

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

**October  
 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:**

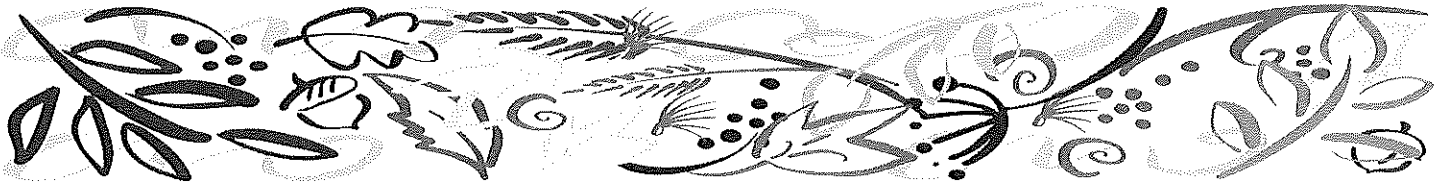
- To attend services regularly.
- To support the congregation financially.
- To live responsibly as a Christian witness.
- To become as involved as possible in the total life and work of the congregation.

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](http://www.faithcolumbuswi.org)**



## A NOTE FROM PASTOR JANE

**Faith ... Serving God ... Serving People**  
**For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Luke 12:34 NRSV)**

Dear Friends in Christ,

With the beginning of the school year plus all the regular happenings of our congregation, I've been thinking about what we have to offer, our time, talents and treasures.

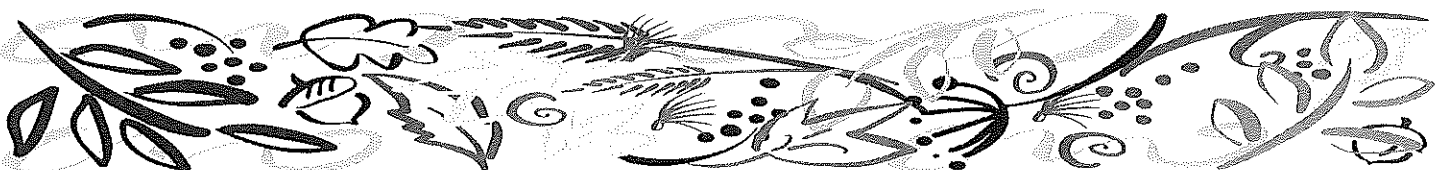
So many people offer their time to the mission of the church through this congregation. Parents and others in the congregation offer their time to Graceland and Confirmation on Wednesday evenings. Our Council and committees are made up of volunteers who keep us on track and lead us. Our food pantry is well stocked. And funeral luncheons run smoothly with the help of many hands.

We are also blessed with *many* talented people. We have quilters and sewers who use their talents to make sure folks stay warm. We have musicians that allow and encourage us to praise God. (What would we do without Lisa Weisensel?!) We have Chris Hilbrich who keeps the office (and me, honestly) running smoothly. And we can spread the Gospel far and wide with the talents of Stephen Peterson and Troy Tadych on Sunday mornings.

But it's time for a bit of honesty, folks. The treasure part is where we could use some help. You see, money is a tool for ministry. In order to care for those inside and outside of our doors, we have to have *be here*. If this faith community doesn't exist, we can't do the work. We have to make some changes and make some decisions. We cannot continue to borrow money for our day-to-day operations. We cannot continue to rely on end of year giving. I'm not talking about a grand new project; I'm talking about the daily workings of the church. Paying bills and all the other stuff we don't usually talk about. We need help. Not just this week or this month, but all year, every year. We don't have an extravagant church life. We live within our means. It's just that our means are a bit meager these days.

I invite you to prayerfully consider what Faith Lutheran means to you. What is God calling us to do? Talk to any member of Council to discuss our needs.

Blessings!  
Pastor Jane



## THRIVENT & QUILTS

The quilting group at Faith Lutheran Church did it again.

They made 125 quilts this year that were sent to Lutheran World Relief. Some personal kits and school kits were also sent.

Rod Patrick help us by driving them to the train. Thrivent gave us \$450 to cover the cost of shipping.

Diane Patrick has headed up this group since 2006.

We appreciated all the time she has dedicated to this program. She informed us that the quilting group has given quilts to Hephatha, high school seniors, NICC, and the food pantry this year for a total of 183 quilts.

We thank Diane for all for her work and the work of all the quilters.

