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## February 5, 2023

### This Week at Faith 02/06—02/12/2023

Mon.		NO BIBLE STUDIES
Tues.	3:15 pm	Student Strings
Wed.	8:30 am	Chapel
	2:15 pm	Children’s Choir
	6:00 pm	Confirmation
Fri.	3:00 pm	Kings Kids (PreK-1 <sup>st</sup> )
Sat.	5:00 pm	Celebration Worship
	6:00 pm	High School Youth
Sun.	8:45 am	Sun. School / Bible Study
	10:00 am	Worship w/Communion

### Golf Tournament Items Needed

We are in need of door prizes and raffle items. If you’d like to donate a new item for the event, please bring them to the church office or contact Martha Richards at (352)589-4696.

Want to participate or sponsor a hole for the event? Registration forms are available in the church office and these announcements.

Thank you for your support of this community event!

### Agape House

Agape House is in need of peanut butter & jelly for the month of February! Thank you!



**Thank you for joining us.** Worshipers are asked to fill out our friendship form during the offering. The friendship forms are in a black vinyl case located at one end of the pew. Please fill out the form, and then pass it to the next person in your pew.

**For the hearing impaired** we have receiver units to enable you to better hear the service. *Ask an usher for such a unit if you desire one.*

**Meet the Pastor** – Our Pastor is available by the doors as you leave the service today. Feel free to ask any question you have about Faith or the ministries we offer here.

**Attend a Bible Class** – Small Group Bible Study is where you can meet friends that become family as you learn and grow together in your faith in Christ. We have groups for every age in your family.

### Bible Study / Sunday School 8:45 – 9:30 AM

Pre-K – Kindergarten – CLC Youth Room  
1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> grades – CLC 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grades – CLC 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom  
5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade – CLC 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom  
Adults – Pastor’s Forum – Social Hall

### Monday Morning Bible Study – 10:00 AM

Adults – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel – Social Hall

### Monday Evening Zoom Bible Study – 7:00 PM

Adult – *Longer Look at the Lessons*

### Daily Readings

**February 5:** Job 2:1–3:10; John 1:19–34; **6:** Job 3:11–26; John 1:35–51; **7:** Job 4:1–21; John 2:1–12; **8:** Job 5:1–27; John 2:13–25; **9:** Job 6:1–13; John 3:1–21; **10:** Job 6:14–30; John 3:22–4:6; **11:** Job 7:1–21; John 4:7–26.

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*Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all people so they may know and trust in Jesus as their Savior for eternal life, grow in knowledge and faith, and show this faith in their daily lives.*

## Prayers

Each week during worship we remember people in our prayers. Please use this list to minister, send a card or note, make a personal visit, and remember these people in your prayers. Please let the church office know of any changes in the ongoing prayer list.



### Those ill, hospitalized or struggling:

Ken Wilkins, Tori Brunhold (Lydia Walker's mom), Deb Leech, Jay Gillespie (son-in-law of the Teschendorfs), Betsy Farner (friend of Samantha Rimes), Margaret Lowell (Ian Lowell's mom), Bill Phillips, Nancy Chamberlain (Carol Shaw's niece), Tom Paggett (FLC student grandfather), Dawn Biener, Sue Curtiss, Rick Maines (Jack's brother)

### Anniversaries & Birthdays

2/06 Matt Wasmund  
2/07 Deb Leech  
2/08 Corey Beiner, Joanne Emmons, Casey Rottmann  
2/10 Marsha Lewis, Ben Pauluhn, Conrad Schmidt  
2/12 Susan Curtiss, Brantley Prince, Michael Siefert

### Others

A prayer of comfort to the Hinton and Brandt families.

A prayer of comfort to the family and friends of Donna Rampe at her death.

A prayer of protection for those serving our country: Dillon Tate (Bill Stone grandson), Cody Bandur (Dawn Beiner's cousin), Kyle Stark (Paul Stark's son – Our Savior, Orlando), Matthew Leech (Bill & Deb Leech's son), Terrance Demps II (Fritz's neighbor), Gage Lee (FLS Alum), Wesley Van Gotum (Lisa Miller Truitt's cousin), Anna Cruz (Pastor Gary Held's daughter), Douglas Jensen (FLS Alum), Jack Rotar (Jeremy Fritz's nephew), Jesse Thurman (Brian & Pat Brugger's grandson) and Gregory Gillinger.

