

**GIVE THANKS**

IN ALL

CIRCUMSTANCES;

{ FOR THIS IS }

**THE WILL**

— **OF GOD IN** —

CHRIST JESUS

**FOR YOU**

**-1 THESSALONIANS 5:18 ESV**

Faith Lutheran Church—Green Bay  
November Newsletter



# Faith Lutheran Church

2335 S. Webster Ave.  
Green Bay, WI 54301

## WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday worship at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, & 11:00 am  
Monday worship at 6:30 pm

**\*\*Temporary\*\* Church Office Hours:**  
Monday-Thursday | 8:00 am—12:00 pm

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Generosity and thankfulness. If you had to choose a theme for this time of year, I think that those two words would define it. In many ways, they are the two side of the same coin; generosity springs from the gratitude and thankfulness you feel toward the life you have and the blessings that it contains. Thankfulness then flows from the lessons you learn when you respond to the needs of your neighbors and are reminded of the many ways you have been blessed. One leads to the other and each one compliments the other.

When we practice stewardship, generosity and thankfulness are the outcomes of the skills and attitudes stewardship helps to develop. In the Bible, Jesus praises the widow who gives all she has to the temple and the Bible instructs that those who believe should give a tithe, or ten percent, of all that they have. Have you ever wondered why these models are held up to us as examples for the Christian life? It is because they give us a right understanding of the blessings God bestows on us every day. The way that we respond to the needs of others and to the needs of the church is an outgrowth of the ways that God has already blessed us. This is one of the reasons why Jesus praises the widow's offering; it might not have been much when compared to the other gifts that were given that day, but it was a generous portion of what she had received and she responded accordingly. When she gave, she did so in thankfulness and faithfulness with what God had provided to her.

This year has been a challenging one in countless ways. It has tested the faith and the wellbeing of almost everyone in one way or another. One of those ways will be reflected in our All Saints Day commemoration. This year we will be adding eleven names to the vine and branches memorial. These names will tell the story of a people ranging in age from a pre-teen to their late 90s. Those names tell the story of families grieving for mothers and fathers, children and grandchildren, and spouses and lifelong friends. Part of what has made grief so difficult this year is the inability to gather with those who shared in your grief and experience the generosity of their love and grief and their thankfulness in being a part of the life of the one you also loved. For those who grieve, the experience of loneliness and isolation in grief was all the more magnified because of the pandemic that rages around us.

And yet, even in the face of these kinds of challenges, there is still much for which to be thankful this year because the faithful Christian knows that our life is not measured in the things of this world, but in the grace that God shows his people. So in the face of the challenges given to us this past year, we must also take on this challenge: looking to see how God is still present in our lives and how we are blessed by that presence. What you see at first might seem small, like a widow's mite, but when you see it through the eyes of thanksgiving, you will be able to see your God at work as He remains present in your life, even during the most difficult of times.

Pastor Errer

# November Information

## **Worship Service Times:**

Sundays 8 am, 9:30 am, & 11:00 am

Mondays 6:30 pm

## **Christian Growth Hour:**

Virtual Lessons available on [flcgb.com](http://flcgb.com) in the Education tab

Craft Kit pickup - November 1st

## **Daylight Savings Time:**

“Fall back” one hour on Saturday, October 31.

\*Change batteries in your smoke alarms—batteries will be available on Sunday, November 1

## **All Saints’ Day:**

Sunday, November 1

## **Blood Drive:**

Tuesday, November 3 | 12:30 pm-5:30 pm

## **Veteran’s Day Recognition:**

Sunday, November 8

## **Voters’ Meeting:**

Sunday, November 8 at 12:00 pm

## **Thanksgiving Services:**

Thanksgiving Eve (Wednesday 11/25) at 4:00 pm & 6:30 pm

\*No Thanksgiving Day Service\*

## **Deck the Halls:**

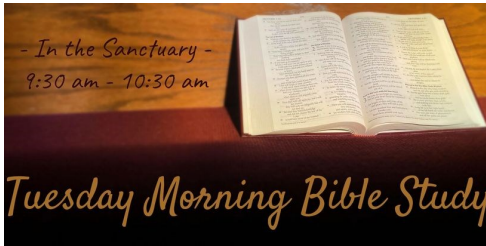
Sunday, November 29 at 12:00 pm

On Sunday, November 1st, we will be adding 11 members to our Vine and Branches memorial. These 11 members have past away and join the Church Triumphant within the past year.



