



# Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church Walworth, WI

## Mission Statement

August 2020

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

## Message from Vicar Lily

People of Faith Evangelical Lutheran,

Another month is upon us. Another month of uncertainty, another month of cancelled plans and another month of figuring it out. Don't lose the faith, dear ones. We are here, we are the church. And oh the stories we will tell to the next generations.

Never did I think that I would post a YouTube video each week, let alone two!  
Never did I think I would be experiencing the "terrible twos" with a toddler in quarantine.  
Never did I think that I could be protecting someone from my possible dangerous germs by not picking up something they dropped near me at the grocery store.  
Never did I think that I would be forced into all online seminary classes because I would be put on a 14-day quarantine in Illinois for wanting to attend a three hour class in person.

We are living in strange times, but don't lose the faith. I say this for you, and I say this for me. Check in on one another. Write a letter, leave a some flowers on a neighbor's doorstep, leave another sweet sidewalk chalk message, take a moment to breathe. (all has been said before, but let's do it again!)

We don't have official "Steps to Make it Through a Pandemic", we might have this type of guideline after this one, for another one in our lifetime (hoping not). Nevertheless, please know that you are strong, you are brave, you are a child of God. That being said, we have to care for one another. We have to listen to the researchers and people in fields that know how to fight viruses. Please be careful out there. I see you, I miss you, we will be okay.

Love and Peace,  
Vicar Lily Brellenthin

If you want to reach me by the pastor phone, call or text at 262-812-3064, or email at [pastor@felcwalworth.com](mailto:pastor@felcwalworth.com)





## A Message from Pastor Inglett

### Internship Update

Vicar Lily and I and the Internship Lay Committee are finishing up Vicar Lily's mid-internship evaluations that will be submitted to the Seminary and our Synod's candidacy committee. Since April Vicar Lily has been working hard to provide two weekly video opportunities for both of our congregations. Vicar on the Go and the weekly worship services have been very well received, appreciated and speak to Vicar Lily's care and compassion for the worship and spiritual life of Faith Lutheran and Sugar Creek.

### Special note from our church council to wear masks while inside the church.

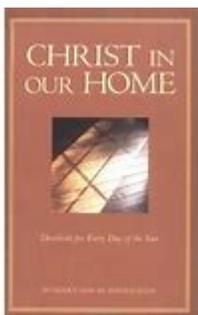
Help us care for one another as we can!

As this is mandatory at this time, we have extra masks available.

- ⇒ Enter church
- ⇒ Have or put mask on
- ⇒ Sign in for accountability
- ⇒ Group leaders disinfect main surfaces used before exiting church



Nina Chakrabarti



“Christ in Our Home” books are available for pick up. Stop by to get a copy. Large print books area also available.



## ***Sunday Morning Outdoor Worship at 9:00***

### **Looking ahead through August: scripture:**

#### *August 2nd: 9th Sunday after Pentecost:*

Romans 9:1-5 The glory of God's people Israel

Matthew 14:13-21 Christ feeding the five thousand

#### *August 9th: 10th Sunday after Pentecost:*

Romans 10:5-15 Hearing and confessing the word of faith

Matthew 14:22-33 Jesus walking on the sea

#### *August 16th: 11th Sunday after Pentecost:*

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 God's mercy to all, Jew Gentile

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28 The healing of the Canaanite woman's daughter

#### *August 23rd: 12th Sunday after Pentecost:*

**"Back to School with God" Sunday: Bring your school/work/everyday bag for a blessing!**

Romans 12:1-8 One body in Christ, with gifts that differ

Matthew 16:13-20 The profession of Peter's faith

#### *August 30th: 13th Sunday after Pentecost:*

Romans 12:9-21 Live in harmony

Matthew 16:21-28 The passion prediction and rebuke to Peter

### **Outdoor Worship:**

- We will continue through August with this format of outdoor worship.
- We will gather outside in the parking lot in the marked shaded area.
- You are welcome to bring your own chair and maybe an umbrella for the sun.
- We are encouraged to wear masks, and we will be keeping our distance.
- To stay safe and organized we will only enter the Devil's Lane side, park and join us!
- Communion will be served under the canopy in cars as we exit the parking lot.



# Adult Opportunities



## Bakers Needed!

If you can help bake communion bread, please contact Gail Nelson at [gdn@charter.net](mailto:gdn@charter.net) or (262) 745-9623.

A HUGE **THANK YOU** to Vera Maurer for her ministry to FELC in baking communion

The **Learning Committee** is meeting on Wednesday, **August 12 at 7pm**. If the weather is good, we will meet outside the main entrance of the church. Otherwise, we will meet socially distanced in the Gathering Space.

## Church to Church Cohort Meeting Tuesday, August 18 at 6:30pm at Faith

We will meet outside or socially distanced in the Gathering Space. Please plan to wear a mask.

We look forward to sharing ideas with other local ELCA churches.

