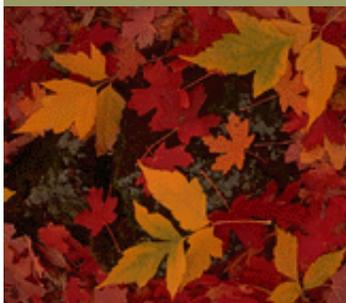


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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 2016 Newsletter

2016 LWML Country Fair

October 15, 2016

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

The annual Country Fair will be held at Faith Lutheran Church Saturday, October 15th from 9 am to 1:00 pm.

The annual bazaar will feature a variety of booths, including crafts, baked goods, produce, collectibles, candy, gift baskets, a "Grandma's Attic" booth featuring used household items, religious cards and gifts, and activities for kids.

In addition, caramel rolls and pie will be served in the morning, and soup, sandwiches and pie will be served for lunch. To-go containers will be

available.

Money raised from the Country Fair is used to help fund not only with programs and projects within the church, but also supports local, regional and national organizations. This year, funds raised at the bazaar will be given to:

National

LCMS Disaster Response through gift cards
Mission Central Support of Missionaries and retreat for R & R

District

Seminary Student Fund for Titus Utecht
Cherry Creek Mission project for Nick Hill

Local

PARS

Missouri Shores

In House

Funds for New Sound System in the Sanctuary

Faith Circle Goodie Box Postage

Office Needs

Daycare Needs

New Confirmation Gowns

Little Dresses for Africa supplies and postage

LYF

Assistance for Emergency

Love Fund – for River City Transit rides



October 31, 2016

6:00-7:15 p.m.

Holding a Trunk 'N' Treat Halloween activity is a great way to keep Halloween safe.

It's when several families get together at

the church, park their cars in the parking lot, open up the trunks of their cars, and kids come around to each car to Trunk 'N' Treat instead of going house to house to Trick-or-Treat.

Treats, warm cider, hot chocolate and coffee provided by our LYF youth. A well lit area for our Trunk 'N' Treaters, and restrooms available!

We need 30 families to serve as Host Trunks.

We ask our host families to provide 500 pieces of candy, our Board of Missions and Evangelism will supply the rest.



"Thus Far Has the Lord Helped Us." 1 Samuel 7:12

The Church of the Holy Assumption

I make them, you make them, and everyone makes them. Assumptions. The only person I can think of who does not do the “assume game,” is God. The God of the Bible is quite direct, unassuming, and trusting.

As interim pastor I have so much appreciated those who have told me things, let me know things, and given me background on things. Any person new to Faith would likewise need help learning the ropes. I have also found myself assuming things, or having others assume things for or about me. Those times tend to be more upsetting, painful, and worrisome.

These more upsetting times can be shortened greatly by checking, asking, (and sometimes asking again), and listening. People who used to do x, may no longer want to. Others who never thought they would be able to do y, find themselves having the itch to give it a go.

All of this is part of life. And of following the Life. As mental and physical beings, growth stops. As spiritual beings, growth is possible at any stage of life, and to any degree. It has to be. We are constantly changing beings. God knows that. He made us, after all. And he knows we are happiest when our ever changing beings are close to Him.

This interim is a time of growth

for Faith congregation. Of learning new ways to do things, of discovering new feelings, of expressing old meanings in ways that better touch our neighbors each day we leave the house. Assumptions break down when people grow.

So, we follow the Way, the Truth, and the LIFE. Assumptions can lessen, and new ways, new truths, and new lives spring up and grow. Because any church of Jesus is living. It is how He makes us.

Boards and who does what at Faith

Here are the board chairpersons, along with a brief reminder of what each board does.

Elders—assist with worship and aid the pastors in their work together. Lee Axdahl.

Early education—direct and oversee the daycare and nursery programs. Shelley Larson.

Education—organize Sunday School, Midweek, and adult classes. Tony Neyhart.

Missions and Evangelism—support and direct the congregation is outreach to Pierre and the wider world. Dodie Hardy.

Stewardship/Endowment—technically these are two boards, but the members are nearly identical. They deal with matters fiscal. Mark Swendsen.

Trustees—buildings, upkeep, property are the items here.

Steve Stoneback.

Parish Fellowship—plan, organize, and aid the congregation to activities and events of fun and less structured being together. Kathleen Monfore.

All of the above boards have members who also serve as vice chair and secretary for the individual board. Where there is a need the board may also have a treasurer.

The following boards are organized differently.

Prayer Circle—has four captains, Myrna Hartmann, Donna Leslie, Elaine Wagner, and Freda Peters.