### Highlights of September 2022

#### Council Meeting

- Council members will purchase a tree to be planted in Jeff Klug's memory
- Council members will review congregation membership listing for updating
- A Stewardship program was discussed. Pledge cards, Time and Talent information and covenant-signing times will happen this fall. A more in-depth stewardship program will be planned for 2023. The congregation will be informed of the congregation's financial needs.
- Worship Committee's recommendation for a congregation-wide conversation before the end of the year to discuss worship styles, timing and purpose was approved

## LOVE PACKAGES

We are collecting your extra Bibles, of all translations, and certain forms of Christian materials like; non-fiction Christian books, devotionals and commentaries. This collection will be at least until next summer, so you have time to gather, sort, re-read and decide.

The items are for worldwide missionaries via the organization "Love Packages". Please visit their website at [www.lovepackages.org](http://www.lovepackages.org) for their history and mission.

Place your items in the light green basket in the Narthex. Please see the **handout** on the Narthex table, or the information on Faith's website, for the complete list of items wanted and items **not** wanted. To date, there has been 230 items donated, including 14 Bibles. *Thank you.*

## PASTORAL ACTS



September 4, 2022

**Elliot Michael Bedford  
Parents**

**Jason & Caitlin Bedford**

September 25, 2022

**Acre James Borman  
Parents**

**Christian & Kelsey Bormen**



**John W. Brozek Sr.  
09/20/2022**

## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF UKRAINE

Below is a message from Rev. Tim Krick with updates from Ukraine and what our donations are doing for them.

From Subject	Received	Size
Rev. Tim Krick	THANK YOU: LWR	
Ukraine Update	Tue 2:48 PM	38 KB

[ResourceSpace | Lutheran World Relief \(lwr.org\)](https://resourcespace.lwr.org)

On the above link right click then go down to Open Hyperlink and click on that and it will bring you to the ResourceSpace/ Lutheran World Relief. There are articles for you to read and great information.

Friends In Christ,

It has been more than six months since Russia invaded Ukraine. The love of Lutheran congregations like yours is making a powerful difference in the lives of our Ukrainian neighbors. In this e-mail, we're providing you with a variety of resources to share with your congregation to inform them about all the ways their generosity is making a difference.

### VIDEO

Share this [powerful video](#) with your congregation in worship or online. Hear from Ukrainian refugees about their experience when the war started, and how your congregation's gifts continue to provide hope. We've created two versions for you – a [shorter version](#) (2:43) and a [longer version](#) (5:19). To download these videos, visit our easy-to-use [online resource album](#).

## PUBLICITY PACK

This [document](#) includes updates for you to share with your congregation in a variety of ways: *newsletter* article, bulletin announcement, social media kit, photos and video. It is formatted so that you, your staff or volunteers can copy and paste the text directly into your congregation's publications.

## SITUATION REPORT

Lutheran World Relief has committed more than \$12.1 million to respond to the crisis in Ukraine. This [report](#) details the ways that funding is reaching our neighbors.

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

**Sunday, November 6, 2022** is a very old and nearly universal festival in the church. The purpose of **All Saints' Day** is to remember all those who through the ages have lived and died in the Christian faith. Besides remembering the saints of all ages, All Saints' Sunday is also an appropriate time to remember those who have died during the past year. It is an old custom of the church to remember them by name in the prayers on that Sunday. If you have relatives or friends who have died since November 8, 2021 that you would like to have included in the prayers on Sunday, November 6 please e-mail the church before Monday, October 31st [faith@faithcolumbuswi.org](mailto:faith@faithcolumbuswi.org)

## OUR CIRCLES ARE UP AND RUNNING AGAIN

**Scroll Circle**  
10:00am, Wednesday October 19

**Anna Circle**  
9:00am, Wednesday, October 12

**Naomi Circle**  
2:00pm Tuesday, October 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,  
October 20, 2022. Feel free to invite a  
friend.

### THE RED TENTERS' BOOKCLUB

**BOOK CLUB**

The book club is meeting in Fellowship Hall on the October 27th. The book we are reading is "Apples Never Fall" by Liane Moriarty. Hope to see you there.