Anyone interested in this conversation is

## WHAT MATTERS - Stay Connected To Synod Happenings, News, & Events!

Grow in your faith and leadership! Stay connected to exciting events and stories of our faith in action in our synod! To sign up for synod news, please email Assistant to the Bishop for Synodical Life, Deacon Vicki Hanrahan at [vickih@scsw-elca.org](mailto:vickih@scsw-elca.org) to be added to "What Matters."

Please also check out our synod website:

[www.scsw-elca.org](http://www.scsw-elca.org)



## Wednesdays at 9:15am

When the weather is nice we will meet outside the front door of the church, under the awning. If the weather is bad, this group will not meet.

## Faith Sew-ers

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

## Sheets needed for Quilts!

Dark colors are preferred. Please bring donations to the church.

We are meeting again, but keeping our social distance.



## DATE CHANGE FOR AUGUST

Our August meeting will be a social!

Please note the date change:

We will meet on **Sunday, August 9**

Time and Location is yet to be determined.



# Children & Youth Opportunities



Food, Fun, and Friends  
(without the food)

Wednesday, August 19

1-3:30pm—all outdoors

Games, Music, Crafts & More

All children 3 years old-8th grade are welcome.

\*\*Alternative dates will be chosen if the weather is bad.



High School Youth Group

CHAOS meets the 3rd Sunday of the month at 5pm. We are currently meeting outside the main entrance of the church.

**Next Meeting: Sunday, August 16**

If you would like to be added to our group text contact Rebecca at (608) 728-2798

Any high school students who are interested in a summer 2021 mission trip should contact Rebecca ASAP.

The ELCA Youth Gathering has been postponed until July 24-28 2022. Students who are in 8th-12th grade during the 2021-2022 school year will be eligible to attend.



## Faith Formation

Back to School With God Sunday

August 23, 2020

9am outdoor worship

- Blessing of bags
- Faith Formation registration
- Faith Formation schedules
- Confirmation registration

## Ecumenical Community Backpack and School Supply Drive

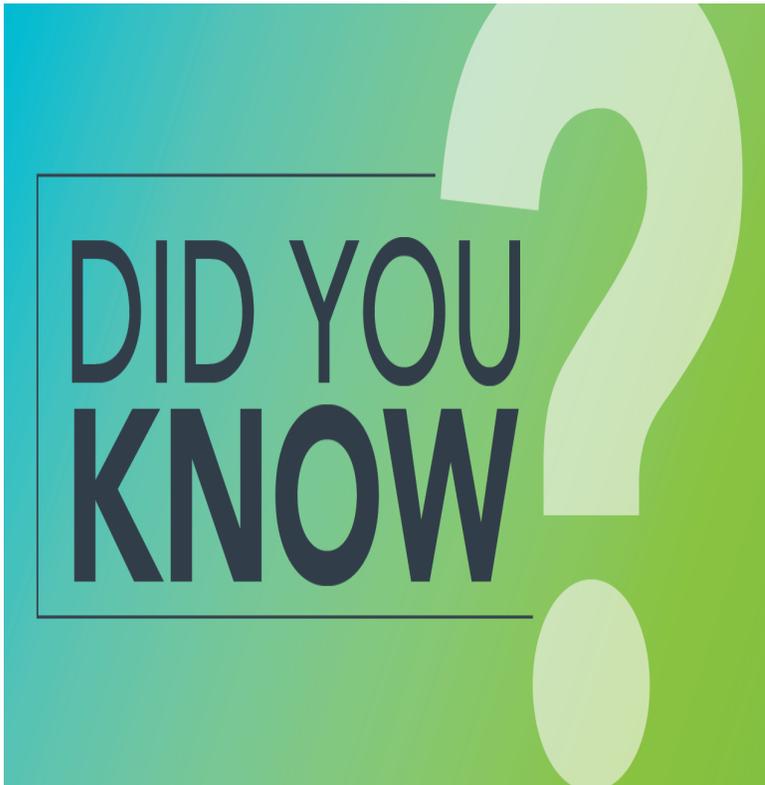
St. Benedict's Catholic Parish has once again invited us to join in their community backpack and school supply drive.

However, instead of filling backpacks with school supplies this year, in light of COVID-19, we will only be collecting money. The money FELC collects will go directly to Walworth Elementary and Middle School to help buy supplies for students in need.

We have been in contact with Walworth school and there is a significant need for school supplies this year and all money is guaranteed to go directly to supplies for students.

Donations can be sent to FELC and marked "Backpack Drive". We will be accepting donations from now through August 10.

Please contact Rebecca Roehl at [education@felcwalworth.com](mailto:education@felcwalworth.com) with any questions, suggestions, or to volunteer.