Prayers for the Wasmund family, missionaries in Korea.

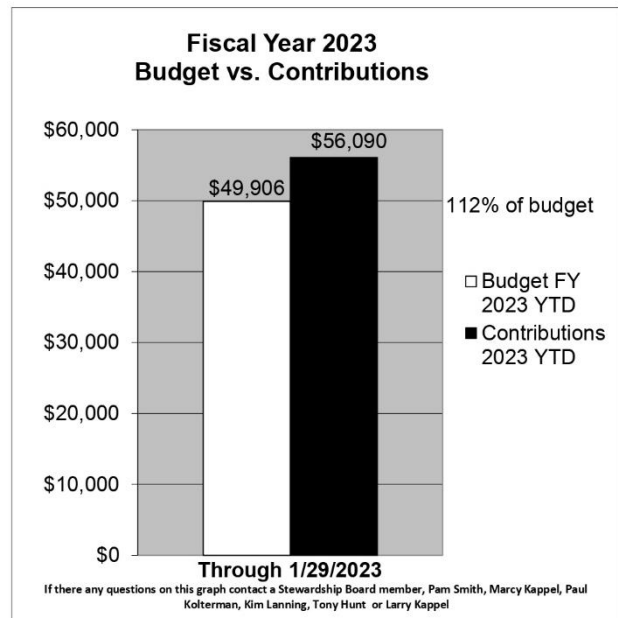
## Stewardship

**Matthew 5:17 – “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”** We cannot keep the Law of God perfectly. We are sinners. For us to be saved, Jesus had to fulfill the Law in our place so that the threat of the Law is abolished and the Law itself is upheld. Now, in Christ, we do desire to fulfill the Law, to live out a godly Christian life, precisely because we are so full of thanksgiving toward God for His salvation in Christ.



Your gifts and offerings are crucial for our congregation to fulfill God's calling in our community. We thank all those who have continued to give during these trying times. We

have many ways for you to provide offering to your church during this time away from the campus. You can mail them to the church or make bill pay arrangements through your bank, but did you know that you can now make your tithes and offerings safely and securely online? Just go to [bit.ly/FaithEustisGiving](https://bit.ly/FaithEustisGiving) to provide your offerings & gifts today!



## Youth Groups



Be on the lookout for our strawberry delivery date! We know it will be coming sometime in February, usually around the last two Saturdays. In March, we bring back our Trivia Night for some knowledgeable fun! Check out our blurb on that for more information!

Dates to Remember:

### February

- ♥ 1- Board of Youth 5:30pm
- ♥ 8- Confirmation 6-8pm
- ♥ 10- Lower Grades King's Kids 3-5pm
- ♥ 11- High School Youth 6-8pm
- ♥ 15- Middle School Youth 6-8pm
- ♥ 22- Ash Wednesday/Confirmation 5-6pm
- ♥ 24- Upper Grades King's Kids 3-5pm
- ♥ 25- Strawberry delivery???
- ♥ 25- High School Youth 6-8pm

## Trivia Night – March 4<sup>th</sup>

We had such a blast with those that came out to our last Trivia night! We are doing another one on March 4. We are running with the theme of “sports” and there will be a wide variety of questions on this topic to give everyone a sporting chance! As a reminder, the various ticket/purchasing offerings are listed below. Pizza will be available for purchase as well as extra drinks. There will be a free snack bar with munchies like popcorn and pretzels available for all. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact DCE Mike Yurk at myurk@flcse.org or (678)773-1844.

Tickets can be purchased at this link:

<https://forms.gle/b4YEtDNzpW5b5XrL8>

Tickets available for purchase:

- ❖ General Table- \$40/ total of 4 people
- ❖ VIP Table- \$100 includes- 1 large pizza/table & 2 drink tickets/person (up to 4 people)
- ❖ Individual tickets- \$15/person (individual VIP upgrade available upon request)

## Save the Date for VBS!

VBS and the summer are starting to loom around the corner, and we want you here! June 5-9 from 9AM to 12PM each day we will be hosting our STELLAR VBS! Come check out our space themed VBS this year! We are always looking for volunteers, so if you might be interested, please see DCE Mike Yurk!



## FLS Students Jump Rope for Heart



Kids Heart Challenge officially kicked off January 27<sup>th</sup>!!!! Donate to your favorite student or donate to the school page here: <http://bit.ly/3iOaogH>

Help raise money for the American Heart Association and earn money for PE equipment!!!!

