Q&A with FLB on Sept. 17

Our Faith Leadership Board is proposing that our congregation partners with Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) to develop a church-wide vision through its Mission Driven Development process (MDD). There will be a Special Voters Meeting on Sunday, Oct. 5 to vote on whether or not Faith should begin this MDD process. FLB will be providing more info and hosting a Q&A about the proposal on Wednesday, Sept. 17 @ 6:30pm @ Faith. Come with any questions you have or reach out to our FLB Chair Russ Hignett directly at russhignett@gmail.com or 585-773-8035.



New 7-week Adult Bible Class Starting Sept. 14
Pastor Peter will be leading a new Bible class titled,
"Making All Things New – the Resurrection of Jesus
and the Kingdom of God." In this series we will look
at a key phrase throughout the New Testament: "the
Kingdom of God." We'll be studying the relationship

between Jesus and His Kingdom and what His Kingdom looks like in the present day. The class will include videos by Rev. Dr. Jeff Kloha.* Bring your Bible and let's dig into God's Word together on Sundays @ 9:45am!

*About Pastor Kloha:

Dean at The Center for Missional & Pastoral Leadership; Associate Pastor at our Savior Lutheran Church in Arlington, VA; former Chief Curatorial Officer of the Museum of the Bible; and former Provost and Professor of Exegetical Theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

Kittleberger Florist "12 Months of Flowers" FCCNS Fundraiser begins September 7th!

Grace your home with a bouquet of fresh flowers for each month of the year for \$50. Proceeds will be used for an outdoor "Music Garden" and new steps up to the Playscape. Cards will be available for purchase after Sunday services on Sept 7th, 14th and 21st or contact the FCCNS office. Payment can be made by cash or check made out to FCCNS.





Contribution Statements can be found in the Concourse



Please join us in the pavilion to recognize and give thanks to Cheryl Speisman as she moves to Connecticut at the end of September to be closer to her family. Her dedication to all things "Faith Oriented" has been an inspiration to all of us.

Date: Monday, September 15th

Time: 5:30 – 7:30 PM (potluck dinner starting at 6:15)



Please see the sign up in the concourse

Absolutely no gifts, but cards are welcomed.

Questions? Contact Jackie Welk 749-7343 or jwelk@rochester.rr.com



A MUSICAL INVITATION - Any who like to sing are invited to join the choir in singing a familiar song for the offering on Sunday, September 21 at the 8:30 service. There will be no separate rehearsal... just show up at 8:00 am in the balcony to go through it together. We look forward to seeing you and making music together!



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.

September 7th Worship Attendance

In-Person: 164 Livestream: 55 Total: 219

September 21st Scriptures

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35 Epistle: Ephesians 4:11-16

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8:1-10

THE GENESEE COUNTRY MUSEUM

Join LIFT for SPOOKY SATURDAY October 11, 2025 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Museum was founded in 1966 with the goal of preserving the architecture of the Genesee Valley region in a recreated historic village. GCV&M is the largest and most comprehensive living history museum in New York State – and the third-largest in the United States. Enjoy the historic village, the John L. Wehle



Gallery, and the Genesee Country Nature Center. Learn about rural cemeteries in the 19th-century. Enjoy fall colors and autumnal traditions in the Village. Attend a frighteningly fascinating talk on the history of rural cemeteries in America, visit our new exhibit:

Everybody's Going to be There! The American Rural Cemetery Movement.

TICKET INFORMATION - PURCHASE ON YOUR OWN

- Tickets will go on sale Friday, September 10. Buy online before Thursday, October 9 and save!
- Adults: \$16 online | \$17 onsite and online after October 9. Seniors (62+) and Students (13 18): \$14 online | \$15 onsite and online after October 9. Youth (4 12): \$10 online | \$11 onsite and online after October 9.

Lunch at **The Depot Restaurant (on site)** around noon. Beverages (including beer, wine and cider) and lighter fare (wraps, salads, & sandwiches)

Additional information and a signup sheet will be in the concourse.

Questions: contact Jeanne Kurzik 585-545-1659 or

Hans Kurzik at 585-750-9503 or hanskjeanne@gmail.com

Tickets for this event go fast!

Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY) Announcements

Thank you...

- -To everyone who volunteered and supported FLY at our Cookout FUNdraiser last Sunday! Money raised will support our 2026 Workcamp Team going to Detroit, MI next July!
- -To all of the Jr. FLY families who attended our Jr. FLY Orientation Meeting this past week (and even stayed during a blackout)!

Sunday Night FLY KICK-OFF – TONIGHT @ 7-8:45pm

Invite your friends to this CRAZY FUN SNFLY KICK-OFF!! Get ready to team up and compete in some crazy games! We'll also enjoy snacks, prizes, worship, and our famous Birthday Wheel! Come kick-off an AWESOME year of growing, connecting, and serving with each other in FLY! YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EPIC 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!

Jr. FLY Confirmation Class – Starting TODAY @ 9:45-10:40am Starting Sept. 14th, 7th & 8th grade students will go through Luther's Small Catechism on Sundays with Pastor Peter and Mark Harstad. All classes will be in-person in Room 204. If you miss a class, you can download the PowerPoint presentation online at: <u>faithpenfield.org</u>.

