



Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church

Walworth, WI

Mission Statement

May 2022

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

A Message from Pastor Lily

I have been feeling pretty nostalgic lately, can anyone else relate?

As we are in the midst of changing seasons, school years are coming to an end, some are planning their retirement to start soon, others have pregnancy announcements and many more big news items taking place in their lives. I keep thinking of the time that has passed. Each circumstance involves change or even transformation, new life. And the season of Easter we are living into this resurrection season, this season of new beginnings, reflections on where we have been, where we are and where we are going. So no wonder we are feeling nostalgic!

As we are stepping into a different phase of the pandemic, it is hard not to think of the world we used to live in pre-2020. My how things have changed and my how things remain the same.

Have we changed for the better? Are we stepping into this season with a new found grace? Or stress? Or regret? Where are we as a church? Are we supporting one another in the ways we each need? Have we told others what our needs are?

As we find answers or keep asking questions, remember God's Grace. God teaches us to see or experience others as God would. God is always present and so are we as a community as the Body of Christ.

Between the two, only one won't fail you at one point or another and that's God. Imperfect people won't always get it right, we will fail from time to time, so let grace prevail as we all have baggage that we bring to each circumstance.

In this new season I am praying for open hearts, positive change, communities coming together, warmer weather and all of us to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

Love and Peace,
Pastor Lily Brellenthin

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





THINGS you SHOULD KNOW



Traffic Alert

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Railroad work to require full closure of WIS 67

The WisDOT is notifying motorists of an upcoming full closure of WIS 67 in the city of Walworth.

Wisconsin & Southern Railroad is performing repairs at their railroad crossing **between High Street and Lakeview Drive**. To complete their work, crews require a full closure from **April 28 to May 13, 2022**. Access to nearby businesses and residences will be maintained up to closure. Please note that this closure is weather dependent and subject to change. An official detour will be posted using US 14, I-43, and WIS 50.



If someone in your family is graduating this year from high school, college or graduate school, please contact the church office 275-3445 or email: office@felcwalworth.com with details (**who, where, when, along with a photo by May 15th!**). We will be celebrating our graduates on Sunday, June 5th with a breakfast reception after the service.



Order your Pentecost Geraniums today!

Geraniums will be planted on the church property.



I/We wish to contribute \$ _____ toward the purchase of geraniums for Pentecost.

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Name: _____ Envelope # _____

My geraniums are:
In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Please leave in the offering plate or mail this form & payment to:

Faith Lutheran Church
P.O. Box 128, Walworth, WI 53184





Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00am and on Wednesday evenings at 6:55pm.

Note: May 11th is our last Wednesday evening service.

Scripture readings for May:

May 1: Third Sunday of Easter

[Acts 9:1-6 \[7-20\]](#) *Paul's conversion, baptism, and preaching*

[Psalms 30](#) You have turned my wailing into dancing. (Ps. 30:11)

[Revelation 5:11-14](#) *The song of the living creatures to the Lamb*

[John 21:1-19](#) *Jesus appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias*

May 8: Fourth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 9:36-43](#) *Peter raises Tabitha/Dorcas from the dead*

[Psalms 23](#) The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1)

[Revelation 7:9-17](#) *A white-robed multitude sings before the Lamb*

[John 10:22-30](#) *Jesus promises eternal life to his sheep*

May 15: Fifth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 11:1-18](#) *Peter's vision: God give the Gentiles repentance that leads to life*

[Psalms 148](#) The splendor of the LORD is over earth and heaven. (Ps. 148:13)

[Revelation 21:1-6](#) *New heaven, new earth: springs of living water in the new Jerusalem*

[John 13:31-35](#) *Jesus gives a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you*

May 22: Sixth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 16:9-15](#) *Lydia and her household are baptized by Paul*

[Psalms 67](#) Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. (Ps. 67:4)

[Revelation 21:10, 22--22:5](#) *The Lamb is the light of the city of God*

[John 14:23-29](#) *The Father will send the Holy Spirit*

May 29: Seventh Sunday of Easter

[Acts 16:16-34](#) *While in prison, Paul speaks to the jailer, who is then baptized*

[Psalms 97](#) Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous. (Ps. 97:12)

[Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21](#) *Blessed are those who wash their robes*

[John 17:20-26](#) *Jesus prays that the disciples will be one and abide in his love*



Worship Servers

If you have a vacation planned, please inform the church office of which dates you are unavailable to assist for worship, so you will not be scheduled.

