### **Mission Statement**

October 2019

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 Vicar Lily

People of Faith Evangelical Lutheran at Walworth, WI.,

#### Good day!

"Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try! If you try, you can think up a guff going by..." A story written by Dr. Seuss and a common story I have been reading my son lately. I have been reflecting on this congregation, there are so many dreams and "thinks" that have been brought up to me and brought up for years within this space. How wonderful!

Let's keep up these thinks but let's also narrow down some achievable ones to act on. Some more recent thinks that I have witnessed but are not limited to: within our great child and youth program, young people from outside our church have been welcomed and are coming to our space on Wednesdays. CHAOS is putting together service projects and preparing a free breakfast for high school students each Thursday morning starting the first week of October, right here in our gathering space or on our lawn. Ladies of all ages gather the first Tuesday of the month for "Wine and Word", a gathering that has also brought women from other churches around. The technology committee is working on perfecting our sound quality within the sanctuary and moving forward with a projection system that will create a better space for our visual learners as well as a way to join together in this technological world that we are living into. Look at all this good, actions that took place from someone's little think. We are a small but mighty church, and we have so much to offer.

What is going well in this space? What do we need to improve on? What are the next thinks to act on?

Oh, the thinks you can think if only you try! If you try, you can think of God's love in the blink of an eye...

I am happy to be in this with you, I hope you are too! Enough rhyming for now, but looking forward to seeing you throughout October if time will allow!

In God's Peace,
Vicar Lily Brellenthin

Also if you want to reach me by the pastor phone, call or text at 262-812-3064, or email at pastor@felcwalworth.com







**Sunday, October 6**: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ELW Setting 8
- Pulpit Exchange with Pastor Dick Inglett preaching
- Volunteer Spotlight

**Sunday, October 13:** Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ELW Setting 8
- Featuring WaterLife
- Lay message Sunday

**Sunday, October 20:** Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ELW Setting 8
- Vicar Lily Brellenthin preaches

Sunday, October 27: Reformation Sunday

- ELW Setting 8
- Featuring Young Believers and CHAOS Choir
- Affirmation of Baptism Worship
- Vicar Lily Brellenthin presides
- Pastor Karl Otto preaches



Wednesday Night Family Worship at 6:45 p.m.

All are welcome!



Senior Choir (All ages welcome)

Rehearsals: Sunday mornings at 8 a.m.

Worship: 1st Sunday of the month starting October 6.

**CHAOS Choir (7th-12th grade)** 

Rehearsals: Wednesdays from 7:15-7:45 p.m.

Worship: October 27, December 15, February 2, February 23, April 5, May 17

Contact Rachel West for more information about any of the above choirs.



# Worship Leaders

#### **October Worship Assistants:**

October 6: Chad Roehl October 13: Rick Lottig October 20: Kristi Reierson

October 27: Confirmation Students

#### **October Ushers:**

October 6: Larry & Tracy Volbrecht, Hemmerich Family October 13: Brent Tildahl, Mary Heyer, Scott Kovarik

October 20: Bruce & Lisa Voss, Terry Schaid

October 27: Jose Martinez, Steve Miller, John Schwenn

#### **October Communion Assistants:**

October 6: Chad Roehl, John Schwenn, Vera Maurer October 13: Rick Lottig, Gail Nelson, Mary Heyer

October 20: Vera Maurer, Susie Schaid, Karen Martinez

October 27: Confirmation Students

#### **October Counters:**

October 6: Arnell Jorgensen, Brent Tildahl October 13: Grace Churchill, Pam Christensen October 20:Arnell Jorgensen, John Schwenn October 27: Grace Churchill, Brent Tildahl

Training for worship leaders (ushers, worship assistants, and communion assistants) is scheduled for October 13 immediately following the worship service.

