

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

**July
 2022**

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.org**

A NOTE FROM PASTOR JANE

Dear Friends in Christ,

There is so much happening in our country at this time. People on all sides of hot button issues are angry, or hurt, or just plain fed up. I don't generally make a public display of my political-social views, but what is happening in our world goes beyond societal norms or political views. I recently read a story that speaks volumes to me about what can happen if hatred is allowed to spread.

As you read the story that follows, please consider Jesus' words as recorded in Matthew 22:34-40.

When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

Standing Firm for Justice

It has been said that all that is needed for evil to succeed is for good people to stay quiet. And the converse is also true, when good people speak up, evil can be defeated. This was graphically illustrated inside Bulgaria during the dark days of World War 2.

Bulgaria was allied to Germany, with a formal agreement made in 1941. This agreement allowed for German military bases inside Bulgaria, while handing back to Bulgaria lands that had been in dispute between the two countries. Members of the Bulgarian government who wished to implement Hitler's "final solution" against the Jews planned to begin the first phase by sending all the Jews from the returned lands to Germany's concentration camps.

When a member of Parliament, Peshev, heard of the plan he gathered other representatives and marched into the office of the Minister for the Interior, demanding an explanation. Peshev and the others pressured him to rescind the order, which he did.

However, not all regions received the telegram in time. In Plovdiv, Bulgaria's second largest city, Jewish people were rounded up during the early morning, with most held in the local school hall, awaiting deportation by train to Germany. Here Metropolitan Kyrill (Cyrill of Bulgaria, Archbishop of a province in the Bulgarian Orthodox Church in 1938), the head of the local church acted immediately. He sent a telegram of protest to the king, threatening to lie across the tracks in front of the first train to leave with Jews. He then went to the school where he was barred entry by the police. Announcing that he no longer felt himself bound by the laws of the government and would act according to his conscience as a minister of Christ, Kyrill climbed the fence promising the Jews gathered there "Wherever you go, I'll go."

Some time after the order not to deport the Jews arrived at Plovdiv and they got to return to their homes. Meanwhile, local MP Peshev was expelled from the vice presidency of the Parliament and censured. Foiled at their first effort, the Gestapo pressured the king into an order that Jews be expelled from cities into the Bulgarian countryside. They hoped this would stir up anti-Semitism in the country and allow the deportations to go ahead. It was at this point that Metropolitan Stefan, head of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church came into his own. He convened a meeting of his church's Synod which unanimously condemned the order to move Jews into the countryside.

The government made plans to go ahead with the deportation anyway, scheduling it for a day of national celebration, in the hope that the deportation would go unnoticed among the day's festivities. Stefan would have none of this. As head of the national church it was his job to officiate during the celebrations. Standing on the steps of the cathedral, a large crowd lay before him and the members of the government, including the Prime Minister, sat behind him. He threw away his prepared speech, strongly condemned the persecution of the Jews and called on the government to resist the influence of the Nazis. The Prime Minister rose after Stefan to denounce him and called on him to stop interfering in political matters.

The deportation to country areas proceeded, but Stefan was unbowed. In the face of threats to arrest him he offered to christen all Jews who wished to, a measure that would mean they could not be deported to Germany. The Minister for the Interior responded by refusing to recognize all christening certificates issued after January 1, 1943, and ordering the closure of the churches of Sofia. Stefan informed the government that his Churches would ignore the order and sent a circular to all his parish priests explaining the fate awaiting Jews in Germany. Fearing a public backlash the government backed down. The churches remained open until the end of the war and the Jews were allowed to remain in Bulgaria. Tens of thousands of lives were saved, all because people of good conscience refused to be silent in the face of evil. How will you show love for your neighbor in trying times?

