



# 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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## Message from Pastor

Hello to the saints at Faith Lutheran!

Now that the Super Bowl is past and Valentine's Day is over what can we look forward to? Six more weeks of snow and cold? Spring training? How about Lent?

One thing I appreciate about being a Lutheran is the seasons. Just like winter move into spring, so we move through Lent to Easter. In a sense we get our house (our lives) in order for the coming of the biggest celebration for Christians... Easter.

We at FELC are preparing for an interesting Lent. Please read over the plans for Wednesday worship times, both at noon and at 7:00 p.m. We will be under the banner of God's love.

For now, let me ask, what's God do with dust? Lent is a season that we begin with a smudge. That smudge or mark is our testimony that we know we are not perfect and will not live forever. That is not a sad statement, but one of reality. It is a sign that we realize that everything we hold dear only lasts of a while and then will be reduced to dust.

Does anything not become dust? God's love for us and our love for him endures. Lent inspires us to ask where God's love will lead us, what will it create in and through us, and what will God do with mortality ad our joy.

So instead of "giving something up for Lent", how about adding something? How about joining us for worship on Wednesday as well as Sundays? (If you do that, bring your Bible with you.)

See you in church, Pastor Otto

P.S. If you want to reach me by phone call 815-988-0677 or pastor phone call 262-812-3064





**Sunday, March 3:** Transfiguration Sunday using ELW Setting 3.

**Sunday, March 10:** First Sunday in Lent using ELW Setting 3 and featuring WaterLife.

**Sunday, March 17:** Second Sunday in Lent using ELW Setting 3 .

**Sunday, March 24:** Third Sunday in Lent using ELW Setting 3.

**Sunday, March 31:** Fourth Sunday in Lent using ELW Setting 3 and featuring Special Youth Choir. Potluck Brunch following worship

# Lent

**Ash Wednesday—March 6**

- Traditional Worship at 7 p.m.

**Lenten Worship Wednesdays**

- Traditional worship at noon followed by soup luncheon
- Family worship at 6:45

## Choir Schedule

**March 3:** 8am rehearsal  
(anthem: *How Deep the Father's Love*)

**March 6** Ash Wed.: 6:30pm rehearsal  
(anthem: *I Need Thee Every Hour*)

**March 10:** No rehearsal (WaterLife)

**March 17:** 8am rehearsal (no anthem)

**March 24:** 8am rehearsal (no anthem)

**March 31:** 8am rehearsal (no anthem)

**March Worship Assistants:**

- March 3: Rick Lottig
- March 10: Barb Weborg
- March 17: Chad Roehl
- March 24: Kristi Reiersen
- March 31: Brent Tildahl

**March Ushers:**

- March 3: Jose Martinez, Steve Miller, Kris & Kevin Strehlow, John Schwenn
- March 10: Larry & Tracy Volbrecht, Hemmerich Family
- March 17: Brent Tildahl, Scott Kovarik, Mary Heyer
- March 24: Kroening Family
- March 31: Terry Schaid, Bruce & Lisa Voss

**March Communion Assistants:**

- March 3: Rick Lottig, Lynn Lottig, Vera Maurer
- March 10: Barb Weborg, Chloe Weborg, Devin Freymiller
- March 17: Chad Roehl, John Schwenn, Mary Heyer
- March 24: Gail Nelson, Karen Martinez, Susie Schaid
- March 31: Brent Tildahl, Vera Maurer, Lynn Lottig

**March Counters:**

- March 3: Arnell Jorgensen & John Schwenn
- March 10: Grace Churchill & Carlene Sensenbrenner
- March 17: John Schwenn & Grace Churchill
- March 24: Arnell Jorgensen & Carlene Sensenbrenner
- March 31: John Schwenn & Grace Churchill

**April Worship Assistants:**

- April 7: Kristi Reiersen
- April 14: Rick Lottig
- April 21: Chad Roehl
- April 28: Brent Tildahl