#### **November Worship Assistants:**

November 3: Brent Tildahl November 10: Kristi Reierson

November 17: WELCA

November 24: Faith Formation

#### **November Ushers:**

November 3: Larry & Tracy Volbrecht, Hemmerich Family November 10: Brent Tildahl, Mary Heyer, Scott Kovarik

November 17: WELCA

November 24: Faith Formation

#### **November Communion Assistants:**

November 3: Brent Tildahl, Vera Maurer, Karen Martinez November 10: Rick Lottig, Lynn Lottig, John Schwenn November 17: WELCA, Susie Schaid, Mary Heyer

November 24: Faith Formation

#### **November Counters:**

November 3: Arnell Jorgensen, Grace Churchill November 10: Brent Tildahl, Pam Christensen November 17: Pam Christensen, John Schwenn November 24: Grace Churchill, Brent Tildahl



October — Lisa Voss & Angie Kynell

November—Joyce & Don Shunk

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions attend the training on October 13 or contact the church office.





# **Adult Opportunities**

This discussion is open to all!stice He Every 3rd Sunday of the month. tics The deathcome when you can! sexuality

#### **ELCA Social Statements**

Sunday, October 20—Economic Life Sunday, November 17—Health & aring for creationHealth Careon

#### Technology, Sound, & Projection Project Team

We are in need of some Techy people who love technology and want to improve the sound and sight of the church experience. Call or text Stephanie Freimund at 815-482-0436 if you'd like to be a part of this team.



# **Potluck Luncheon**

**Thursday, October 10** at noon

Join us the second Thursday of the month for a delicious meal and fun conversation! Invite a friend.

Bring a dish to pass.

### Spirit of Hope Men's Homeless Shelter

Sausage Gravy & Biscuit Breakfast October 5, 2019 8:00-11:00 a.m.

at Chapel on the Hill Parish Hall Adults: \$10 Children 6-10: \$5

More info is available on the church bulletin board.

## Saying Goodbye with Grace

Imagine the family scene during a health emergency or immediately after your death if you leave no instructions. What might it be like? Saying Goodbye with Grace is a 2-day series to assist you with "being prepared". We will meet on October 13th and October 20th at Sugar Creek **Lutheran Church beginning at 11:45.** The presentations will end at approximately 1:30. Please join us for a learning luncheon to inform, prepare and empower you to make decisions regarding changes in your health and end of life now. Everyone is welcome. Reservations are encouraged but not necessary. Please call the Sugar Creek Lutheran Church office at (262) 728-2222 to save your space or if you have any questions.

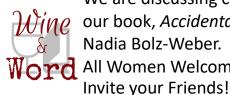
# omen ELCA



Faith Sew-ers Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship

Wine and Word: Tuesday, October 1 at 7pm.



We are discussing chapters 8-13 of ine our book, Accidental Saints by Nadia Bolz-Weber. All Women Welcome.



### Wednesdays at 9:15am

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



Free Breakfast for all High School Students!

Every Thursday morning starting at 7:15

Faith Formation Classes Wednesday Evenings

Meal: 5:15

Fellowship: 5:45

Class: 6:00 Worship: 6:45

Registration Forms can be found at www.felcwalworth.com

All students are welcome to join at any time!

# Faithline: Family Faith Formation

Wednesday, October 2 6:00pm

Pastor Dick Inglett will be our instructor as we begin a 3-part series on Holy Communion.

For more information, or to help with any activity, please contact Rebecca Roehl at education@felcwalworth.com



7th & 8th grade students meet on Wednesday nights during Faith Formation class time.

Registration forms available on www.felcwalworth.com



are not meeting at this time. If your child has an interest in this choir please contact Rebecca Roehl.

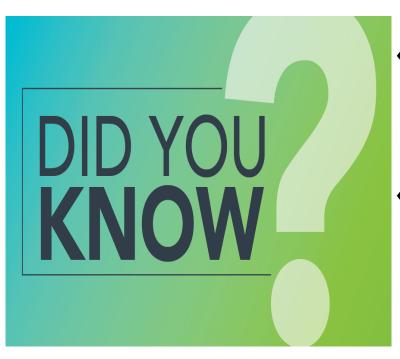
CHAOS Choir: 7th-12th grade Rehearse Wednesdays 7:15-7:40pm Sing at 9am Worship October 27





Pancake Breakfast Sunday, October 13

Following 9am Worship Freewill donations to support breakfast for High School Students



- The South-Central Synod of Wisconsin publishes a weekly newsletter via email entitled What Matters. You can subscribe to this newsletter through our synod website.
- 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 Rev. Peter Rogness Appointed Interim Bishop of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin

The South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Council is pleased to announce that they have affirmed the appointment by Presiding Bishop Eaton of Peter Rogness as the Interim Bishop. Bishop Rogness will begin on September 26<sup>th</sup> and will serve until July 31, 2020.

