

Walk With Faith

October 2021 Newsletter



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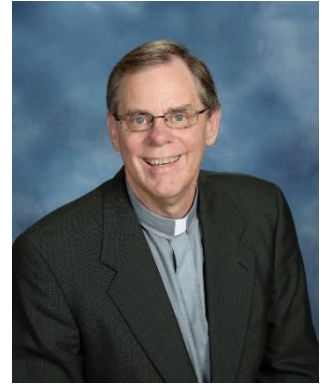
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Our Mission Statement

**“A Heart from God”
“A Heart for Others”**

From the Pastor's Desk



Greetings to all! We are gradually welcoming back many who are returning from more northern regions. It is great to see those who have been away for a number of months. God's grace goes with us wherever we are. It is a privilege to worship Him together and to receive the Sacrament alongside one another.

When we gather together as Faith Lutheran Church it is generally for the purpose of Worship. People often ask questions about worship. They recognize that there are many things that are similar about worship in different churches and also some things that can be quite different.

Dr. A.L. Barry wrote the following in an article entitled Lutheran Worship:

"Lutheran worship puts the focus squarely on Jesus Christ, who is present for us and with us through His Word and Sacraments. Lutheran worship is, therefore, Christ-centered, not man-centered. When we are gathered for worship, we are not contemplating some far-off Christ or meditating on abstract concepts, or pondering various principles for living. Neither are we in church to be amused or entertained. Christ is living and active among us, right where He has promised to be in his Word and Sacraments. Jesus said, "Lo, I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Matt. 18:20). When he gathers us around his Word and Sacraments, he fulfills this promise to us once again."

Consider also this from the introduction to the Lutheran Worship hymnal:

"Our Lord speaks and we listen. His Word bestows what it says. Faith that is born from what is heard acknowledges the gifts received with eager thankfulness and praise...Stating back to Him what he has said to us, we repeat what is most true and sure...The rhythm of our worship is from Him to us, and then from us back to Him. He gives his gifts, and together we receive and extol them. We build on another up as we speak to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs."

Lutheran use orders of service common throughout the history of the Western church. Many of the forms have roots that go back into the early church—the first three centuries. It is special to think that there is a continuity of worship that has existed throughout the history of the church. The service has both variety and similarity. It is reverent and also joyful. The two main parts of the Divine Service are (1) the proclamation of the Gospel and (2) the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Other orders of service used in the Lutheran church feature a more extended service of the Word as well as times of prayer. It is important that our worship not be a matter of prescribing those things that are about perception, feeling, or taste. Worship never is only about us. It is a corporate act done with others in the body of Christ. As we have said, it begins with God's service to us through His Word and Sacraments.

As we gather together each week welcoming new faces and greeting familiar faces, we are joining with angels, archangels and all the company of heaven before the Lamb upon his throne. "To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" (Rev. 5:13)

Pastor

Church Council



Dear Members of Faith,

Here we are already starting October. It's hard to believe how fast time moves. We have had our first council meeting since the summer break, and everyone seems eager to get going again. We are making plans with God's help to try returning things here at Faith Lutheran to a more normal state. This will be good for all of us. As we look forward to the Advent and the Christmas season, we are reminded that Christ came for all of us and gave Himself for our sins. I would ask all of you if you could give your time by volunteering when possible.

In Christ's name, Dale

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Bell choir will resume practice on Tuesday, October 5th. Practice will continue each Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.

The Chancel choir will start on Wednesday, October 6th and continue thereafter on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. If you have a desire and a willing heart, come and join us. We have a variety of music for everyone to enjoy and praise our Heavenly Father. If you have any questions, talk to Sharron Royalty, our organist and director.

ELDER'S REPORT



Greetings Christian Friends:

October brings us one more step closer to returning to normal times. This month we will be reinstating our name tag policy. The name tags will be clipped on rather than pinned on as in the past. We are encouraging everyone to wear a name tag in our worship services. We wear name tags for a couple of reasons. First of all, it helps us to know each other names, this helps the newer members as well as the old timers. Second of all it helps the elders keep track of his flock's attendance.