## *Bible Study Opportunities at Faith*

~ Tuesday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary ~

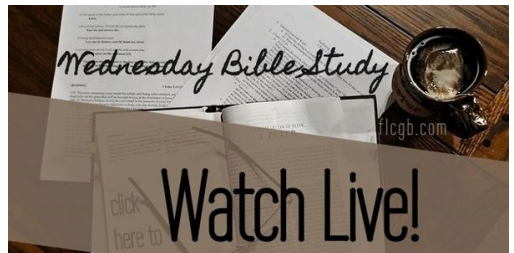


Meet in the Sanctuary on Tuesday Mornings at Pastor Erer guides a Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew.

~ Wednesdays at 12 pm via LiveStream ~

Livestreamed Bible Study hosted by Vicar Souer and Director of Parish Music - Paul Heiser.

This is available on our Church Website ([flcgb.com](http://flcgb.com)) and on our Facebook Page.



### **PEOPLE OF FAITH/LWML**



Warm thanks for your Mite Box donations on LWML Sunday. The money collected - \$53 - will be added to other LWML Zone 19 donations to help fund our Mission Grants for 2020-22. A list of these recipients, along with other Lutheran Women in Mission free materials and info, can be located at the LWML counter in the member mailbox hallway.

Anyone interested in helping create more Pillowcase Dresses, please call me. Thanks and God's best blessings, Arlene Doepke 920-676-1403



Greetings from the Schiff family,

In the last week of July, we moved back to Fort Wayne from Green Bay for me to begin the final year of Seminary. Because of your prayers and support, this transition was very smooth.

Although we knew that our year in Green Bay would eventually come to an end, it was still a sad day when we left. The saints of Faith Lutheran Church in Green Bay will always have a special place in our hearts. Since arriving back in Fort Wayne, Eli and Alexis have begun attending St. Paul Lutheran School. Eli is in 5th grade, and Alexis is in 4th grade. Eli's basketball practices will begin next week, and he is very excited to be able to play a sport this year for his school.

Alexis continues to excel academically and still wants to be an art teacher when she grows up. Shelly completed her Master of Healthcare Administration with the University of St. Francis in August. With her goal of becoming a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator temporarily on hold due to internship restrictions caused by COVID, she has been substitute teaching on a full-time basis at St. Paul's Lutheran School. She is enjoying teaching and looks forward to serving in this capacity for the rest of the year.

Beginning my final year of Seminary is bittersweet in some respects. It's bitter because I know that my time with my classmates and the school I have come to love and enjoy is soon coming to an end. It's sweet because I know that the journey I began many years ago is soon coming to an end. After vicarage, there is a somewhat renewed sense of urgency in my studies. I am learning a lot and enjoying the work.

Through your support and prayers, we are continuing to grow as individuals and as a family. Thank you for everything and keep us in your prayers. May the Lord bless you as you navigate this strange time in our country.

In Christ,

We have been asked by several people for some updated contact information. It has been provided below. Feel free to contact us anytime, we would love to hear from you!

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Congratulations to Pastor Titus Utecht (former Vicar of Faith) and Rianne Utecht, and big sisters Akyra and Hephzibah, as they welcomed a new little one into their family! Zephyra RuthAnn Utecht was born October 6 at 6:37 pm. She weighed in at 7lbs and was 20" long.