Rogness is a graduate of Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD, and Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. Upon graduation he served two Milwaukee parishes, the longest being ten years at Hephatha Lutheran Church. In 1985 he was elected bishop of the Southern Wisconsin District of the former America Lutheran Church, with offices in Madison. With the advent of the ELCA in 1988, he served as bishop of the Greater Milwaukee Synod for the maximum three terms, until 2002. That year he was elected bishop of the Saint Paul Area Synod, where he served until his retirement in 2014.

Since that time, he has served two interim positions in international English-speaking congregations related to the ELCA, first in Oslo, Norway, and most recently in Bratislava, Slovakia.

Peter and his wife Gerry have four adult children and four grandchildren. They reside in St. Paul, when they're not at their lake cabin in northern Minnesota.

"I look forward to being a part of the life of this synod for the next 10 months. I don't feel entirely a stranger, since I served this territory now over 30 years ago and served your neighboring synod for 14 years. But much has changed, and I've appreciated the conversations I've already had as we've talked about how my role here can help lay a good foundation for the next chapter in the life of this synod. I will meet many of you at the Bishop's Convocation in October and will also seek to be in the conferences of this synod for further conversations. I am both hopeful and confident that these next months will bring good movement of the Spirit in our midst. Thank you for the invitation to serve."



**October Baptismal Anniversaries** 

Perry Weborg

6 Lisa Voss

**15 Molly Kovarik** 

25 Joyce Shunk

30 Olivia Haeni

12 Tim Clark

16 Kevin Lee

**20 Courtney Roehl** 

24 Laura Voss



#### To report any changes or additions call 275-3445 or email secretary@felcwalworth.com

Members: Shirley Heyer, Evie Andersen, Helen Van de Bogert, Rose Haeni and sons, Matt & Nate, Matt Pruessing,

Family & Friends of Members: The family of Jan Van Dreser, 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, Madeline Zindrick, Rebecca Blonsky-Nummelin (Rachel's niece), Yvonne Reynolds (friend of Gail Connelly) all victims of violence

# LOOKING FORWARD...

*Upcoming important dates and events:* 

Wednesday, October 2: Faithline Family Class

Sunday, October 13: Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 27: Affirmation of Baptism Worship & Confirmation Reception

Sunday, November 3: All Saints Sunday with Naming of Saints with Candles Sunday, November 17: WELCA Thank Offering Service & Pie Social

Sunday, November 24: Faith Formation Thanksgiving Service

# You Can Help

## **Sponsor a Faith Formation Meal**

Do you like to cook? Contact Rebecca Roehl or Lisa Voss and you can be a "guest chef" for Faith Formation one Wednesday night. Or, if cooking is not your thing, but you want to help consider donating \$35 to sponsor a Faith Formation Meal. Simply place your donation in the offering plate on Sunday with the notation that it is for a sponsored Faith Formation meal.

### **Treasurer**

The position of Church Treasurer will be available starting in January 2020. Please prayerfully consider if this is a way you could serve FELC. Chad Roehl will help train the new treasurer.

#### ADULT MINISTRY:

If you have a passion for working with other adults, young and/or old, please contact Rebecca Roehl, education@felcwalworth.com, and she will get you connected with lay leaders in our Church to Church Cohort who have similar interests.

Don't forget we are always collecting donations for the Big Foot Area Food Pantry!



