



# Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church  
Walworth, WI

## Mission Statement

Guided by the Power of the Holy Spirit, we at FELC experience God through **Worship, Learning, Service, and Fellowship.**

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## PASTOR'S *thoughts...*

Hello FELC Disciples,

Even with all the planning and preparation it always amazes me how quickly summer turns into autumn. In less than a week Xander will start kindergarten and we will find our new normal as we face the joys and challenges of this new stage. It is scary and a bit sad because it means that the normal that we have known is never going to be the same again. It is also exciting because this new beginning offers amazing potential for what can be. Isn't this true of all changes in our life? It is also true of changes that are coming at FELC.

This autumn is going to bring with it a lot of new programming and opportunities for faith formation for children, youth and adults. It is exciting because hopefully having a lot of programming options will mean that everyone can find options that work for them and allow them to sit at Jesus' feet and do the tough work of being a disciple. It is also a scary and sad time because these opportunities are going to bring change. We are no longer going to function the way we have before. We are at the point as a congregation that we are transitioning from being a family church to being a programming church. As a family church everyone knew each other and lives are very connected. As we move

into being a programming church some of this is going to change. Over time (by no means is this going to happen quickly) you are not going to know everyone who participates at FELC. People will build strong connections in small groups and the ministries they participate in but no longer will you have a strong connection with everyone. This is exciting because it offers so much potential to grow in our own faith and discipleship and will create opportunities for new people to become involved. It is also scary and sad because things are not going to be the same. We have the opportunity though to draw on our strongest and best traditions to grow into our greatest potential.

I pray that through this process you find ways to be engaged and involved. Rev. Steve Kottke stated it well that churches that thrive are transitioning to being a place where we can sit at Jesus' feet. A place where there are opportunities for us to grow and explore ways to be engaged in the world. Opportunities that allow us to invite others to come and see. A place where we come and explore and practice what it means to be Jesus' disciple in our world today. I look forward to doing this with you!

Shalom, *Pastor Elizabeth*

# WORSHIP



**Sunday, September 9: Rally Day** using ELW Setting 8 and featuring the Blessing of the Bags and Waterlife

**Sunday, September 16: New Member Sunday** using ELW Setting 8 featuring Special Music

**Sunday, September 23: 18th Sunday** after Pentecost using ELW Setting 8 and featuring Volunteer Spotlight

**Sunday, September 23: 19th Sunday** after Pentecost using ELW Setting 8 and featuring Volunteer Spotlight and dedicated the piano

**Sunday, September 30: God's Work, Our Hands Sunday** featuring Young Believers and Rainbow Singers, Service Projects from 10:00-Noon; Potluck Lunch at church following

## **Special Congregational Meeting Sunday, September 23, 2018**

The meeting will discuss how to proceed to meet our financial obligations through January 31, 2019. Based upon current projections, we will run out of cash in mid-November. Following the finance committee's recommendation, the Council has moved to ask the congregation to vote on the following motion:

The council will hold a congregational meeting asking for the authority to withdraw funds from Fund A of our investment bond - above and beyond the dividends and interest as of January 31, 2019. This amount will not exceed and will be up to the current value of our initial investment of 218,7349 shares leads the original cost of \$256,456.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any Council member, or treasurer Chad Roehl.

## **Rally Sunday**



**September 9th Worship** will including Blessing backpacks and Bags and Installing Teachers and

Following worship there will be an Involvement Fair for adults and activities for kids.



## *Worship Assistants*

### **September Assisting Ministers:**

September 2: Rick Lottig & Kristi Reierson

September 9: Jim Haeni

September 16: Chad Roehl

September 23: Kristi Reierson

September 30: Mike Dowden

### **September Ushers:**

September 2: Bruce & Lisa Voss

September 9: Hemmerich Family

September 16: Jim Haeni & John Schwenn

September 23: Mary Heyer & Brent Tildahl

September 30: Larry & Tracy Volbrecht

### **September Communion Assistants:**

September NO COMMUNION

September 9: Gail Nelson

September 16: Lynn Lottig

September 23: Mary Heyer

September 30: Jim Haeni

### **September Money Counters:**

Sept. 2: Grace Churchill & Carlene Sensenbrenner

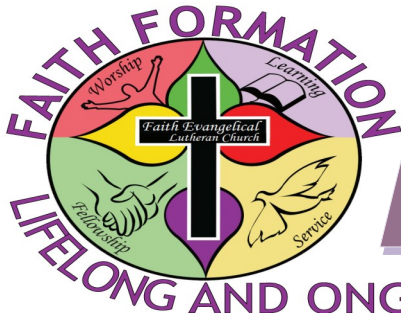
Sept. 9: Grace Churchill & Arnell Jorgensen

