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WHAT MATTERS - Stay Connected To Synod Happenings, News, & Events!

Grow in your faith and leadership! Stay connected to exciting events and stories of our faith in action in our synod! To sign up for synod news, please email Assistant to the Bishop for Synodical Life, Deacon Vicki Hanrahan at

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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
 120 Faith Drive Columbus WI 53925
 Evangelical Lutheran Church
 in America – ELCA
 South-Central Synod of Wisconsin

**September
 2020**

MISSION STATEMENT

Joyfully recognizing God’s commitment and faithfulness to us, FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH exists to serve God through serving God’s people. We eagerly work towards the realization of God’s Kingdom by:

- Offering praise-filled worship to God.
- Nurturing individual spiritual growth.
- Fostering an environment of caring and acceptance.
- Reaching out to serve the needs of our community.

God’s love stirs us to touch others with the same love we have received—and invites them to share our life of praise and service.

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) Columbus, Wisconsin

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**AS MEMBERS OF FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH WE
 PROMISE:**

- To attend services regularly.
- To support the congregation financially.
- To live responsibly as a Christian witness.
- To become as involved as possible in the total life and work of the congregation.

And this we promise to do by the help of God.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1

**We’re on the web:
www.faithcolumbuswi.or**

From your Council President:

We are grateful to have Pastor Mary continue with us during the month of September. This month would usually include a new Sunday School year, start-up of confirmation classes, and God's Work/Our Hands events. I am grateful to say that several members have stepped up to work on these events again in a new 2020 format! Look for information in the coming weeks about Sunday School start-up and coordinating the fall confirmation program.

The worship committee continues to review a variety of formats and approaches to Sunday worship together/apart. We hope to schedule another in-person service in October and are working on the pattern and setting for this date. The Call Committee efforts are in full swing to complete their materials for submittal to your Church Council for approval and to the Synod for distribution to possible candidates.

Thank you for all the phone calls, notes of encouragement, little pantry and little library donations, website updates, and prayers. God Works in mysterious ways His Wonders to perform. You are each a part of those wonderful things.

Peace – and also with YOU. Henry

FOOD PANTRY AND BOOK LIBRARY

A Food Pantry and Book Library were initiated by the Evangelism committee and brought to life by Ben Van Horn and Jim Schieble using materials reclaimed from old Sunday school chalkboards. The free library and food pantry are located at the North side of the parking lot attached to the light pole. They are for the benefit of anyone in our church or community who is in need. Anyone may make donations by simply placing them inside.

Appropriate books, CD's, and DVD's for all ages are welcome in the library. The food pantry is weather sensitive so be mindful of items that will freeze during cold weather. Paper products, personal hygiene items, cereal, dry soup mixes, potato, rice or pasta sides, baking mixes, crackers, etc. are all useful items for those in need.

Evangelism committee will monitor. Please help us make these structures useful to those who visit them. Thank you.

WE ARE STILL COLORING

Need time to relax, and have anxiety and stress levels lowered?

Turn any negativity into positivity.

Exercise different parts of the brain.

These are the benefits of coloring. Come out and join us on Monday's starting at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We call the group "Coloring With Sandy". Sandy Schieble started this group over four years ago. And we are still going strong. We would love to see you. We have enough tables for everyone to have their own.



SCHOOL SUPPLY CHALLENGE TO FAITH LUTHERAN CONGREGATION

Faith in Stitches is working on an outreach project to make school bags for Lutheran World Relief. We are making **20** school bags and we need your help to fill the bags with school supplies. The stores will soon have school supply sales, so please help us fill these bags. Listed below are the supplies that will go in each bag:

- Padded or spiral notebooks of ruled paper, 8 ½ x 11, totaling 150-200 sheets (If using 70 count notebooks, include 3); no loose-leaf papers
- 1 blunt scissors
- 1 30-cm ruler, or with both inches and centimeters
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 eraser, about 2½ “long
- 6 new #2 unsharpened pencils with erasers, secured with a rubber band
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 12 sheets of 9” X 12” construction paper, assorted colors

Help us meet our goal and please bring your supplies to church by **August 31**. The church will ship quilts, school bags, and other needed supplies in fall.

THE RED TENTERS' BOOKCLUB



The book club is meeting in Fellowship Hall on the 24th of September at 7:00pm. The book we are reading is “Niegri In Moscow” by Thierno Hady Diallo. Hope to see you there.

CALENDAR AND WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR SEPTEMBER

There will be a September calendar but again no Worship Assistants for the month of September.

Thank you for your understanding and everyone keep safe.

QUILTS

The quilting group has made over 100 quilts this year. Quilt Sunday will be Sept 20. The group plans to put them on the pews for that Sunday. Packing day is Sept 22.



ELCA “Good Gifts”

The **spare change** container is in the Narthex, within the goose decoy. The mission for your spare pennies, nickels and dimes is the

program. Starting this new year the flock is up to 160 **chickens!** Our few extra coins are turned into food and livelihood for people in need, world-wide. Thank you.

