



Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church

Walworth, WI

Mission Statement

July 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

In this Season after Pentecost, during this summer we are ending our worship services with one of my favorite dismissals. The pastor or worship leader says at the end of the service, "Go in peace. Love your neighbor." and everyone responds with "Thanks be to God." This is a simple yet powerful message that we should be saying and living out all the year long. Words we especially need at this time in our country and world.

Jesus was always explaining things to different people, many people challenged the savior of the world. Our scripture says in Mark 12:30-31 Jesus' response to leaders of the law that questioned Jesus on which commandments were most important, Jesus says, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. 'The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these.'"

Simple, we need to love our neighbors, which we have all learned at one point or another truly means our neighbors across the street, across the sanctuary and across the world: so everyone!

Something I think is often missed with these verses is if we are to love our neighbors as ourselves, then we need to truly "love ourselves". How many of us can truthfully say that we "love ourselves"?

God loves us the way we are, each fiber of our being, each of us made for a purpose, loved beyond measure. We need to know that about ourselves and about everyone else. God loves all of our neighbors the same way.

This is all of course easier said than done, which is why we need to keep saying it in hopes we always act out this love.

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God!**

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

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church has a unique opportunity to take the lead in southern Walworth County by becoming a Dementia Friendly Community. Currently there are no Dementia friendly communities in Fontana, Walworth or Sharon.

In the coming months you will see some simple and important changes in our church environment that will make navigating our building easier for everyone.

On September 18, 2022 Jake Sawyers, Walworth County Dementia Specialist will provide a program after the church service that will help us better support the unique needs of people with dementia , their care partners and family members.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Please contact Laurie Collins (262-949-3169) with any questions.



s'mores!

s'More Time with Christ

Join us on Wed., July 13th at 7pm for firepit worship & s'mores.

A graphic for a church event. It features a brown background with white text. At the bottom, there is a white banner with a brown border. On the banner, there is a small illustration of a campfire with marshmallows being roasted on sticks.

CHRISTMAS
in July

Join us on Sunday, July 24th for a special Christmas in July worship service.

A graphic for a church event. It features a blue and white background with a snowy, bokeh effect. At the bottom, there is a row of red and white Christmas ornaments. The text "CHRISTMAS in July" is written in a mix of serif and cursive fonts.

Mark your calendars... We will have an outdoor worship service on Sunday, August 14th (weather permitting). Bring your lawn chairs!



Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am

Scripture readings for July:

July 3: Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14 *Jerusalem, a nursing mother giving life to her children*

Psalms 66:1-9 *All the earth bows down before you and sings out your name. (Ps. 66:4)*

Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16 *Do what is right now and reap at the harvest time*

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 *Jesus sends out seventy disciples into the harvest*

July 10: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 *The LORD will take delight in your fruitfulness*

Psalms 25:1-10 *Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths. (Ps. 25:4)*

Colossians 1:1-14 *The gospel is growing, bearing fruit in the whole world*

Luke 10:25-37 *The parable of the merciful Samaritan*

July 17: Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-10a *The hospitality of Abraham and Sarah to three visitors of the LORD*

Psalms 15 *LORD, who may abide upon your holy hill? (Ps. 15:1)*

Colossians 1:15-28 *Hymn to Christ, the firstborn of all creation*

Luke 10:38-42 *Jesus says: Martha, your sister Mary has chosen the better part*

July 24: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 18:20-32 *Abraham bargains with God for the righteous of Sodom and Gomorrah*

Psalms 138 *Your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands. (Ps. 138:8)*

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] *Buried with Christ in baptism, raised with him through faith*

Luke 11:1-13 *Jesus teaches the disciples to pray*

July 31: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 *Search out wisdom, for all is vanity*

Psalms 49:1-12 *My mouth shall speak of wisdom. (Ps. 49:3)*

Colossians 3:1-11 *Clothed in Christ, your life is hidden with him in God*

Luke 12:13-21 *Jesus says: Be on guard against greed; be rich toward God, your treasure*



Worship Servers

July 3 9:00 am	
Reader	Kristi R.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Kristi R.
Projector	Tracey S.
July 10 9:00 am	
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Liz H.
July 17 9:00 am	
Reader	Penny G.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Penny G.
Projector	Barb W.
July 24 9:00 am	
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Kristi R.
July 31 9:00 am	
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	Bruce & Lisa V.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.