**April Ushers:**

- April 7: Jose Martinez, Steve Miller, John Schwenn, Kris & Kevin Strehlow
- April 14: Larry & Tracy Volbrecht, Hemmerich Family
- April 21: Brent Tildahl, Mary Heyer, Scott Kovarik
- April 28: Kroening Family

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- April 7: Gail Nelson, Karen Martinez, Susie Schaid
- April 14: Rick Lottig, Lynn Lottig, Chloe Weborg
- April 21: Chad Roehl, Vera Maurer, Devin Freymiller
- April 28: Brent Tildahl, Mary Heyer, John Schwenn

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# Children & Youth Opportunities

## Food, Fun, and Friends

Wednesday, March 27  
10am-3pm

Lunch Included (\$3 suggested donation)  
All 4K-8th graders are welcome to join us on your day off for some food, fun, and friends.

Activities include: cleaning up the churchyard, collecting donations for the Food Panty from around the neighborhood, playing games, doing crafts, and more.



## Wednesday

**No Faith Formation evening activities or worship on Wednesday, March 27.**

### Faithline: Family Faith Formation Class

Wednesday, March 6:  
Topic: Ash Wednesday  
Meal: 5:15pm  
Class: 6:00pm



Family Class for all ages (including Confirmation and high school students) with the imposition of ashes.

Ash Wednesday Traditional Worship:  
7:00pm

### Faith Formation during Lent

Wednesday Evenings:

March 13 & 20 and April 3 & 10

Meal 5:15pm

Adult discussion group and classes for children and youth: 6:00pm

Worship: 6:45pm



## YOUNG DISCIPLES

### Confirmation Classes

7th & 8th Grade students meet on Wednesday nights during Faith Formation class time. The focus of March's lessons are the Apostle's Creed and Confirmation retreat prep and reflections.

Anchored in Creation weekend Confirmation retreat at Lutherdale Bible Camp in Elkhorn, WI. Confirmation students meet at church at 6:00pm Friday March 15.



## CHAOS YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, March 17 5-7pm  
Invite all your friends : )

Next multi-church youth group social event is at Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church and Cougar Lanes in Clinton on Sunday, April 14.

## Young Believers



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

**They meet on Wednesdays at 4:30pm.**

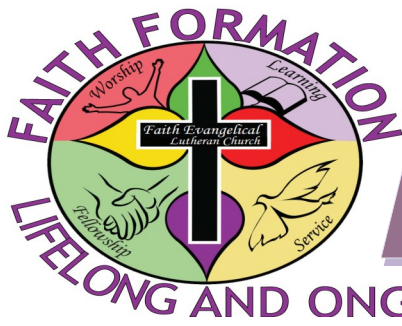
## Special Youth Choir

Sunday, March 31, 9am worship

Practice Sunday, March 31 at 8:15am

Any "youth" 1st grader thru college are invited to join us!





# Adult Opportunities

New this year:

## FELC Community Meal

Featuring a Build Your Own Mac and Cheese Bar. The "Bar" will include FELC's famous chili, pulled pork, veggies, bacon, and much more.

*Saturday, April 13 4-7pm*

*Silent Auction, Bucket Raffle, Music and more will make for a very enjoyable evening!*

### Potlucks:



We will not meet during Lent. Potlucks will resume April 25. Join us then for good food and good conversation!

Third Sunday discussion group following worship  
The church & criminal justice  
Health & health care  
Genetics  
The death penalty  
Human sexuality

### ELCA Social Statements

March 17: Race, Ethnicity and Culture

April 28: Peace

### LEAD 2019 - Get Ready!

Saturday, March 9 - 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Location: Evangelical Lutheran Church

315 Main Street - Mount Horeb

Leadership Education and Development Day

Theme: Building Beloved Community

Register at: <https://bit.ly/SCSWLEAD2019>

### Lenten Study Opportunities

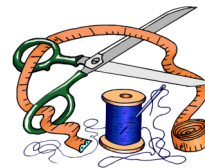
- Wednesday following noon service led by Pastor Otto with soup included
- Wednesday evening 6pm led by Rick Lottig

## Women of the ELCA



### 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 10:15 a.m.

Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship



**Wine and Word** will meet **Tuesday**, March 5 at 7pm.

All Women Welcome. Invite your Friends!

