



Faith Lutheran Church

November 2021

"Give Me Some Credit"

In the tenth chapter of the Gospel of John, a story unfolds when James and John ask Jesus if they might be given a prestigious position when Jesus comes into his glory. The ambitious brothers seem to think they are due for a promotion. After all, they have followed Jesus this whole time. A little recognition might be overdue.

Aren't we all in the same place on this issue? We would all like a little recognition for the things we do. Perhaps we don't need a parade or a card shower, but a simple "thank you" would go over well. How then should we consider Jesus words when he says, *"whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all"*?

Coming from a very practical point of view, I can think of a few ways. The next time I feel a little neglected I might consider how I appreciate others and what they do to make my life better. The next time I realize I haven't heard a "thank you" for a while I could intentionally say "thank you" to others. I might even go so far as to set a goal like for every "thank you" I receive I must give away five "thank yous" all on the same day.

Certainly, Jesus main point in the tenth chapter of Mark is to make clear the Kingdom of God isn't about recognition, praise and a seat of honor. It is about serving God and others. We can do this in so many ways. Perhaps we can immediately respond by simply thanking others for what they do in the name of Christ!

Together in Christ,
Pr. Ron Nichols

COUNCIL REPORT

The Faith Lutheran Church Council met Wednesday, October 13, 2021.

Pastor Ron reported that Faith Lutheran Church will be using a new liturgy called "Feast of Celebration" starting Sunday, October 17th. Confirmation will be Sunday, October 31, 2021 with 15 9th and 10th graders being confirmed.

Sharon Ronglien has been hired as the new office manager/financial secretary.

The semi-annual congregational meeting will be Sunday, November 14, 2021, following worship.

Kiwanis Gifts for Kids will be using the library from mid-November through mid-December.

The High Tea held at Faith Lutheran Church raised \$890.00 with out-of-pocket expenses of \$158.59 for a profit of \$731.41 going to the church. The committee had applied for Thrivent Financial funds of \$250.00 which helped defray the costs of the event.

The council is developing offering money protocol to safeguard the integrity of the individuals handling the money and maintain the privacy of contributions. A proposed protocol was discussed, but tabled until the next meeting.

The full minutes of the meeting are posted on the bulletin board across from the office and copies are available in the Church office.

W-ELCA NEWS

Ruth Circle- 11/9@ 9:30am

Hannah/Lydia Circle- 11/10 @ 9:30am

MEMORIALS

If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast, bulletins or altar flowers, please contact the office. Prices are: Radio: \$51.00, Bulletins: \$25.00, Flowers \$50.00.

Faith Lutheran Staff & Officers

Pastor Ronald Nichols

Office Staff

Music Director: Linda Anderson

Office Manager/ Financial Secretary:
Sharon Ronglien

Education Coordinator: Darcy Daline

Helper: Lisa Strand

Little Blessings Teacher: Kelli Fernholz

Senior Choir Director: Gary Boraas

Executive Council

President: Ryan Giles

Vice-President: David Kriese

Secretary: Jeanene Munsterman

Treasurer: Becky Mortenson

Mark Siegert

Linda Anderson

Kelly Zahrbock

Melanie Miller

Taylor Shelstad

Education Committee

Jodi Kallhoff

Deb Meyer

Jessica Borstad

Becky Mortenson

Darcy Daline

W-ELCA

Kathy Harwick

Karen Nesvold

Eileen Trelstad

Property Committee

Dave Amundson

Ron Toenies

Mark Siegert

Worship Committee

Gail Smith

Linda Anderson

Mary Wodrich

Lorrie Ehrenberg

Jerome Kallhoff

Discipleship Committee

Melanie Miller

Tamara Bissett

Kelly Zahrbock

Brittany Engesmoe

Stewardship Board

Jerome Kallhoff

Darcy Daline

David Kriese

Global Missions

Kris Hanson

Jody Dahle

Stan Olson

Curtis Seefeld

Betty Tollefson

Char Heinzen

Technology Committee

Judy Kriese

Maynard Meyer

Lorrie Ehrenberg

Jeanene Munsterman

Jessica Borstad

Eric Nygard

Ryan Giles

Linda Anderson

Gail Smith

*The Executive Council meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

**All other committees are to meet once a month and report to the Executive Council.

Worship Committee News by Gail Smith

Dates to note:

November 7th - All Saints Day, we will be observing all baptisms and deaths from this year.