Phone: 262-275-3445 or

Email: office@felcwalworth.com

VACATION

May 1 9:00 am	
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Barb W.
May 8 9:00 am	
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Bruce & Lisa V.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Liz H.
May 15 9:00 am	
Reader	Faith Formation
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Faith Formation
Projector	Faith Formation
May 22 9:00 am	
Reader	Tracey S.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Susie S.
Projector	Kristi R.
May 29 9:00 am	
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Rebecca R.

June 5 9:00 am	
Reader	Brent T.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Brent T.
Projector	Barb W.
June 12 9:00 am	
Reader	Penny Gruetzmacher
Ushers	John S. & Rick L.
Communion Assist.	Kristi R.
Projector	Tracey S.
June 19 9:00 am	
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Liz H.
June 26 9:00 am	
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.

If you are unable to serve on your schedule date, please try to switch with someone or find a replacement. If you are unable to do so, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Email: office@felcwalworth.com or Phone: 262-275-3445



Adult Opportunities

Gardeners and landscape helpers are needed for the church property. Please contact John Schwenn 262-215-3288 for details. Thank you!



Lunch Bunch is Back!!
Our next lunch will be Tuesday May 10 at noon. **EVERYONE** is welcome. No need to bring anything, all food is provided.

Worship Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, May 10 at 6:00pm

Lenten Collection for Lutheran World Relief Baby Care Kits

Thank you for all your generous donations!! We have received enough money and donations to put together 15 kits. That's 5 more than our original goal! Great work everyone!! If you still have a donation please return it to the church as soon as possible.



Women of the ELCA



Wednesdays at 9:15am

Join us in the Gathering Space for conversation and Christian fellowship.



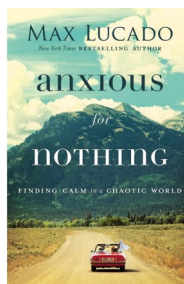
Tuesday, May 3 at 7:00pm

We will be discussing the middle section of *Anxious for Nothing* by Max Lucado.

All women are welcome to join us! Feel free to invite your friends. It is okay if you did not get a chance to read the book you

Next Month's Meeting will be on June 7.

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information, or just come on May 3.



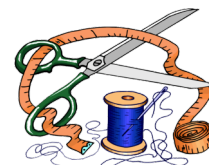
Faith Sew-ers

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

In the lower level of the church

Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship

We are working on some special projects and could use your help!





Children & Youth Opportunities

VBS June 13-17 9am-noon daily



Join us this year at St. Benedict Parish in Fontana for a fun-filled week of Vacation Bible School focused around The Lord's Prayer. Preschool, School-age, and Middle School programs are available. Volunteer opportunities for everyone else!

Registration information is available on our website: www.felcwalworth.com. Forms can be returned to St. Benedicts or Faith Ev. Lutheran, but please make all checks payable to St. Benedict Parish.

\$'More Time with Christ

Join us on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:00 pm for firepit worship & s'mores.



Faith Formation/Confirmation End of the Year

Wednesday, May 11 is the last Faith Formation and Confirmation class for the 2021-2022 school year. The whole family is invited to join us for a taco meal, family activities, and an outdoor worship service.

Sunday, May 15 will be Celebration Sunday. The Faith Formation and Confirmation students will help with the worship service and after service we will have outdoor games and fun for the kids and food and fellowship for all.



Mission Trip Fundraiser

Our final fundraiser, in order to raise the remaining \$400 needed for our trip will be a silent auction during Celebration Sunday on May 15. Items available to bid on include items from local businesses, a kitchen basket, and more. Please help support our youth!



Graduation Celebration Sunday, June 5 at 9am service

Join us as we celebrate our high school graduates: Amanda Bender, Adalynn Quackenbush, and Matt Tuchscherer.

You are invited for breakfast after the worship service. All are welcome for this time of fellowship and celebration.

A freewill offering will be collected to support youth attending the mission trip to Logan, WV this July.



