

Altar Flowers are provided today by Sunny & Stacie Poromon *In Celebration of their 18th Wedding Anniversary*

Pastor Peter is on vacation this week. We thank Pastor Pape for preaching and leading us in worship today. If you need pastoral care this week, please call the Church Office at 585-381-3970. Thank you!



From Pastor Peter's Desk

Thank you to everyone who joined us for worship throughout Holy Week and Easter! It was a wonderful journey to the cross and empty tomb of our risen

Savior. Many thanks to all of the staff and volunteers who assisted with the worship services, Easter brunch, egg hunt, music ensembles, food baskets, decorating, and more! It is a joy to serve alongside our Faith family! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Churchwide Community Service Project

Please join us TODAY during the education hour as we continue to participate together serving our community. We will be creating cinch sack Blessing Bags for the organization RAW "Recovery All Ways."



"Recovery All Ways (RAW) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that meets people where they are at on their path to recovery. Weekly outreach takes place every Sunday from 10am to 1pm, in the heart of Rochester's 14621 neighborhood, an area hard hit by the overdose crisis. We also do outreach as needed across the city and county. It is our mission to support anyone affected by substance use disorder, mental illness, and/or homelessness."

May LIFT Event



Euchre NITE at Faith

Join us for Pot Luck and an evening of Fun and Games!

Friday, May 2nd at 5:00pm

Sign up can be found in the Concourse **Hosts:** Paula Reitz & Steve VanDerMallie

Please join us!

SOLA (Strength of Living Alone) Dinner



All singles of Faith are invited to our first SOLA Dinner! Please join us on Tuesday, April 29th @ 6pm at *The Underpass Restaurant* 1226 Fairport Rd, Fairport for dinner and fellowship.

If you are planning to join us, you must RSVP by emailing Donna Kaser @ dontshop@gmail.com

We will be hosting a **Dinner for the Veterans at Nucor House** on Wed. April 30th at 5:30. The theme is "**Favorite Casseroles**." There is a sign up in the Concourse for casserole, salad and dessert. Please join us in sharing a meal and Christ's love with these Heroes who served our country so bravely!!



Adult Education beginning in May

"Grace and Forgiveness"

Facilitated by Diane Van Auken May 4th – May 18th

Forgiveness is central to our Christian faith, but there are differing viewpoints regarding forgiveness. What is forgiveness? Is God's forgiveness conditional? What did Jesus teach about forgiveness other than seventy times seven? What is the model God gives us and what are his expectations of us for forgiveness? All of these will be discussed in the three-week class. This topic is so critical to our daily lives, we do want to *try* to understand and practice it.



On April 6th a man's silver ring was found in the Sanctuary. No one has called the office to ask about it, so we are going to you. If you have lost a ring or know anyone who has, please see Kris in the main office.

April 20th Worship Attendance

In-Person: 510 Livestream: 169 Total: 679

May 4th Scriptures

Gospel: John 21:1-19 Epistle: Acts 9:1-22

Old Testament: Revelations 5:8-14

Children's & Family Ministry Announcements

Sunday School 2025

Sunday School is available to children age 4-6th Grade. Sunday School is offered every Sunday from 9:45-10:40am. Please see the schedule located on the Children's Ministries bulletin board in the concourse each week for your child's classroom location.



If you are interested in volunteering as a rotation leader or a shepherd, please email Shannon Wolf at Sundayschool@faithpenfield.org

Thank you to all who volunteered and participated in our Annual Easter Egg Hunt! We were blessed with a beautiful sunny morning for the outdoor hunt. There were approximately 35 children who hunted for 900 eggs in a matter of 3 minutes! An all time record!

There are only a few more weeks of Sunday School left for this year. As a reminder, there will be **No Sunday School on May 25th in Observance of Memorial Day**. However, Kids Time will be offered during the late service. The last day of Sunday School will be June 22nd.



VBS 2025 "Superhero Academy"

Campers... Assemble! Grab your capes and get ready for fun at "Superhero Academy" this July 28-Aug. 1 at Faith! Vacation Bible School is open to all 4 year olds through students entering 8th grade this fall! Register online here: https://faithpenfield.org/vbs-registration/

VBS Volunteer Registration is opening soon on our website!

Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY) Announcements

Sunday Jr. FLY Confirmation Class & Sr. FLY Bible Class Resumes on May 4 @ 9:45-10:40am

-Jr. FLY Confirmation Class meets in Room 204

-Sr. FLY meets in the FLY Room

Cinnamon Roll Sunday - TODAY

Purchase 5 delicious cinnamon rolls for \$5 on Sunday, Apr. 27 in our church Concourse! All proceeds benefit our FLYers going to the Youth Gathering in New Orleans this July!

