Faith Lutheran Church

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### Church Office Hours:

Tues & Thurs 8:30am-5:00pm

Fri 8:30am-12:30pm

### Our Staff:

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# August 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jul 31	Aug 1	2	3	4	5	6
	10:00am Remembering & Honoring-In Person 1:00pm Exec Board-In Person & Zoom	10:00am Mutual Ministry-In Person 2:00pm Endowment-Zoom 4:30pm Education Team-Zoom	10:00am Cheer/Eucharistic Ministry-In Person 12:00pm CA Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training	10:00am All Circle Bible Study-In Person & Zoom 12:00pm WELCA Board-In Person	10:30am Al-Anon - Fellowship Hall	10:30am Al-Anon - Fellowship Hall
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