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

August 7 9:00 am	
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Liz H.
August 14 9:00 am (outdoor)	
Reader	Penny G.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Penny G.
Projector	N/A
August 21 9:00 am	
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Barb Weborg
August 28 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

Open Arms mobile free clinic will be parked at Big Foot High School on Friday, July 1st from 9 am - noon.



S'More Time with Christ

Join us on Wednesday, July 13th at 7:00 pm for firepit worship & s'mores.



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



Our next Lunch Bunch will be Tuesday July 12 at noon. **EVERYONE** is welcome. No need to bring anything, all food is provided.

Worship Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, July 12 at 6:00pm
Learning Committee: Next meeting Wednesday, July 13 at 6:00pm

Women of the ELCA



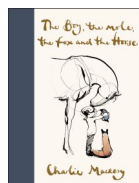
Wednesdays at 9:15am

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



Tuesday, July 12 at 7:00pm

We will be discussing *The Boy, The Mole, The Fox, and the Horse* by Charlie Mackesy.



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!

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information, or just come on July 12.

We will be returning to our regular schedule of the 1st Tuesday evening of every month starting August 1.

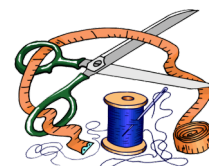
Faith Sew-ers

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

Camp Scholarships Available

If your child(ren) would like to attend Lutherdale Bible Camp, or another Christian based camp this summer, and you could use some financial assistance, please fill out the scholarship application form found on our website: www.felcwalworth.com.

VBS was a great success.



Join us this summer for
Food, Fun, and Friends

July 12 10am-2pm

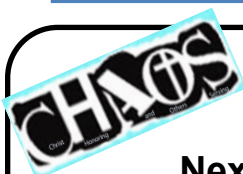
August 16 10am-2pm

All children ages 3-8th grade are welcome for games, service projects, lunch, and fun. Food, Fun, and Friends is a free event for all children and their friends. Come for one or both of the days!



Mission Trip Final Request

Thank you so much for all the support as Natalie, Kelsie, Karlie, Amanda, and Rebecca have been preparing for our mission trip to Logan, WV this month. We have reached our fundraising goal and are so grateful to this congregation! We have one more ask; please pray for us while we are gone July 23-29. Pray for safe travels and that the Holy Spirit be working among us all week. Thank you!



High School Youth Group

**Next meeting Sunday, July 10.
4pm in the Gathering Space**

CHAOS is for all high school students.

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

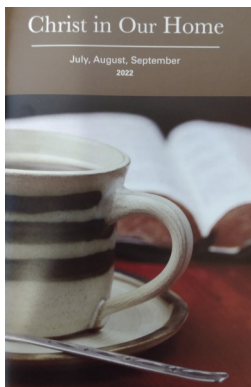
Follow CHAOS on Instagram. @chaos_felc



- ◆ The ELCA Churchwide Assembly will be held August 8-12 in Columbus, OH. You can find more information about what will be discussed at elca.org
- ◆ The Free Little Library boxes on display in the Gathering Space were designed and painted by middle school students from Joyful Action VBS. We will be putting this boxes on FELC property. One will hold book and the other will hold toiletries. All free for people to take.
- ◆ A committee of people at FELC is working to provide a time at the beginning of the school year for area students to come to Big Foot High School and receive free hair cuts. If this is something you are interested in helping to plan, please contact Rebecca Roehl or Laurie Collins.

Thank You

- ◆ To Kristi Reiersen, Jamie Kroening, Karlie Kroening, and Kelsie Kroening for helping with Vacation Bible School this summer!
- ◆ To Tim and Laurie Collins and Kristi Reiersen for hosting Lunch Bunch.
- ◆ To those who helped prepare, serve, and clean-up breakfast on June 5 so we could celebrate our graduates.



- ◆ The new Christ in Our Home, a daily devotional, is available for pick up in the Gathering Space. These devotions are a great way to center your day in your faith. They are free to you from the church. Please pick one up and enjoy!

- ◆ The Image of Jesus on display in July will be *Navajo Compassionate Christ* by artist and priest, Father John Giuliani. You will find it on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Please take a moment to look at it and read the information to learn more about this beautiful image of Jesus.
- ◆ If you'd like to meet with Pastor Lily, please reach out to schedule a time. Otherwise, the best time to just stop in is usually Tuesdays from about 10 am - 1 pm.
- ◆ If you need to get a hold of Rebecca, her summer hours are posted outside of her office. Otherwise please text or email her and she will get back to you as soon as she is able.
- ◆ Articles for the August newsletter should be turned into the church office by July 20th.



