

Merry Christmas

from Faith Lutheran Church

*For God so loved
the world, that he gave
his only Son,*



*that whoever believes
in him should not perish
but have eternal life.*

John 3:16

FLCGB
December
2025
Newsletter



Service Times:
Sundays at 8 am & 10:30 am
(Christian Growth Hour at 9:15 am)
Mondays at 6:30 pm

WEBSITE: FLCGB.COM
PHONE: (920)435-5524

OFFICE HOURS:
M—TH, 8:00 AM—12:00 PM

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:
-Wed., Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve)
-Thurs., Dec. 25 (Christmas Day)
-Wed., Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve)
-Thurs., Jan. 1 (New Year's Day)

DEVOTIONALS

Advent and Christmas Devotionals are available for you to pick up in the Narthex Area. These devotionals were written by the called staff members of Faith Lutheran Church.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son...” These words are the picture of grace in action. They are also the perfect summary of Christmas.

Grace is receiving something you did not earn or deserve. Because of this, it is the perfect Christmas word. Christmas gifts, given from parents to children, reveal how grace works. No matter how many times a parent might threaten their child or promise to take away their presents, almost every child is confident that on Christmas morning, presents will be under the tree. Why? Because the child knows his parents love him and that is enough for presents to come.

A child’s Christmas gifts are not earned or deserved. They are given out of love. So too is the Son of God. We have done nothing to deserve the gift the Father gives to his people and yet, in a manger, the Son of God is wrapped in swaddling clothes; a gift from God to you. He gives his son because he loved the world. No other reason is necessary other than His love.

The gift of Jesus is not just for those who do the right things, wear the right things, or have earned a reward. The gift of Jesus is for the whole world, even those who do not believe. God still gives his Son to them. Jesus will still die for them. The difference is that those who do not believe will perish and they will not have eternal life.

This stark reality comes because, while you cannot stop someone from giving you a gift, you can choose not to open it, use it, or receive the benefits of it. For those who reject Christ and his forgiveness, the gracious gift of Christmas does not do them any good. But for those who believe, those who receive God’s gift of grace and who live with its blessings, you will not perish but have eternal life. No greater Christmas gift could ever be given.

Throughout this Advent season, we will be exploring the depths of God’s love through the First Epistle of St. John. In this letter, he explains the depths of God’s love and teaches the church, teaches, why it matters. The staff has written an Advent/Christmas devotional book for use in the home, and the mid-week services will all focus on this theme as well.

The devotion book will not end with Christmas Day but also take you through the twelve days of Christmas. This year, we will celebrate the completion of the Christmas season with an Epiphany service on Tuesday, January 6. Epiphany rejoices in the revelation of who Jesus is and that he has come, not just to the Jews, but for all people.

May your Advent and Christmas season be filled with joy and cheer but most of all, may each gift you receive remind you of the greatest Christmas gift ever given, the Son of God.

Blessed Advent and Merry Christmas,
Pastor Error

Let your Faith Grow!

Bible Studies offered at Faith Lutheran Church

Sundays:



**Christian Growth
Sunday School**
Sun. | 9:15 am | Downstairs

Christian Growth Hour has lessons for all age groups. Our Sunday School classes are open to kids from 3K-8th grade. Venture downstairs *Me2! Class is available for children birth-3 (with Parents)



Adult Bible Study
Sun. | 9:15 am
Fellowship Hall

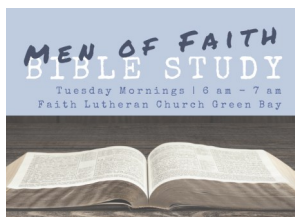
Christian Growth Hour has lessons for all age groups. Our Adult Bible Study dives deeper and aligns with the lessons that the children are learning at Sunday School. This encourages conversation within the household to discuss what was learned on Sunday. **High Schoolers are encouraged to attend this Bible Study*



**Protestant Reformation
Adult Bible Study**
Sun. | 9:15 am | Lounge

Class led by Rev. Ed Maniscalco, Ph.D. in the Lounge between services. Classes will concentrate on key personalities, events and theological developments from the pre-Reformation Periods (ca. 35 to 1517 AD) through the Roman Catholic Council of Trent (1563). This study seeks to enhance, clarify and stimulate our knowledge of the Lutheran doctrinal tradition through the many factors that led Luther and his fellow reformers to reimagine Roman Catholicism.