## 8th Grade Basketball Players Play their Last Home Game!!!

On Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, Faith recognized the 8th grade leaders on the basketball team. This was the last regular season home game they would play as Crusaders. Thank you and best wishes for Addyson B., Alex F., Blake L., Justin M., and Amir W.!!!



## Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the After People.

Stephen Ministers are there: after the phone call you hoped you'd never get...after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you. . . after the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life. . . after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do. . . after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home." . . . after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty. . . . after the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away. . . . after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible. . . after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck. . . . after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Please contact Barbara Van Valkenburg 352.406.2580 or Neal Van Valkenburg 352.406.2497 for information on our Stephen Ministry Training Class starting April 15<sup>th</sup>!

**GODCONNECTS**  
A COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY

We are forming a "God Connects" class. This is a series of 12 short, weekly classes that will start Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 - 12:30 in the Christian Life Center. Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. You can see a brief introductory video at [www.lhm.org/GodConnects](http://www.lhm.org/GodConnects). To sign up for the classes, contact the church office or talk with Timm at the kiosk in the narthex after Saturday or Sunday worship.

## Music Thoughts – February

Epiphany is often thought of as the "season of light." Until Ash Wednesday (February 22), the music offered in our weekend worship does incorporate images of light.



As we began our observance of National Lutheran Schools week, it was great to have our Children's Choir and Middle School Ringers participating in worship this past Sunday! Music for worship continues with Epiphany themes of "I Am a Child of God" and "Lord of All Hopefulness" – and even instrumental offerings of "The First Noel" and "See Amid the Winter's Snow." This music is among that offered by our choir, handbells, and instruments for the upcoming weeks. Stars and light – coming out of darkness – seems to be a theme musically for this season of the church year.

I want to always remind our Faith family that there is always an open invitation for all to join us in our active groups. Besides the Parish Adult Choir and Faith Ringers, there are some dedicated instrumentalists who add to our worship. Our drama groups and children's' choir are always open to church and school families as well. Always feel free to join us and actively participate!

Michael Neas  
Director of Church Music

### Women's Guild - February 14

Welcome, everyone! We begin our meeting with a social time, bring your lunch and chat!

Business meeting begins at 1 pm.

Hope to see you there!

Louise Repass

# Agape House Ministry Food Pantry Golf Tournament

All Proceeds  
Benefit Agape  
House  
Ministry  
Food  
Pantry



**Where:** Country Club  
of Mt Dora  
1900 Country  
Club Blvd.  
Mt. Dora, FL

**When:** Friday,  
February 24,  
2023

**Cost:** \$100 per player

**Format:** 4-person  
scramble

**Shotgun start  
Range Balls**

**Special Events:**

- Door Prizes
- Closest to the pin
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place prizes
- Hole in one on Hole 17  
\$10,000
- Hole in one on other Par  
3 Holes will have other  
prizes



February  
24  
2023

This event will be held **Friday, February 24th** at the  
Country Club of Mount Dora.

**Registration** begins 7:30 AM

**Lunch** 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

**Shotgun start** 9 AM

The cost for this event is **\$100**. This price includes 18 holes  
of golf, cart rental, 1 mulligan per golfer, lunch and various  
awards and prizes.

To help us properly plan for this event, please pre-register  
by filling out the attached registration form and return it  
with your payment by February 20th. Checks should be  
made payable to: Faith Lutheran Church

Or pay on-line at <https://tinyurl.com/FLCSE>  
(Please type registration or sponsor in the note)

Mail payment and/or form to:

Faith Lutheran Church ▪ Attn: Golf Tournament ▪  
2727 S. Grove St. ▪ Eustis FL ▪ 32726

Questions? Call: Faith Lutheran Church, Ask for Shanon, (352)589-5433 or  
call Mike Repass (352)223-7604 or Henry Sur (309)706-8073

# Agape House Ministry Food Pantry Golf Tournament Registration & Sponsorship Form

February 24, 2023  
\$100/person

*Form may be used for individual or foursome entry. Entry deadline: February 20, 2023*

Name or Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name or Message on sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Single Player

Name

Foursome: (list all player names)

Name

If interested, please select your desired level of sponsorship commitment. Include check for the appropriate amount made **payable to:** Faith Lutheran Church **mail form and check to:** Faith Lutheran Church ▪ Attn: Agape Tournament ▪ 2727 S. Grove St. ▪ Eustis, FL 32726. **Or pay on-line at** <https://tinyurl.com/FLCSE> (type registration or sponsor in the note) This donation is **tax deductible**.