High School Youth Group

Next meeting Sunday, May 15 at 4 pm

(We will plan our summer activities and meeting dates at this meeting)

CHAOS is for *all* high school students.

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

Follow CHAOS on Instagram. @chaos_felc



Thank You

- ◆ To Gail Nelson and everyone who helped change paraments during the changes seasons fo the church year and also for decorating the church so beautifully with Easter flowers.
- ◆ To Bob Ball, Trentyn Gibbs, Peter Kahl, and Rachel West for your gift of music during Wednesday Evening Worship.
- ◆ Thank you all so much for the warm welcomes to Paulie, all of the wonderful meals, cards and gifts. And what a joy it is to be back together! Love, Pastor Lily

- ◆ Pastor Lily's is back from maternity leave. If you'd like to meet with her, please reach out to schedule a time. Otherwise, the best time to just stop in is usually Tuesdays from about 10 am - 1 pm.
- ◆ The cross that that held lilies on Easter and the beautiful wooden cross in the Gathering Space are gifts from Luther Memorial Church in Delavan. We are grateful to be able to help keep the legacy of that wonderful church alive.
- ◆ The image of Jesus on display in the Gathering Space for May is *Japanese Christ, The Pearl of Great Price* by Br. Robert Lentz, OFM. You can view our Images of Jesus Gallery with all pervious featured images hanging in the coat nook.
- ◆ Do you like to read, are you looking for a resource to help you or someone you know through a particular situation in life, do you children to read to? We have a library for your use in the lower level of the church. There are a variety of books available from fiction, to non-fiction, to children's books, to devotionals. Borrow a book for as long as you wish and return it when you are done; no need to sign anything out. Take a moment to check out this great resource.
- ◆ The church office has a master calendar. If you are having a meeting at the church, please inform Jennifer and she will add it to the calendar. For many reasons it is important to know who is meeting at the church, and when.
- ◆ Christ in our Home daily devotional is available for you in the Gathering Space. Please help yourself.
- ◆ Articles for the June newsletter should be turned into the church office by May 20th.
- ◆ Please keep the church office updated. If you have an new address, phone number, or email.
- ◆ secretary@felcwalworth.com is no longer in use. Please contact the church office email at: office@felcwalworth.com




Spiritual Reflection

Sugar Creek Lutheran Church
4:00 pm on May 19th

Please join us for a church service with communion.
Fellowship with refreshments following the service.



Prayers for Continued Healing: Karla Tildahl, Barb Riley, the family of Shirley Heyer (Mary Heyer's mother), family and friends of Jeff Bailey, Kristy Schwartz , and Britt & Paul Zosel and family in the tragic death of their daughter (Diane Voss's cousins).

 Since it's been a while, we are in the process of updating the prayer list. If you would like anyone to be included, please call the church office 262-275-3445 or email office@felcwalworth.com. Thank you!



**Please remember to always
extend a warm greeting &
welcome to our visitors.**



Join us!
Spring Clean Up Day
Saturday, May 14th
9 am - noon

There are indoor and outdoor projects, come rain or shine!



s'mores!
s'More Time with Christ
Join us on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:00 pm for
firepit worship &
s'mores.

FEED THE BEAST



Thank you to all who have contributed to the furnace funds! We are on our way to our fund raising goal of \$24,000. So far we have raised over \$7,500.

Please take a moment to pray and consider making a donation or pledge.

Your donations are appreciated to defer the cost of the new furnace and air conditioning unit.

Thank you!

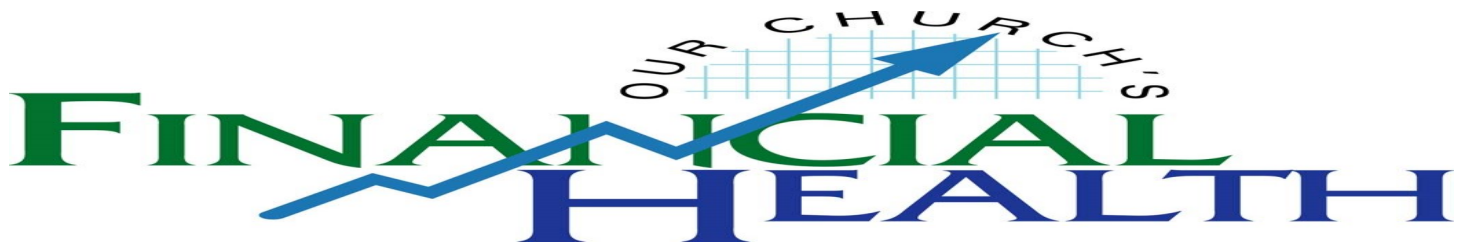
Please mail to PO Box 128, Walworth, WI 53184, or leave in the church offering plate by June 1st.