Tuesdays:



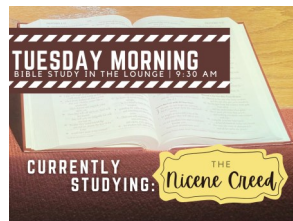
Men's Bible Study
Tuesdays | 6:00 am | Lounge

Tuesday mornings starting promptly at 6 am and ending at 7 am in the Lounge. Coffee and light breakfast will be provided. Currently studying the book of Acts.



Matins
Tuesdays | 9 am | Sanctuary

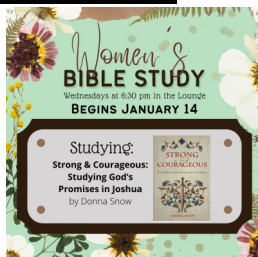
Singing through the Order of Matins is in the Sanctuary on Tuesday Mornings at 9 am. All are welcome.



**Tuesday Morning
Bible Study**
Tuesdays | 9:30 am | Lounge

Come to the Lounge on Tuesday Mornings for a discussion led Bible Study learning more about God's Word and daily life. Pastor Error is currently leading the Bible Study on the Nicene Creed.

Wednesdays:



Women's Bible Study Wednesdays at 6:30 pm **Jan. 14-May 13**

Women's Bible Study will resume Wednesday, January 14, at 6:30 pm in the Lounge. We will be using the book *Strong and Courageous: Studying God's Promises in Joshua* by Donna Snow. Please contact Gina Bents with any questions you may have: gbents@new.rr.com or (920) 327-1979.

Thursdays:



T.A.L.K. Bible Study Podcast launched on Thursdays Available on our website, Spotify, and other podcast programs

Each week on Thursdays, a podcast featuring our Director of Parish Music Paul Heiser and the preacher for the upcoming Sunday will give a little more background on the theological and liturgical aspects of the next worship service.

Monthly:

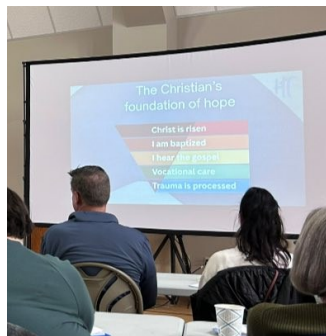


The Feast Bible Study 1st Tues. of the Month 6:30 pm in the Lounge

Join together with other young adult members of the congregation for Bible Study, devotions, fellowship, and food. This bible study/discussion is lead by Director of Christian Education, Alex Wright and is held in the Lounge.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who came to our event on Saturday, November 8 "Lutheran Hope in a Dark World" with guest speaker Rev. Harrison Goodman from Higher Things. We had about 70 people in attendance. We pray that it was an educational time to refocus on the Light of the World - JESUS!



..... This month at Faith

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICE



Wednesday,
December 3
6:30 pm

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BOOK GROUP

in the Lounge

Wed., 12/3 | 7:15 pm*

*following the 6:30 pm Advent Midweek Service

"The Midnight Library"
by Matt Haig

Wed., 1/7 | 6:30 pm

"Remarkably Bright Creatures"
by Shelby Van Pelt

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Next Meeting:
Thursday, 12/4
12 pm
The Lounge

Cookie Walk



Sat. 12/6
9-11:30 am

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICE



Wednesday,
December 10
6:30 pm

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DAYTIMERS' BUNGO



Let's roll!

