NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: CHRISTMAS JOY - THE LINK

Help support the MANY amazing programs put on by The Link, New London this time of year! Your donations will help support Christmas meals, gifts, and gift cards for those in our area who need it.

We will still be participating in the Mitten Tree (watch for upcoming information as we get closer to the time), but will be collecting monetary donations for the month of November! Checks can be made out to Faith.

FAITH & PEACE JOINT THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

Join Faith and Peace members on **Wednesday, November 26**, for a Thanksgiving Eve Worship (this year at Faith Lutheran Church).

- Feast Meal at 5:15 (must sign-up in advance)
- Worship will be at 6:30pm at Faith
- There will be coffee and pie following worship
- Joint service between Faith & Peace churches
- Rotates between the two churches each year

ALL CHURCH EVENTS ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Faith Lutheran has added more All-Church events to the calendar this school year as a way to help connect our church community and spread joy. These events are for all ages and encourage intergenerational relationships.

- Dec 17th (All-Church Christmas Party)
- Feb 25th (All-Church Lent Night)
- March 4th (All-Church Movie Night)
- March 11th (All-Church Game Night)
- March 25th (All-Church Easter Party)
- May 6th (All-Church Bingo Night)
- May 13th (All-Church Dessert Night)

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY AT FAITH

Description: If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money or you're not handling your finances well, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for that struggle to end – starting when you take a Financial Peace University class. In just nine lessons, you'll learn biblical and commonsense ways of handling money. Invite a friend, classes are open to the community and start on Tuesday, January 13, 2026.

Dates: 1/13/26 - 3/10/26 (9 classes on Tuesdays 1/13, 1/20, 1/27,

2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10)

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm at Faith

Cost: \$39 per household (individual or couple) (total is \$69 but Faith is covering \$30 for each

household!)

Interested in learning more or want to sign up? Scan the QR code (or head to the church website) and sign up your name and email and we will reach out with more information!

We lift up in prayer...

- Lila Burmeister
- Luann Rundningen
- Kathy Munsell
- Jeff Henderson
- Kay Rauk
- Ron Engebretson
- Brian Gieseke & family on the death of his father,
 Floyd Gieseke
- Jim George and family on the death of his brother, Melvin George

Nursery care is available. Our nursery is staffed on Sundays from 8:30am to 11:00am and on Wednesdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. **For our nursing mothers**, there is a private nursing room in the back of the nursery available for use.

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Faith Lutheran Church of Spicer, Minnesota is delighted to have you join us for today's worship service. We are a congregation of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. Faith Lutheran seeks to live out this mission:

God gathers us as a family of Faith to nurture, inspire, and share the love of Jesus with all people

Lead Pastor: Tim Routh **Pastor:** Katherine Rood

Joint Youth Ministry for Faith & Peace: Deacon Amanda Randall

Education Coordinator: Joy White

Seeds + Sprouts Leader: Libbie Anderson

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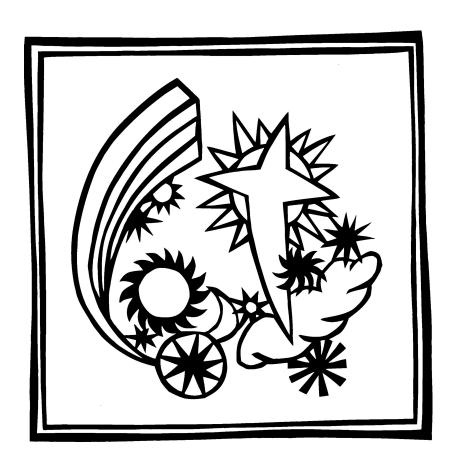
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Website: www.faithspicer.org **Email:** office@faithspicer.org

Phone: 320.796.2522 **Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Sunday, November 16, 2025 23rd Sunday after Pentecost





WELCOME

SPECIAL MUSIC Sunday School Kids!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ± one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God, you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, ± in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

GREETING

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow

ELW 327

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a

PSALM (read responsively): Psalm 98 **SECOND READING:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 21:5-19

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

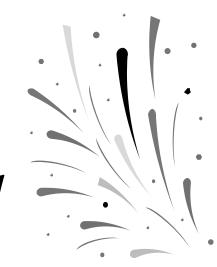
SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Canticle of Turning ELW 723

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

We welcome you into the Faith Family!!



APOSTLE'S CREED

Together we confess our faith...

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING - (Online giving with QR Code)

OFFERING PRAYER

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us

and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

(Gluten free wafers & grape juice are available - simply ask your server)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The holy Trinity bless you # and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

When Peace Like a River

ELW 785

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the harvest! Thanks be to God!

Do you want more information on a week long trip to Jamaica in January for upkeep and repairs to the Sunbeam Boys Home? Contact Mary Semmler from Peace Lutheran at 320-905-7788.

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