



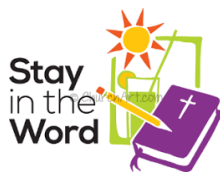
Altar Flowers are provided today by Fred & Carol Keeler *In Loving Memory of Arthur G. Bragg, Jr*

From our Faith Leadership Board:

Many thanks to everyone who attended and voted at last Sunday's Special Voters' Meeting. The motion was approved to spend \$20k and begin phase one of Mission Driven Development (MDD). This cost will be taken out of our Ministry Expansion Reserve. We will keep the congregation informed on any MDD updates. We are excited to see where God leads us through this visioning process! Please feel free to contact Russ Hignett (FLB Chair) if you have any questions.

Adult Bible Class

Pastor Peter is leading a 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



A Women's Small Group will begin on **October 14** and will continue October 28, November 4 and 18. We will meet in the church Library from 2:00 to 3:30 and will be studying the Gospel of Mark. A brief summary of the chapters previously studied will be included. You will have the opportunity to share and personally interact with this special Gospel.

Please contact Christie Pichan (585-802-9679) or Joanne Schultz (585-430-0692) if you have any questions.

Missions Board

OPEN meeting to all who are interested in helping the Mission Board determine where to use the mission funds that our church provides and what mission driven activities we participate in?

Mission Board would like (needs) some new members to help us expand our purpose and mission.

We meet once a month during the school year and once in the summer.

If you have any interest in learning more about Missions, please attend our next meeting on **Thursday, Oct 16 2025** at 6:30 pm in the Community Rm.

Submit the Names of the Saints on Stars for All Saints Sunday

On All Saints Sunday (Nov. 2nd), our Sanctuary will again be filled with stars that will have names of the Saints Triumphant – those who are in heaven with Jesus. From Oct. 5-26, stars will be available in the Concourse for Faith members to write names of loved ones.

**If you wrote names last year, there is no need to write them again since last year's stars were saved.* Then, like last year, a crew will hang them throughout the Sanctuary for All Saints Sunday, and it's sure to be a beautiful sight!



Congregation Service Project

On October 26, our church will gather at 9:45am to pack **CompassioNATE care bags** for the unhoused in the Auditorium, guided by Barb Klein and her

friend Cheri. Since August 2023, Barb has helped create and distribute over 600 of these gifts of love in memory of her son Nate, who struggled with mental health and addiction until his passing. Inspired by her encounters with people in need, Barb began this mission to bring hope, compassion, and human connection through small acts of kindness. The bags are more than supplies—they are reminders that everyone is someone's child and deserving of dignity and care. Together, we will pack items, write cards, and serve in community, living out Galatians 6:2: "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

Trunk or Treat

October 26th, 2:00PM at Faith.

Children (and adults) are welcome to wear their costumes and go car to car "trunk or treating" in the parking lot (weather permitting; Trick or Treating will be indoors if inclement weather). Prior to trunk or treating, we will enjoy a magic show by Rich The Magic Man! We encourage Faith members without young children to attend and hand out candy. Trunk decorating is encouraged but not required. If you would like to help out with this event, contact Shannon Wolf. This event is open to friends, neighbors, relatives, and community members. **We would encourage you to invite at least one family that does not currently attend a church.**



We will be hosting a **Dinner for the Veterans at Nucor House** on Wed.

October 29 at 5:30. The theme will be "**Tailgate Party**"! There is a sign up in the Concourse for sliders, pulled pork ... etc., dips and sides, salad & dessert. No time for food prep? A case of water is always appreciated! Please join us in sharing a meal and Christ's love with these Heroes who served our country so bravely!!



Sign-up Today for “Surviving the Holidays” GriefShare event on Friday, Nov. 14th.



Grief is harder around the holidays. Sometimes it feels like taking one step forward and two steps back. Perhaps your holiday traditions have changed and sights, sounds, and smells trigger emotions. You're not alone this season. On Friday, Nov. 1st, Faith will be hosting a **“Surviving the Holidays”** event sponsored by **GriefShare** and led by Donna Kaser and Pastor Peter.

The event will begin at 5:30pm in our Faith Auditorium with a **catered meal by Joey's Pasta House** (menu includes: chicken & eggplant parmesan, penne, salad, and more). There will be a 30 minute **video** and **small group discussion**. The event will end at 7:30pm. **Please sign-up in the Church Concourse by Nov. 9th**. All are welcome to participate as we navigate this season together!

Please contact Donna Kaser or Pastor Peter if you have any questions.

Dear Faith family,

My sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who attended and brought food for the potluck dinner on September 15th. It was a perfect gathering under the pavilion with good weather, great food and fellowship. I was glad my sister, Sue, was able to be there to share in this memorable evening with me. I was deeply moved by all the cards, flowers and personal touches that went into planning this cherished evening.



Special thanks to Jackie Welk for coordinating and planning this event, as well as Nancy Alvut, Jane Coryea, Laurie Ebbecke and Betty Porter. It was so special in every way.

This has been a long journey and I'm so grateful to many of you who encouraged, supported and lifted me up in prayer through this process. It meant more than words can convey.

I will always cherish the wonderful years of worshiping and serving with you. May you continue to connect, grow and serve our awesome God.

God bless each and every one of you and may He always keep you in his tender care.

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Faith Lutheran Youth (FLY) Announcements

Thank you...

-To everyone who attended our first FLY Parents Small Group last Sunday and many thanks to Cris Alello for leading it!

200th Sunday Night FLY Party! – TONIGHT @ 7-8:45pm

Since 2012, hundreds of youth have grown, connected, and served alongside friends in our Sunday Night FLY ministry! **Come celebrate our 200th Sunday Night FLY TONIGHT at 7pm!** WEAR WHITE and bring all of your friends to enjoy GLOW GAMES and a GLOW DANCE PARTY! There will be music, food, games, blacklights, prizes, glow sticks, and a ton of FUN! You do not want to miss this!! We thank God for all He continues to do in FLY and in our lives!