Thursday, 12/11
2 pm in the Lounge

Please RSVP
Donna Koehler 920-339-9229

Tuesday, 12/16

ALL
BOARDS'
NIGHT

6:00 pm

7:15 pm

CHURCH
COUNCIL
MEETING

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICE



Wednesday,
December 17
6:30 pm

Sunday School CHRISTMAS SERVICE



Sunday, 12/21
10:30 am Service

Christmas Eve SERVICES

Wednesday, 12/24
1:00 pm, 4:30 pm,
7:00 pm, & 10:00 pm

Christmas Day SERVICE

Thursday, 12/25
10:00 am

CHRISTMAS TEA



Sunday, 12/28

10:15 am-12:00pm

*after the 9:00 am Service

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, 12/31
6:30 pm

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2025 Advent & Christmas Season Schedule

Faith Lutheran Church - Green Bay

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Midweek Services (Wednesdays at 6:30 pm)

December 3 Advent Midweek Service
December 10 Advent Midweek Service
December 17 Advent Midweek Service

Christmas Eve Services (Wednesday, Dec. 24)

Holy Communion at all services

1:00 pm Festival Service with Adult Choir
4:30 pm Service with Children's Choirs
7:00 pm Festival Service with Handbells
10:00 pm Vigil Service

Christmas Day Service (Thursday, Dec. 25)

Holy Communion

10:00 am Christmas Day Service

New Year's Eve (Wednesday, Dec. 31)

Holy Communion

6:30 pm New Year's Eve Service

Epiphany (Tuesday, Jan. 6)

Holy Communion

6:30 pm Epiphany Service

Please Note:

Sun. 12/21 10:30 Service: Sunday School Christmas
Sun. 12/28 Sunday Morning Service 9:00 am
*(There will only be one Sunday Service this day
followed by Christmas Tea)*

Mon. 12/29 No Monday Service


Mon. 1/5 No Monday Service

Other Special Events in December

Sun. 11/30 Deck the Halls
Sat. 12/6 Cookie Walk (9 am—11:30 am)
Sun. 12/14 NEWLHS Band Concert (6:30 pm at Faith Lutheran)
Fri. 12/19 FCP Christmas Program (10:00 am at Faith Lutheran)
Sat. 12/20 Sunday School Rehearsal (gr. 2-8) (9 am—10:30 am)
Sun. 12/28 Christmas Tea (10:15 am)
Sun. 1/4 Christian Growth Resumes (9:15 am)
Sun. 1/11 Un-Deck the Halls

December

*Advent Midweek Services:
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm*

Sun	Mon	Tue
30 Dollar Sunday (Freedom House) Service 8:00 am Christian Growth Hour 9:15 am Service 10:30 am Deck the Halls 11:30 am 	1 Service 6:30 pm	2 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am Matins 9:00 am Tuesday Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Handbells 5:45 pm The Feast Bible Study 6:30 pm Adult Choir 6:45 pm
7 Service 8:00 am Christian Growth Hour 9:15 am Service 10:30 am	8 Service 6:30 pm	9 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am Matins 9:00 am Tuesday Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Handbells 5:45 pm All Boards' Mtg 6:00 pm Adult Choir 6:45 pm Council Mtg 7:15 pm
14 Service 8:00 am Christian Growth Hour 9:15 am Service 10:30 am <i>Giving Tree gifts due</i> <i>NEWLHS Christmas Concert (at Faith) 6:30 pm</i>	15 Service 6:30 pm	16 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am Matins 9:00 am Tuesday Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Handbells 5:45 pm Adult Choir 6:45 pm
21 Service 8:00 am Christian Growth Hour 9:15 am Sunday School Christmas Service (No Communion) 10:30 am	22 <i>FCP, Trinity, & NEWLHS—no school (Resumes 1/5)</i> Service 6:30 pm	23 Men's Bible Study 6:00 am Matins 9:00 am Tuesday Bible Study 9:30 am Banner Group 10:45 am Handbells 5:45 pm Adult Choir 6:45 pm
28 Service 9:00 am Christmas Tea 10:15 am 	29 <i>No Monday Service</i>	30



