

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church!

11755 Sherburne Ave, Becker MN – 763-261-5751

November 27, 2022

First Sunday of Advent

Today is the first Sunday of Advent and a new church year. Welcome to this rich season of worship.

Pastor: Yolanda Denson-Byers
Vicar: Molly Wills

Partners in Ministry: People of Faith
Music & Worship Coordinator: Nathan Oliver

Service of the Word

Prelude	Hymn of the Day – ELW #254
Welcome and Announcements	Apostles' Creed
Lighting of the Advent Candle	Prayers of Intercession
Confession and Forgiveness	Peace
Gathering Song – ELW #239 vs. 1,3,4	Mission Moment – Heather Abrahamson
Greeting	Offering
Canticle of Praise – <i>Glory to God</i>	Offering Music
Prayer of the Day	Thanksgiving for the Word
Children's Time	Canticle of Thanksgiving – <i>Salvation Belongs to our God</i>
Psalm 122	The Lord's Prayer
Gospel Acclamation – <i>Alleluia</i>	Blessing
Gospel – Matthew 24:36-44	Sending Song – ELW #251
Sermon – Pastor Yolanda	Dismissal

Prayer Requests... Please keep the following people and their families in your prayers: *Those battling cancer:* Charlene Hubbard Doorn, Diane Hubbard, Lori Gaulrapp, Char, Courtney Rogers, Sue, Eric, Wendy Schiller-David, Kirk Boyd, and Wayne Bachler. *Healing:* McCoy Jipson, Alice Morgan, and Anja. *Health issues:* Andrew Schmidt, and Cheryl Pick. *Organ Donation:* Kristin to Rick. *Blessing and comfort for the family and friends of:* David Diercks. *FLC's Elders:* Dennis Carlson, Evelyn Cox, Jim Cox, Jack Knothe, Betty Knutson, Joyce Matuska, Allen McCann, Marilyn Myrlie, and Muriel Schaapveld.

Did you know... If you are caring for a child, you are always welcome to take advantage of our church nursery! Whether you need to nurse, change a diaper, or just spend time gazing at your infant, we have a space prepared for you. A rocking chair, pack-n-play, diapers, wipes, and more are waiting. Here at FLC, we love our kids!

Pastoral Care... Pastor Yolanda is available for pastoral care via phone, text, or video meeting. She is generally available for pastoral care and counseling Tues (9-4), Wed (12-5), Thursday (9-4) **and** at other times, by appointment, as needed. If she can assist you, please email her at: pastor.yolanda@faithlutheran-becker.org

Stay Connected! Please check our Facebook page and our website faithlutheran-becker.org on a regular basis for the latest news and volunteer opportunities as they arise.

Sanctuary Flowers – If you would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, please call the church office at 763-261-5751. You will need to pick up the flowers at Coborn's in Big Lake, and deliver them to the church on or before Sunday. Thank you.

Faith Activities & Events – Week of November 27, 2022

(Church services also broadcast via Facebook live, and You Tube)

Sunday 11-27

9:30 Worship – Sanctuary
9:50 Sunday school – No class (resumes next week)
10:30 Refreshments – Fellowship Center

Monday 11-28

Tuesday 11-29

9:00 Bible Study – Disciple Room
10:00 Staff meeting – Commons area
1:00 David Diercks Funeral – Williams Dingmann
1:30 Worship Planning – Commons area
7:00 Bell Rehearsal – Music Room

Wednesday 11-30

5:30 Intern meeting – Shepherd Room
6:00 Worship – Commons area
6:30 Confirmation – Education Wing

Thursday 12-1

Friday 12-2

Saturday 12-3

Sunday 12-4 (Second Sunday of Advent)

9:30 Worship with Communion – Sanctuary
9:50 Sunday school – Stay in Worship
10:30 Refreshments – Fellowship Center

Flowers in the sanctuary today ~ are given to the Glory of God by Betty Knutson in memory of Oliver Knutson.

Don't forget the Food Shelf... Let's not forget about supporting the local Food Shelf. Some items needed are jelly, tuna, peanut butter, all paper products, shampoo, deodorant and toothpaste. You may drop your donations off at FLC.