## CALENDAR, LAM & ACOLYTES AND WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR OCTOBER 2022

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

### Lector Schedule October 2022 9:15am

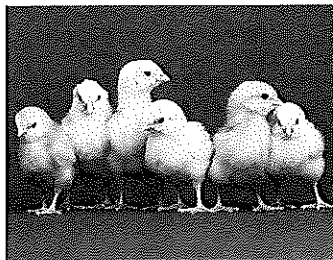
2 **Pete Kaland**  
9 **Lisa Weisensel**  
16 **Al Strohschein**  
23 **Henry Elling**  
30 **Betsy Woodward**

### LAM October 2022 9:15am

2 **Dennis Sampolinski**  
9 **Pat Sullivan**  
16 **Pam Larson**  
23 **Betsy Woodward**  
30 **Pam Larson**

### ACOLYTES October 2022 9:15am

2 **Tori Gillett & Stella Gille**  
9 **Jocelyn LeClaire & Abbi Fox**  
16 **Matthew Salzman & Kailey Schroud**  
23 **Dexter Agnew & Addison Steers**  
30 **Kendra Abegglen & Zoe Shepard**



### 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 390 **chick-ens!** Our few extra coins are turned into food and livelihood for people in need, world-wide. Thank you.

# October



- 1 Bob Ayer, Chris Behl,
- 2 Hallie Graffinn,  
Jeffrey Herrick
- 3 Haley Schultz
- 4 Presley Beck
- 6 Mitchell Hasey, Colleen Miller
- 7 Eric Miesfeld
- 8 Alex Watrud
- 9 Amber Bussian, Bryella Grossman
- 11 Peggy Agnew, Maddox Klossner,  
Brody Lewke, Callan Lewke
- 12 Leverett Tadych
- 13 Kim Steers, Tanner Wescott
- 14 John Hood, Josh Selje, Heidi Agnew
- 15 Skyler Byrne, Emily Fritz
- 16 Lydia Agnew
- 18 Bridget Morris
- 19 Chelsea Powers
- 20 Ava Rozinski, Norma Krahenbuhl
- 22 Noah Sebranek
- 23 Andrea Herrick
- 24 Betty Rahn, Grace Kahl, Matt Ehrke
- 25 Darlene Tjugum, Sydney Kluetzman
- 26 Alyssa Homman
- 27 Tracy Brozek
- 28 Dylan Hart, Riley Kaminski
- 29 Carson Herrick
- 31 Eric Anthon

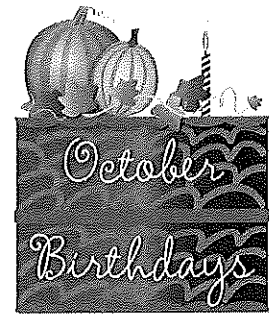
Joe Destree, Dawn Kaminski, Helen Setz,  
David Weisman

## Wedding Anniversary October

10/03	Cheryl & Daryl Hoffman	24
10/07	Kevin & Sheri Fritz	27
10/07	Michael & Marie Peterson	27
10/09	Kenn & Dana Gillett	40
10/11	Jameson & Jill Pohlmeier	8
10/12	Rod & Dianne Patrick	59
10/12	Daryl & Jami Severson	37
10/14	Jeff & Theresa Hein	44
10/14	Kayla & Leslie Hunt	5
10/18	Craig & Wilhelmina Mickelson	26
10/18	Connor & Meegan Graffin	19

Erin Bussian, Cheryl Hoffman, Laurie Niehoff,  
Stacy Walz

# October Birthdays



- 10/01 Shontell Baeseman
- 10/02 Jayce Pavloski
- 10/04 Chelsea Powers,  
Samantha Setz
- 10/05 Toni McGee
- 10/06 Samantha Alvarez, Dan Schubert
- 10/07 Becky Klosowski, Vance Berget,  
Leonardo Gonzalez
- 10/09 Derek Berget
- 10/10 Betty Rahn, Nathan Emler
- 10/11 Arlene Oelke, Elizabeth Gilbertson,  
Kelly Miller, Josie Berget, Felicity Schleif
- 10/12 Joe Destree, Matt Ehrke Jr.
- 10/13 Fred Grebe, Ryan Rortvedt
- 10/14 Sophia Gille
- 10/15 Jeff Kirchberg
- 10/16 Izak Wilken, Connor Kelm,  
Garrett Campbell
- 10/19 Rowdy Seibt
- 10/20 Dawn Rohrbeck, Dylan Raether
- 10/21 Brian Patrick
- 10/22 Marilyn Weiland, Helen Setz, Russ Rupp,  
Dwane Talg, Ashley Schultz
- 10/23 Pat Corlett, Aaron Corlett,  
Bram Aeschlimann
- 10/24 Oliver Setz, Zelda Hegge
- 10/26 Julie Berget, Anna Rupp
- 10/28 DeAnn Gaska, Taya Kurth, Zoe Shepard
- 10/29 Steve Rubert, Debra Meister
- 10/30 Travis Bruss, Kacy Crawford
- 10/31 Elizabeth Pinkston, Ben Emler