Titus is the Pastor at  
Sherman Oaks Lutheran Church  
14847 Dickens St.  
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403-3627



#### Thanksgiving Baskets

It is time to start planning for the Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive. We will be accepting food items and gift cards to provide a Thanksgiving dinner for families in need. To alleviate duplication, beginning November 1 there will be a **TURKEY** in the Narthex with feathers that indicate the items that are needed. *Gift cards can be turned in by contacting the Church Office or Faith Scrip (flcgb.scrip@gmail.com)* Free-will offerings are also greatly appreciated (please put in memo line or in an envelope saying

Thanksgiving Baskets)

**Donations for Thanksgiving Baskets must be dropped off by November 15, 2020.**



Angel Tree Set Up will be on Wednesday, November 25.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Thanksgiving Basket or Giving Tree Outreach Teams, please contact Erica Error at [erica.error@hotmail.com](mailto:erica.error@hotmail.com)


If you or a Faith family you know needs this assistance, please fill out the Thanksgiving Basket and/or the Angel Tree form (located at the Welcome Center) and place it in the Offering Cross in the Narthex or turn it into the Church Office.

**Please provide information by Sunday, November 15, 2020.**

**Thanksgiving Basket Pickup will be on Sunday, November 22 from noon- 1 pm.**

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>1 <i>All Saints Day</i> <i>Daylight Savings Time</i></p> <p>Service *Livestreamed* 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Service 11:00 am</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Tuesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Red Cross Blood Drive 12:30-5:30 pm</p> 
<p>8 <i>Veterans Day</i></p> <p>Service *Livestreamed* 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Service 11:00 am Voters' Meeting 12:00 pm</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Tuesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Board Meeting 6:30 pm Council Meeting 7:45 pm</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Service *Livestreamed* 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Service 11:00 am</p> <p>(Thanksgiving Basket and Angel Tree Requests due)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Tuesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Service *Livestreamed* 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Service 11:00 am</p> <p>Thanksgiving Basket pick up 12 pm—1 pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Tuesday Morning Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Service *Livestreamed* 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Service 11:00 am Deck the Halls 12:00 pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Service 6:30 pm</p>	



Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>4</p> <p>Bible Study Livestream 12 pm</p> <p>Catechism Classes 5:30 pm Jr. High Youth 6:30 pm Youth Handbells 7:00 pm High School Youth 7:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Ballroom Dance 6:30 pm</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
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<p>25</p> <p>Angel Tree Set Up Bible Study Livestream 12 pm</p> <p>Thanksgiving Services 4:00 pm and 6:30 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day (no worship service today)</p> 	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>





CALL (920) 965-0795 EXT 216  
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*He's got the whole world in His hands! He's got the itty, bitty babies in His Hands! He's got you and me brother in His Hands! He's got you and me sister in His hands! He's got the whole world in His hands!*



Many of us know and sing this song often, but during these unpredictable times, this is such a great reminder that no matter what is going on around us, He is taking care of us!

Within the classroom, Faith Christian Preschool shifted to a distance learning platform for the month of October due to varying factors within our community. The Preschool Board has been meeting frequently to determine a safe return date, which we hope is very soon. We can't wait to get back into the classroom to continue teaching, building relationships, and most importantly, sharing the love of Christ!

Thank you to everyone who donated to our rummage sale! Unfortunately, due to the recent changes within our community surrounding COVID-19, it was postponed for a future date. Updates with the new date and time will be publicized...please keep your eye out!

Blessings on your health and safety!  
*Faith Christian Preschool*

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**Green Bay Trinity**  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**CONGRATULATIONS TO GREEN BAY TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S PRINCIPAL ANDREW STRICKLAND**

who has been nominated for a Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Fellowship. He was nominated for his ability to positively handle the challenges and responsibilities that come with a leadership position. More importantly, he has managed to create the most welcoming and encouraging environment for every student at Trinity. Way to go Mr. Strickland!



## Christian Growth

We are about two months in to our virtual Sunday School. We pray that you and your family are enjoying the lessons and learning more together.

