

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.

December 17, 2023

This Week at Faith 12/18/2023 — 12/24/2023
Church Office Hours 9-12 pm and 1 – 3 pm

Mon.	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Zoom Study
	7:00 pm	Young People Bible Study
Tues.	6:30 pm	Christmas Program Grades 5-8
Wed.	8:30 am	Chapel
	5:30 pm	Advent Meal
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:15 pm	Bells/Choir
 <i>Church Office Hours 9-1 pm. School closed.</i>		
Thurs.	6:00 pm	Young People’s Bible Study
Sat.	5:00 pm	Worship
Sun.	8:45 am	S.S./Bible Study
	10:00 am	Worship/Communion
	7:00 pm	Candlelight Worship
	11:00 pm	Candlelight Worship/Communion

Daily Readings

Dec 18: Is. 34:1-2,8-35:10, Rev. 6:1-17; **Dec 19:** Is. 40:1-17, Rev. 7:1-17; **Dec 20:** Is. 40:18-41:10, Rev. 8:1-13; **Dec 21:** Is 42:1-25, Rev. 9:1-12; **Dec 22:** Is.43:1-24, Rev.9:13-10:11; **Dec 23:** Is. 43:25-44:20, Rev.11:1-19; **Dec 24:** Is.44:21-45:13,20-25, Rev.12:1-17

Sunday Morning Bible Study
Join us for continental breakfast at 8:15 am followed by Bible Study 8:45 to 9:45. Learning and activities for all ages. Adult Class delving into the study of the book of Revelation.

Bible Study / Sunday School 8:45 – 9:30 AM
Pre-K – Kindergarten – CLC Youth
Room 1st – 2nd grades – CLC 5th Grade Classroom
Classroom 3rd – 4th grades – CLC 7th Grade Classroom
5th – 12th grade – CLC 6th Grade Classroom
Adults – Pastor’s Forum (*Revelation*) – Social Hall

Monday Morning Bible Study – 10:00 AM
Adults – *Ezekiel* – Meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

Monday Evening Zoom Bible Study – 7:00 PM
Adult – *Longer Look at the Lessons*

YOUNG PEOPLE’S GROUP & BIBLE STUDY
Meeting Mondays at 7:00 pm and Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall lead by Pastor Moore. The group is a special focus on young people. Join us and bring your friends!

BYOBBS SATURDAYS
Bring Your Own Bible and Brown Bag Weekly Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall on Saturdays, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.



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, Amy (Karen Conrad's daughter-in-law), Robert Truitt, Jean (friend of Harolyn Maynard), Mildred (sister of Margaret Pearsall), Danny Constable (brother of Dottie Weis), Kenny Darety (nephew of Virginia Leffew), Virginia Leffew, Wenda Halter, Stan Weston (cousin to Conrad Schmist), Cindy Thomas, Janet Hejzmanek, Chuck Minkowski (Wanda Clary's brother-in-law), Stephen Repass, Ken Peeler's parents, Carolyn Shuster (daughter-in-law of Cal and Leslie Shuster), Neal Van Valkenburg, Charlene Kolterman, Carolyn Gough, Sharon Estlick, Don Smith, Lisa Truitt.

Anniversaries & Birthdays

12/19 Jeff Knittel
12/20 Alexa Richard
12/21 Michael & Kim Neas, Caleb Olsen
12/22 Shea Fritz
12/23 Wanda & Robert Clary
12/24 Jordan Fouts

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), Gregory Gillinger and Preston Pelletier (Harolyn Maynard's grandson-in-law).

Prayers for corrections officers, especially those serving through the holidays.

Prayers for the Wasmund family, missionaries in Korea.

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



Stewardship

Growing Faith Through Stewardship

1 Thessalonians 5:18 – “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

Christians express their thanks to God in many ways: in prayer, in giving to the Lord's work, in acts of service to others, in faithful living in their daily callings. Everything we do to honor God in our lives is a means of returning thanks for the Lord's many gifts to 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 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

Wednesday Advent Meals

Join Us for a Jolt of Food, Fellowship & Faith
Dec. 20th
Serving From 5:30PM – 6:30 PM

Chili & Salad with Dessert & Beverages
hosted by Board of Trustees

We look forward to seeing you all for dinner.

Christmas Greetings



It is a tradition at Faith Lutheran Church to encourage members to give special offerings to the Lord at Christmas in lieu of sending Christmas greetings to other members of the congregation. All who give such a gift will be listed in the December 22nd announcements on a special Christmas greetings page.

