



FAITH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AUGUST 16 and 17
Divine Services: *Sundays — 8 am & 9:30 am; Mondays — 6:30 pm*
Website: *www.flcgb.com*



FAITH FIREBALLS

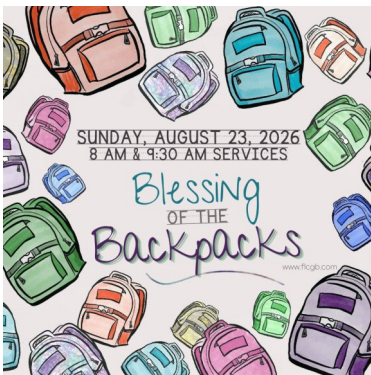
Great season, Faith Fireballs! Join us for the potluck after the 9:30 am service today, August 16th to celebrate their season.



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Blessing of the Backpacks is Sunday, August 23rd at the 8 & 9:30 services. We will pray for a happy, successful, & healthy school year. Each blessed backpack will receive a special key chain as a memento! *2nd graders will also be receiving their Faith Alive Student Bible. The Bible is used during Sunday School and Catechism Class here at Faith Lutheran Church.

If you would like to make a donation towards the purchasing of the Bibles for our youth, you can do this via the offering plate or to the church office. Please note it is for "Youth Bibles". you may also donate through online giving, by selecting "Beginner Bibles".



DEADLINE FOR ANNOUNCEMENT
SUBMISSION IS WEDNESDAYS BY 9 AM

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN SCHOOL KITS

LWML will again be collecting school supplies with the goal of filling 96 kits. If you are out and doing "back to school" shopping and see items on sale, please consider getting a few extra for the school kits. A complete list is available by the church office.

CHRISTIAN GROWTH 2026 - 2027

We are looking forward to the upcoming education year for Christian Growth! We need teachers (new or returning) to help with the classes during the education hour on Sunday mornings. Teachers are needed for 3k/4k, Kindergarten/1st, 2nd/3rd, 4th/5th, and 6th/7th/8th grade classes. Teachers are in charge of attendance, helping maintain discipline, and facilitating the prepared activity for the morning.



Upcoming Dates for Christian Growth:

Aug 23 - Christian Growth
Teacher Meeting
(after 2nd service) Downstairs
in the boardroom
Sep 13 - First Day of Christian
Growth



CHRISTIAN GROWTH HOUR (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

Resumes on Sept. 13
If you have any questions or are
interested in being involved in
Sunday School, please contact Alex at
dcc@flcgb.com.



We pray for:

Lois Piontek
Jim Peters
Connie Lenz

**FAITH'S ACTIVE
MILITARY MEMBERS:**

Thomas Brod &
Carter Barlament

Long-term prayer needs:

Joy Anderson	Dale Raby
Leroy Barber	Lori Reynolds
Kaylene Delvaux	Paul Reynolds
Arlene Doepeke	Robert Ruggles
Sandi Engbosc	Kurt Steiner
Erica Errer	Vern Tamura
Ethan Garner	Barbara Tuttle
Scott Hanna	Jeff Walch
Bonita Hoffman	Jean Zimmerman
Glenn Hoppe	Rick Zimmerman
Eleanore Juza	Faith's Inactive
Donna Koehler	Members
Fredrick Meinel	
Toni Nelson	

Also pray for our extended family and friends of Faith:

Jonathan Peters (nephew to Jim and Janet Peters)
Lorraine Frank (mother of Carolyn Boeck)
Ralphie (friend of Pam Heiser)
Jessica Pluim (friend of Brian & Martha Patrycia)
Dan and Vicky Finco (friends of Marilyn and Rick Toninato)
Kay Daley (sister of Connie Lenz)
Lisa VanStraten (sister of Jenni Cherney and Angie Smet)
Steinfeldt family (friends of Gregg and Julie Marweg)
Melissa Raupp (daughter of Dave and Carol Riebe)
Sydney Miracle (friend of Dick & Kathy Rupiper)
Luvine Mielke (mother of Todd Mielke)
JJ Safranski (nephew of Todd & Karen Mielke)
Justice (grandson of Kappie Murray)
Pamela Moore (friend of Patrick Smith)
Cate Steiner (grand-daughter of Kurt and Judy Steiner)
Charles Bagneski (brother-in-law of Kelly Bagneski)
Laura Logsdon (friend of Lori Reynolds)
Kent Hillery (brother of Connie Lenz)