### How Virtual Sunday School Works:

Every Sunday the new lesson is activated on our website in the education tab: [fclgb.com](http://fclgb.com). Families will have the option of visiting the site together whenever and as often as they would like all week long since the lessons stay up for about 2 weeks. If the lesson you are looking for is not on our education tab, we have them uploaded to our YouTube Channel as well. On Tuesdays, we have a "Midweek Check-in" video where Director of Christian Education - Alex Wright goes into more detail on how this Bible Story still relates to us today and how God is working in our lives and some family discussion points to relate to the story too.

Our next Craft kit pickup will be: November 1

### IMPORTANT INFO FOR CATECHISM:

While Catechism Classes were virtual for October, we will be returning to the classroom for November. For those who are not comfortable attending in person, a virtual option will be available during class time as well. The classes will still meet on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.

### WEDNESDAYS FOR YOUTH:

We will resume in person activities on Wednesday evenings. We encourage everyone to follow proper guidelines and safety precautions when planning to attend.

Catechism Classes—5:30 pm

Jr. High Youth—6:30-7:15 pm

Youth Handbells—7:00-7:45 pm

High School Youth—7:30-8:15 pm



Alex Wright | Director of Christian Education

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

Cookie walk will be on  
Saturday, December 5!

Like everything else, Cookie walk will look a little different this year as we are planning the specific details on how to safely run this fundraiser. Be on the watch as more details will be coming soon!





## *Notes from Faith Lutheran Church Music!*

### IT'S ALL ABOUT COMMUNITY

For the observances of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation launched by Martin Luther our church body, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod adopted the theme “It’s All About Jesus.” Indeed, it was then, and still is.

Our following in His way is what allows us to wear the name Christian. In all circumstances it’s good to be reminded that Jesus is central to all we are and do. And, in particularly difficult times such as this pandemic, Christ gives us a guide for navigating the difficulties of this life.

In the pages of the professional and theological publications that I read there is one central theme that keeps appearing – we are all mourning the loss of community resulting from shutting down of our normal activities. Especially among church workers, we have been denied many of the tools that we typically use to build up the body of Christ in very direct and personal ways.

For that reason, I am so thankful that even in its modified form we are still able to worship in person. We are called to be together to support and serve one another. Consider that even in the Ten Commandments there are more that speak to our relationship with others than with our relationship to God. And, throughout his all his letters to various congregations, the apostle Paul reminds us that we are called by Christ to serve and encourage one another in the faith. We are communal creatures.

This is likely the reason that we as Lutherans tend to favor the term “communion” over the other names for the sacrament such as the Eucharist or the Lord’s Supper. It is something that we do together because Christ has commanded it. It is also the reason that the novel concept of virtual communion (blessing the elements through a computer connection) does not work. While we can’t join together in full tables at the communion rail with our brothers and sisters at this time, at least we are indeed in the presence of one another, a “real presence” if you allow that play on the term that is used to describe our Lutheran sacramental theology.

I understand that there is still fear among members of our flock which prevents them from joining us in worship and/or communion at this time. Please know that you are still very much numbered among us and we’ll continue to pray for you and with you until that time when we can worship together in all the fullness that the church has known for centuries. We look forward to that day with great anticipation.

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.  
Hebrews 12:2





### SCRIP PROGRAM

Scrip is available during this time. If you would like to purchase Scrip, please do one of the following:

- ◇ Submit your order form online
  - ◇ Order form is in the “About” tab on the church website
  - ◇ Once filled out to your liking, email your form to [flcgb.scrip@gmail.com](mailto:flcgb.scrip@gmail.com)
  - ◇ Your Scrip Order will be ready for you to pick up on Sunday (orders placed by Friday at noon)
  - ◇ Put check payment in a specified box when picking up on Sunday
- ◇ Call the Church Office to order
  - ◇ Call ahead of time and your order will be placed in your member mailbox for a contact free pickup.
  - ◇ When you come to pick up your order, place your check payment in the specified box.
- ◇ If you need help or an alternative pickup, please contact Jess Genske at (920)737-2797

### GIVE ONLINE

During this time, online giving is a very simple and effective way to support Faith Lutheran Church. It is available through our website ([flcgb.com](http://flcgb.com)) and click this button on the side-bar.



