

10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025



Altar Flowers are provided today by The Behnfeldt Family *In Celebration of the Birthday of Dan Behnfeldt*

Faith Lutheran Church is offering the Christ-centered 13-week program, "**Grief Share**," again this fall. Donna Kaser will lead 13 Monday evening sessions at 6:30pm at church, **starting September 8th and ending on December 1st**. Each session will include a 30-minute video with discussion afterwards. The videos have a lot of guidance and information and the discussion afterwards within the group is healing. Participants will receive a free participant guide that will provide Bible verses, space to take notes, and strategies that can help you in your grief journey. All discussions within the group will remain confidential. If you would like to attend, please register by emailing Kris Cronk @ secretary@faithpenfield.org by August 31st.



Pastor Peter will be leading a three-session New Member class on Sunday – **August 17, August 24, and August 31** from 9:45 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. in the Auditorium. This is an informal class designed for newcomers, inquiries, and prospective members of our congregation. The class is a time of discussion, discovery, presentation, and inclusion.

We will be officially welcoming anyone who would like to become an official member of Faith on Rally Sunday, September 7. Any questions, call the office at 381-3970.

We have scheduled a **Back-to-School Drive** for August 10th thru the 24th. We will be giving supplies to Bethlehem Family Services, Willow House, ESWA & Community Ministries.

The requested items are:

- *New socks and underwear. Sizes 4yrs thru adult. (high school kids can be adult sized)
- *New jeans for boys and girls. Size 4yrs thru adult.
- *Spiral notebooks....one, three, and five subject.
- *Composition books
- *2 pocket folders
- *Pens and #2 pencils
- *Crayons 24 ct boxes
- *Washable markers
- *Glue sticks
- *Kleenex Tissues



(NO back packs)

Please contact Chita McKinney with any questions.

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 16 - 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).

Music and Worship Presents: Roxy's Accordion 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!



AUGUST L.I.F.T.

SUNSET AND HOT DOG ROAST

All are invited to join together **Saturday, August 23rd, 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.



August 10th Worship Attendance

In-Person: 196 Livestream: 93 Total: 289

August 24th Scriptures

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Old Testament: Isaiah 66:18-23



**Food Packaging
Community Event!**

**Saturday, Sept.
13, 2025**

**Faith Lutheran Church * Auditorium
Two shifts * 10am * 11:30am**

Rise Against Hunger is a 4-star rated international charity whose mission is to end world hunger within the next ten years.

In September Faith Lutheran Church will be hosting ***Rise Against Hunger*** for a start-to-finish meal packaging event. A combination of soy, rice, dehydrated vegetables, and a packet of minerals and vitamins will be packaged in a way that stores easily, transports quickly, and has a long shelf-life to help meet the immediate nutritional needs of people facing food insecurity.

If you have never attended this event, you need to see it to believe it! All ages and groups are welcome to volunteer – children must come with adult supervision. The various tasks at the event are not difficult, but the work is very fast-paced and health protocols must be followed.





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If your corporation, sports team, club, family, or you as an individual would like to sponsor and/or volunteer for this effort, please go to <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Faith2025> or scan the QR Code below.

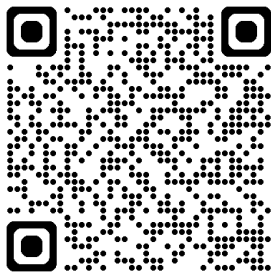
Suggested donation per individual is \$25 or \$75 for a family. Those who choose to donate \$250 or more, please complete a sponsor dedication available in the concourse.

The donation you make will help defray the cost of food supplies, packaging, and transportation, as well as support **Rise Against Hunger's** efforts to teach sustainability in impoverished communities. Donations are made directly to the event website or via check payable to "Faith Lutheran Church" with "RAH 2025" in the memo line.

Every penny raised will go directly to **Rise Against Hunger**.

If you have any questions or need help registering, please contact the Ministry Chair for this event:
Meredith Tindall
unity125@yahoo.com
(585) 704-7105.

Thank you!



Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY) Announcements

Thank you...

-To our Gathering Team for leading last Sunday's worship services and the Sponsorship Picnic!

Dunkin' Sundays

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'.

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 has been extended to the end of August. Talk to Pastor Peter if you have any questions. Or talk to our current interns for their insights: Ava Bernhardt & Madison Deutsch.

9th Grade Confirmation Project Meeting – Sunday, Aug. 31

On Aug. 31 at noon, incoming 9th grade students and their parents are invited to the FLY Room to discuss the 9th grade Confirmation projects that will be due later in Sept. At the meeting, the students will choose which Sunday in October they'd like to present their Faith Art & Faith Statement Projects. The project syllabus is available to download at faithpenfield.org/youth. Please let Pastor Peter know if you'll be missing this important meeting. Thanks!

