

**December 24, 2023**

**This Week at Faith 12/25/2023 — 1/1/2024**

*Church Office Hours 9-1 pm. School closed.*

- Mon.     **CHRISTMAS DAY**  
          10:00 am   Worship with Communion
- Tues.     **NOON JANUARY NEWSLETTER  
          DEADLINE**
- 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
- Mon.     **NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**Daily Readings**

**Dec 25:** Is.49:1-18, Matt.1:1-17; **Dec 26:** Is.49:22-26, 50:4-51:8,12-16, Matt. 1:18-25; **Dec 27:** Is.51:17-52:12, Matt.2:1-12; **Dec 28:** Is.52:13-54:10, Matt.2:13-23; **Dec 29:** Is.55:1-13, Luke 1:1-25; **Dec 30:** Is.58:1-59:3,14-21, Luke 1:26-38; **Dec 31:** Is.60:1-22, Luke 1:39-56; **Jan 1:** Is.61:1-11, Luke 1:57-80

**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.

**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 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 (*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.




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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:

Jerry Barnes, Amy (Karen Conrad's daughter-in-law), Robert Truitt, Jean (friend of Harolyn Maynard), 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 Hejmanek, Chuck Minkowski (Wanda Clary's brother-in-law), Stephen Repass, Ken Peeler's parents, Carolyn Shuster (daughter-in-law of Cal and Lesley Shuster), Neal Van Valkenburg, Charlene Kolterman, Carolyn Gough, Sharon Estlick, Don Smith, Lisa Truitt, Katherine Pagan, Kelly Howard (neighbor of Pastor and Marcy Kappel).

### Anniversaries & Birthdays

12/25 **Jesus of Nazareth**, Ruth Connolly, Carol Duitsman

12/26 Harold & Florence Robinson(70 yrs), Ashton Gebhardt, Grayson Rawlins

12/27 Lois Overn, Nathanael Trah, Tom Ziebart

12/28 James Melsha, Paul Olsen, Gabriella Zebrowski

12/29 Dick & Gina Ellingson

12/30 Lorelei Leech

12/31 Brian & Patricia Brugger, Rachel Davis, Dea Smith

### 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, police, firemen, EMTs, 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

**2 Samuel 7:4-5 – “But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan. “Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in?’”**

Nathan thought David's idea was great, so he blessed it with the Lord's name. But later that night, the Word of the Lord set him straight. The Word of the Lord, not our own desires or whims, must be the basis for what we think, say and do in God's kingdom.



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

## 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.



## JANUARY YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- 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 Grades Middle School Youth- 6-8pm

Contact DCE Mike Yurk for more information.

## If you know anyone in need:

**What:** Feed Your Soul 8th Annual Free Christmas Eve dinner,

**When:** December 24, 2023 from 4pm to 6pm

**Location:** 2910 Dillard Road, Eustis, FL

**Contact** for more information, **and if you need toys:** Please inbox msg or text 352-217-1756

**Details:** Free dinner, unwrapped toys, after dinner event there will be a candlelight service.

We will have free clothes, blankets, and non-perishable food.



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## Faith Lutheran School Winners

2nd Annual Design an Ugly Science Christmas Sweater Competition!!!!

For the second year, middle school students were tasked with designing virtual ugly science themed Christmas sweaters. Congratulations to Mariah, Lorelei, Anna, & Cerene, this year's winners!



Congratulations to Ella M. on winning Trout Lake Nature Fairy House Competition!!!! Way to go Ms. Deidre fostering our students creativity & allowing them represent Faith in the community!





To All Members and Friends of Faith Lutheran Church~

We didn't mail a Christmas greeting to you. We didn't forget you and our failure to send you a card by mail doesn't mean that we don't care about you. We do! But we also love our church and we know that you do, too.

So we took the money we would have spent for greetings and postage to be sent to people we see at church and donated it instead to Faith.

It is in this spirit of the good news, "Unto you is born a Savior!" that we wish you "A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR!"

- Kim Bierlein
- Deb Heilman
- Larry and Jerre Kappel
- Pastor and Marcy Kappel
- Martha and Phil Richards