_____ I pledge to contribute _____

_____ I have enclosed my donation of _____

To defray the cost of the furnace and air conditioning unit

Name _____



Monthly Financial Report March 31, 2022

Cash Received:		
From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$7,193	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>15,000</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$22,193
Cash Paid:		
Operating Expenses*	\$10,647	
Synod Benevolence	863	
Committees	223	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Paid		<u>11,733</u>
Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)		10,460
Checking Account Balance, March 1, 2022		1,133
Checking Account Balance, March 31, 2022		11,593

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

** Includes monthly and specific donations

Unrestricted Cash Balance

Checking Account	11,593	
Mission Investment Fund***	102,167	
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	<u>275,619</u>	
Subtotal	389,379	
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>10,132</u>
Unrestricted Cash Balance		379,247

Year to Date Information

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (Through Mar 31, 2022) **	25,983	26,005
Total Expenses	40,708	42,840

Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance, March 1, 2022	10,018
New Dedicated	
Youth Group	114
Balance, March 31, 2022	10,132



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Staff

Pastor Lily Brellenthin

Pastor cell phone: 262-812-3064

Email: pastor@felcwalworth.com

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

Email: education@felcwalworth.com

Call or text: 608-728-2798

Jennifer Vaun, Administrative Assistant

Email: office@felcwalworth.com

Congregation Council 2022

Executive Team

Rick Lottig- President

Kristi Reiersen - Vice President

Penny Gruetzmacher - 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.

Council Members

Laurie Collins

Gail Connelly

Liz Hemmerich

Karen Martinez

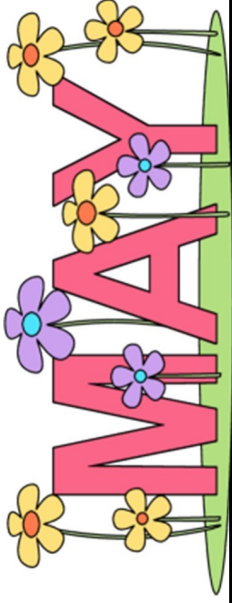
Susie Schaid

Karlie and Kelsie Kroening, Co-Youth Representatives



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Jennifer Vaun, Administrative Assistant
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2022

Church Office Hours:
 Tuesday 9 am - 1 pm
 Wednesday 9 am - 11 am
 Friday 9 am - 1 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 am Worship Service	2 9:00 am Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Wine & Word	3 9:15 am Together Time 10:00am Faith Sew-ers 6:00pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	4 9:15 am Together Time 10:00 am Faith Sew-ers 6:00pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	5	6	7
8 9:00 am Worship Service	9 9:00 am Staff Meeting Noon: Lunch Bunch 6:00 pm Worship Committee	10 9:15 am Together Time 10:00 am Faith Sew-ers 6:00pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	11 9:15 am Together Time 10:00 am Faith Sew-ers 6:00pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	12	13	14 9 am - Noon Indoor/Outdoor Spring Clean-Up
15 Celebration Sunday 9:00 am Worship Service with Bell Choir 4:00pm CHAOS	16 7:30 pm Council Mtg	17 9:00 am Staff Meeting	18 9:15 am Together Time 10:00 am Faith Sew-ers	19 4 pm Spiritual Reflections at Sugar Creek	20	21
22 Recognition Sunday 9:00 am Worship Service	23	24 9:00 am Staff Meeting	25 9:15 am Together Time 10:00 am Faith Sew-ers	26	27	28
29 9:00 am Worship Service	30	31 9:00 am Staff Meeting				