

Vacation Bible School begins Monday, July 28, and it is shaping up to be a big one! Our entire church will be filled with the sounds of giggles as children of all ages come together to learn about how God makes us all superheros in this world!

Please consider volunteering to help out at camp that week. Even if you can only come for a day or two, we could use your help! We have spots available in all areas, both helping with children or not. We have roles helping to prep food in the kitchen, helping with recreation, shepherding children through different activities, and much more! The link to volunteer is available on our website or at the QR code below



This year our 3rd grade-6th grade campers will be doing a service project packing care packages for Bethlehem Family Services. We are asking for donations of soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, combs/brushes, other personal hygiene products, as well as school supplies (NOT backpacks), folders, pens, pencils, notebooks, etc. Any questions you can talk to me, or our older craft team leader, Karen Wright. A donation bin will be available in the concourse.

We will also be collecting donations of *non-perishable food items* for the Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf throughout camp. Our Jr FLY class will be collecting these items and helping to stock their shelves during camp on Thursday! All donations can be brought to church and put in the food donation bin in between the main doors.

Thank you for helping us teach children from all over the Rochester area that Jesus is the greatest superhero of all! The entire VBS team is so grateful for your prayers and support of this amazing program!

Stephanie Johnson VBS Director

Music and Worship Presents: The Fiddler Jammers A Concert under the Pavilion Sunday, July 20 @ 4pm

Join us for an afternoon of fiddle music under the pavilion. You are welcome to bring a picnic or other treat while you enjoy the music. There will be some seating and tables available, or bring your favorite outdoor chair if you prefer! *The Fiddle Jammers* are always a treat at Coffee House, and we know you will enjoy this concert performance.

About the Fiddle Jammers

This loose group of amateur musicians has been playing old-time fiddle music for decades in Rochester-area. Although everyone is active in local fiddle music clubs and many play in various acoustic bands, they have the most fun just "jamming" with other like-minded musicians.



They are, indeed, Fiddle Jammers and whether they play fiddles or any of the traditional accompanying instruments, they truly love the lively reels, breakdowns, hornpipes, Irish jigs, and sweet waltzes that audience of all ages will enjoy!

Some of our congregation may recognize a few of the musicians from their performances at previous Faith events over the years. Or you may have caught sight of them when the group practices at the church every month. The Fiddle Jammers very much enjoy and appreciate being allowed to use the facilities.



If you play an appropriate stringed instruments and are interested in getting into old-time fiddle music, drop in at one of the monthly Fiddle Jammers music sessions. You'll find them jamming in the church's music room on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Or contact fellow Faith member and guitarist, Ralph Harstad, a jammer and Faith member, for more information.

SOLA – Strength of Living Alone

We will meet at 6:00 for dinner on **Tuesday**, **July 29**th at *Bocaccini Restaurant* – 6720 Pittsford Palmyra Rd, Fairport. Everyone will pay their own bill. *If you are interested, please email Donna to get on the contact list*. If you have any questions or want more information please email Donna Kaser at dontshop@gmail.com or call or text 259-6488.



THRIVE

WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS THIS SUMMER ~ 6PM UNDER FAITH'S PAVILION ~

This summer, you are invited to a relaxed Wednesday evening worship service at Faith! **"Thrive"** is a special mid-week gathering that is designed to refresh your spirit and provide a meaningful break from your weekly routine. Join us as we focus on a different **fruit of the Spirit** found in Galatians 5:22-23.

When: Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM (July 9 - Aug. 27)

Where: Faith's Pavilion

We look forward to worshipping with you at Thrive!

Please talk to Pastor Peter if you have questions (peter@faithpenfield.org).

Our Mission Team has approved a matching fund drive to help those impacted by the horrific flooding in Texas. Our hearts break for the families who have lost loved ones including children. Faith will match the first \$5000. All monies raised will go to Lutheran Disaster Response for their relief efforts. Donations can be made to Faith with "Texas flooding" in the memo line. Thank you for your support and continued prayers for our neighbors in Texas. Matching collection deadline is August 1st.

Save the Date! Music and Worship Presents: Roxy's Accordian Band A Concert under the Pavilion Sunday, August 17th @ 4pm

Roxy's Accordion Band is a group of musical friends from Western New York that have been playing music since 2019. Learn more about this musical group on their Facebook page. Bring your friends and family! Look for our own Noreen Crouse among these talented musicians! Join the fun as we sing and dance along with some Sing Along Songs, Octoberfest Classics, Oldies but Goodies, and Musicals.



For \$5 FCCNS will be serving ice cream sundaes as a fundraiser while music is enjoyed!

