

Walk With Faith November 2020 Newsletter



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Our Mission Statement

“A HEART FROM GOD”

“A HEART FOR OTHERS”

From the Pastor's Desk

It is already time for the November Newsletter. Nothing quite seems normal these days. Many of us are off our regular schedules. Let me remind you that there are some things that do remain the same. The grace of the Lord through Jesus Christ, God's provision over us and all things, our need for spiritual renewal and encouragement, are only a few.



November will see some "normal" activity at Faith Lutheran Church. We will begin the month with our All Saints Service. We are also taking in nine new members on that day. That is a joyous occasion. We will remember our veterans, speak of Stewardship, and celebrate a Thanksgiving Service. We will end the month by ushering in the season of Advent.

Take time this month to give thanks for your blessings. It is so easy to overlook our blessings and focus on what we don't have or what we wish was different. God continues to bless us in countless ways. Even often through what seems like hardship at the time. Here are some Bible verses to consider throughout the month of November:

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thess. 5:18)

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Col. 3:17)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. (Phil. 4:6)

Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! (Ps. 118 1)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, (1 Tim. 2:1)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever; (Psalm 136:1-3)



Pastor



Dear Members of Faith,

Here we are in the month of November. The year 2020 has been challenging so far and not to likely to change before the years end. We have all had to adjust to new ways of doing most of our everyday events. Masks are becoming almost a way of life, hand sanitizers are common practice to us, the word social distancing is now in our vocabulary. It's almost comical when you go out to stores or doctors' offices as you meet people with masks on you can never tell if they are smiling or frowning or if they have the right size mask maybe sticking their tongue out (ha-ha).

At Faith Lutheran, our church services are going very well all things considered. Plans are being made for advent services and the holidays as well. We plan to have a congregational meeting on December 6th after church where we will elect our church officers as well as approve a budget for the 2021 year.

Thanksgiving is coming soon and while everything seems so confusing, we must remember that as Christians we have a lot to give thanks for. No matter what is going on in our current life God is always with us giving us His love.

In Christ's Name, Dale

Dale Schluckbier	President	Kathy Blondell &	Co-treasurer
Jerry Marquette	Vice President	Joanne Fetzer	Co-treasurer
Jerry Gneckow	Stewardship	Carol Wygle	Financial Secretary
Vacant	Recording Secretary	David Haas	Head Elder
Maxine Croggle	Coordinator	Ann Panas	Outreach
Lu Ann Cooke	Newsletter	Melissa Climer	Education
Vacant	Publicity		

December newsletter articles and updates will be due by November 25th. Please send them to Lu Ann Cooke at bluann@tampabay.rr.com. Also, view the calendar and make sure I have your meetings.

Newsletter and weekly updates may also be found at our church web site.

Go to <http://www.faithle canto.com/>

If you are not receiving the newsletter via email and would like to, please email me at the above address and I will add you to the newsletter mailing.



ELDER'S

Report

Greetings Christian Friends.

Worship Services for November are as follows:

Saturday night service at 6:00 on the 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th, with Holy Communion on the 14th, and 28th.

Sunday morning service at 9:30 on the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. Holy Communion will be on the 1st and 15th.

Thanksgiving Service will be at 9:30 a.m. on the 26th.

New members will be taken in on Oct. 31st and Nov. 1st. Saturday, Nov. 7th and Sunday Nov. 8th we will be honoring Veterans.

We will continue our sanitizing procedures and encourage face coverings to give everybody a safe worship experience.

David Hass
Board of Elder Chairman

YOUR ELDERS

David Hass, Chairman	Fred Cogle
Chuck Davey	Jack Ryan
Jerry Gneckow	Ed Stern
Walter Gergely	Jerry Marquette
John Lehmann	



Tuesday 1:30 Bible study has resumed (with distancing) and will shortly finish Ephesians. We will probably go on to study much of Proverbs so if that interests you, please join us.