SAVE THE DATES:

-Rally Sunday Hotdog/Burger FUNdraiser – Sept. 7

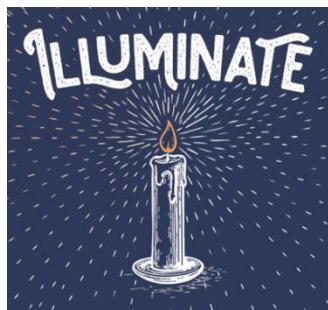
-Jr. FLY Info Meeting – Sept. 9 @ 6:30pm

-Sunday Night FLY KICK-OFF – Sept. 14 @ 7pm

Incoming High School & College-age Students are invited to our 2026 Group Mission Trip to Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan (near Detroit)!

Join us as we serve God and serve other people through painting, roofing, and other home repair projects!

*More info, including the cost, application, deposit deadlines and more will be shared at the **Sept. 21st Workcamp Info Meeting!** Pray how you can be involved in this mission trip!*



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 51% favorable variance in envelope giving for the month of June resulting in a year-to-date favorable budget variance of \$10,233 or 3%.

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					
June 2025	Voter Approved Budget	Actual	Variance from Budget	% Variance	Prior Year Actual
Monthly Total	\$50,500	\$76,467	\$25,967	51%	\$42,012
Year-to-Date Total	\$359,000	\$369,233	\$10,233	3%	\$353,988

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 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

8/17 Lawrence Arnone, David Malecki
8/18 Glenn Collins
8/19 Anthony Loperfido, Peggy Osenbach
8/20 Joseph Alello, Lisa Hutchings, Bentley Sykes, Jennifer Zager
8/21 Bryce Longhenry, Matthew Saresky
8/23 Karen Finkle

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week

8/18 Perry & Kristen Duckles, Michael & Emily Gerlach
8/19 David & Rebecca Kaser
8/20 Matthew & Heather Hoad, Ernest & Heike Kleine,
James & Janise Pilosi
8/21 William & Heather Withall
8/22 Paul & Susan Lucci
8/23 Timothy & Marnee Eddy Burke, Dr. Joseph & Suzanne Giangreco

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, June Leibring, Gaylord Leinenbach, Hayden Lincoln, Aram Mangerian, Ann McEwen, Bill Mosko, 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 Leibring	Baywinde (Webster)
Ed Lindskoog	Baywinde (Webster)
Bert Lux	Heathwood (Penfield)
Barbara Riethmeier	Heather Heights (Pittsford)
Sally Schooley	Maplewood (Webster)
Cathy Schmidt	The Jewish Home (Rochester)
Ida Stiner	Brentland (Henrietta)

Serving in the Military

Ryan Brink	Nephew of Terry & Penny Wheeler
Will Brown	Friend of Charlie Arnone
Sean Dempsey	Nephew of Ed & Marsha Freeman

Thomas DiMiero	Son of Paul DiMiero
Elizabeth Flint	Niece of Jon & Terry Allen
Michael Flint	Nephew of Jon & Terry Allen
Jasigha Garrett	Nephew of Taylor Saunders-Garrett
Aaron Johnstone	Godson of Lisa Sykes
Ben Krenzer	Son of William & Barbara Krenzer
Paul Krenzer	Son of William & Barbara Krenzer
Andrew Lindskoog	Son of David & Cathy Lindskoog Grandson of Ed Lindskoog
Alexander Mangerian	Son of Peter Mangerian & Laura Mangerian-Smith Grandson of Elisabeth Mangerian
Lauren Marcum	Niece of Dick & Roxanne Leschhorn
Marques Marion	Former Assistant Teacher at FCCNS
Tim Monczynski	Son-In-Law of Ed & Marsha Freeman
Mattie McDonough	Son of John & Carolyn McDonough
Alana Nicole Neves	Niece of Dick & Roxanne Leschhorn
Quaysean Odom	Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian
Omar Parkinson	Son-in-law of Sharon Davenport
Kayla Petteway	Relative of Elisabeth Mangerian

Extended Family and Friends

Cathy's Husband, Elsie, George, Jeff, Jessica, Patty, Retta, Steve & Pat, Tiffany, Vincent, Bob Anderson, Garrison Ball, Vanmany Banks, Ryan Byrns, Donna Chismer, Tony Cook, Peggy Couture, Rebecca Cronk, Ralph Dintruff, Natasha Doeblor & daughter, Dale Endle, Sarah Flint, Kevin Fries, Elynn Haden, Andy & Cathy Harman, Ruth Hartung, Gary Hill, Karen Keiter, Kris Kessler, Don Kot, Tom Kurzrock, Jeremy LaFond, Sheila Latulipe, Scott McCarthy, Elizabeth Samuels-McGahey, Thelma McKee, Ed McMaster, Edward Menzies, Scott Menzies, Trey Michel, Cliff Milner, Dick Milner, John Mirabito, Rick Monczynski, George New, Glenn Neumann, Lizbeth Nickel, Mark Niemeir, Wendy Nobles, Ed Oliver, Domenica Panichia, Kevin Patterson, Nancy Perry, Nancy Porcellio, Sue Provencher, Mike Radigan, Heikki Rantakari, Jeff Roen, Tom Scott, Susan Spano, Jason Stagliano, Mike & Nancy Stirling, Cathy Storm, Janice Sullivan, Ronald Uecker, Jim & Jacquie Van Auken, Ken Wilson, John Woods