July L.I.F.T.

Lutherans in Fellowship Together Camp Kuipers





Saturday July 19th at 11:00 a.m. (Friday night optional) George & Jackie Kuipers 11865 Allen Road, Swain, NY

Fun, Food, Fellowship + Outdoor Oven Fired Pizza + Mint Juleps + BBQ Chicken Dinner

Swimming + Outdoor Lawn Games + Relaxing, Hiking + 4-wheeler Rides, Zip Line Campfire, Laughter & more!

(more info and sign up in concourse book)





AUGUST L.I.F.T.

SUNSET AND HOT DOG ROAST

All are invited to join together **Saturday**, **August 23**rd, **5:30 pm**, at the Reschke home (283 Lake Road, Ontario, NY) and celebrate God's great outdoors as we gather around a roaring

lakeside campfire and roast hot dogs, marshmallows, sing songs, play games and enjoy a fabulous sunset (weather permitting). Hot dogs, condiments, drinks and marshmallows provided. Bring a chair, an appetizer, salad or bar dessert. Sign up in the Concourse book.

Questions, see Stella or Don Reschke or email stellareschke@gmail.com

September L.I.F.T.

Erie Canal Afternoon Lock Cruise Saturday, September 20 2:30-5:30 pm

The Colonial Belle is the largest tour boat operating on the historic Erie Canal. The



vessel is U.S. Coast Guard certified to carry 149 passengers with a fully accessible enclosed lower deck and an upper open-air deck. The enclosed first deck offers comfortable seating, a full-service bar and two restrooms. The upper deck provides seating, scenic viewing and the experience of "ducking down" for low bridges. Cruises depart from Packett's Landing in Fairport. Located on the southeast side of the canal, the Colonial Belle cruises west to Pittsford and returns back to Fairport, a 14-16 mile historic narration tour. More information is in the book in the Concourse.

Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY) Announcements

Dunkin' Sundays Resume Next Sunday

This summer, FLY is meeting at Dunkin' (Four Corners) on Sundays from 9:45-10:30am through the end of August. Please bring money for food. Youth Advisors are able to transport youth to and from Dunkin. *Note: we won't meet at Dunkin' when we have outdoor worship at 10am on July 13 and Aug. 3.

2025 Youth Gathering on July 16-23!

Please keep the following FLY Gathering participants in your prayers as they experience the Gathering in New Orleans with 20,000 other Christians!





Evan Ford
Elizabeth Ford
Natalie Ford
Heather Hoad
Mackenzie Hoad
Hailey Keller
Jolynn Keller
Samantha Lincoln
Brianna Tindall
Dave Young

*Thank you to all our wonderful sponsors for their financial support and awesome care packages! We appreciate our congregation's ongoing support of our youth ministry!

Sponsorship Picnic Lunch - Aug. 10

All Gathering Sponsors are invited to a delicious Sponsorship Picnic Lunch on Sunday, Aug. 10 @ 12:30 under Faith's Pavilion. After lunch, the Gathering team will be sharing pictures and stories from their trip to New Orleans.

Youth-Led Worship Services - Aug. 10

Our Gathering participants will be leading both worship services on Sunday, Aug. 10. The theme of the services will be the same theme as the Gathering in New Orleans: "Endure," based on *Hebrews 12:1b-2a, "Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith."* The Gathering participants will also be sharing their testimonies of how they experienced God throughout their trip to New Orleans. We hope you can worship with us at 8:30 or 10:45am!

<u>Experience Vacation Bible School at Faith! "Superhero Academy!"</u> July 28-Aug. 1 from 9am-Noon

<u>Incoming 7th & 8th grade students</u> - Register at this link to be part of our AWESOME Jr. FLY VBS Class:

https://faithpenfield.org/vbs-registration/

<u>Incoming 9th-12th grade & College students</u> - Register online at faithpenfield.org to help volunteer & lead VBS!

FLY Internship Opportunity!

Have you ever wanted to serve and grow as a Christian leader in FLY? Are you interested in leading Bible studies or planning FLY events? If so, pray about applying to be a FLY Intern for 6 months starting this September or next March. Pastor Peter and the Youth Advisors want to provide high school youth leadership opportunities to grow in their God-given gifts and abilities. Additional details can be found in the internship application starting July 1st (posted on the FLY Bulletin Board). Application deadline is July 31st. Talk to Pastor Peter if you have any questions. Or talk to our current interns for their insights: Ava Bernhardt & Madison Deutsch.

Mark Your Calendars for these awesome FLY events...