*NEW this year: Pizza & Games @ 6:15pm

Bring \$5 for pizza & drinks BEFORE SNFLY at 6:15pm! Then our Youth Advisors will lead us in some fun games!

Jr. FLY Confirmation Class – Sundays @ 9:45-10:40am

7th & 8th grade students are journeying through Luther's Small Catechism on Sundays with Mark Harstad in Room 204. If you miss a class, you can download the PowerPoint presentation online at: faithpenfield.org.

Sunday Morning Sr. FLY Class – Sundays @ 9:45-10:40am

High school students are invited to check out the Sunday Morning Sr. FLY Class this year in the FLY Room, as we're connecting Biblical truths to topics that are relevant to you. You don't want to miss these awesome opportunities to grow in your faith in Jesus with other Sr. FLYers!

October is Confirmation Month at Faith!

On Oct. 5th and 12th, our high school confirmands are presenting their *Faith Art & Faith Statement Projects* during worship. Confirmands are sharing their faith in Christ through an original piece of art and an essay. Their projects are displayed in the Concourse through Confirmation Sunday on Oct. 19th. They will publicly confirm their baptismal faith that day during the combined worship service at 9:30am. Please pray for these confirmands as they publicly confess their faith in Christ!

Confirmation Presentation Schedule

Oct. 5th

8:30 – Evan Ford

10:45 – Kendyl Mosko & Brianna Tindall

Oct. 12th

8:30 – Avery Cummings & Amelia DuBois

10:45 – Brianna Tindall, Benjamin Resch & Sydney Resch

2026 Group Mission Trip in Detroit, MI

High school & college-age students are invited to our 2026 Group Mission Trip to Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan (near Detroit) on July 11-18, 2026! Join us as we serve God and serve other people through painting, roofing, and other home repair projects!

-On the way to Michigan, we'll spend a day at Cedar Point Amusement Park!

-Download the **Info Packet** when you register online or pick it up in the FLY Room.

-The mission trip cost is approx. \$845. (A lot of this can be FUNdraised with FLY!)

By Monday, Oct. 27:

-**Register online** at faithpenfield.org/resources-forms or use the QR code on this page.



-**Submit a \$100 Commitment Deposit** made out to "Faith Lutheran Youth" and drop off in the FLY Registrar's mailbox at Faith.

Pray how you can be involved in this mission trip!



Confirmation gowns are labeled and in the church office for pick up

October 5th Worship Attendance

In-Person: 208 Livestream: 97 Total: 305

October 19th Scriptures

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8 Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Old Testament: Genesis 32:22-30

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 Sundayschool@faithpenfield.org 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.

Parents of Young Children Small Group

A group of families w/ young children to be encouraged and supported as you navigate parenting and raising children!

Sign-up to host your month's small group gathering.

- Then plan the activity for that month (e.g. playground picnic, lunch & a devotion at church, movie night, board games, etc...)
- Then in the prior month, communicate to Kris Cronk your chosen date and activity description so it can be shared in upcoming newsletters and bulletins (secretary@faithpenfield.org).
- If you need help, please contact Pastor Peter (peter@faithpenfield.org).
- Sign up is in the Concourse.

Save the Dates!

October 26th at 2:00 p.m. *Trunk or Treat at Faith*

December 10th at 5:45 p.m. *Gingerbread Decorating*

December 14th at 10:45 a.m. *Christmas Pageant*



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 2% favorable variance in envelope giving for the month of August resulting in a year-to-date favorable budget variance of \$24,924 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:

ENVELOPE GIVING					
August 2025	Voter Approved Budget	Actual	Variance from Budget	% Variance	Prior Year Actual
Monthly Total	\$39,000	\$39,596	\$596	2%	\$35,015
Year-to-Date Total	\$445,000	\$469,924	\$24,924	6%	\$441,247

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

10/12 Victoria Freile
10/13 Russell Brooks
10/14 Eric Davis, Abbie Nuijens
10/15 Calina Hernandez, Julie Maginn, Annika Vogl, Abigail Wood
10/16 Martin Launer
10/17 Jeffrey Aspenleiter, Dean Muller
10/18 Madison Deutsch

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week

10/12 Betty Porter & Patrick Sullivan
10/17 David & Sandi Banning
10/18 David Malecki & Lisa Hutchings

Ongoing Prayers

Faith Members and Friends

Tim Albert, Cory Alberti, Sandi Banning, Liane Bartsch, Dan Behnfeldt, Diann Berndt, Sue & Guy Brown, Darlene Byrns, Veronica Couture, Sam Falzone, John Glenn, Jackie Johnson, 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 Leibring	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

Barbara, Cathy's Husband, George, Jeff, Jessica, Pat, Patty, Steve & Pat, Tiffany, Vincent, Vanmany Banks, Nancy Bauchle, Ryan Byrns, Donna Chismer, Rebecca Cronk, Natasha Doebler & daughter, Robin Dueker, Jean Endle, Sarah Flint, Elynn Haden, 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, John Mirabito, Rick Monczynski, Tracy Muller, George New, Glenn Neumann, Lizbeth Nickel, Mark Niemeir, Ed Oliver, Domenica Panichia, Kevin Patterson, Nancy Perry, Nancy Porcellio, Sue Provencher, Mike Radigan, Heikki Rantakari, Jeff Roen, Tom Scott, Jim Soanes, Susan Spano, Jason Stagliano, Mike & Nancy Stirling, Cathy Storm, Janice Sullivan, Jim & Jacquie Van Auken, Pat VanVleck, Michael Wangemann, Ken Wilson, John Woods