Sharon Samarziya (sister-in-law of Nancy Hauswirth)
Rotraud Alverson (sister of Christa Batiansila)
Jerry Mann (brother-in-law to Jim and Janet Peters)
Holly Morales (cousin of Alyssa Garner)
Christina Lange (niece of Paul & Lori Reynolds)
Sophia Meinel (grand-daughter of Fredrick & Diane Meinel)
Jean Reynolds (mother of Paul Reynolds)
Nancy Kolar (sister of Judy Steiner)
Susan Yakel (mother of Deborah Welnetz)
Roger Dart (cousin/friend of Paul & Lori Reynolds)
Judy Kostreva (sister in law of Debra Crozier)
Mike Walschinski (grandson of Angie Dobratz)
Rose Walschinski (grand-daughter of Angie Dobratz)
Charlie Cheslock (grandson of Keith & Jolene Cheslock)
Kevin Klover (brother of Kathy Ebert)
Amy Kellerman (cousin of Linda Just)
Pastor Jeff Dobratz (son of Angela Dobratz)
Andrea Laroque (friend of Toni Nelson)

If you would like to add (or remove) someone to (or from) the prayer list, please email office@flcgb.com.



Altar Bouquet 1	Altar Bouquet 2	Center Bouquet
In celebration of Chuck and Linda Cammack's 50th wedding anniversary	In Celebration of Prince and Sarah Soloman's wedding anniversary	In celebration of Nick and Michelle Reynolds' wedding anniversary



ALTAR FLOWERS:

The flower sign up is available at the Welcome Center. The cost is \$25.00 per bouquet.

The flowers are available for you to take home after Monday service or they will be at the Welcome Center Tuesday morning.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FAITH THIS WEEK

Sun. 08/16	8:00 am	Service (Livestreamed)
	9:30 am	Service
	10:45 am	"Today's News and the Bible" class
	-	Fireballs Potluck
Mon. 08/17	6:30 pm	Service
Tues 08/18	6:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	9:00 am	Matins
	9:30 am	Bible Study
Fri. 08/21	9:30 am	Faithful Friends Playdate @ Bay Beach Park Playground
Sun. 08/23	8:00 am	Service (Livestreamed)
	9:30 am	Service

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK AT FAITH

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:

Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 9:30 am	Mon. 6:30 pm
Tim Boeck	Patrick Smith	Bruce Zittlow

ALTAR GUILD:

Molly Krueger | Marilyn Toninato
Gina Bents | Sue Schuettpeiz

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 16—Fireballs Potluck
August 23—Blessing of the Backpacks
August 26—Catechism Parent orientation
August 30 —Dollar Sunday
October 10— Lutherans Witness Differently
speaker event: Reverend Droegemueller

Bible Studies, Groups & Classes

WEEKLY(Summer)

TODAY'S NEWS & THE BIBLE

Sunday | 10:45 am | Fellowship Hall |
Led by Rev. Ed Maniscalco Ph.D.
August 23, 30

Tuesday Men's Bible Study

6:00 am | Lounge | Book of Acts

TUESDAY MATINS PRAYER

9:00 am | Sanctuary

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

9:30 am | Lounge

The Congregation at Prayer:

Daily Devotion and Prayer

Available on our website (flcgb.com)
under 'Home Devotion Resources' tab

MONTHLY

THE FAITHFULS | WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

Monday, August 24, 11:30 am

Applebee's/IHOP | 2420 E. Mason
(By the East Town Mall)

RSVP: Betty Spear 920-562-1208

THE FEAST BIBLE STUDY

First & Third Tuesday of the Month

August 18th | 6:30 pm | Lounge

Young Adult Bible Study

Led by Alex Wright



BOOK GROUP

First Wednesday of the Month

Sep. 2nd | 6:30 pm | Lounge

"A Prayer for Owen Meany"