Sunday Morning Sr. FLY Class – Starting TODAY @ 9:45-10:40am High school students are invited to check out the Sunday Morning Sr. FLY Class this year, as we'll be connecting Biblical truths to topics that are relevant to you. Join us in the FLY Room this month as we make prayer cards that are designed to help us pray – especially when we don't know what to pray for. You don't want to miss these awesome opportunities to grow in your faith in Jesus with other Sr. FLYers!

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 at Noon! Lunch will be provided at the meeting.

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Pray how you can be involved in this mission trip!



2025 Jr. FLY Fall Retreat - Oct. 3-5 @ Camp Stella Maris

7th & 8th graders are invited to enjoy outdoor activities, night games, and Bible lessons at our annual **Jr. FLY Fall Retreat on Oct. 3-5 at Camp Stella Maris!** It's going to be an awesome weekend and a great way to start our year together! We have the entire Wegman House reserved for our group! Friends are invited to attend, too! The online registration and \$160 deposit are due to the FLY Registrar's mailbox in the Church Copy Room by Sunday, Sept. 28. Financial help is available upon request. Register online at: https://faithpenfield.org/resources-forms// The packing list can be found on the retreat poster. We hope you can join us!

Children's & Family Ministry Announcements

Sunday School is available to children age 4 through 6th Grade from 9:45am-10:40am. Children will learn Bible lessons through crafts, games and videos. Please see the schedule located on the Children's Ministries bulletin board in the concourse for your child's classroom location. Please email



Shannon Wolf at <u>Sundayschool@faithpenfield.org</u> to register your child(ren) for Sunday School.

We are in need of more Volunteers for Sunday School. If you are interested in volunteering as a rotation leader or a shepherd, please contact Shannon Wolf at Sundayschool@FaithPenfield.org

Nursery services are available to children birth - 3 years old from 8:30am-11:45am.

Kids Time will be offered the 2nd and 4th Sunday immediately following the Children's Message during the late service. Children age 4 through 6th grade are welcome to participate in an activity focused on the message and will return to the Sanctuary before the end of service.



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 30% favorable variance in envelope giving for the month of July resulting in a year-to-date favorable budget variance of \$24,328 or 6%.

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:

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July 2025	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual			
Monthly Total	\$47,000	\$61,095	\$14,095	30%	\$52,245			
Year-to-Date Total	\$406,000	\$430,328	\$24,328	6%	\$406,233			

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

9/14 Ronald Cappellino

9/15 Aaron Kurzrock, Bill Sykes

9/16 Anthony Alberti, Richard Hoffarth

9/17 Teresa Ali, James Messner, Philip Sudore

918 Jeanne Kurzik, Parker Zager

9/19 Jane Sandgren

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week

9/14 Charles & Jennifer Kohlmetz

9/15 TJ & Kathleen McEwen

Ongoing Prayers

Faith Members and Friends

Tim Albert, Cory Alberti, Sandi Banning, Liane Bartsch, Dan Behnfeldt, Diann Berndt, Sue & Guy Brown, Darlene Byrns, Lori Davis, Sam Falzone, Dick Feasel, John Glenn, Jackie Johnson, LeeAnn Lagas, June Leibring, Hayden Lincoln, Aram Mangerian, Ann McEwen, Donna Pellnat, Daryl Pichan, 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
Will Brown
Sean Dempsey
Thomas DiMiero
Elizabeth Flint
Michael Flint
Jasigha Garrett
Aaron Johnstone

Nephew of Terry & Penny Wheeler
Friend of Charlie Arnone
Nephew of Ed & Marsha Freeman
Son of Paul DiMiero
Niece of Jon & Terry Allen
Nephew of Jon & Terry Allen
Nephew of Taylor Saunders-Garrett
Godson of Lisa Sykes

Ben Krenzer Paul Krenzer Andrew Lindskoog Son of William & Barbara Krenzer Son of William & Barbara Krenzer 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
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

Alex, Cathy's Husband, George, Jeff, Jessica, Michael, Patty, Steve & Pat, Tiffany, Vincent, Joseph Alello, Vanmany Banks, Ryan Byrns, Donna Chismer, Rebecca Cronk, Frank DeJulio, Natasha Doebler & daughter, Sarah Flint, Elynn Haden, Michael Hall, Scott Hammond, Andy & Cathy Harman, Ruth Hartung, 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, Tracy Muller, George New, Glenn Neumann, Lizbeth Nickel, Mark Niemeir, Ed Oliver, Donny & Pat Oshker, Domenica Panichia, Kevin Patterson, Nancy Perry, Nancy Porcellio, Sue Provencher, Mike Radigan, Heikki Rantakari, Jim Robinson, Jeff Roen, Diane Schreiber, Tom Scott, Susan Spano, Jason Stagliano, Mike & Nancy Stirling, Cathy Storm, Janice Sullivan, Emmylynn Toth, Jim & Jacquie Van Auken, Kathy Wakefield, Ken Wilson, John Woods