Sunday Night FLY - "REMIX" - TONIGHT @ 7pm

YOU will vote for the lesson and game we'll do together at Sunday Night FLY! All lessons will be based on popular movies and the games will include a mix of old & new FLY games! Bring a friend to this FUN event!



*About Sunday Night FLY (SNFLY):

Youth in grades 7-12 meet on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month from 7-8:45pm in the FLY Room from Sept-June! We worship together, read God's Word, talk in small groups, play large group games, eat lots of food, and more! The nightly topics are always relevant for teens as we grow together in our relationships with God & others. The FLY Café is open from 6:30-9 where youth can purchase candy, soda, t-shirts, and other FLY merch. (Popcorn is always FREE!) Spin the Birthday Wheel for a fun birthday surprise! The Nintendo Switch, air hockey, and foosball games can be played before and after Sunday Night FLY. Friends are always welcome!

2025 Wilderness Retreat for Sr. FLY & Young Adults - May 23-26



Camp and hike with your friends in the beautiful Adirondacks this Memorial Day weekend! We'll be staying in canvas tents at the Wilderness Campground at Heart Lake near Lake Placid, NY. We'll enjoy hiking, camping, cooking outdoors, a worship service by a lake, and exploring the scenery in and around Lake Placid!

Please register online & submit the \$120 fee (made out to "FLY") to the FLY Registrar's mailbox by Sunday, May 11. The registration and packing list are online at: https://faithpenfield.org/resources-forms/. All campers will receive a NEW maroon, long-sleeve Wilderness shirt featuring our Wilderness Retreat logo!

*We are limited to 18 people, so please sign-up early to be guaranteed a spot!

We hope you and your friends can join us for our 2025 Wilderness Retreat!

Our FLY Interns and Youth Advisors are Here for YOU!

FLY is blessed to have two high school students serving as FLY Interns and many adults serving as Youth Advisors who are here to walk alongside you – helping you to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ! We are all here for you, no matter what you're experiencing in life. But more importantly, God is always with you – loving and forgiving you every single day!

Youth Advisors:

-Cris Alello, Vince Alello, Jennifer Deutsch, Heather Hoad, Stephanie Johnson, John Keller, Jolynn Keller, Kim Nadritch, McKayla Nolan, Mari-Beth Schembri, and Elizabeth Young

FLY Interns:

-Ava Bernhardt & Madison Deutsch

Learn more about FLY and upcoming events at: https://faithpenfield.org/youth/



STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FROM THE FAITH LEADERSHIP BOARD

The ongoing operations of Faith rely entirely on the generosity of the congregation to provide the funding support for the ministries that are so important to us and the community in which we serve.

We give thanks to God for your gifts to the general operating fund. We experienced a 23% unfavorable variance in envelope giving for the month of March resulting in a year-to-date unfavorable budget variance of \$18,177 or 9%.

We encourage you to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to be a faithful steward of the many gifts He has given you. We give thanks for all of the 2025 pledge cards received to date and deeply appreciate any way in which you choose to participate in and support the many ministries and outreach of Faith that allow us to continue to "Connect, Grow and Serve".

God reminds us in 1 Peter 4:10, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

FAITH'S STEWARDSHIP RESPONSE FOR PRIOR MONTH:

ENVELOPE GIVING

	Voter		Variance		
	Approved		from	%	Prior Year
March 2025	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual
Monthly Total	\$76,000	\$58,550	(\$17,450)	-23%	\$75,134
Year-to-Date Total	\$208,000	\$189,823	(\$18,177)	-9%	\$220,281

2025 Update for Qualified Charitable Distributions

As many of you know, IRA owners age 70 1/2 and older can make tax-free charitable donations during the year through qualified charitable distributions (QCDs). The distribution remains tax-free if sent directly to a qualified charity by the IRA trustee. Starting in 2024, the QCD limit is subject to an annual adjustment, based on inflation. For that reason, the annual QCD limit has risen from the \$105,000 for 2024 to \$108,000 in 2025. Please refer to the QCD article in the upcoming March issue of Faith Notes or contact Kay Gerlach, Director of Finance, in the church office for more information. We appreciate all the ways in which you support our ministries at Faith and wanted to share this update with you.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Celebrating Birthdays This Week