Calling ALL FLC children pre-k to grade six

You are invited to participate in our Christmas Program on Sunday, December 18 during the 9:30am worship. Rehearsal will be Saturday, December 17... time TBD. If your child/ren would like to participate in the Christmas program, please email faith@faithlutheran-becker.org with their name and grade. Thank you!

Faith Lutheran is Hiring!

FLC has an opening for an Administrative Assistant, 20 hours/wk; \$18/hr. Must have clerical and financial experience. Please submit your resume to: faith@faithlutheran-becker.org

Warm up with Soup...

The Women of Faith has soup for sale, choose from Chicken Noodle and/or Vegetable Beef. Take some home for yourself, or give as a gift to a special friend. The soup is frozen in 5 cup portions for \$8 each.

FLC is Looking for Money Counters...

Money will be counted on Sunday morning immediately following service. Once trained, it takes approximately 30 minutes. If you are interested, please see Lynn Wilson or Donna Brown in the FLC office to learn more.

FLC is Looking for Visitation Ministers...

If you would like to visit one person, one time per month, for one hour, please let us know! We have several beloved elders who would welcome a visit once a month from an FLC member. In all cases they can be found in their own homes, or a facility, facing loneliness. Do you feel called to be a Visiting Minister? If so, you don't need any special skills. If you like to visit, share conversation, and can read a prayer, you're all set! Call the church office at 763-261-5751.


FLC Senior High Youth are heading to Kansas City, Missouri!

Together, we will grow in our love for God and one another, provide community service to new neighbors and have fun! Currently, we have twelve signed up for this trip! Brody Bjerga, Olivia Diercks, Jacob Kurhajetz, Dominic Lombard, Kali Lombard, Calleigh McDowell, Breann Schrader, Gabrielle Schrader, along with Chaperones; Pastor Yolanda, Wayne Bachler, Delia Diercks, and Joe Kurhajetz. Will you please hold this mission team in your prayers?

Faith Lutheran Store...

Check out the FLC store at <https://faithlutheran.spiritsale.com>, there are many products for sale for men, women, and children in the FLC store. There are hats, t-shirts, sweatshirts, cups and more. Time to get your Christmas gifts!

Check out our NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY... To Access the FLC Pictorial Directory, download the app from your app store. Please utilize the email address that you have given FLC to get started. You will create your own unique password to view the directory. Thereafter, you can upload a picture and update your family information. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

	October 2022			YTD 2022		
	Budget	Actual	Over(Under)	Budget	Actual	Over(Under)
 Offerings	\$21,707	\$11,134	-\$10,573	\$191,016	\$152,020	-\$38,996
Other Income	1,555	1,314	-241	27,798	22,785	-5,013
Total Income	\$23,262	\$12,448	-\$10,814	\$218,814	\$174,805	-\$44,009
Total Expenses	\$21,196	\$19,211	-\$1,985	\$216,958	\$209,931	-\$7,027
Net "Operating" (Loss)	\$2,066	-\$6,763	-\$8,829	\$1,856	-\$35,126	-\$36,982
<i>Employee Retention Credit (ERC)</i>					\$23,938	
<i>Net Loss after ERC</i>					-\$11,188	

Simply Giving Program...The gift of generosity

We thank everyone who has supported Faith Lutheran Church this past year with their time, talent and financial contributions and look forward to support from all of our members in the year ahead. Simply Giving is a safe and automatic way to give a one time or recurrent offering to Faith Lutheran Church. Simply Giving will allow you to be 100% sure that your donation to the church will be here on Sunday mornings, and your support for our vital ministries continues. Won't you please take a moment to set up a recurrent gift with us? You can do so in one of the following ways:

- 1) www.tinyurl.com/FLCgives
- 2) Use the QR Code to the right. Simply open the camera on your cell phone. Point it at this QR Code. It will ask if you would like to go to the website. Click the link and off you go! You will be taken directly to the Simply Giving registration page.
- 3) Download the Vanco Mobile in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, and give to FLC directly from your phone or digital device.
- 4) Mail your offering to Faith Lutheran Church, PO Box 368, Becker, MN 55308



If you have questions, please do not hesitate to be in touch with Donna Brown, who stands ready to assist you! We have been blessed, to be a blessing! We look forward to doing great things with our Great God, **TOGETHER!**