October also brings us a full worship schedule as there are five Saturdays and five Sunday services. One change from normal is that the communion service will be on the first Saturday of the month instead of the second Saturday. Worship services for October then is as follows:

Saturday services starting at 6:00 p.m. Will be on the 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, with Holy Communion being on the 2nd and 23rd.

Sunday services starting at 9:30 a.m. will be on the 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st, with Holy Communion being on the 3rd and 17th.

Board of Elder Chairman
David Hass

YOUR ELDERS

David Hass, Chairman	Jerry Marquette
Fred Crogle	Jack Ryan
Chuck Davey	Ed Stern
John Lehmann	

Our deepest sympathies...

To Ann Williams, family, and friends of Paul Williams who passed away September 15th.

And to Monica Bessell upon the death of her husband Michael.



Tuesday Bible Study

In case you missed the Newsletter last month, our Tuesday 1:30 Bible study is meeting again, and you're invited! We've just started Peter's epistles so join us in the Fellowship Hall when you can.

Gloria Schultz



THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS

Carla Nicklas, Carol Dewing and I attended the LWML Zone Rally this past Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Church, Ocala. We took along the many items and gifts of money that members of Faith donated for Shoeboxes for Military Women. These much-needed items will be mailed to bases in remote areas of the world where military women do not have access to PX facilities. God bless you all for your generosity.

Nit Hass



LWML Saturday & Sunday

Lutheran Ladies Missionary League (LWML) will be Saturday, Oct. 2 and Sunday Oct 3. Ladies of Faith will participate during worship service by ushering and reading scriptures. Our theme this year is 'Our Hearts in His Hands' 1 Peter 4:8. " Above all keep loving one another earnestly." All ladies are invited to wear something purple and sit together in reserved pews. Cake will be served after service.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LWML Saturday, Oct. 2 & Sunday, Oct. 3

LOF Meeting, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6. Guest speaker will be Gail Granger, president of Mended Hearts.

LOF Meeting, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10. Rummage Sale set-up following meeting.

Rummage Sale set-up, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11

Rummage Sale 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12

Rummage Sale 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13

Christmas Luncheon Dec. 7 at Citrus Hills. All women and men are invited.

Thank you and God bless you and keep you safe.

Nita Hass, president, Ladies of Faith



Since 1993, people pack shoebox gifts each year to bless children in need around the world. Samaritan's Purse collects Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes filled with toys and other fun items. Each gift is an opportunity for the Gospel to transform a child's life, family, and the community. Many children then participate in the Greatest Journey, a 12-lesson course, where they learn about Jesus. Last year Ladies of Faith completed and packed 12 Operation Christmas Child boxes, which were taken to 1st Baptist Church in Crystal River to be processed. Carla Nicklas has Operation Christmas Child boxes to be filled by our members.

The categories for the children are as follows:

2-4 years old boy
5-9 years old boy
10-14 years old boy

2-4 years old girl
5-9 years old girl
10-14 years old girl.

Shoebox suggestions include hygiene items, school supplies, toys, and miscellaneous items. Our members have included a personal note and pray about the child who will receive the box. A donation of \$9 per box covers shipping and other costs. Ladies Of Faith Treasury will pay this cost again this year.

Operation Christmas Child boxes will be due by November 1 for Carla to take to 1st Baptist. Then volunteers inspect and prepare the shoeboxes for international shipping. God said, "I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. (Isaiah 49:6).

Thank you for your support for this project. If you have any questions or would like an Operation Christmas Child box, please see Carla.

God bless,
Carla Nicklas

Stitch and Tie Quilt Group



We are getting together a nice assortment of quilts that we plan to display near the end of October for two weeks in the sanctuary for those who like to see them and for those who have someone in mind for a birthday or holiday gift. They will then be placed for sale at the Fall sale at the church in November.

We are meeting every other Friday and the dates are listed in the bulletin and newsletter calendar. If you would like to join us, you are welcome.

For October we will meet October 8th and October 22nd at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Marilyn Richards
Member



How many times have you driven past a business or building in your neighborhood and wondered, "What goes on there?" The Outreach Committee has mailed over 100 letters to the surrounding homeowners in the Crystal Glen community that answer this question about our church. These letters introduce Faith Lutheran Church and encourage our neighbors to visit our website and join us for worship. A Gospel tract was also included.