Sept. 16: John Schwenn & Jim Haeni

Sept. 23: John Schwenn & Carlene Sensenbrenner

Sept. 30: Grace Churchill & Carlene Sensenbrenner





# Adult Opportunities

Thursdays at 10:00am

## Morning Prayer

Beginning September 13th

The church & criminal justice  
Health & health care Genetics  
The death penalty Human sexuality

### ELCA Social Statements

Church in Society Education  
Race, ethnicity & culture  
September 16: Church In Society

# BIBLE STUDY

Come Join Us

Tuesday, September 25 at 10:00am

Rediscover Macedonia: Generosity

**Widow/Widower Potluck:**  
This is not a formal grief or support group, but will offer opportunities to build relationships with others that have experienced loss. We will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, beginning **September 13<sup>th</sup>, at noon.** Please bring a dish, side, or dessert to share.



### Hobby & Craft Group:

As adults we often forget the importance of play so on the first and third Tuesdays from 10:00am to noon all are welcome to bring a hobby or craft to work on and coloring pages will be provided. We will begin with a short devotion and the rest of the time will be used for creativity, fellowship and fun. **The first gathering will be on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Thursday, September 27th at Noon

All Age 65 plus INVITED

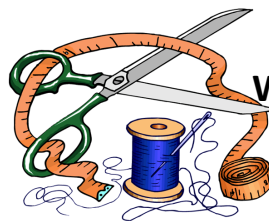
## Senior's Potluck

Bring your favorite dish!



### Wednesdays at 9:15am

All women of Faith are invited to share conversations, Christian fellowship and, of course, coffee and goodies. Please join us!



### Faith Sew-ers

### Wednesdays at 10:00am

Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship



Wine and Word will be meeting **Monday, September 10th at 7:00pm**

We are starting the book *Enough: Silencing the Lies that Steal Your Confidence* by Sharon Jaynes. We will discuss Chapters 1 and 2 at our September meeting.

If you would like a copy of the book please contact Rebecca Roehl or the church. Faith will provide the books, but a \$10 donation to help offset the cost is appreciated.



# Children & Youth Opportunities

## Faith Formation Registration

Registration packets for Wednesday Faith Formation are available on [www.felcwalworth.com](http://www.felcwalworth.com) and in the Gathering Space.

Our Wednesday Faith Formation Classes include:

- ◆ Little Stars Preschool Class: 2 1/2 thru 3 year olds
- ◆ Rainbow Crew: JK/K
- ◆ Faith Builders: 1st– 4th grade
- ◆ Pathfinders: 5th– 6th grade
- ◆ Young Disciples Confirmation: 7th-9th grade
- ◆ Faithline: A Family Faith Formation Opportunity (meeting once a month usually the 1st Wednesday)
- ◆ 7th-12th grade Discussion Group (meeting once a month usually the 1st Wednesday)



This year's 7th—9th Grade Confirmation class will again be working with Christ Lutheran Church in Sharon. **We will have our Student and Parent Orientation on Wednesday, September 12.** We will join other families for tacos at 5:15pm and the orientation will begin at 6:00pm. Please watch your mail for details.



Children ages birth thru 4 and their caretakers are welcome to join us for social time, songs, books, and a craft.

*Older siblings are always welcome*

Second Monday of every month from 10:00-11:00am in the Gathering Space at Faith

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| October 8   | Jesus Loves Me |
| November 12 | Joyful Sound   |
| December 10 | God Made Me    |

## Wednesday Faith Formation

Classes begin Wednesday, September 12 with Faithline:

A Family Faith Formation Opportunity

- ◆ 5:15pm Meal
- ◆ 6:00pm Faithline Family Class and Confirmation Orientation
- ◆ 6:45pm Family Worship



Classes will continue weekly on Wednesdays

- 5:15pm Meal
- 6:00pm Classes for ages 2 1/2 thru 9th grade
- 6:45pm Family Worship, everyone Welcome!

Registration forms are available in the Gathering Space and on our website [www.felcwalworth.com](http://www.felcwalworth.com)

## Young Believers



Our choir/drama group for students in 1<sup>st</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> grade, directed by Rachel West.

**Starting Wednesday, September 12 Young Believers will meet every Wednesday at 4:30pm.**

They will share their first skit and song in worship on September 30th.