November 24th - Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7 pm.

November 27th - Decorate church for Christmas at 9:30 am.

November 28th - Advent begins. We will be asking families to read and light the Advent candle each week.

Good News from Global

Thanksgiving season is nearly upon us and we have SOOOO much to be thankful for ! This is also the time of year that we embark on our annual ELCA World Hunger Drive. Dates this year are November 7- December 4. Last year by God's grace, Faith Lutheran members and our Endowment Board, combined to give over \$11,500 to ELCA World Hunger !!! 10 years ago we used to say that 1 in 6 people in the world were hungry . Things are slowly improving as now the statistics show that 1 in 9 people in the world (that is 800 million !) are hungry and as Christians, we have every intention of responding to this great need. ELCA churches have worked on world hunger issues for over 40 years now and are fighting to end hunger around the world by building relationships with others and LISTENING to what they need ! To get at the root cause we must support our brothers and sisters in need not only with food but health care, education and helping them build sustainable ways of making a living. All of these things heal a soul and this is exactly what Jesus calls us to do ! So how can we do this together ? You can write a check to Faith Lutheran Church with World Hunger on the memo line and drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the office. There are envelopes in the church pews designated for your world hunger gifts - fill these and drop them into the offering plate , Grab a barn or piglet bank and collect all of your change (we accept bills too !) and turn it into the office . Lastly, farm families, please consider a donation from the amazing and abundant harvest we have this year . The elevators would be pleased to cut a check to Faith Lutheran World Hunger ! All donations must be into the office by Sunday Dec 4. So pray... and please ... give generously . Thankyou !

Blessings to all! Global Missions Committee

NOVEMBER

Acolyte

7 - Marley & Brianna
14 - Grant & Nolan
21 - Zoey & Gavin
24 - Thanksgiving Eve.
Malcolm & Greta
28 - Macy & Jax

Lay Reader

7 - Cindy Hansen
14- Contemporary
21 - Jane Boraas
24 - Thanksgiving Eve
Alton Lindquist
28 - Jerome Kallhoff

WORSHIP

Ushers

7 - Team 6
14 - Team 5
21 - Team 4
24 - Thanksgiving Eve
Lyndsey & Jace
28- Team 3

Screen

7- Lorrie
14 - Jeanene
21 - Lorrie
24 - Thanksgiving Eve
Lorrie
28 - Lorrie

ASSISTANTS

Videographer

7 - Maynard
14 - Dan W.
21- Dan L.
24 - Thanksgiving Eve
28- Jeff H.

Communion

7 - Jodi W. & Cindy H.
14- Diane G. & Jody K.
21 - Gary & Jane Boraas
24 - Thanksgiving Eve
Bev H. & Julie L.
28 - Jody D. & Mike D.

1 Dan Larson
1 Lyndsey Ludvigson
3 Landrey Schmidt
3 Piper Staton
4 Jamie Eschen
5 Adriane Nelson
6 Adam Conroy
6 Charlotte Miller
6 Chase Mortenson
6 Stephen Olson
7 Logan Carmody
11 Audrey Gearman
11 Sarah Halvorson
12 Gavin Mortenson
12 Angie Shelstad
15 Taylor DuFrane
16 Trevor Bungarden
16 Tim Spiry
17 Katherine Deyo

18 Ken Harwick
18 Gary Omland
18 Sheryl Skallerud
19 Claire Lowry
19 Carly Peterson
19 Brian Tebben
21 Hannah Oie
22 Sandi Bendel
23 Kendra Goerger
23 LeAnn Stone
23 Ian Tebben
23 Jason Webber