This will be a social evening. We will begin discussing our next book, *The Red Tent*, on Tuesday, April 2.



**March** — Lisa Voss & Rochelle Freymiller

**April** — Gail Nelson

# *FELC Congregation Council*

Executive: Kristi Reiersen, President  
Rick Lottig, Vice President  
Barb Nordmeyer, Secretary

Chad Roehl, Treasurer

## Committee Liaisons

Finance: Brent Tildahl  
Learning: Amanda Bender, Diane Voss  
Property: Perry Weborg

Stewardship: Tracy Volbrecht  
Technology: Stephanie Freimund  
Worship: Gail Nelson

Congregation Council meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

# You Can Help

## **MALE CHAPERONE NEEDED**

What: Weekend Confirmation Retreat at Lutherdale in Elkhorn, WI

When: Friday, March 15 7pm - Sunday, March 17 10am

Why: To enrich the faith of our Confirmation students and yourself

Contact Rebecca if you are interested: [education@felcwalworth.com](mailto:education@felcwalworth.com)

## **PERSONAL CARE KITS**

During Lent, WELCA is sponsoring a Personal Care Kit drive for Lutheran World Relief. You can help by bringing in items: light-weight bath-size towels (dark color), bath-size bars of soap equaling 8-9 oz. (any brand in original wrapping), adult-size toothbrushes (in original packaging), sturdy combs, and metal nail clippers.

## **SILENT AUCTION AND BUCKET RAFFLE DONATIONS**

Our CHAOS group will be organizing and hosting a silent auction and a bucket raffle during our FELC Community Meal on April 13. If you are interested in donating any items for this youth fundraiser please contact Rebecca Roehl or bring items to church by April 6.

## **BIG FOOT AREA EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY**

We are continuing to collect donations for our local food pantry. Please place items in the basket in the gathering space.

Cash donations are also appreciated.



## **HELPING ON SUNDAYS**

Nine (9) volunteers are needed each Sunday to assist with various parts of worship. We are in need of readers, communion assistants, ushers and counters. Will you help?

Please contact Gail Connelly via [secretary@felcwalworth.com](mailto:secretary@felcwalworth.com)



- ◆ We collect Sentry receipts which help fund special projects. Turn in your receipts each month to the container in the gathering space. (Make sure the date at the bottom of the receipt is visible.)
- ◆ The focus during Lent will be on the theme of love. Join us as we learn about the sacrifice and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- ◆ We have Girls Scout Cookies for sale! Thanks to a generous donation from a church member, we are selling boxes of cookies for \$4. Proceeds will be split between our Faith Formation program and the Literacy Program at Walworth Elementary School.

- ◆ Pastor Otto wants to hear from you. Answer his monthly questions found on the announcement insert on Sundays or schedule an appointment to meet with him.

- ◆ Council is creating a “wish list” of items needed and/or wanted at Faith. If you have an idea or suggestion, contact a council member.

- ◆ 20 high school students from 4 area churches, plus some friends, were at Faith Lutheran on Sunday evening February 10, playing games, eating pizza, watching a movie, and simply enjoying being with each other.

- ◆ On February 6, 15 kids were at Faith Lutheran for Food, Fund, and Friends. They learned about building their life on Jesus. They made tie fleece blankets for the Linus Project and communion bread for Wednesday worship.

# Thank You

- To Laurie Collins, Kristi Reierson, and Arnell Jorgensen for helping with Food, Fun and Friends on Wednesday, Feb. 6.
- To Rose Haeni for helping with CHAOS on Sunday, Feb. 10.
- To the FELC community for providing refreshments and serving as hosts/ hostesses during the Celebration of Life for Jim Haeni.
- To everyone who turned in updated contact information for themselves and any adult children of Faith Lutheran. We are still looking to update all our records.