Simply put your gift in an envelope and plainly mark it “CHRISTMAS GREETINGS” and put it in the offering plate or leave it at the church office. The deadline is **Wednesday, December 20th**. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Portals of Prayer Reused

Please consider saving your gently used Portals of Prayer devotion books and giving them to Michael Repass. They are being saved for use through the Agape Ministry Food Pantry.

Strawberry Fundraiser Fast **Approaching!**

In January, don't forget to help the Faith Youth out with purchasing a \$20 box of strawberries freshly picked from Plant Farms. Money/orders are due by January 22. Contact DCE Mike Yurk for more info.



Faith Varsity Earns First Victory

The Faith Lutheran Varsity Basketball team earned their first victory of the season with a 38-29 victory over the Raptors of Real Life Academy, Tuesday night at the Christian Life Center. The Crusaders had a 12-0 run in the 2nd quarter to build a double digit lead at half time. The 2nd half was a back and forth game with Faith finishing it out with a 9 point victory.

Ethan J. led the way with 20 points, while Jaxston T. added 10. Camden F. and Kendra V. each had 4 points and played some tough defense. Lorelei L. led the team in rebounds. The Crusaders head into Christmas break on a high note and look for more exciting things in 2024!

Announcements for Youth Group

Dates to Remember:

January:

- 3- Board of Youth- 5:30pm
- 10- Confirmation- 6-8pm
- 12- Lower King's Kids- 3-5pm
- 13- High School Youth- 6-8pm
- 17- 5-6 Middle School Youth- 6-8pm
- 22- Strawberry Money Due
- 24- Confirmation- 6-8pm
- 26- Upper King's Kids- 3-5pm
- 28- High School Youth- 6-8pm
- 31- 7-8 Grade Middle School Youth- 6-8pm

Contact DCE Mike Yurk for more information.

Thank You!

Thank you to church families and school families that purchased gift cards. Your purchases are greatly appreciated. The profit from just the last three weeks was about \$400.00. Over 300 cards were purchased and each classroom will receive a prize. The school will purchase books for the library from all the profits.

Thank you Mr. Bill Leech for helping take orders at church.

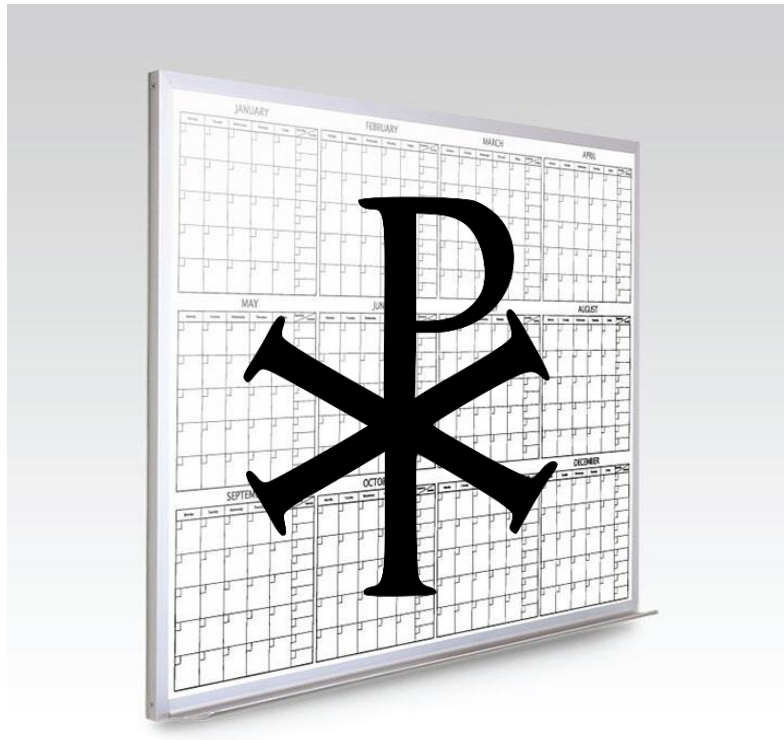
We will begin taking more orders when school resumes in January.

Have a very blessed Christmas and New Year!

In Christ,
Kim Bierlein



Christmas 365



A Celebration of Christmas with Music and Skits

**Presented by Grades 5-8 Handbell Group,
Instrumental Music Group, and Music Classes**

December 19, 2023

6:30 pm in the Church Sanctuary

All are welcome!