# Thank You

- ◆ Synod Assembly has been moved to a virtual assembly on August 29. Kristi Reiersen and John Schwenn will be our church representatives. You can watch bishop nominee forums at <https://scsw-elca.org/2020bishopelection/> to learn more about the four candidates being considered for Bishop of the South Central Synod of Wisconsin.
- ◆ Our new projection system has been installed in our sanctuary and it looks great! Some updates have also been made to our sound system and they sound great!
- ◆ About 20 people attended outdoor worship in each week in July. People are wearing masks and doing the best they can to socially distance. You can watch these services virtually by Sunday afternoon once they have been uploaded to Facebook and Vicar Lily's YouTube channel.
- ◆ The church garden has been planted. Produce from this garden is donated to the Big Foot Emergency Food Pantry.
- ◆ Masks are now required inside the church building per a church council decision. We have masks available at the church if needed.
- ◆ Vicar Lily and Pastor Dick are available for open door meetings Tuesdays from 10am-noon. Please feel free to stop by and connect with them.
- ◆ The church office will have varying hours for the next while. You can reach Vicar Lily via her cell phone or leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as we can. Thank you for your patience during this time.
- ◆ You can contact Vicar Lily via [pastor@felcwalworth.com](mailto:pastor@felcwalworth.com) or (262) 812-3064.



**Prayers for Hope & Healing:** Pat Grams, Shirley Heyer, Evie Andersen

**Ongoing Prayers for Healing:** Fran Winston (Pam Christensen's sister), Chuck Christenson (Angie Kynell's father), 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, Jean Null & family, Kim Christiansen (Lisa Voss' sister), Renae Clinton (friend of Rachel's), Marques Brugger, Reita Erickson (Rachel's aunt), Interim Bishop Peter Rogness & 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), Christine Helke-Larsen's son, Glenn Larsen, Debbie Maresso (neighbor of Tildahls), Dorothy Eckert (Gert Moritz's sister), Denise Robertson (cousin-in-law of Gail Connelly), family and friends of Thomas Connelly, Sr., and all victims of violence

## You Can Help

We would love to pray for you and your families, and send more letters of encouragement to this community and beyond! Please reach out to Vicar Lily, let her know if the prayer list needs to be added to, changed, or modified.

We are the Church, here and at home. Let us know how we can serve you!



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Lutheran Church  
Walworth, WI

## ***Contact Us:***

***Address:*** 420 Read Street P.O. Box 128, Walworth WI 53184

***Telephone:*** 262-275-3445

## ***Church Office Hours:***

Varied at the moment

Please contact any staff member or leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

## ***Staff***

Vicar Lily Brellenthin

***Pastor cell phone:*** 262-812-3064

***Email:*** pastor@felcwalworth.com

Gail Connelly, Secretary

***Email:*** secretary@felcwalworth.com

Rebecca Roehl, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

***Email:*** education@felcwalworth.com

## ***Congregation Council 2020***

### ***Executive Team***

Tracy Volbrecht, President

Elizabeth Hemmerich, Vice President

Gail Nelson, Secretary

Bill Clark, Treasurer

Congregation Council meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

All are welcome to attend.

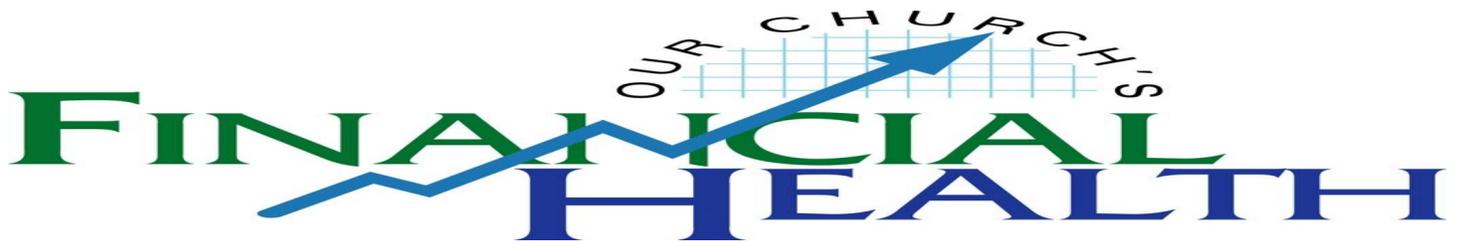
### ***Committee Liaisons***

Amanda Bender, Youth

Penny Gruetzmacher, Stewardship

Brent Tildahl, Finance





**Monthly Financial Report  
June 30, 2020**

Cash Received:		
From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$5,735	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$5,735
Cash Paid:		
Operating Expenses*	\$8,157	
Synod Benevolence	892	
Committees	251	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Paid		9,300
Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)		(3,565)
Checking Account Balance, June 1, 2020		13,812
Checking Account Balance, June 30, 2020		10,247

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

\*\* Includes monthly and specific donations

**Unrestricted Cash Balance**

Checking Account	10,247	
Mission Investment Fund***	110,092	
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	<u>273,811</u>	
Subtotal		394,150
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		22,745
Unrestricted Cash Balance		371,405

**Year to Date Information**

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (Through June 30, 2020) **	56,733	60,919
Total Expenses	65,838	53,188

**Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information**

Balance, June 1, 2020	22,750
New Dedicated	
WELCA– Quilters Donation	50
VBS	(55)
 Balance, June 30, 2020	 22,745