# Celebrate

## March Baptismal

### Birthdays

1 Joyce Forsythe  
9 John Schwenn  
15 Karl Nelson  
19 Joyce Shunk  
27 Julie & Phillip Forsythe

## March Birthdays

12 Dave Freymiller  
14 Rochelle Freymiller  
24 Gerda Moritz  
25 Devin Freymiller  
25 Terry Schaid  
31 Dean & Camden Hemmerich

## March

### Wedding Anniversaries

10 Rick & Lynn Lottig  
18 Chuck & Penny Gruetzmacher



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

**Members:** Shirley Heyer, Evie Andersen, Helen Van de Bogert, Van de Bogert, Jan Van Dreser,  
**Family & Friends of Members:** The family of Jim Haeni, Kay O'Toole (Kris Strehlow's sister), Mike O'Toole (Strehlow's brother-in-law), Rick Montag (Kris Strehlow's brother), Jonathan Carlton (grandson-in-law of Arnell's), Tom Fredrick (Stephanie Freimund's father), Steve Jacobson (Angie Kynell's cousin), Kristi Hugunin (friend of Rachel's), all service men & women, Sofia Zematis (neighbor of Christensens), Bruce Lewis, Mike Palmer, Jean Null & family, Rebecca Greco, Kim Christiansen (Lisa Voss' sister), Renae Clinton (friend of Rachel's), Marques Brugger, Reita Erickson (Rachel's aunt), Bishop Viviane Thomas-Breitfeld & the synod staff, Wim Henebiens & Aria Pierce (friends of Rachel), Miles Kadlec, all victims of violence

## LOOKING FORWARD....

### Palm Sunday Choir Cantata:

If you are interested in singing with the choir for the cantata on Sunday, April 14 please attend practices when you are able on Sunday mornings at 8am or after Wednesday evening worship at 7:15pm.

### Holy Week Worship Schedule:

Maundy Thursday: 7pm

Good Friday: 1pm

Easter Sunday: 9am

Breakfast to follow with donations accepted for our CHAOS youth group

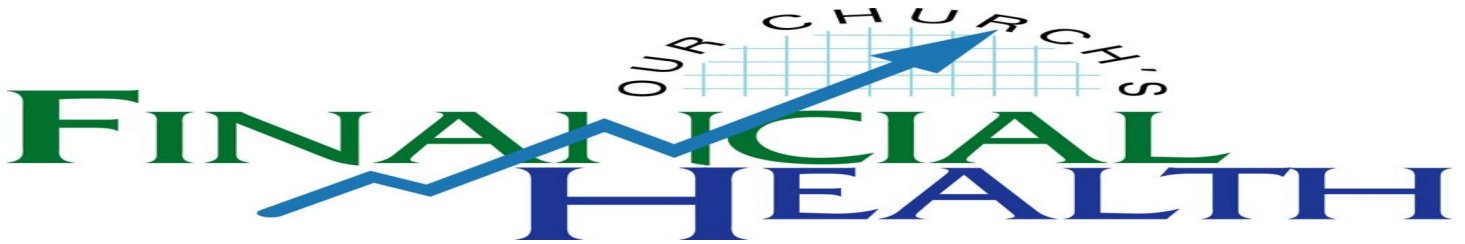
### Dates to Save:

April 6: Strike Out Homelessness: Spirit of Hope Homeless Shelter Benefit

April 13: Mac and Cheese Bar

May 12: Celebration Sunday with Youth led worship





### Monthly Financial Report January 31, 2019

Cash Received:		
From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$10,473	
From Dividends/Interest	661	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$11,134
Cash Paid:		
Operating Expenses*	\$9,957	
Synod Benevolence	964	
Committees	573	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Paid		<u>11,494</u>
Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)		(360)
Cash Balance, January 1, 2019		<u>22,526</u>
Cash Balance, January 31, 2019		22,166
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>(23,397)</u>
Unrestricted Cash Balance, January 31, 2019		(1,231)

\* 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 January 31, 2019) **	9,454	10,474

### Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

<b>Balance</b> , January 1, 2019		23,397
<b>New Dedicated</b>		
No change in dedicated	<u>(0)</u>	
Total Change in Dedicated		<u>0</u>
<b>Balance</b> , January 31, 2019		23,397