Cookie Walk
Saturday, Dec. 6
9-11:30 am



Christmas Tea
Sunday, Dec. 28
10:15 am

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3</p> <p>Advent Midweek Service 6:30 pm Cookie Walk Set Up 7:30 pm Book Group 7:30 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Prayer Shawls 12:00 pm T.A.L.K. Podcast</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Cookie Drop Off 8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Cookie Walk 9-11:30 am Cookie Walk </p>
<p>10</p> <p>Advent Midweek Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>T.A.L.K. Podcast Daytimers' Bunko 2:00 pm  Newsletter DEADLINE</p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>Trinity K-3rd Christmas Program 6:30-7:30 pm</i></p>	<p>13</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Advent Midweek Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>T.A.L.K. Podcast</p>	<p>19</p> <p><i>FCP— Christmas Program 10 am Trinity 4-8th Program 6:30-7:30 pm</i></p>	<p>20</p> <p>9:00 am Christian Growth Christmas Practice (gr. 2-8)</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Christmas Eve <i>Church Office Closed</i></p> <p>Service Times: 1:00 pm 4:30 pm 7:00 pm 10:00 pm</p> 	<p>25 Merry Christmas! Service 10:00 am</p> <p><i>Church Office Closed</i></p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>31</p> <p>New Year's Eve <i>Church Office Closed</i></p> <p>Happy New Year New Year's Eve Service 6:30 pm</p> 	<p>1 Happy New Year! <i>Church Office Closed</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>



CATECHISM CLASSES

Wed. Nov. 26—No class (classes resume January 8th)

Wed. Dec. 3—Cookie Walk prep at 7:30 pm

Faith Lutheran Church's Annual

Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 6, 2025

TRADITIONAL WALK THRU

9 am - 11:30 am

\$12/pound

(SPECIALTY COOKIES)

DRIVE THRU OPTION

10 am - 11:30 am

\$12/box

(ASSORTED COOKIES)

Faith Lutheran Church, 2335 S. Webster Ave., Green Bay, WI 54301

Come visit our festive holiday atmosphere and let us help you with your holiday preparation. We will have thousands of cookies and candies beautifully displayed for you to choose from and purchase. Proceeds go toward Faith Lutheran Youth Group.

- Boxes & gloves will be provided for our traditional walk thru event.
- Price: \$12/lb
- Our Drive-thru option will begin at **10 am** that morning. (Follow the directional signs in our parking lot for this option.) Drive thru cookies will be boxed up in a variety assortment and will be \$12/box.

COUNCIL OPENINGS

Thank you to those who give of their time and energy to support the work of our congregation. Open positions for the upcoming church council are: Treasurer, Assistant Financial Secretary (AFS), and Chair of the Board of Education,. The AFS role is a 2-year commitment with the first year as the AFS and the second as the Financial Secretary. The Treasurer role is also a 2-year commitment. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Brent Roubal (Stewardship Chair), Rod Goldhahn (Council President), or Peter Voss (Vice President).

December Celebrations



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|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Molly Krueger | 14 Amellia DelCarmen | 25 David Riebe |
| 2 Howard Wachsmuth | 15 Charlie Boeck | 26 Clint Fontaine |
| 3 Jackson Just | Roger Haberland | 27 Christa Batiansila |
| 5 Mario Angeli | 16 Tim Boeck | 29 Heather Fleck |
| Lou Ann Van Laanen | Guy Patzke | Tom VanEss |
| 6 Nash Lemerond | Betty Spear | Jeanne Wagner |
| Douglas Steenbock | 17 Anthony Hohn | 30 James Athey |
| 7 Samantha Shipley | 18 Steven Destache | Jolie VanDeHey |
| 8 Kay Hanna | Alysha Shertz Matic | 31 Alyssa Garner |
| Holly LaFave | 21 Ford Boeck | Donald Hendricks |
| Eugene Roohr | Carol Messerschmidt | Evan Roubal |
| 10 Michele Gaestel | Melissa Roubal | Noah Roubal |
| Gail Thiel | 22 David Stirdivant | |
| 11 Adelaide Larsen | Cindy VanEss | |
| 12 Angie Smet | 23 Heather Zuehlke | |
| 13 Heidi Baeb | 24 Andrew Welnetz | |

- 7 Mark & Kathy Ebert
20 Ray & Karen Borchert
22 Joe & Gina Bents

HAPPY
anniversary

Wedding blessings:

12/13 — Annika Henckel & Michael Stafford



Christmas Tea—December 28

Thank you to everyone who attended our Thanksgiving Faith Family Potluck in November. It was a great turnout, the food was delicious, and the fellowship was fun! Instead of our Faith Family Potluck in the month of December, we will be doing our Christmas Tea on December 29th after the 9:00 am Service from 10:15 am—noon.