July 16-23 – LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans

July 28-Aug. 1 – "Superhero Academy" Vacation Bible School

Aug. 3 - VBS Sunday & FLY Photo Scavenger Hunt

Aug. 10 – Youth-led Worship Services & Sponsorship Picnic

Aug. 31 – 9th Grade Confirmation Project Info Meeting

Sept. 7 – Rally Sunday & Hotdog/Burger FUNdraiser

Sept. 9 – 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation/Orientation Meeting

Sept. 14 - Sunday Night FLY Kick-off

JOIN FLY's Text-based Communication Service!

Sign-up to receive reminders, announcements, and other info about upcoming FLY events right to your phone here: https://www.remind.com/join and join this class: flyouth.

Check out our FLY webpage at: https://faithpenfield.org/youth/

July 6th Worship Attendance

In-Person: 152 Livestream: 78 Total: 230

July 20th Scriptures

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Epistle: Colossians 1:21-29

Old Testament: Genesis 18:1-14

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 were blessed with a 15% favorable variance in envelope giving for the month of May resulting in a year-to-date unfavorable budget variance of \$15.734 or 5%.

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 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 **Prior Year** from % May 2025 **Budget** Actual **Budget** Variance Actual **Monthly Total** \$45,000 \$51,559 \$6,559 15% \$38,820

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-5%

\$311,976

\$292,766

2025 Update for Qualified Charitable Distributions

\$308.500

Year-to-Date Total

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 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

- 7/14 Heide Zahn
- 7/15 Mason Deutsch, Peter Mangerian, Mary Schutte, Lincoln Wood
- 7/16 Sam Hartley
- 7/17 Savanna Launer
 - Diane Van Auken, Tim Vogl
- 7/18 Barbara Hyde, June Leibring, Yvonne Saner, Stephen Schutt
- 7/19 Michael Duckles, Mary Ann Maschoff

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week

- 7/14 Anthony & Chris Loperfido
- 7/15 James & Kristen Messner
- 7/18 Walter & Gerri Maurer

Ongoing Prayers

Faith Members and Friends

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

Those in Care Facilities

June LeibringBaywinde (Webster)Ed LindskoogBaywinde (Webster)Bert LuxHeathwood (Penfield)Barbara RiethmeierHeather Heights (Pittsford)Sally SchooleyMaplewood (Webster)

Cathy Schmidt The Jewish Home (Rochester)

Ida Stiner Brentland (Henrietta)

Serving in the Military

Ryan Brink

Nephew of Terry & Penny Wheeler

Will Brown

Sean Dempsey

Nephew of Ed & Marsha Freeman

Thomas DiMiero

Elizabeth Flint

Niece of Jon & Terry Allen

Nephew of Jon & Terry Allen

Jasigha Garrett Aaron Johnstone Ben Krenzer Paul Krenzer Nephew of Taylor Saunders-Garrett Godson of Lisa Sykes Son of William & Barbara Krenzer Son of William & Barbara Krenzer

Andrew Lindskoog

Lauren Marcum

Son of David & Cathy Lindskoog Grandson of Ed Lindskoog

Alexander Mangerian

Son of Peter Mangerian & Laura Mangerian-Smith
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

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

Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian Son-in-law of Sharon Davenport Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian

Extended Family and Friends

Cathy's Husband, George, Jeff, Jessica, Kevin, Mallory, Michelle, Patty, Shellece, Steve & Pat, Tiffany, Garrison Ball, Vanmany Banks, Donna Barnes, Ryan Byrns, Donna Chismer, Rebecca Cronk, Natasha Doebler & daughter, Sarah Flint, Kevin Fries, Elynn Haden, Andy & Cathy Harman, Ruth Hartung, Karen Keiter, Kris Kessler, Don Kot, Jeremy LaFond, Sheila Latulipe, Scott McCarthy, Marcy McCullough, Elizabeth Samuels-McGahey, Thelma McKee, Ed McMaster, Edward Menzies, Jeffrey Menzies, Scott Menzies, Trey Michel, Cliff Milner, Dick Milner, John Mirabito, Rick Monczynski, George New, Glenn Neumann, Lizbeth Nickel, Mark Niemeir, Ed Oliver, Domenica Panichia, Kevin Patterson, Tyler Paxon, Nancy Perry, Nancy Porcellio, Vincent Poromon, Sue Provencher, Mike Radigan, Heikki Rantakari, Tom Scott, Beverly Soanes, Susan Spano, Jason Stagliano, Mike & Nancy Stirling, Cathy Storm, Ronald Uecker, Jim & Jacquie Van Auken, Michael Wangemann, Sue Weatherall, Ken Wilson, John Woods