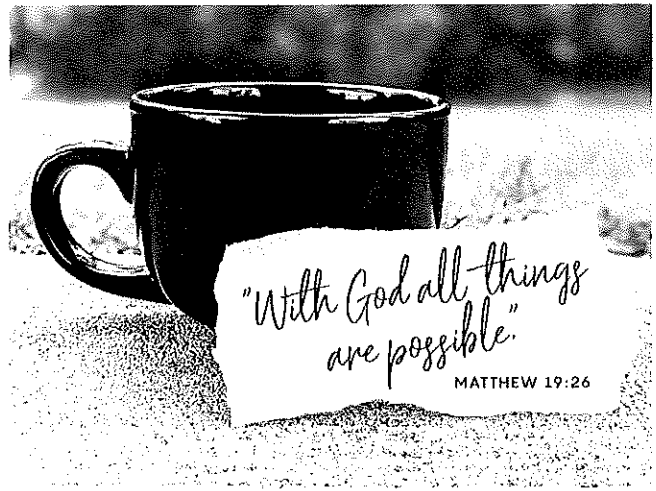
Blessings!
Pastor Jane

“Standing Firm for Justice.” Edited by Scott Higgins, *Stories for Preaching*, Stories for Preaching/Scott Higgins, 28 Dec. 2012, <https://storiesforpreaching.com.au/sermonillustrations/justice/standing-firm-for-justice/>

Source: reported in *Christianity Today* magazine, Oct 4, 1999. Vol 43, No. 11.

Highlights of June 2022 Council Meeting

- The council approved the proposal for a church picture directory as presented by Troy Tadych.
- The council voted to approve the proposal from the Security Assessment Overview Task Force regarding security for the church property.



Summer Worship Schedule

Our worship schedule for the summer months, June, July and August, is as follows;

Sunday's

9:15am

Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays

Wednesday's

We will be having only one service per month for June, July and August. It will be the First Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm.

THANK YOU We had a nice turn out for Pentecost Gifts for the church. Here is a list of all the items we received;

Paper towels	26 rolls
Toilet Paper	58 Rolls
Batteries	2pks of AA and 9 Loose
Hand Soap	4 bottles
Dish Soap	6 bottles
Tissues	2 box and 32 individual packs
Stamps	1 book
Paper	11 Reams
Pens	1 12 pack of Gel Pens



New Online Member Photo Directory

Faith is assembling an Online Member Photo Directory and we need a picture of you! 2015 was when we had our last photo directory, and a lot has changed since then.

Throughout July you will hear more about the Online Member Directory. And in August and September we are going to start taking photos at church. But, if you want to help right now, you can submit your own photo.

Submit your own photos via email to directory@faithcolumbuswi.org. Photos should be high quality and appropriate for a church directory (all submitted photos will be reviewed and approved by the FLC Directory Team). When sending photos, please include

- ⇒ Name of all those in the photograph (and any missing family members)
- ⇒ House address
- ⇒ Email address(es) – please include who the email belongs to
- ⇒ Phone number(s) – please include if it is a mobile or landline number and who it belongs to

If you have any questions, please send them to directory@faithcolumbuswi.org and somebody from the FLC Directory Team will get back to you.

Happy Photos!

Troy Tadych, Dan Watrud, & the Directory Team

SCHOOL KITS

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

- If you are looking to purchase backpacks, the preferred style is often used in the U.S. for youth to carry athletic equipment. Try your local sporting goods store or search online using the keywords, “buy drawstring backpacks.”
- Before purchasing backpacks, make sure they meet the size requirements (14” x17”) and General Assembly Instructions. You can download a list from our website of suppliers who have appropriate bags available for purchase in bulk.
- Please give new items only.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group’s name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
- Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH SCHOOL KIT

FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8” x 10 ½” ; no loose leaf paper

ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

ONE pencil sharpener

ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)

FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band

FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band

ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons

ONE 2 ½” eraser

ONE sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14” x 17” with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)

HOW TO PACK YOUR PROJECT PROMISE KITS

- Place ruler between notebooks. Place all items neatly into the bag and draw the drawstring together.
- Pack completed Kits, like items together, in boxes. Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- Do not use plastic or paper bags to pack donations.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box and label the contents

PERSONAL CARE KITS

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

- Be sure to shop for light- or medium-weight towels, which are easier for Kit recipients to hand wash and air dry, take up less storage space and are considerably less expensive than the fluffier towels we may prefer to use.
- Bath towels vary in size. The 52" X 27" size listed in the guidelines is the maximum size. 20" x 40" is a good guideline for a minimum size.
- Please give new items only.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
- All items should be new and in good condition.
- Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH PERSONAL CARE KIT

ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark color recommended

TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping

ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*

ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging

ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

- Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap

HOW TO PACK YOUR PROJECT PROMISE KITS

- Fold the towel in half. Place the rest of the items in the towel, fold and roll so nothing falls out, and secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands.
- Pack completed Kits, like items together, in boxes. Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- Do not use plastic or paper bags to pack donations.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box and label the contents

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FABRIC KITS

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

- Fabric should have no stains or holes.
- Pieces do not need to match in size or color/pattern as long as they fit into one of the three size options.
- Each spool of thread should match one of the pieces of fabric included. Neutral thread is also a good option.
- Please give new items only.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
- Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags

HOW TO PACK YOUR KITS OF CARE

- Wrap one piece of fabric and spools of thread inside the other piece of fabric, ensuring nothing will fall out. Secure with yarn, ribbon, string or rubber bands.
- Pack completed kits, like items together, in boxes. Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box and label the contents.

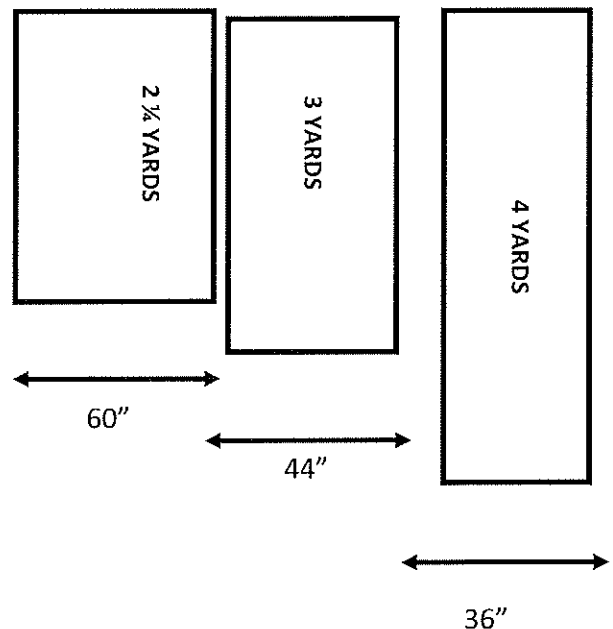
INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH FABRIC KIT

TWO spools of neutral-colored, general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each

TWO pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester). Each piece should match one of the sizes below:

- 2 ¼ yards of 60" wide fabric
- 3 yards of 44" wide fabric
- 4 yards of 36" wide fabric

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OUR CIRCLES ARE UP AND RUNNING AGAIN

Scroll Circle
10:00am, Wednesday July 13
Anna Circle
9:00am, Wednesday, July 13

Naomi Circle
2:00pm Tuesday, 19
In Fellowship Hall

Third Thursday

For men only...

third Thursdays at Faith

Hosted by the Java men (Denny, Pat, & Al).
 Come for food, fun, fellowship and a little
 faith exploration at 5:30 p.m., Thursday,
 July 21, 2022. Feel free to invite a friend.

THE RED TENTERS' BOOKCLUB



The book club is meeting in Fellowship Hall on the July 28. The book we are reading is "My Grandmother Asked Me To Tell You She's Sorry" by Frederick Backman. Hope to see you there.

PASTORAL ACTS



June 5, 2022
 Emily May Hole
 Parents
 Tim & Amanda Hole

CALENDAR, LAM & ACOLYTES AND WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR JULY 2022

Below are the list for Lectors, LAMS and Acolytes for the Month of July.

Lector Schedule July 2022 9:15am

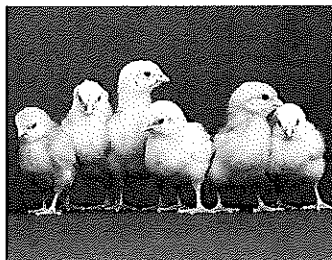
- 3 Carolyn Gorman
- 10 Pete Kaland
- 17 Al Strohschein
- 24 Lisa Weisensel
- 31 Henry Elling

LAM July 2022 9:15am

- 3 Dennis Sampolinski
- 10 Betsy Woodward
- 17 Pat Sullivan
- 24 Henry Elling
- 31 Pam Larson

ACOLYTES July 2022 9:15am

- 3 Mia Powers & Addison Steers
- 10 Tylar Hankins & Cooper Krakow
- 17 Leverett Tadych & Max McGee
- 24 Alex Lewke & Finnley Deminsky
- 31 Sophia Gille & Stella Gille



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

ELCA "Good Gifts" program. Starting this new year the flock is up to 240 **chick-ens!** Our few extra coins are turned into food and livelihood for people in need, world-wide. Thank you.