25 Luke Oie
26 Liz Shelstad
26 Nolan Smith
27 Paul Daline
29 Jill Mortenson
30 Mikaela Lee
30 Chris Hansen
30 Don Husby



Statement of Activities

October 31, 2021

	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	YTD Last Year
Income						
GENERAL OFFERINGS Totals:	13,196.61	25,271.71	199,417.29	252,717.08	303,260.50	175,299.51
MISC. INCOME Totals:	0.00	0.00	1.73	0.00	0.00	3,392.47
CAPITAL IMPROVE. INCOME Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BD OF LAY MIN/EVAN Totals:	1,717.28	1,250.00	14,218.53	12,500.00	15,000.00	43,503.56
BD OF WORSHIP Totals:	306.50	233.34	2,488.50	2,333.32	2,800.00	2,527.61
BD OF EDUCATION Totals:	86.75	0.00	1,907.40	0.00	0.00	125.00
BD OF STWRDSHP/PARISH FELL. Totals:	978.00	0.00	1,000.76	0.00	0.00	68.85
BD OF CHURCH PROPERTY Totals:	0.00	0.00	3,415.00	0.00	0.00	265.00
BD OF GLOBAL MISSIONS Totals:	15.00	0.00	126.87	0.00	0.00	129.00
INTEREST Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.97
INCOME Totals:	486.00	0.00	486.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CD Totals:	0.00	0.00	2.85	0.00	0.00	0.00
BEQUESTS Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Income Totals:	16,786.14	26,755.05	223,065.35	267,550.40	321,060.50	225,311.97
Expense						
BD OF LAY MIN/EVAN Totals:	11,153.00	17,746.22	160,107.54	177,462.06	212,954.50	142,370.79
BD OF WORSHIP Totals:	204.00	827.09	4,602.91	8,270.82	9,925.00	5,915.38
BD OF EDUCATION Totals:	421.17	925.50	1,801.76	9,255.00	11,106.00	1,632.40
BD OF STWRDSHP/PARISH FELL. Totals:	186.96	172.91	445.43	1,729.18	2,075.00	(238.96)
BD OF YOUTH Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BD OF CHURCH PROPERTY Totals:	1,814.35	5,558.35	47,002.65	55,583.30	66,700.00	49,944.94
BD OF GLOBAL MISSIONS Totals:	0.00	1,500.00	3,319.71	15,000.00	18,000.00	3,482.00
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Totals:	101.88	25.00	331.80	250.00	300.00	224.29
Expense Totals:	13,881.36	26,755.07	217,611.80	267,550.36	321,060.50	203,330.84
Income - Expense:	2,904.78	(0.02)	5,453.55	0.04	0.00	21,981.13

Thank you! We appreciate your continued gracious giving.
 Tithes and offerings can be mailed, made online at www.faithlutheranmadison.org
 or PayPal (to faithluthsecretary@gmail.com)

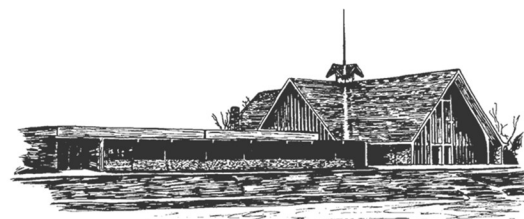
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			9am Hot Muffins 3:30-5pm Joyful Noise 3:30-5pm Confirmation 6pm Faith Ringers	8:30-12pm Do Day		"Bee Blessed" Retreat 9-12pm
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
All Saints Sunday 9am Worship 10am Sunday School 10:30 Senior Choir		9:30am Ruth Circle	9am Hot Muffins 9:30am Hannah/Lydia 3:30-5pm Joyful Noise 3:30-5pm Confirmation 6pm Faith Ringers 7pm Church Council			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9am Worship 10am Church Council 10am Sunday School	Newsletter Articles Due 		9am Hot Muffins 3:30-5pm Joyful Noise 3:30-5pm Confirmation 6pm Faith Ringers	8:30-12pm Do Day 11:30-12:30pm Second Harvest & Meal		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9am Worship 10am Sunday School 10:30am Senior Choir			9am Hot Muffins 7pm Thanksgiving Eve Ser- vice	Thanksgiving Meal 12:00pm		
28	29	30				
9am Worship/ Baptism 10:00am Sunday School						

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Sunday Worship at Faith: 9:00 a.m.

Broadcast on KLQP 92.1 FM: Sundays 11:30 a.m.

Cable Channel 8: Sundays 3:30 p.m.

Facebook: 3:30 p.m. [Faith Lutheran Church](https://www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranChurch)

Website: 3:30 p.m. www.faithlutheranchurchmadison.org

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