## Faith Lutheran Church - Financial Dashboard - 2022

Dated: 09/10/2022

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	\$3,375	13%
<b>Trimester 1</b>	<b>\$73,251</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>Trend</b>	<b>\$64,265</b>	\$13,392	18%
May	\$14,426		2018	\$70,399	\$3,421	24%
June	\$16,734		2019	\$62,122	\$3,271	20%
July	\$13,231		2020	\$52,143	\$3,225	24%
August	\$12,606		2021	\$55,134	\$3,431	23%
<b>Trimester 2</b>	<b>\$56,997</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>Trend</b>	<b>\$68,399</b>	\$13,347	
September			2018	\$89,327		
October			2019	\$88,329		
November			2020	\$66,651		
December			2021	\$68,855		
<b>Trimester 3</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>Trend</b>	<b>\$91,302</b>	\$26,739	21%
<b>YTD total</b>	<b>\$130,248</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$223,966</b>		

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	\$10,245	\$4,454	\$2,664	\$19,988
June	\$2,117	\$10,263	\$4,913	\$6,467	\$23,760
July	\$2,117	\$10,340	\$4,276	\$1,838	\$18,571
Aug	\$2,117	\$10,291	\$4,718	\$3,407	\$20,533
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$17,443</b>	<b>\$82,520</b>	<b>\$33,338</b>	<b>\$39,066</b>	<b>\$171,900</b>

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

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

Faith General Account checking	\$ 2,152.19	\$ (440.22)
Faith Project checking	\$ 2,412.28	\$ 3,276.11
FP ELCA Demand Investment 1	\$ 10,940.69	\$ 10,951.98
FP ELCA Demand Investment 2	\$ 27,164.24	\$ 27,233.97
Parsonage Proceeds checking	\$ 15,111.81	\$ 15,111.81
Parsonage Proceeds MIF Fund A	\$ 25,826.84	\$ 25,826.84
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 1	\$ 45.52	\$ 45.52
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 2	\$ 20,219.90	\$ 20,219.90
PP Mission Investment Fund CD 3	\$ 40,760.16	\$ 40,760.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 144,634</b>	<b>\$ 142,986</b>

<b>Annual General Account Revenue minus Expenses to Date</b>	<b>-\$41,651</b>
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Simply Giving \$ Participation 21% of total revenue to date

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

# October 2022

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

2 Parameters: G 8:00 Bells Worship 9:15	3 4:00 Property Meeting	4	5 6:00 Graceland 5k-5th grade Sunday School Confirmation 6-8 grade 7:15 Adult Choir	6 4:00 Food Pantry	7	8	1 9:00 Chris Behl Fellowship Hall 9:00 9th Grade Confirmation Retreat
9 Parameters: G 8:00 Bells Worship 9:15	10	11 6:00am Men's Bible Study at Julie Java House 8:00 Java With Jane 6:30 Evangelism Meeting	12 9:00 Anna Circle 6:00 Graceland 5k-5th grade Sunday School Confirmation 6-8 grade 7:15 Adult Choir	13 4:00 Food Pantry	14	15 9:00 Chris Behl Fellowship Hall 9:00 9th Grade Confirmation Retreat	
16 Parameters: G 8:00 Bells Worship 9:15 11:00 Faith In Stitches	17 9:00 Faith In Stitches 6:00 Council Meeting	18 2:00 Naomi Circle	19 9:00 Scroll Circle 6:00 Graceland 5k-5th grade Sunday School Confirmation 6-8 grade 7:15 Adult Choir	20 4:00 Food Pantry 5:30 Third Thursday For Men	21	22	
23 Parameters: G 8:00 Bells Worship 9:15	24	25 6:00am Men's Bible Study at Julie Java House	26 6:00 Graceland 5k-5th grade Sunday School Confirmation 6-8 grade 7:15 Adult Choir	27 4:00 Food Pantry 7:00 Red Tenters Book Club	28	29	
30 <b>Parameters: R</b> Reformation Sunday Confirmation 8:00 Bells Worship 9:15	31						