4/27	Cathleen Lindskoog, Jeffrey Rupp, Debra Sharp
4/28	Kathleen McEwen, Abby Morrison, Gail Sudore

- 4/30 Terry Wheeler
- 5/2 David Banning, Chris Loperfido

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week

4/28 I	David &	Sandie	Palmer
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- 4/29 Bill & Lisa Sykes
- 4/30 Liam & Tracy Cerveny
- 5/2 Erwin & Annerose Eberhardt, Steve & Carol Spiwak

Ongoing Prayers

Faith Members and Friends

Tim Albert, Cory Alberti, Cris Alello, Jeff Aspenleiter, Sandi Banning, Dan Behnfeldt, Ruth Behnfeldt, Diann Berndt, Sue & Guy Brown, Darlene Byrns, Sam Falzone, John Glenn, Jackie Johnson, June Leibring, Hayden Lincoln, Aram Mangerian, Donna Pellnat, Daryl Pichan, Barb Riethmeier, Lois Ronnenberg, Wayne Samuels, Catharine Schmidt, Mary Schutte, Ellen Smurthwaite, Ida Stiner, Eric Sykes, Ronald Uecker, Stephen VanDerMallie, Diane Wagner, Penny Wheeler, Terry Wheeler, Suzanne Wheeler, Bob Wyman

Those in Care Facilities

June LeibringBaywinde (Webster)Ed LindskoogBaywinde (Webster)Bert LuxHeathwood (Penfield)

Brigitta Lux The Friendly Home (Rochester)
Barbara Riethmeier The Highlands at Pittsford (Pittsford)

Sally Schooley Maplewood (Webster)

Cathy Schmidt The Jewish Home (Rochester)

Ida Stiner Brentland (Henrietta)

Serving in the Military

Ryan Brink

Will Brown

Sean Dempsey

Thomas DiMiero

Elizabeth Flint

Michael Flint

Jasigha Garrett

Nephew of Terry & Penny Wheeler
Friend of Charlie Arnone
Nephew of Ed & Marsha Freeman
Nephew of Ed & Marsha Freeman
Nephew of Jon & Terry Allen
Nephew of Jon & Terry Allen
Nephew of Taylor Saunders-Garrett

Aaron Johnstone Ben Krenzer Paul Krenzer Godson of Lisa Sykes Son of William & Barbara Krenzer Son of William & Barbara Krenzer

Andrew Lindskoog

Son of David & Cathy Lindskoog Grandson of Ed Lindskoog Son of Peter Mangerian & Laura Mangerian-Smith

Alexander Mangerian

Grandson of Elisabeth Mangerian
Niece of Dick & Roxanne Leschhorn
Former Assistant Teacher at FCCNS
Son-In-Law of Ed & Marsha Freeman
Son of John & Carolyn McDonough
Niece of Dick & Roxanne Leschhorn
Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian
Son-in-law of Sharon Davenport
Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian

Lauren Marcum Marques Marion Tim Monczynski Mattie McDonough Alana Nicole Neves Quaysean Odom Omar Parkinson Kayla Petteway

Extended Family and Friends

Cathy's Husband, George, Jeff, Jessica, Patty, Steve & Pat, Nasir Anderson, Garrison Ball, Vanmany Banks, Leo Burke, Celia Butterfield, Ryan Byrns, RJ Campoli, Donna Chismer, Rebecca Cronk, Natasha Doebler & daughter, Sarah Flint, Kevin Fries, Elynn Haden, Andy & Cathy Harman, Ruth Hartung, Deneen Hernandez, Dan Howard, Karen Keiter, Kris Kessler, Don Kot, Jeremy LaFond, Sheila Latulipe, Anna Lewandowski, Scott McCarthy, Elizabeth Samuels-McGahey, Thelma McKee, Ed McMaster, Edward Menzies, Jeffrey Menzies, Scott Menzies, Trey Michel, Cliff Milner, Dale Milner, Dick Milner, Tom Milner, John Mirabito, Rick Monczynski, George New, Lizbeth Nickel, Glann Neumann, Mark Niemeir, Ed Oliver, Domenica Panichia, Kevin Patterson, Butch Pearl, Nancy Perry, Nancy Porcellio, Vincent Poromon, Sue Provencher, Dee Purcell, Mike Radigan, Heikki Rantakari, Rob Schuenhoff, Tom Scott, Beverly Soanes, Susan Spano, Jason Stagliano, Mike & Nancy Stirling, Cathy Storm, Jim & Jacquie Van Auken, Michael Wangemann, Sue Weatherall, John Woods