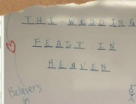
We encourage members of the congregation to participate in this fellowship event. There will be a sign up at the Welcome Center as we are looking for donations of breads, cookies, etc. to enjoy during the Christmas Tea. We will also be looking for helpers to serve and clean up. See you Sunday, December 28th!





WHAT IS HAPPENING IN *Christian Growth*

NOVEMBER PICTURES



UPCOMING:

Sat. 12/20 Sunday School Service Rehearsal 9-10:30 AM
(gr. 2-8 only)
Sun. 12/21 Sunday School Christmas Service 10:30 AM
Wed. 12/24 All Choirs Sing at Christmas Eve 4:30 PM
Sun. 12/28 No Sunday School Class (Resumes 1/4)



Green Bay Trinity
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

UPCOMING DATES FOR TRINITY:

- 12/12: K-3 Christmas Program 2 pm & 6:30 pm
- 12/19: 4-8 Christmas Concert 6:30 pm
- 12/22-1/2: No School

FAITH'S INVOLVEMENT LAST MONTH

- 19 students from Faith enrolled
- Pastor Error led chapel on 11/5
- Vicar Scarborough started teaching 7/8th gr. religion classes
- 6th grade class came to FCP for Thanksgiving blessing bag activity

UPCOMING DATES FOR NEWLHS:

- 12/21: Christmas Concert at Faith Lutheran Church 6:30 pm
- 12/22-1/2: No School



NEW Lutheran
HIGH SCHOOL

FAITH'S INVOLVEMENT LAST MONTH

- 3 students from Faith enrolled
- Faith Staff attended the NEWLHS Auction on Nov. 8
- Pastor Error led chapel on 11/25

"Nurturing Mind & Spirit"

Helping families nurture children in Christ
and the knowledge of His world.



Faith
CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Phone: (920) 965-0795 ext. 216

Email: faithpreschoolgb@gmail.com

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." - Matthew 5:16

November was a time of thanks and we celebrated all that God has given us. We were happy to have a visit with the 6th grade from Trinity for our Thanksgiving Blessing Bag assembly and a yummy Thanksgiving snack.



The season of joy is upon us! As December unfolds, our hearts are filled with gratitude and excitement as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. His coming reminds us of God's incredible love and the true meaning of Christmas which is of hope, peace, and everlasting joy.

At Faith Christian Preschool, our classrooms are shining bright with songs of praise, nativity crafts, and the laughter of our students learning about the greatest gift ever given. We are teaching our children that Jesus is the Light of the World, and through His love, we too can be lights that shine brightly for others to see.

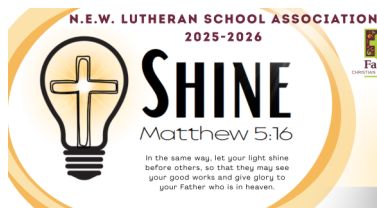
As we reflect on this beautiful season, may we all carry the light of Christ into our homes, our community, and our hearts. Let us rejoice together in the miracle of His birth and share His love with everyone we meet.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas filled with joy, peace, and the radiant light of Jesus.

The Preschool Staff

Ellen Petrie (Director/Teacher), Krissy Barthels (Teachers Aide),

Angela Stiles (Aide)



UPCOMING DATES FOR FCP:

- Fri., Dec. 19 at 10:00 am: FCP Christmas Program
- Dec. 22-Jan. 2: No School (Christmas Break)

Christmas Giving Tree

It is once again time to help families in need through our Giving Tree here at Faith Lutheran Church. There are many ways you can participate.

The Angels have landed on the Giving Tree is set up in the Narthex . Please choose an angel off the tree, shop, wrap and return the gifts to under the tree. Please attach the angel to the outside of the corresponding gift.

Gifts and monetary donations are due Sunday, December 14, 2025.