JULY



07/31 Jeremy & Nikki Grossman 12

DeAnn Gaska, Brook Goering, Ashley Hegge,

Carolyn Gorman

July Birthdays



07/01 Callan Lewke, Lorelet Olson
 07/02 Terri Messer, Kelsey O'Brien
 Melissa Miller,
 Maia VanderWerff
 07/03 Georgia Eisenreich,
 Brianna Sweney
 07/04 Alexander Watrud
 07/05 Jeanne Miller, Mackenzie Olderhoff
 07/06 Kelli Bussian, Linda Brumm
 07/07 Maddox Klossner
 07/08 Katie Kahl, Abigail Fox
 07/09 Larry Haseman, Hunter Hurckman
 07/10 Nan Hoene, Flynn Aeschlimann
 07/11 Del Yerges, Judy Schultz, Jennifer Edwards
 07/12 Kristie Rozinski
 07/13 Dennis Kohl
 07/14 Levi Kirchberg
 07/15 Harlow Kuck
 07/16 Brandy Foulkes, Isabelle Bugge
 07/17 Dale Sturdevant, Kelsey Schleif, Lisa LeClair
 07/18 Ben Van Horn, Michael Anthon, Jim Schieble
 07/19 Jenny Herzberg, Martin Powers
 07/20 Roger Lenz, Ted Miller
 07/21 Eric Miesfed
 07/22 Lilith Etter, Annette Reno
 07/23 Russell Rahn
 07/24 Bob Penzotti, Scott Vick
 07/26 Lindsey Miller, David Olson
 07/27 Micaela Miller, Emma Kelly
 07/28 Danielle Ayer, Mitchell Hasey, Adelynn Miller
 07/29 Sue Gmeinder, Jessie Gaska, Bailey Wilson
 07/30 Jeffrey Herrick

1 Cheryl Hoffman,
 3 Sophia Conley
 5 Susie Krakow,
 Jaxson Weisman
 6 Lisa Hasey, Mia Powers, Julie Gay
 7 Anola Popp
 8 Millie Kindschi, Kylie Severson
 9 Tyler Brozek
 10 Dana Gillett, Joyce Miller, Brad Lewke
 11 Savanna Miller, Elijah Wiersma
 Dianne Tiedt
 12 Chris Penzotti, Evelyn Rupp
 13 Emma Elling, Kasimir Tadych
 14 Amanda Hole, Marilon Krebs,
 Harvey Roberts
 15 Kevin Fritz, Margaret Schey
 16 Carly Ehrke
 17 Kayla Hunt
 18 Alyse Anthon, Courtney Becker
 Eric Yuds, Rick Eisenreich, Easton Gensch
 19 Tristan Watrud, Lisa Emler, Rose Tiedt
 Eva Van Horn
 20 Kenzie Severson, Liam Schiesl
 21 Ed Schellin
 22 Sam Herzberg, Blake Conner, Caden Conner
 23 Meredith Campbell, Dane Sloan
 24 Leslie Rice
 27 Lindsey Yuds, Shelly Salzman,
 Adrian Shepard, Brady Kirchberg
 28 Tina Miller, Drake Schultz
 29 Roxanne Ayer, Jordan Dauman
 30 Ruby Larson
 31 Dennis Kohl

Molly Simons, Phyllis Foulkes

Wedding Anniversary's July

07/05 Travis & Carmen Bruss 20
 07/15 John & Shelly Salzman 22
 07/17 Gene & Janice Boelte 57
 07/18 Hans & Kati Sandberg 13
 07/19 Ron & Linda Huebner 47
 07/20 Bruce & Suzanne Zahn 31
 07/22 Dennis & Claire Sampolinski 50
 07/22 Brian & Nancy Patrick 33
 07/23 Bob & Roxanne Ayer 45
 07/26 Caitlin & Jason Bedford 8
 07/30 Paul & Pam Larson 28

