



## 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:

Jerry Barnes, Donald (Pam Smith's father), Amy (Karen Conrad's daughter-in-law), Robert Truitt, Jean (friend of Harolyn Maynard), Kirby Callos, Mildred (sister of Margaret Pearsall), Danny Constable (brother of Dottie Weis), Kenny Darety (nephew of Virginia Leffew), Virginia Leffew, Wenda Halter, Carol Boswell, Judy Byersdorf (friend of Cal and Lesley Shuster), Stan Weston (cousin to Conrad Schmist), Cindy Thomas, Elaine Campbell, Janet Hejtmanek, Preston, and Chuck Minkowski (Wanda Clary's brother-in-law), Melanie Moll (cousin of Dawn Beiner), Kristin Farid (daughter of the Beiners), Stephen Repass, Ken Peeler's parents, Paul Fitzgerald (grandfather of Patrick Fitzgerald), Christina Fitzgerald (mother of Patrick Fitzgerald).

### Anniversaries & Birthdays

11/20 Ned & Norma Giffey, Elfie & Michael Smith, Rebecca Lewis  
11/21 James & Janaye Melsha, Bradley Stevens  
11/22 Michele Quinn  
11/24 Kristy & Scott Fessenden  
11/26 Erma Caldie, Kayla Debraggio, Jack Maines, Ryan Rusk, Christian Menard

### Others

A prayer of protection for those serving our country and those who have been deployed: 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.

Prayers for our Church and School Staff and School students and families.

Prayers of comfort and strength for the family and friends of Larry Guess, friend of Neal Van Valkenburg.



## Stewardship.

Matthew 25:30 – “And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness.” Why did the worthless servant act the way he did? Because of what he believed about the Master. He didn't trust or love the Master; so, his actions did not demonstrate love and trust, but rather hate and mistrust. It's the same with us, but in reverse: since we know our Lord God to be faithful and kind, we desire to serve Him and render faithful service with what He has given us.



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](http://bit.ly/FaithEustisGiving) to provide your offerings & gifts today!



### **Are You Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down?**

You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. So don't keep it all inside and struggle alone through the holiday season. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry, talk with [Stephen Leaders Barbara or Neal Van Valkenburg].

Call or Text: Barbara – 352.406.2580  
Neal – 352.406.2497

## FREE ADVENT WREATHS

5 advent wreathes with real candles and 3 wreathes with batteries are available for the asking. (See pictures below.) All wreathes come with instructions and readings to celebrate the four Sundays in Advent. There are also additional daily readings for daily devotions. If interested, please contact the church office.



## 2024 FLOWER CHART

The new 2024 flower chart is now available for choosing dates for purchasing altar flowers in memory of loved ones or special events. The chart is located in the church narthex on the table directly below the 2023 chart.

## CHRISTMAS DECORATING

The Trustees are inviting all members of Faith Lutheran to help them decorate our campus—inside and outside - for Christmas. Come join in the fun on Tuesday, November 28 at 9 AM.



## CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

The Annual Angel Tree is up and ready for the picking. We have children from the Lake County School District and our own Faith Lutheran Church and School. Every child has two angels; one for clothing and another for toys or other wants. Follow the directions below and help to make this a wonderful Christmas for a child.

- Choose an angel from the tree.
- Sign the Angel Tree Book next to the appropriate Angel Number.
- Shop for the child.
- Wrap the gifts and put the appropriate angel number or the original angel on each gift.
- Return the gifts to the church by Sunday, December 10th.

Again, thank you for your generosity. Have a blessed Christmas!



Faith Lutheran Church and School presents

*“Come, Ye Faithful”*

A service of carols and lessons by Hal Hopson



Featuring:

Faith Singers (children’s choir)  
Faith Ringers

Student String Students  
Parish Adult Choir

Instrumentalists

Sunday, December 3, 2023, at 4:00 pm in Sanctuary  
All are cordially invited!

# Faith Lutheran School

## Science Fair

On Thursday November 9th Faith held its annual science night. In addition to fun activities in the gym, our students had their hard work judged by local, community scientists. The winners are as follows:

3rd Grade (\* denotes county entry)

1st Place---Shea F.\*

Tied 2nd Place--Callie C.\*

Tied 2nd Place---Gabriel K.

Honorable Mention--Loxley L., Samuel B., Jude W., Marcus H.

4th Grade (\* denotes county entry)

1st---Charlie F.\*

2nd---Lyric S.\*

3rd Place--Embrie R.\*

Honorable Mention--Kailey A., Joziah S., Bennett F., & Pep C.

5th Grade (\* denotes county entry)

1st Place--Keegan C.\*

2nd Place--Cerene R.\*

3rd Place--Brynley P.\*

Honorable Mention--Lexi M., Raylan M., Landon L.

Middle School Division (all will represent Faith at the Lake County Fair)

1st Place--Lera A.

2nd Place--Jack Henry H.

3rd Place--Ella Z.

Honorable Mention--Bree Z., Jameson R., Lorelei L. McKenzie R., Mia S., Henry P., Camden F., Zeke L., Hollis J.



Lions Kidsight USA is coming to Faith Lutheran School to provide free eye screenings for our students on November 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be collecting old/used glasses and hearing aids to donate to their program. These items can be dropped off in the blue donation box in the church narthex during church services or in the church office during the week.

### Coming in December

Wednesday Advent Meals

Join Us for a Jolt of Food, Fellowship & Faith  
Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

Serving From 5:30PM – 6:30 PM

With Dessert & Beverages

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> hosted by Youth Group

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> hosted by the Board of Stewardship

Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> hosted by Board of Trustees

Please look for menu updates in upcoming  
December newsletter and we look forward to  
Seeing you all for dinner.



## SCRIP FUNDRAISER AND CONTEST

Are you planning on giving gift cards this Christmas?

Buy your gift cards here at Faith Lutheran School and the school will receive a commission.

The Scrip Fundraiser Contest begins this week. If Faith has 200 gift cards sold by December 11, 2023 every class will receive a prize. All profits will be used to buy books for the school library. Happy shopping!

We have already sold 28 cards toward our goal.

### What is Scrip?

Scrip is a program that purchases gift cards and the school purchases these gift cards from Scrip at a discount. We offer these gift cards to parents at face value. You receive dollar for dollar the value of cash for these items. Example: You pay \$50 for a Target card and you will purchase \$50 at Target. The school will receive a percentage for the card from Scrip.

Remember gift cards are great for grandparents, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, teachers, office staff, support staff, etc.

- Scrip orders and payments need to be into the school office on Mondays by 12:00 pm.
  - Cards will be available for pick up in the school office by Friday of that week.

The school office does have a few cards that are available for purchase at any time.

All Christmas orders need to be turned in by Monday , December 11th to guarantee delivery before Christmas Break.

If you have any questions please contact Kim Bierlein at [kbierlein@flcse.org](mailto:kbierlein@flcse.org).



HAPPY SHOPPING!



## **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

The Lord's blessings (and much gratitude from members of the Women's Guild) to everyone who participated in this Christian evangelism outreach to children of the world! Twenty-two filled shoeboxes were delivered to First Baptist Church of Mount Dora on Tuesday November 14 by members of Women's Guild. Participants who donated shipping Operation Christmas Child website, scrolling down the page to the "Track Labels" section, then entering your email address or the label code.

[Shoebox Label Options \(samaritanspurse.org\)](http://samaritanspurse.org)