GIVE ONLINE

Online giving is a very simple and effective way to support Faith Lutheran Church. It is available



through our website (flcgb.com) and click this button on the home page. If you have any questions, please email donate@flcgb.com

2025 UNIFIED OFFERINGS

YTD— \$556,233.28

(as of November 25, 2025)

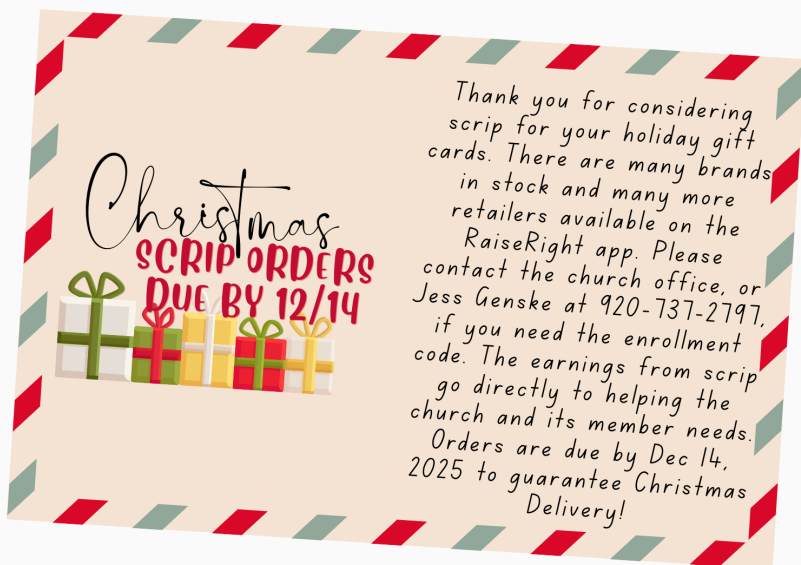
SCRIP REBATES:

\$5,098.19

(as of October 16, 2025)

Stock Donations If you are planning to give an end of year gift of stock to Faith Lutheran Church, please remember to initiate that transfer soon to ensure proper time for the transfer to be completed. Also, remember that cash and checks need to be in the building by December 31 to be included in this year's giving statement. IRA distributions must be received and cashed prior to December 31 to be counted in this calendar year. If you have questions about IRA distributions or non-cash asset transfers as a charitable gift to support the ministry of our congregation, please contact Pastor.

2026 offering envelopes
Your 2026 envelopes are available for pick up by the Welcome Center. Please do not use these envelopes until January, 2025 so you get proper credit. While picking up your 2026 envelopes, please make sure your contact information is up-to-date in the copy of the directories provided.



FAITH SCRIP

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at
www.raiseright.com



Christmas Order Form

Please PRINT YOUR name:

Alternate pick-up person(s):

Order Date:

FAITH LUTHERAN SCRIP

Cash or Check#

Make Checks Payable to:

Seller Initials:

Please sign below at pick-up, signifying order is correct

Buyer's Signature:

Pickup Date:

	MERCHANTS	% to church	Card Amount	How Many?	\$\$ Amt Ordered
A P P A R E L	American Eagle	10%	\$ 25		
	Aeropostale	10%	\$ 25		
	GAP/Old Navy	14%	\$ 25		
	JC Penney (\$25/\$100)	7%			
	L.L. Bean (\$25/\$100)	16%			
	T. J. Maxx (\$25/\$100)	6%			
S P E C I A L T Y	Amazon.com (\$10/\$25/\$100)	1.5%			
	Apple (\$15/\$25)	5%			
	Bath & Body Works (\$10/\$25)	12%			
	Best Buy (\$25/\$100)	4%			
	Cabela's (\$25/\$100)	9%			
	Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$ 25		
	GameStop	5%	\$ 25		
	Wayfair	6%	\$ 100		
	Pottery Barn	6%	\$ 25		
	ULTA	7%	\$ 25		
D I N I N G	Buffalo Wild Wings (\$10/\$25)	8%	\$		
	Cold Stone Creamery	11%	\$ 10		
	Noodles	8%	\$ 10		
	Olive Garden	8%	\$ 25		
	Panera Bread	8%	\$ 25		
	Starbucks (\$5/\$10/\$25)	7%			
	Subway	6%	\$ 10		
	Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$ 25		
F U N	Barnes & Noble (\$10/\$25)	8%			
	Marcus Theatres	8%	\$ 25		
	Kohl's (\$25/\$100)	7%			
	Macy's (\$25/\$100)	10%			
	Target (\$10/\$25/\$50/\$100)	2.5%			
	WalMart (\$25/\$50/\$100)	2.5%			
OTHER					

GRAND TOTAL

\$