Deaconesses—help women of the congregation. Only a chair, Peggy Urquhart.

Audit Committee—has two members and is ready to audit the congregation’s books at the end of the fiscal year.

Then there are congregational officers:

--President—runs council and voters meetings and interacts with all boards. Brian Zeeb.

--Vice President—steps in for the president as needed. Bill Bossman.

--Secretary—records the official minutes for council and voters meetings. Cindy Fredrich.

--Treasurer—disburses submitted congregational bills, oversees payroll, and records it all. Beth King.

A Message from Pastor Baumann

--Financial Secretary-- oversees counting of offerings and records and deposits contributions. Marv Schweigert.

--Ushers-- Assist worshipers in services at Faith. Monte Farnsworth.

--Organists-- play for regular and special services.

Fall is upon us! Where does fall take you? For me, it brings me to one of my favorite times of year when hunting seasons begin anew with thoughts of filling my freezer with game and of course, dreams of harvesting the "Turdu Point Buck!"

Fall also takes me to the cycle we see God has placed in creation. Everything 'a time and a season' (Ecclesiastes). Leaves change, and fall gives way to the coldness of winter and the promise of spring.

In Christ we know that the seasons of life are fulfilled by the promises of the One who overcame the coldness of death and the grave for us, whereby one death tramples the power of death and the grave over all of us.

So everything we do at Faith flows out of our victorious hope that we know one day, as the cycle of life takes us back to that from which we came (ashes to ashes, dust to dust), that there is glorious hope in the promise of an *Eternal Spring* where death no longer gets to come and go, but is completely gone. So as

we gear up for fall and the cycle of activities we encounter as we head into winter and spring, we remember the hope of Christ. Some of those activities are:

- Trunk 'N' Treat is Monday Oct. 31st from 6-7:15 p.m.
- Children's Christmas programs are Sunday, Dec. 11th N-3 at 9:30 and 4-8 at 11:00.
- Aquatic Center Party on Dec. 14 from 6:45-7:45.
- Friendship Sunday, the first

Pastor Josh Baumann

Sunday in February.



- Mother's Day Midweek singing and
- Vacation Bible School in early June.

How great that the fall takes us into the cycle of activities that creates the rhythm of our year in Christ. *"In Him we live and move and have our being."* -Acts 17:28

The Grace of Christ Jesus be with you!

Pastor Baumann

Adult Inquirers

Class

A wonderful class for all that covers the basic teachings of our church and helps you understand what makes us Christian and specifically Lutheran as well. This is an especially important class for those who are new with us and who would desire to become a part of our Faith Family. This class meets on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:15 beginning October 13th in the St. Mark room of the Christian Family Life Center.

Contact Pastor Baumann for details (224-2216)

Official Acts

Baptisms

Brielle DoraMae Cruser 10/2/16

Aubree Ann Lachnit 10/9/16

Weddings

Norman Neilan & Deborah Sorenson

(Deaths)

Annette Kost

Country Fair

Gift Basket

Assembly Day

October 2,
2016 1:00 p.m.



Preschool News

We are off again to another great year at preschool. Praise the Lord! This year, we have many younger children in the program and they are keeping us busy! During the month of October, we will have community helpers visit – most of these are parents of the preschoolers. We are also studying the color orange, the number 1, the letters DEF and the circle. Our Bible stories are about God’s helpers in the Old Testament era.

Throughout this year, we will be studying trees and several

animals that live in them. Our first animal is the bear. We will also be using a nutrition unit called “Chef Combo” – who happens to be a puppet that is a chef. We will be borrowing a unit from the Cultural Heritage Center about cowboys the end of October and doing some branding of our own! These kits are all wonderful and the children really enjoy them.

We do not have the children wear their costumes for Halloween, but we do have a fun time hearing how they are go-

ing to dress for Trick or Treating.

We are not saving the “Boxtops for Education” labels, but we are still saving the Campbell soup labels and Dakotamart receipts. These include the “Labels for Education”. Thank you for your support of these projects.

Fall is in the air – it is a time to reflect back on our summer and to look forward to the season of cooler days and colorful leaves. Enjoy these times with your children! We are certainly enjoying them at preschool. God bless you!

In Christ’s love & joy,

FLC Daycare News

As summer turns into fall, we say goodbye and Godspeed to our daycare “graduates”. Several of our children started their school career and transitioned to other after school activities.



Many of our “preschoolers” are officially preschoolers as they attend Faith Lutheran Preschool or other preschools. We wish them the best and look forward to their preschool tales.

Our circle lessons for October are:

- * 12 spies
- * Joshua and the spies
- * The battle of Jericho, and
- * Deborah leads the way.