Gloria
Schultz

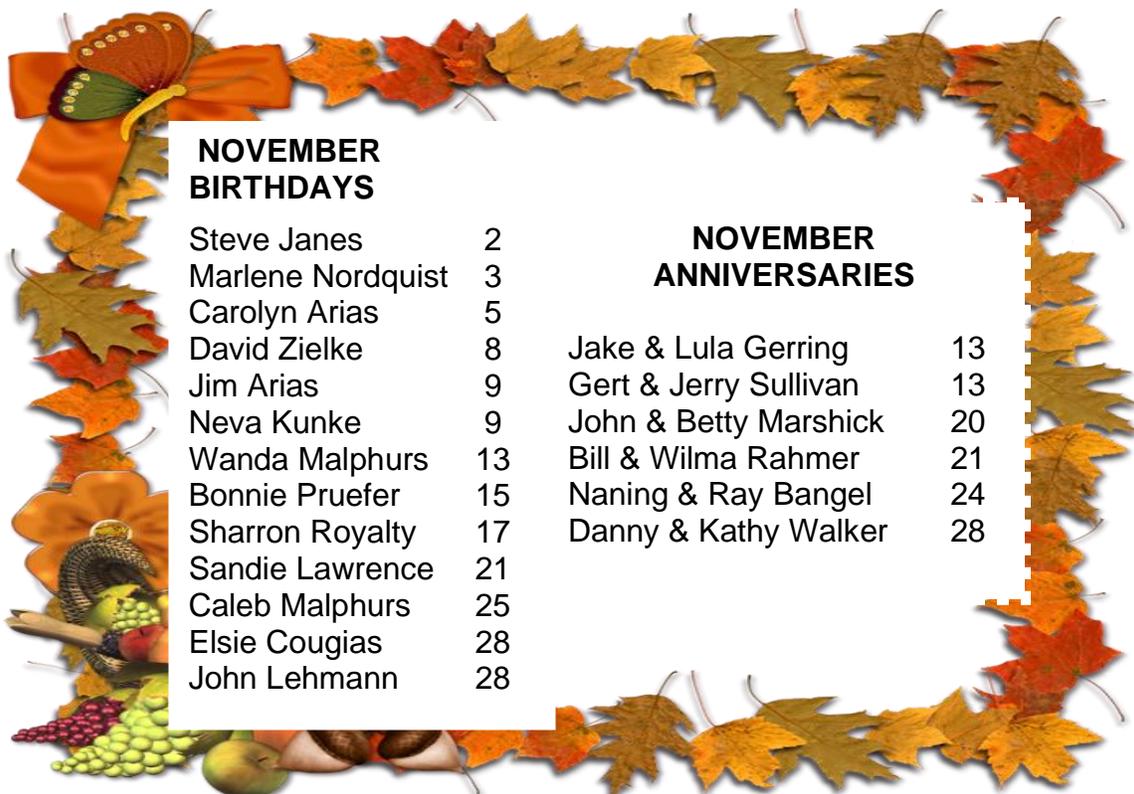
ANNUAL *Church Elections*

2021

The church's 2021 election of officers, chairmen of specific committees, and elders will be held at the congregational meeting on December 6. The positions open are vice-president, co-treasurer, publicity chairman, stewardship chairman, secretary, and continuation of three existing elders to serve another three years. All the positions except for stewardship chairman have a candidate willing to serve. However, it would be great to have another person on the ballot for each open position. Everyone must be a voting member and each officer and chairman position is a two-year term except for the secretary. It is for one year since the position was not filled this past year.

Please pray about it and if you are a member, please consider placing your name on the ballot or write-in a member's name who you think would be good for stewardship chairman and/or any of the above mentioned positions. Starting on November 07 in the narthex there will be a ballot box and a blank copy of the ballot. Put the names on the ballot, fold it and put it in the ballot box. The nominating committee will then review the forms and contact the persons whose names are written on the ballot to see if they are willing to serve. If you would like more information about any of the positions or have questions, please contact one of the members on the nominating committee – Jerry Marquette, Dale Schluckbier, Maxine Cogle or Pastor Lane.