**Attention all High School Students:**

## CHAOS YOUTH GROUP MEETING

**Sunday, September 16 from 5:00-7:00pm**

Meet at Faith for fun, snacks, and Christian fellowship

**All students grades 9-12 are welcome! Please bring your friends!**



# Celebrate

## September Baptismal Birthdays

1 Scott Forsythe  
 11 Clay Kynell  
 15 Gail Nelson  
 20 Greg Kovarik  
 25 Spencer Volbrecht

## September Birthdays

12 Chris Lee  
 13 Chloe Weborg  
 15 Mary Heyer  
 16 Eunice Schaid  
 19 Scott Kovarik  
 19 Cam Gorges  
 25 Diane Voss  
 25 Pam Clark  
 26 T.J. & Emily Schaid

## September Wedding Anniversaries

13 Dave & Rochelle Freymiller  
 20 Scott Kovarik & Mary Heyer  
 22 Bob & Diana Voss



**Members:** Evie Andersen, Edith Hanstad, Shirley Heyer, Jose Martinez, Kenny Schaid, Helen Van de Bogert, Jan Van Dreser, the family of Cathy Grams, the family of Mary Kay Nordmeyer

**Family & Friends of Members:** Marques Brugger, Jonathan Carlton (grandson-in-law of Arnell's), Kim Christiansen (Lisa Voss' sister), Renae Clinton (friend of Rachel's), Reita Erickson (Rachel's aunt), Rebecca Greco, Wim Henebiens (Rachel's friend), Kristi Hugunin (Rachel's friend), Miles Kadlec, Bruce Lewis, Marissa Max (Connelly's friend), Rick Montag (Kris' brother), Jean Null & family, Kay & Mike O'Toole (Kris Strehlow's sister and brother-in-law), Mike Palmer, Aria Perce (Rachel's friend), Kaitlyn Vegter (classmate of Clark boys), Dr. Katarzyna Zaremba, Sofia Zematis (neighbor of Christensens), Bishop Vivane Thomas Breifeld & the synod staff, all victims of violence, all service men & women

*To report any changes or additions call 275-3445 or email [secretary@felcwalworth.com](mailto:secretary@felcwalworth.com)*

## LOOKING AHEAD...

Sunday, September 30th: God's Work, Our Hands Sunday with Young Believers and Rainbow Singers, Service Projects at AGAPE House and Big Foot Food Pantry, and 5th Sunday Potluck at noon

Sunday, October 7th: LWR Quilt and Kits Dedication

Sunday, October 21st: Young Believers and Rainbow Singers with CROP Walk Special Offering and Receiving Bibles; CROP Walk in the afternoon in Williams Bay

Sunday, October 28th: Affirmation of Baptism with Reception

Sunday, November 4th: All Saints Sunday with naming of saints

Sunday, November 18th: WELCA Thankoffering Service and Pie Social

Sunday, December 16th: Young Believers

Sunday, December 24th: Mini Choir Contata

Monday, December 25th: 5pm Family Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 30th: Lessons & Carols Service and 5th Sunday Potluck Brunch

Sunday, January 6th: Epiphany Program

# OUR CHURCH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH

## Monthly Financial Report July 31, 2018

Cash Received:

From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$14,141	
From Dividends/Interest	3,569	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>3,226</u>	
<b>Total Cash Received</b>		<b>\$20,936</b>

Cash Paid:

Operating Expenses*	\$15,296	
Synod Benevolence	776	
Committees	64	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>6,920</u>	
<b>Total Cash Paid</b>		<b><u>23,056</u></b>

Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)		(2,120)
Cash Balance, July 1, 2018		<u>19,300</u>
Cash Balance, July 31, 2018		17,180
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>(23,679)</u>
<b>Unrestricted Cash Balance, July 31, 2018</b>		<b>(6,499)</b>

\* Includes changes in non-cash assets, current liabilities, and restricted transfers

\*\* Includes monthly and specific donations

### Year to Date Information

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (as of July 31, 2018) **	67,604	71,120

### Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

<b>Balance</b> , July 1, 2018		27,373
<b>New Dedicated</b>		
Rest. Cash for Next Year (transferred to appropriate accts)	(4,000)	
Sound System	1,000	
Chili Dinner (transferred cost to Prior Year)	244	
Summer Solstice Run/Walk (transferred to Youth Gath)	(1,625)	
National Youth Gathering	1,867	
Expense Reimbursements (closed an open account)	(180)	
Fund	<u>(1,000)</u>	
<b>Total Change in Dedicated</b>		<b><u>(3,694)</u></b>
<b>Balance, July 31, 2018</b>		<b>23,679</b>