For additional information please contact us at 352-589-5433

<input type="checkbox"/> Hole Sponsor	\$50	• Tee Sign
<input type="checkbox"/> Banner Sponsor	\$100	• Corporate banner
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Sponsor	\$250	• Tee Sign • Twosome at the event on 2/24/2023
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Sponsor	\$450	• Tee sign • Foursome at the event on 2/24/2023
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Sponsor	\$500	• Corporate Banner • Foursome at the event on 2/24/2023

The cost includes green fees at Country Club of Mt. Dora, golf cart and lunch.



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Total no. players registering: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check no.: \_\_\_\_\_

# CHANGING PATHS

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We are grateful for the many opportunities we had this last month of December to share and witness the Gospel message of Jesus in our home, in our church, in our community, and through new believers.

You might have heard us share the story about Victor, a new believer in Taiwan who Matt is mentoring through weekly video calls. Leading up to Christmas, Matt and Victor discussed the richness and beauty of traditional Advent and Christmas hymns. Victor, a middle school teacher, excitedly encouraged his students to learn (1) and sing a short selection to staff and other classes at his public school near Taipei. For many, it was the first time to hear about Jesus born into this world for all.

After meeting online on a weekly basis for almost two years with YeEun, Lily and Olivia were extremely excited to meet her face-to-face. YeEun lives in an orphanage outside of Seoul and was granted a day off school to spend with us at our home. Pictured are the girls making a ginger bread house (2).

Also, we were blessed to open our home to the staff of the local Lutheran church body - the Lutheran Church in Korea - for a Christmas cookie and carols party (3). The LCK is composed of over 50 churches across the country and we are thankful for their mission, their support, and the strengthening of their relationship with the LCMS.

During a visit to a local hospital, we befriended a teenage girl whose English name is Lydia. Diagnosed with a chronic illness, she spends most of her life in the hospital. Number 4 was taken during a recent visit with Lydia, whose Christian faith enables her to endure the difficult symptoms of her condition.





5.

Church activities are plentiful during Advent and Christmas, and we joyfully witnessed more and more people coming back to church as Covid-era restrictions continue to be lifted.

Serving at International Lutheran Church is a highlight for our family's ministry here in Seoul. Pictured to the left is a service during Advent (5), children decorating ornaments during a Christmas party (6), Matt and Dee Dee leading the annual telling of Christ's birth through script and song (7), and Lily and Olivia with the youth group, which happens to consist of only girls at this time (8)!



6.



7.

Gratefully, we received many cards, letters, and updates from you, our supporters, over the holidays. It is just one of the many ways you show your love and care and we are thankful to consider ourselves your partners in ministry (9).



8.

Thank you for your continued support. Pray with us that more and more may hear the true Gospel of the Lord and be granted a trusting faith in Him.

9.



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Gifts can also be given securely online through the LCMS website at [www.lcms.org/wasmund](http://www.lcms.org/wasmund).





**An oak tree is planted by members of Bārbele Evangelical Lutheran Church, Latvia**

### TREE PLANTINGS

*Oak trees are being planted to celebrate the Reformation's 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Latvia. The Reformation movement that began with Martin Luther in Wittenberg, Germany, 1517 was accepted in Riga in 1522 and then spread throughout the countryside. Trees are being planted all over Latvia near churches and parsonages in cooperation with local communities.*

*The oaks used were grown from the acorns taken in 2016 from two trees planted by Rev. Ernst Gliks more than 300 hundred years ago. The trees were planted by Gliks in celebration of his completion of translating the Bible into Latvian.*



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## 2022: A Year of Change

“Do not worry about tomorrow,” Christ said during His Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 6:34). It's a passage we've heard many times during worship and Bible studies. We listen and know what it teaches, but when faced with life's realities, it is then we truly understand what the passage means.

Uncertainties in life began the new year for us in 2022. We were in Saint Petersburg, Russia, and the Christmas and New Year holidays had passed. I started teaching classes in the spring semester for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ingria in Russia (ELCIR) Theological Institute, and a new course for the Luther Academy in Riga, Latvia. There was an unknown political crisis with the growing Russian military presence along the Ukrainian border. COVID-19 policies were still enforced across much of Europe. Who knew that by the end of 2022, we would find ourselves in a new city.