If you have any questions, please email [flcgb.donations@gmail.com](mailto:flcgb.donations@gmail.com)

### 2020 UNIFIED OFFERINGS

YTD—\$418,762.21\*\*

Required—\$444,230.64\*\*

Over/(Short) - (\$25,468.43)\*\*

### SCRIP

\$3,461\*

\*\*YTD as of October 26, 2020

\* YTD as of September 22, 2020

### CHURCH MORTGAGE

\$148,937.56

(as of September 23, 2020)

# November Birthdays

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| 1 Emily McNulty<br>Anna Gay Pahlow   | 10 Mary Barkow<br>Ronald Mercier<br>Sheryl VanGruensven   | 21 Jill Callahan<br>Eugene Feldhausen<br>Rod Goldhahn<br>Scott Hanna<br>Izabel Swaab<br>Phillip Tritabaugh      |
| 2 Sue Mansfield<br>Melanie Simcoe<br>Jacob Yakel                                     | 11 Kendra Cornell   | 23 Barbara Andringa<br>Wyatt Sullivan<br>Mark Wilcox<br>Paul Heiser<br>Richard Kocian                           |
| 3 Marge Crone<br>James Peters<br>Benjamin Stiles                                     | 12 Carol Walker   | 25 Sarah Hovis<br>Matt Krueger  |
| 4 Jill Anderson<br>Nicholas Badtke<br>Adam Dryer                                     | 13 Ronald Anderson<br>Kathy Ebert<br>Gabe Foth<br>Kayden Lemay-Dryer<br>Tamara Schick<br>Jean Zimmerman | 26 Shirley Drake<br>Bonita Hoffman<br>Brandy Stratton   |
| 5 Evan Bindas<br>Debbie Crozier<br>Judy Delemater<br>Johannah Doucette<br>Craig Klug | 14 Michael Tollar<br>Matthew Zeimer   | 27 Joel Doepke<br>Sara Hoefs  |
| 6 Joe Bents<br>Brynleigh Blaha<br>Brenna Davie                                       | 15 Jill Harkoff<br>Megan O'Brien<br>Char Schenkus   | 28 Sarah Beylon<br>Steve Bindas<br>Chloe Enderby<br>Megan Ristow<br>Don Smith<br>Ashley Tomaso<br>Bruce Zittlow |
| 7 Gina Bents<br>Celeste Case<br>Ken Jahnke   | 16 Heather Frank<br>Ava Stoveken<br>Chris Suomi<br>Michael Suomi  | 29 Nancy Moede  |
| 8 Matilyn Austin<br>Aleia Ebbinger<br>Richard Pahlow<br>Daniel Youngquist            | 17 Jack Bauer<br>Brian Koehler<br>Reid Stone  | 30 Adielle Athey<br>Nicholas Holschuh<br>Ezra Tollar<br>Paulette VandeHey<br>Nolan Watzka                       |
| 9 Paul Edlebeck<br>Isaac Lenz<br>Creighton Williams                                  | 18 Emily Beylon<br>19 Keith Delebrea<br>John Gossage<br>Marsha Quatsoe<br>Jack Thompson<br>Aaron Yakel  |   |
|  | 20 Laura Delemater  |   |

- 1 Kristin & Joseph Guell
- 2 Tim & Fern Blasier  
Steven & Darla Lemke  
Brent & Melissa Roubal
- 4 Steve & Amy Bindas
- 5 Kyle & Lisa Zimonick
- 6 Randy & Connie Lenz
- 8 Richard & Heather Zuehlke
- 22 Carole & Steven Destache
- 25 Charles & Kin Bouche
- 28 Eric & Barbara Andringa
- 30 Joy & James Anderson  
Cheryl & Eugene Roohr





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