We appreciate donations to our daycare collection. We especially need size 2T to 5T clothes and gender neutral would be great!



Our staff looks forward

to helping your child learn



Reformation Day

Sunday School

Sunday School for Grownups on the move.

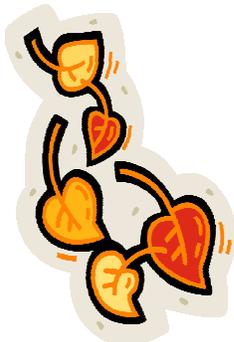
Sunday a.m. Bible class is having a hard time to find the Goldilocks-just-right place to meet. Moving from the CLFC to the nave (church itself) may be the solution. Or it may not be. In any event you are welcome to join in from 9:45 to 10:45 Sunday mornings. Presently we are learning about King David’s life with stories that were CERTAINLY never taught in Sunday School. Violence, sex, and endless family upset.

Upcoming October worship opportunities

Sun., Oct. 2—Lutheran Women’s Missionary Sunday. We will be reminded that Jesus is not just for us.

Sun., Oct. 23—special music with multiple pianos, and the children singing.

Sun., 30—mation bration bell



Oct. Refor- Cele- with choir.

Forever Young

So, you’re retired and want to hang out with some terrific people— then, “ Forever Young,” is for you.

Join us every third Thursday of the month at 12:00 noon!

October 21, we will have our regular potluck meal. Bring whatever you would like.

Then, our November 18 get-together will be our Thanksgiving Dinner. Turkey, dressing, and mashed potatoes & gravy will be furnished. Please bring a side dish to share. Hope to see you there!



POTLUCK DINNER FOR SENIORS

Debt Retirement Challenge

A generous family of our Faith congregation has graciously offered to match up to \$10,000.00 for Debt Retirement. The challenge will last the final quarter of our year from October 1 through December 31.

What an opportunity, for which we say, “Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,” and “Thank you!”

Would you please consider joining the *Debt Retirement Challenge*? In the memo line just indicate Debt Retirement Challenge or “DRC” for short.

Men’s Fellowship



Our Men’s Fellowship will meet on the first Monday of October, the 3rd, from 5:15-6:30 pm.

We will enjoy an evening of Dartball. Beverage will be provided, bring a snack to share!

Come for a time of devotion and sharing.



Be looking for updates to come.

Debt Retirement

Once again—your gifts to Debt Retirement made it possible for us to make an additional Debt Retirement payment.

Thus Far—

- We have made 166 advance payments
- We have saved \$561,451.77 in interest
- Our balance on our \$1,000,000 loan has been reduced to \$384,935.16



Yes, it is the tipping of the scales, we have now saved more on interest than what our principal balance is.

Remarkable! Yes it is. We started accelerated payments immediately with our first payment on July 1, 2010.

WITH A VOICE OF SINGING!

Declare ye this and let it be heard!
Alleluia!

Calling all singers!

Faith Choir has already begun rehearsals. Please consider joining an integral part of the worship experience. Faith Choir is one of our congregation's longest ongoing groups. Choir is a great outlet for using one's talent, connecting with friends, improving your physical and vocal health, plus reaping spiritual and musical rewards.

Feel free to come any Tuesday,
6:30 pm, in the sanctuary.



MUSIC FOR ETERNITY

"...They held harps given them by God and sang the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb: 'Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?'"

Revelation 15:3&4

Add your voice to our song!

CON BRIO BELLS

Bell Choir will also be starting up shortly. This ensemble rings about four or five times throughout the church year, and rehearses about three weeks prior to the appointed worship service. In other words – we are episodic!

Our members ring a three-octave set of Schulmerich hand bells, and on occasion, a set of hand chimes, and sometimes utilize percussion.

WE ARE IN NEED OF NEW MEMBERS and desire to have a pool of 14 - 15 ringers. Reading and understanding music and rhythmic notation is a must.

Interested? Please contact Karen Lindbloom at 224-5292 or



we take to Heaven." Walter Savage Landor.

Music is an inherent part of every society. From the earthy sounds of Mongolia and Siberia, to the importance of Bach in European society, to drum-driven song and dance in Native American culture, music is an important part of life. It is not surprising that the Bible says much about it. In fact, the longest book in the Bible is its song book – Psalms.

The musician Jubal was already mentioned in the book of Genesis. References to music are recorded in Exodus, Deuteronomy, Judges and I Samuel. Two of the Old Testament's most important figures wrote songs: Moses and David. Music was used in conjunction with coronations, feasts and events in the royal court. Two of the Gospels indicate that Jesus and his disciples sang a hymn at the end of the Last Supper. Paul gave instructions regarding the use of music during Christian gatherings.