Because of the international crises caused by the Ukrainian conflict, we left Russia in March. As we prepared to leave, we were faced with decisions of what to take or leave. How long will we be gone? Or will we leave permanently? We weighed these decisions in a day and a half to decide as we packed two suitcases each to leave. We didn't know then that our choices would carry us during six months of a semi-nomadic life.



**The Christmas market on Dom Square Riga, Latvia**

We traveled to western Finland by a courier service van. So going through customs wasn't an issue. What was, though, was the requirement to quarantine for three days because we didn't have proper vaccines to enter the European Union. So we needed PCR tests to show we were COVID-19 negative to leave Finland. But Patty's test returned positive, so we needed to quarantine several more days before she could see a doctor to determine if she had COVID-19. Thankfully, Bishop Rev. Juhana Pohjola, Evangelical Lutheran Mission Diocese of Finland, helped to provide our needed assistance while there.

After nearly two weeks of quarantine in a hotel, new PCR tests, and a doctor's note, we could travel to our next destination. After a short flight from Helsinki, Finland,

**-- Over --**



St. Gertrude Old Lutheran Church. Riga, Latvia

**PLEASE PRAY:**

*For the Luther Academy students who attend classes worldwide as they study to serve as pastors in their communities.*

*For the message of God's gift of redemption through His Son Jesus to be heard and believed this new year by people lost in sin.*

*For peace in those areas that are suffering from conflict. The people in these areas may find a final and lasting peace in our Lord.*

**GIVE THANKS FOR:**

*Despite unexpected changes in our lives, we've continued to serve in training church workers.*

# Change...

-- continued --

we arrived in Riga, Latvia. We made our way to an Airbnb apartment near central Riga. A place called home for the next 30 days. All during this time, Aleksander continued with his junior-year courses online. And I lectured for the Lutheran Academy and the ELCIR theological institute with online classes. Plus, we began the search for a more permanent place to stay.

We found a furnished apartment in Riga's old town in May and I was able to participate in the Luther Academy intensive week course held that month. During this time, we coordinated and prepared for home service during the summer. Plus, we began the process of submitting paperwork for Latvian resident visas.

We returned to the United States in June for home service when Aleksander finished the school year. Our time in the states was enjoyable as we met new and reconnected with people as we traveled, worshiped, and shared the mission in Texas, Illinois, Florida,



Rev. Jerry Lawson preaches at Our Savior Lutheran Church mission Sunday festival Chadron, Neb.

Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, and California.

With our return to Riga we saw more changes with our lives. Our eldest daughter, Cosette, who had been with us throughout our time in Russia, had stayed in Texas to complete her education in live classes after studying online. Aleksander began his senior year at a new school, the International School of Riga. Juliette continues her studies at Concordia University, Chicago, Illinois. Along with my work with the theological schools, I've been helping with English worship held here in Riga.

As we've gone through the past year and now enter a new year, it has been a comfort knowing the support and prayers we received as we met each challenge.

*"This is the most dangerous trial of all, when there is no trial and every thing goes well; for then a man is tempted to forget God, to become too bold and to misuse times of prosperity."*

**Martin Luther, A Treatise on Good Works**



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at [lcms.org/service](http://lcms.org/service). Click on "Service Opportunities."

Prayerfully consider partnering with the LCMS to support the work of Rev. Jerry Lawson, Make checks payable to:

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# Eustis Heights Tigers Need Your Help!

# FOOD DRIVE



**BENEFITING TIGER FAMILIES  
IN NEED**

Canned Soup  
Shelf Stable Meals  
Ramen cups.  
Canned Pasta Meals  
Vienna Sausages  
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Tuna & Crackers Kits  
Canned Vegetables  
Macaroni and Cheese  
Saltines  
Canned Tomato Sauce  
Canned Beans  
Canned Meat

Please sign up in the  
narthex to donate food  
items to help Eustis  
Heights Elementary.

Sign up begins January  
29. Food items to be  
returned by February  
26th.

Items should be able to be manually  
opened (pop tops), easily prepared, able  
to be eaten in a motel room or outside.  
Please do not send anything frozen,  
refrigerated, or perishable

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**REV. DR.  
PAUL GRIME**

*Dean of Kramer Chapel  
at Concordia  
Theological Seminary,  
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# ORGAN DEDICATION RECITAL

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**19** FEB | **5 PM**  
**2023**

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