Please pray that God will use these letters to plant a seed that He will bring to fruition. Isaiah 55:11 *"so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."* Let's be ready to see some new faces at church and welcome them into Christian fellowship!

If anyone has thoughts or ideas for outreach, please feel free to speak with me or Pastor Lane. My email address is jpanasa677@gmail.com. My home telephone number is 352-897-4078.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Panas



CITRUS
UNITED
BASKET

CUB (CITRUS UNITED BASKET) SUGGESTED OCTOBER DONATION IS CEREAL

Watch for those "Buy One, Get One Free" ads for cereal. Perhaps, purchase one for yourself and donate the other box of cereal to CUB. 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! Maxine Crogle

J C L JAR



Please remember to drop your \$1 bills with the letters of either J C L, which stand for Jesus Christ (our) Lord, and put them in the plastic jar in the narthex. Of course, we will accept any bill or a check. Thank you for your participation.



The Pregnancy and Family Life Center in Inverness is holding its first Walk/Bike for Life fundraiser. Their vision is "to transform our community into one where every baby is wanted, and families are supported". Their goal is to raise \$25,000. It is a two-mile walk/bike ride to be held on October 16, 2021, that starts on the Withlacoochee Trail across from the Depot at Liberty Park (268 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness). Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the walk starting at 9 a.m. If there is enough interest from our congregation, we would participate as a group from Faith Lutheran Church. If interested please contact Maxine Crogle at fmcrogle02@brighthouse.com or 637-4649, by October 8. You can also participate individually or simply make a donation online at

www.pflcenter.org or just show up on the day of the event. Children (adults also) are encouraged to dress up in their favorite hero costume if they so desire.



Thank you for the many, many prayers, good wishes, cards, and thoughts during my recent absence from Faith. I'm so grateful that my eye was not affected by the shingles that I have and I'm sure the prayers had a lot to do with that. I'm on the road to recovery and glad to be back at Faith.

Joyce Engelbrecht



The November newsletter articles and updates will be due October 27th. Send them to Lu Ann Cooke at luann@tampabay.rr.com. Remember to view the calendar and make sure I have your meetings up to date.

Live streaming of our worship services, newsletter and weekly updates may be found at our church web site.

Go to <http://www.faithlecanto.com/>

“God will never leave you empty. He will replace everything you lost. If He asks you to put something down, it’s because He wants you to pick up something greater.”

SCHEDULES



OCTOBER

Saturdays – Melissa Climer
Sundays – Maxine Croggle

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6:00 SATURDAY Bill & Joyce Engelbrecht
9:30 SUNDAY Bill Moeller, Ray & Naning Bangel, Sylvia Decker,
Betty Marquette, Marlene Nordquist

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

NAME TAG DISPENSER

Judy Hill
Joanne Fetzer

OCTOBER



DATA ENTRY & FILE NAME TAG

Judy Hill

OCTOBER



Saturday

2 Candy Lott
9 Harold Lutz
16 Tom Gottschalk
23
30

Sunday

3 LWML
10 Tom Gottschalk
17
24 Gloria Schultz
31 Lu Ann Cooke

BATHROOM CLEANING SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

Week of:

October 03
October 10
October 17
October 24

Professional Cleaner
Bill Moeller
Professional Cleaner
Lauren Whitehead



2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 LWML 6:00 p.m. Worship Service Communion
3 LWML 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Communion	4 3:00 p.m. Bible Study	5 1:30 p.m. Bible Study 3:00 p.m. Bell Choir	6 3:00 p.m. Choir	7 7:30 a.m. Workday	8 9:00 a.m. Stitch N Tie	9 6:00 p.m. Worship Service
10 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	11 3:00 p.m. Bible Study  Columbus Day	12 1:30 p.m. Bible Study 3:00 p.m. Bell Choir	13 10:30 a.m. LOF Meeting 3:00 p.m. Choir	14 7:30 a.m. Workday 3:00 p.m. Elders	15	16 6:00 p.m. Worship Service
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