Thank you,
Nominating Committee



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Steve Janes	2
Marlene Nordquist	3
Carolyn Arias	5
David Zielke	8
Jim Arias	9
Neva Kunke	9
Wanda Malphurs	13
Bonnie Pruefer	15
Sharron Royalty	17
Sandie Lawrence	21
Caleb Malphurs	25
Elsie Cougias	28
John Lehmann	28

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Jake & Lula Gerring	13
Gert & Jerry Sullivan	13
John & Betty Marshick	20
Bill & Wilma Rahmer	21
Naning & Ray Bangel	24
Danny & Kathy Walker	28



We were pleased to welcome our new Vice-President Nita Haas. Vice-President Nita gave an inspiring devotion, and we thank her for volunteering for this position.

President Carla Nicklas handed out Operation Christmas Child Boxes-this is Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse project. The completed Operation Christmas Child Boxes go to indigent children around the world. This is our second year completing this project. Unfortunately, the completed Boxes were due quickly on Sunday, October 25. Thank you, members, for completing this project.

We were saddened to hear that our efficient Secretary Betty Marshick will be moving to St. Pete. We wish the best for Betty and her husband in their move. We will certainly miss Betty.

In November, we will have a great speaker, Pat Gneckow at our meeting. She will speak about life as a military spouse and their travels.

We will not be able to financially support a second seminarian because a rummage sale isn't planned. Part of our sale proceeds are used for sending to the seminarians.

Maxine Cogle needs someone to chair the funeral luncheons, as she is away part of the year. We are having a Christmas party on Tuesday, December 1 at Citrus Hills. Spouses are welcome at the event. We thank MARGE Sawyer for being our hard- working Treasurer and also for organizing our Christmas party.

We celebrated Maxine Cogle's birthday by singing "Happy Birthday" to her and giving her a card. It was nice to see members again after a long hiatus. Our next meeting is Wednesday November 4, 2020. All women of the church are welcome.
Happy Thanksgiving.

In fellowship and God bless,
Carla Nicklas, President of Ladies of Faith

Stitch and Tie Quilt Group



As you have probably noticed the quilts are on display for two weeks in the sanctuary. If you desire to purchase a gift or one for yourself, they are available. Contact me or any member of the quilt group. There are more available if you want to see them. Just let us know.

In November we plan to sort and package them for distribution to service groups within our community at Christmas. We have enjoyed making them and we hope to continue doing this in 2021.

If you are interested in attending or helping with this group you are welcome to join us. We plan to meet November 6th and the 20th, 9:00 to 11:30 AM and we break for coffee and treats.

Marilyn Richards, Member



To my fellow members:

Traditionally the month of November is considered “**Stewardship Month**”. The church council has designated **November 21/22 as Stewardship Saturday/Sunday**. During worship services on those days each of us will have an opportunity to place our stewardship pledge in the stewardship box which will be placed under the altar at the conclusion of the service.

Prior to Stewardship Saturday/Sunday each family unit will receive a letter from Faith Lutheran Church which will provide some additional information about stewardship and will include TWO removeable stubs which can be used to document your financial commitment to the Lord. One of the stubs will be retained for your records. The second should be brought with

you to church on November 21/22 for deposit in the stewardship box.

If you do not yet feel comfortable attending church services, your commitment stub can be mailed to the office inside a sealed envelope which will be deposited in the box on your behalf.

Financial pledges and commitments are strictly confidential and will never be viewed by any officers or members of the church. Your commitment is between you and God.

Jerry Gneckow
Stewardship Chairman



Our Outreach Committee has resumed monthly meetings! We plan to meet the first Monday of every month at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting is November 2 and anyone is welcome to attend.

Our most recent project was to prepare packets for our new members. We are reviewing and updating the materials for our “Welcome Home” packets, too.

Prior to the pandemic, Pastor and members from Faith Lutheran led a time of worship and music at the Life Care Center in Lecanto once a month. We recently sent a letter to the Activities Director at Life Care Center to promote our online service and offered to drop off weekly church bulletins.