SEPTEMBER



- 1 Reta Thies, Del Yerges, Kati Kahl
Ethan LeClair, Madelyn Bedford
- 3 Dennis Langfeldt
- 4 Debbie Talg
- 7 Cooper Anthon, Tory Weidemann,
Isabelle Bugge
- 9 Justin Stark
- 10 Gracia Clark, Tony Clark, Jamine Kurth,
Finnley Deminsky
- 11 Micaela Miller, Stacy Walz
- 14 Flynn Aeschlimann, Adelyn Lueloff
- 15 Landon Goering
- 18 Ben Van Horn
- 21 Bailey Raether
- 22 Jadeson Hall
- 23 Beth Klossner, Lueloff Kolsyn
- 25 Diane Dhein, Russell Rahn, Brooks Berget
- 27 Eli Goering
- 28 McKenzie Bruss
- 29 Chloe Braker-Robbins
- 30 Georgia Eisenreich, Stephanie Dykstra

- 09/01 Betty Baxter, Ivan Thies
- 09/02 Ashley Hegge
- 09/03 Ron Huebner, Susan Rupp, Kim Steers
Blake Luzenski, Jacob Peterson
- 09/04 Joshua Selje
- 09/05 Chris Behl, Jeramy Grossman, Dylan Hart
Harvey Roberts, Kubly Kaminski
- 09/06 Beth Klossner
- 09/07 Sydney Rohrbeck, Eden Klossner,
Mason Dykstra, Hannah Dykema
- 09/08 Linda Huebner, Tracey Wescott
Nevaeh Schultz, Andrea Herrick,
Liam Schiesl
- 09/09 Joanne Sampson
- 09/11 Diane Dhein, Zachary Wescott,
Leverett Tadych
- 09/13 Mason Bruss
- 09/14 Theresa Hein, Alan Strohschein,
Glenn Westlake, Kayla Hurckman,
Beckam Scheeler
- 09/16 Erik Rupp, Matt Ehrke
- 09/17 Tracy Brozek, Skye Farr
- 09/18 Kali Shephard, Brandi Taylor
- 09/19 Jessica Cashmore, Jack Fritz
- 09/20 Dawn Kaminski, Riley Kaminski
- 09/21 Anne Herzberg
- 09/22 Hailey Hole
- 09/23 Lynne Wilken, Abigail Miller
- 09/24 Kimberly Rowe, Grace Kahl, Carter Hansen
- 09/25 Suzanne Zahn, Kimberly Breuckman,
Chloe Braker-Robbins
- 09/26 Erika Minkevicius, Frank Roelke II,
Luke Kahl
- 09/27 Eric Anthon, David Weisman, Oscar Setz,
Owen Hankins
- 09/28 Caitlin Bedford, Odyn Lueloff
- 09/29 Sue Frish, Bridget Morris, Heidi Paul,
Marge Breitbarth

***Wedding Anniversary
September***

- 09/02 Jeff & Roxann Kirchberg 25
- 09/03 Nathan & Lisa Emler 21
- 09/06 Tony & Julie Clark 28
- 09/08 David & Erin Weisman 13
- 09/11 Eric & Michelle Hoffmann 16
- 09/12 Mark & Susan Fagerburg 33
- 09/13 Duane & Elizabeth Gilbertson 34
- 09/16 Ben & Eva Van Horn 64
- 09/18 Henry & Cathy Elling 33
- 09/29 Todd & Linda Brumm 31

Stephanie Dykstra, Becky Klosowski, Sara Yuds

Faith Lutheran Church - Financial Dashboard - 2020

Dated: 08/05/2020

Prepared by Stephen Peterson, Treasurer

	Total General Account Offerings, Donations	Borrowed from Parsonage Proceeds	Trimester Giving history		Simply Giving portion of total	% Simply Giving
January	\$13,855		2016	\$76,759	\$4,170	30%
February	\$12,824		2017	\$74,906	\$3,910	30%
March	\$16,199		2018	\$70,394	\$4,270	26%
April	\$17,256		2019	\$67,292	\$4,772	28%
Trimester 1	\$60,135	\$0	Trend	\$70,846	\$17,123	28%
May	\$14,689		2016	\$74,935	\$4,833	33%
June	\$14,954		2017	\$67,611	\$5,161	35%
July	\$10,626		2018	\$70,399	\$5,153	48%
August			2019	\$62,122		#DIV/0!
Trimester 2	\$40,269	\$0	Trend	\$68,399	\$15,147	38%
September			2016	\$87,627		#DIV/0!
October			2017	\$89,350		#DIV/0!
November			2018	\$89,327		#DIV/0!
December			2019	\$88,329		#DIV/0!
Trimester 3	\$0	\$0	Trend	\$91,302	\$0	
YTD total	\$100,404	\$0		\$230,547	\$32,270	32%

General Account Expenditures by Categories in Treasurer's Report

	Mission	Pastoral Support	Staff Support	Operations	Total
Jan	\$2,908	\$7,603	\$4,245	\$6,518	\$21,274
Feb	\$2,325	\$7,570	\$3,972	\$1,873	\$15,741
Mar	\$1,741	\$5,751	\$4,245	\$7,276	\$19,013
Apr	\$2,492	\$800	\$4,245	\$3,818	\$11,355
May	\$2,117	\$975	\$3,886	\$1,878	\$8,855
June	\$2,117	\$800	\$4,245	\$3,457	10,619
Jul	\$2,142	\$875	\$3,290	\$1,300	\$7,606
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
TOTALS	15,841	24,374	28,127	26,120	94,462

Operations combines Worship Programs + Education + Administration + Operations + Misc

Fund balances this month - Ending balances from Summary of Cash Activity Reports

Faith General Account checking \$	22,942.94	\$	24,238.69
Faith General Account savings \$	20,093.42	\$	20,093.42
Faith Project checking \$	55,836.39	\$	55,812.39
Parsonage Proceeds checking \$	106,152.64	\$	106,143.63
Parsonage Proceeds savings Total	\$205,025	\$	206,288

Simply Giving \$ Participation 30% of total revenue to date

Accounting system treasurer reports are posted on the Council bulletin board in the fellowship hall.