Faith Lutheran Church - Financial Dashboard - 2022

Dated: 05/12/2022

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	\$18,252		2018	\$70,394	\$3,515	19%
February	\$11,914		2019	\$67,292	\$3,210	27%
March	\$17,882		2020	\$60,135	\$3,291	18%
April	\$25,204		2021	\$59,238	\$13,392	18%
Trimester 1	\$73,251	\$0	Trend	\$64,265	\$3,421	24%
May	\$14,426		2018	\$70,399		
June			2019	\$62,122		
July			2020	\$52,143	\$3,421	
August			2021	\$55,134		
Trimester 2	\$14,126	\$0	Trend	\$68,399		
September			2018	\$89,327		
October			2019	\$88,329		
November			2020	\$66,651		
December			2021	\$68,855	\$16,813	19%
Trimester 3		\$0	Trend	\$91,302		
YTD total		\$0		\$223,966		

General Account Expenditures by Categories in Treasurer's Report

	Mission	Pastoral Support	Staff Support	Operations	Total
Jan	\$2,117	\$9,944	\$2,316	\$6,230	\$20,606
Feb	\$2,117	\$10,341	\$3,893	\$3,834	\$20,185
Mar	\$2,117	\$10,32	\$4,595	\$3,436	\$20,472
Apr	\$2,117	\$10,304	\$4,173	\$11,190	\$27,784
May	2,625	\$1,245	\$4,454	\$2,664	\$19,988
June					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
TOTALS	\$11,093	\$51,158	\$19,431	\$27,354	\$109,036

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

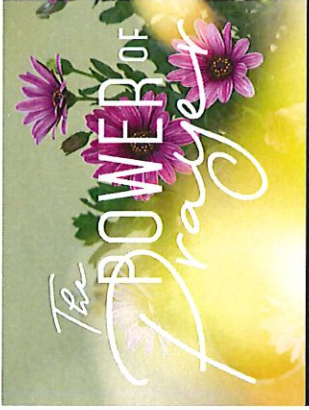
Fund balances this month - Ending balances from Summary of Cash Activity Reports

Faith General Account checking	\$ 2,706.23	\$ 11,428.06
Faith Project checking	\$ 2,573.76	\$ 2,632.34
FP ELCA Demand Investment 1	\$ 17,227.51	\$ 17,227.51
FP ELCA Demand Investment 2	\$ 17,164.24	\$ 17,227.51
Parsonage Proceeds checking	\$ 1,198.44	\$ 15,111.81
Parsonage Proceeds MIF Fund A	\$ 27,175.76	\$ 27,195.37
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 1	\$ 20,180.00	\$
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 2	\$ 20,164.25	\$ 20,219.90
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 3	\$ 40,576.21	\$ 40,760.16
Total	\$ 148,958	\$ 151,803

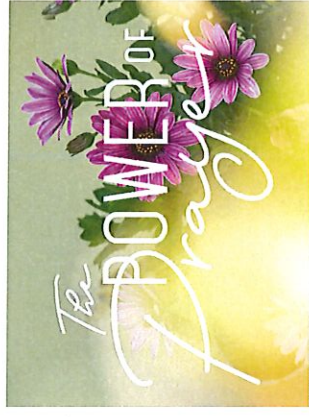
Annual General Account Revenue minus Expenses to Date	-\$21,358
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Simply Giving \$ Participation 19% of total revenue to date

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



July 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Paraments: G Worship 9:15	4 Happy Fourth Of July Church Office Closed	5 6:00am Men's Bible Study @ Julie Java House	6 6:00 Worship	7	8	9
10 Paraments: G Worship 9:15	11 1:00 Coloring With Pat	12 8:00 Java With Jane 6:30 Evangelism	13 9:00 Anna Circle 10:00 Scroll Circle	14	15	16 9:00 Chris Behl Fellowship Hall
17 Paraments: G Worship 9:15 12:00 Faith In Stitches	18 9:00 Faith In Stitches 1:00 Coloring With Pat 6:00 Council Meeting	19 6:00am Men's Bible Study @ Julie Java House 2:00 Naomi Circle	20	21 5:30 Third Thursday For Men at Faith	22	23
24 Paraments: G Worship 9:15 Ecumenical Sunday Fun Day at Faith	25 1:00 Coloring With Pat	26	27	28 7:00 Red Tenters Book Club	29	30
31 Paraments: G Worship 9:15						