If anyone has thoughts or ideas for outreach, please feel free to attend the Outreach Committee meetings or speak with one of our members: Pastor Lane, Ray Bangel, Carol Dewing, Jean DuBose, Shirley Janisko, Ann Panas

Ann Panas

Be ye fishers of men. You catch 'em - He'll clean 'em.



Hearts of faith is not meeting during the pandemic, however, if anyone has a need, please contact the Church Office or Marcia Pridgen. Thank you.

Marcia Pridgen.



Grief support will start the third Saturday of November; November 17, at 10 am. Please join us. If you have a need to talk before then please feel free to call me.

Marcia Pridgen at 686-0287



J C L JAR

Praise God! Congratulations to everyone who dropped their money or checks into the J C L jar. A special thanks also to some members and groups who made large contributions this year that made it possible to pay off the cost of repainting the exterior of the church in less than a year. We reached our goal in paying it off and any overage in that account will start going towards a new roof on the fellowship hall building. The roof has been repaired numerous times, but the fact is in the foreseeable future we will need a new roof on that building. The cost is anywhere from \$30,000 and upwards. It will take us several years to reach that goal similar to when we raised money for the electronic sign. When COV19 restrictions are lifted, we can possibly start thinking about doing some fundraisers. In the meantime, keep putting in your \$1.00 bills with the initials of either J C L on the bill which stands for Jesus Christ our Lord. Of course, larger bills and checks are always appreciated



CUB (CITRUS UNITED BASKET) SUGGESTED NOVEMBER DONATIONS ARE CANNED VEGETABLES AND/OR CANNED FRUIT

Drop your donated items in the garden cart in the narthex. Any non-perishable donation is appreciated. (You don't have to give every month. Please give when you can, what you can.) **Thank you!**

On Wednesday, October 7, 2020 members of Ladies Of Faith met for our regularly scheduled meeting. We had not been able to meet for several months, due to Covid, and we do not meet in the summer months.

Forbidden fruits create many jams.

SCHEDULES



ALTAR GUILD

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

Saturdays - Melissa Climer
Sundays – (Nov. 1; Ellen Davey) Maxine Crogle

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER



6:00 SATURDAY Kathy & Danny Walker
9:30 SUNDAY Fred & Maxine Crogle, Jack Ryan, Willis Staller, David Trout

If unable to usher on your scheduled date, please find a replacement.

NOVEMBER

Saturday

7 Harold Lutz
14 Madalyn Sabo
21 Candy Lott
28 Madalyn Sabo



Sunday Readers

Sunday

1 Lu Ann Cooke
8 Nita Hass
15
22 Gloria Schultz
29



Robert Percival

BATHROOM CLEANING SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER

Week of:
November 01 Professional Cleaner
November 08 David Hass
November 15 Professional Cleaner
November 22 Bill Moeller
November 29 Professional Cleaner





2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  9:30 a.m. Worship Service Communion	2 10:00 a.m. Outreach 3:00 p.m. Bible Study	3 1:30 Bible Study	4 10:30 a.m. Ladies of Faith	5 7:30 a.m. Workday	6 9:00 a.m. Stitch & Tie	7 6:00 p.m. Worship Service
8 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	9 3:00 p.m. Bible Study	10 1:30 Bible Study	11  VETERANS DAY	12 7:30 a.m. Workday 3:00 p.m. Elders	13	14 6:00 p.m. Worship Service Communion
15 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Communion	16 3:00 p.m. Bible Study	17 10:00 a.m. Grief Support 1:30 Bible Study	18	19 7:30 a.m. Workday 3:00 p.m. Council	20 9:00 a.m. Stitch & Tie	21 6:00 p.m. Worship Service
22 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	23 3:00 p.m. Bible Study	24 1:30 Bible Study	25	26 9:30 a.m. Worship Service  THANKSGIVING	27	28 6:00 p.m. Worship Service Communion
29 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	30 3:00 p.m. Bible Study					