Prayers for Continued Healing: Karla Tildahl, Kristy Schwartz, Chuck Christenson (Angie Kynell's dad)

Prayers for the World: We continue to pray for this community, our country and the world



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!

Hello!

Pastor Tom from Williams Bay Lutheran Church and I have been discussing getting our singers together this fall to rehearse and perform music for both of our churches, since we both have dwindling numbers of singers.

We would meet weekly to rehearse at Faith starting after Labor Day and hopefully sing something for Reformation Sunday and then Christmas and finally Easter 2023.

We are hoping to perform our music at both churches somehow... I need to know who is interested and what days and times work best for you. Please contact me as soon as possible:
rachelrita22@gmail.com

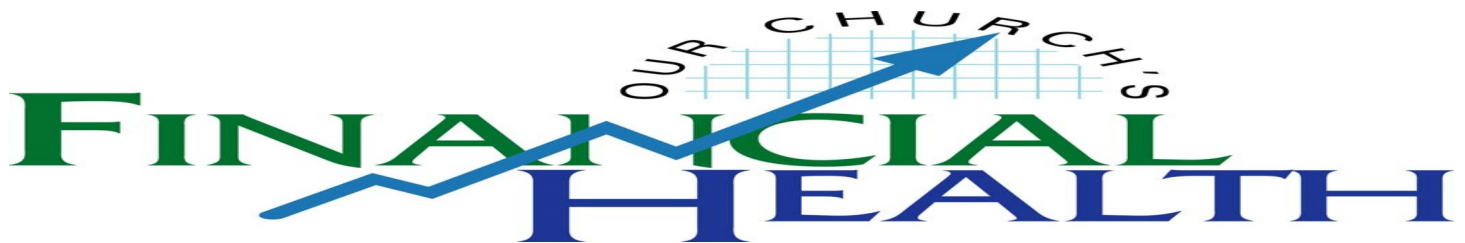
I'm excited to join forces in praise to God!

Love in Christ,
Rachel



Spiritual Reflections

Spiritual Reflections is an intimate church service that takes place monthly at Sugar Creek Lutheran Church, N5690 Cobblestone Rd Elkhorn, WI. The service features familiar hymns, Bible passages and Communion presented in a calm, caring environment. The next service is July 21, 2022 at 4:00pm.



Monthly Financial Report May 31, 2022

Cash Received:

From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others	\$14,127	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>85</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$14,212

Cash Paid:

Operating Expenses*	\$17,392	
Synod Benevolence	0	
Committees	(1,471)	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash Paid		<u>15,921</u>

Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)	(1,709)
Checking Account Balance, May 1, 2022	22,591
Checking Account Balance, May 31, 2022	<u>20,882</u>

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

** Includes monthly and specific donations

Unrestricted Cash Balance

Checking Account	20,882	
Mission Investment Fund***	102,704	
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	<u>275,619</u>	
Subtotal		399,205
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>12,536</u>
Unrestricted Cash Balance		386,669

Year to Date Information

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (Through May 31, 2022) **	44,579	52,277
Total Expenses	61,453	62,791

Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance, May 1, 2022	15,624
New Dedicated	
Youth Group	772
Furnace Fund	2550
VBS	(270)
Furnace Fund	(6,140)

Balance, May 31, 2022	12,536
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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday 9 am - 1 pm

Wednesday 9 am - 11 am

Friday 9 am - 1 pm

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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:00 am Indoor Worship Service	4	5 9-11 am Staff Meeting	6 9:15-10:30 am Together Time 10 am-Noon Faith Sew-ers	7	8	9
10 9:00 am Indoor Worship Service 4 pm Chaos	11	12 9-11 am Staff Meeting Noon Lunch Bunch 7 pm Wine & Word	13 9:15-10:30 am Together Time 10 am-Noon Faith Sew-ers 6 pm Learning Committee 7 pm S'more Time with Christ	14	15	16
17 9:00 am Indoor Worship Service	18	19 9-11 am Staff Meeting 7 pm Council	20 9:15-10:30 am Together Time 10 am-Noon Faith Sew-ers	21 4 pm Spiritual Reflections at Sugar Creek	22	23
24 9:00 am Christmas in July Indoor Worship Service	25	26 9-11 am Staff Meeting	27 9:15-10:30 am Together Time 10 am-Noon Faith Sew-ers	28	29	30
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