The above song is one of deliverance. Not only does it recall Moses and the Israelites proceeding through the Red Sea waters, but also the fact that the risen Lord triumphed over his enemies, securing deliverance for his followers. I would like to imagine that is the one song we will sing forever in eternity.

I ran across a quote the other day that caught my attention: *"Music is God's gift to man, the only art of Heaven given to earth; the only art of earth*

Both the Old and New Testaments strongly support the use of music during worship. The extensive anthology of actual songs found in the Old Testament indicates the value that God places on creative musical expression. Music in worship today is valuable and honors God in a special way. It is also rehearsal for heaven. The simple





SIGN UP TO HELP

We need a LOT of help in the booths. Sign up to help for just a couple of hours or for the entire event. Why not ask a friend to join you in working in a booth? Sign-up sheets are on the Country Fair table in the Narthex.

PLAN TO BRING

- Baked Goods (bars, cookies, breads, etc.)
- Fudge & All Kinds of Candy (LOTS of it)
- Crafts/Pottery/Homemade Jewelry/Knitted & Crocheted Items/Items Made of Wood/Weavings
- Jellies & Jams (they are popular, and we need a LOT of them)
- Canned Goods, Salsa, Sauces (salsa sells out quickly!)
- Homegrown Produce & Honey
- Collectibles & Small Antiques
- Gently Used Household Items
- PIES PIES PIES!!!



Country Fair Dates

- Sat. Oct. 1: Deadline to drop off gift basket items
- Sun. Oct 2: Gift basket assembly (1 pm)
- Fri. Oct 14: Set up/drop off items for Country Fair
- Sat. Oct 15: Country Fair (9am to 1pm)

This Year's Theme:
"Harvest Happenings"

Items for Gift Baskets
 Julie Linn 280-0175

Here are some of the items we need for the all-occasion gift baskets we'll be putting together:

- Cups and soup mugs, all colors
- Kitchen utensils such as wooden spoons
- Cloth linens: potholders, dish towels, napkins
- Napkin rings
- Decorative memo pads and notepads
- Individual packets of flavored beverages
- Miniature candy bars & wrapped hard candy

Note: Leave in the coat closet in the Narthex by Sat. Oct. 1.

LABEL ITEMS "For Baskets."

Questions?
 Talk to Kristy Deal (280-7004
 or
 Jan Larson (224-6474)

FLC YOUTH PAGE

Reminder 7th and 8th grade midweek students should be completing sermon outlines – 12 are required for 7th graders, 15 are required for 8th graders if 12 were completed while in 7th grade, if 7th grade obligation was not met, then 20 are required for 8th graders.

In Christ Alone 2016 - - Faith Lutheran Youth L.Y.F. officially wrapped up their youth group trip to New Orleans this past summer with a wonderful French Toast Breakfast and presentation!!! Thank you for the extreme helpfulness and generosity with which the congregation has shown in making those trips possible for our Youth to attend. We



October 2

Early: Brooke Kampfe, Chelsey Meier
Late: Chloe Kaiser, Brook Miller

October 9

Early: Daniel Voita, Dillon Axtell
Late: Joseph King, Kassie Tronvold

October 16

Early: Carson Tschetter, Nate Hill
Late: Cassandra VanDeWiele, Melissa Hedglin

October 23 (Sunday School Sings at 11 o'clock)

Early: Savannah Loesch, Wyatt Loesch
Late: James Fuerst, Brooke Kampfe

October 30

Early: Pacen Banuat, Cassandra Ryckman
Late: Damon Hofteizer, Brady Hofteizer



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Trunk 'N' Treat! All youth of the community are invited to attend a family friendly *Trunk 'n' Treat* activity at Faith Lutheran Church parking lot from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. on Monday, October 31st. Dress

up in your best costume. We hope you will join us. Our high school youth will be serving warm beverages. Any families who might be able to donate their trunks for this time, and 500 pieces of candy, are encouraged to sign up on the back table in the Narthex. Thank you so very much in advance for providing a safe, friendly activity for our community on the church campus.

Sunday School and Midweek Children's Christmas programs are going to be Sunday, December 11th with the Nursery – 3rd grade program taking place at 9:30 and the 4-8th grade program at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 11th.

Christmas program dress rehearsals will be Saturday, Dec. 10th at 9:30 a.m. for



Nursery – 3rd grade lasting until 10:45, and 11:00 am for 4-8th grades lasting until about 12:30 p.m.

Reminder Our Nursery through 4th grade Sunday School