# Congregation Council

Executive: Kristi Reierson, President

Rick Lottig, Vice President Barb Nordmeyer, Secretary Chad Roehl, Treasurer

Committee Liaisons

Finance: Brent Tildahl

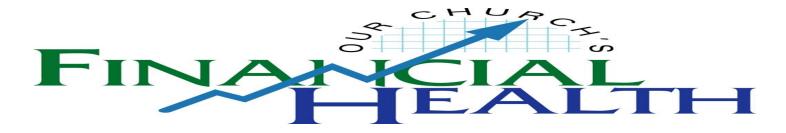
Learning: Amanda Bender, Diane Voss

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. All are welcome to attend.



### Monthly Financial Report August 31, 2019

Cash Received:		
From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$13,343	
From Dividends/Interest	0	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	0	
Total Cash Received		\$13,343
Cash Paid:		
Operating Expenses*	\$9,895	
Synod Benevolence	964	
Committees	1,154	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	0	
Total Cash Paid		12,013
Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)		1,330
Cash Balance, August 1, 2019		<u>8,366</u>
Cash Balance, August 31, 2019		9,696
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		(23,141)
Unrestricted Cash Balance, August 31, 2019		(13,444)

<sup>\*</sup> Includes changes in non-cash assets, current liabilities, and restricted transfers

#### **Year to Date Information**

	<u>Budget</u>	Actual
From Members to General Fund (as of August 31, 2019) **	78,557	79,531
Total Expenses	99.206	92.205

#### Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance , August 1, 2019	23,141
New Dedicated	
No changes in memorials	<u>0</u>
Balance, August 31, 2019	23,141



### Treasurer

Open Position: Church treasurer

Starting in January, 2020, FELC is in need of a church treasurer. If you are interested and willing to share your talents with the congregation, contact the church office or a member of the congregation council.

# Technology Sound & Projection Project Meeting Thursday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m.

Please join us as the next technology meeting on Oct. 3. All are welcome. Thank you for all your help!



<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes monthly and specific donations

## **A Message from Pastor Inglett**



This Fall Semester Vicar Lily is moving along well in her preaching class at Lutheran School of Theology. September 30 and October 1, Vicar Lily and I will both be attending an Intern and Supervisor workshop in Rockford. October will be a big month for Vicar Lily, myself and both of our churches. In October, you will be seeing Vicar Lily and I in a couple of different settings. She will present at our combined Women's Retreat at Lutherdale. Wednesday October 2 and Sunday October 6 Vicar Lily will be preaching and leading worship at Sugar Creek and I will be with you at Faith Evangelical. We will both being involved in all of each other's full Wednesday and Sunday experiences.

Vicar Lily will begin her month at Sugar Creek presiding at a Baptism and end the month presiding over the Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation) at Faith Evangelical. For myself, it will be an opportunity to get to know the community of Christians that I have the privilege of being list as the rostered pastor. This is an odd experience by the way. Which leads me to my observation for the month.

We are engaged in an experiment that all parties involved are embracing fully and with excitement. I have loved to hear from you that there is a feeling of joy and warmth and hope at Faith Evangelical. That is a credit to Vicar Lily, you all and your church leadership. It is also great to experience how your positive feelings about Faith Evangelical and Vicar Lily is empowering you to invite others and share this good news. That is very clear definition of evangelism. Way to live out your name.

I want to you remind you that one of the reason things are working well is because of lay leadership and ownership. This is precisely what we want to create in the future way that many congregations will be doing church. The temptation, as you get more comfortable with Vicar Lily and she gets more comfortable with you, is to slip back into the old vision of the "Pastor's Church." We cannot forget that Vicar Lily is a student and half-time Vicar. Nor can we move into saying well "Vicar Lily, Rebecca etc. will just take care of it." Now is actually the time for more people to step forward, clearer communication to be developed, and roles and responsibilities to be defined. I have found that if someone knows what to do, how to do it, and what is expected they are more likely to participate. You are at the right time for this to happen. As people are excited and want to invite others to come and see what is happening at Faith Evangelical there will be more opportunity to serve and greater need to get new people involved.

Peace Pastor Dick



## **Staff & Open Door Meetings**

Open Door meetings will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 22, and 29.

All are welcome to attend!



Lynn Lottig is our new Sunshine Lady! If you know of someone who might need to be send a card, please contact Lynn at 262-725-6469