By John Irving

FAITH'S DAYTIME BUNCO

Sep. 10 | 2 pm | Lounge



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Sept 2nd | 12:00 pm | Lounge

Anyone who knits or crochets is
welcome to come and learn about this
ministry. For more information contact
Cheryl Roohr at eroohr@new.rr.com



FAITH BASED CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

You may be a caregiver if you help support an aging parent, a loved one with dementia or cognitive changes or a family member with a disability, stroke or complex health needs. Caregiving is extremely difficult and high stress. Redeemer Lutheran Church is pleased to announce that they are starting a faith based Caregiver Support Group to provide a safe space where you can share with others who understand you in a way no one else can in addition to helping you find resources and education to help make day-to-day caregiving more manageable. Meetings will take place the first Wednesday of the month in the Redeemer Ministry Center meeting room (210 S Oneida, Green Bay) beginning on Wednesday, September 2nd at 10:30am to noon. All caregivers are welcome to join!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS **MONDAY—THURSDAY** **8:00 AM—12:00 PM**

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TRINITY MENASHA SUPPORT

The Alumni of Trinity Lutheran Church and School of Menasha are asking sister congregations and schools in supporting the students and families affected by the tornado on July 27, 2026. Trinity is three blocks away from the major destruction and 18 of their students were in the path of the Tornado that went through Menasha. Let us help them out as they prepare for school to begin at the end of August. Items can be ordered through this online registry and will automatically ship to Trinity, Menasha. Please scan the QR code below to access the registry.



DISASTER RELIEF

Following the extreme weather and Tornadoes in the Appleton area on 7/27/26, we are asking for prayers for the families that have been impacted. If you wish to make a monetary donation to assist in relief services, please send money marked “**Disaster Response**” to:
North Wisconsin District
3103 Seymour Lane
Wausau, WI 54401

Hearing Devices are available in the back of the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.

A Large Print Hymnal is available in the back of the Narthex for your use.

Low-Gluten Wafers Due to the special dietary needs of those diagnosed with **Celiac Disease**, low-gluten wafers are available during communion. If you would like to receive a low-gluten wafer, speak to Pastor Errer or an elder prior to the service.

Evangelizing While Steadfastly Lutheran

As we seek to grow in our ability to evangelize, we would do well to seek resources and guidance that help us address our many questions, familiarize ourselves with evangelism concepts, and give us a place to start. There are many resources written by Christians that will help give practical guidance and methods that we can then adopt and adapt to our situation. It is good to engage in these resources, coming from many corners of Christendom, while knowing and understanding our Lutheran confessions will mean some evangelism resources are better, or more theologically sound, than others.

It is a good thing to engage with fellow Christians in other contexts. Who would discourage you from reading the terrific works of C.S Lewis? However, bear in mind that you may need to adapt and correct theological and evangelism resources with our understanding of the power of the Word and Sacraments, as well as salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. Whether it be a book, podcast, or social media post, exercise a healthy level of critical thought, and compare what is said to Holy Scripture and the Catechism, asking for help along the way from fellow Churchgoers, Elders, Vicar, and Pastor.

We have a unique confession from Non-Denominationalism or Roman Catholicism for example, and this is not a hindrance to evangelism. As I have dialogued with our brothers and sisters in other churches, I have heard these criticisms, and perhaps you have as well: "Lutherans are too focused on doctrine, and doctrine divides. Lutherans are too focused on the 'non-essentials' of the faith." It is true that doctrine divides, because right and wrong should be rightly divided. We cannot sideline truth from Holy Scripture for the sake of an illusion of unity when we should be united around those very truths. The sacraments are not non-essential. Indeed, they are very essential, as means through which God gives his grace to us, the external Word, pure Gospel. What beautiful showing forth of God's love is the baptism of an infant, and Christ's body and blood given and shed for you.

We are not pushing a broken person to "decide to follow Jesus" by force of will. We are not pushing a five-step plan for God to approve of you. These things are not the message of Scripture. The message is what God does for us in divine love. God has given us the privilege to proclaim Christ crucified for sinners, and truth for the comfort of terrified consciences. We do this by faith in him. Be of good cheer and courage in the Lord: as we evangelize, we must not be afraid of being steadfastly Lutheran.

God's peace be with you,

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