

Mission Statement

November 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

While navigating the pandemic we made efforts to keep people safe within our church, which meant we made some tough calls within worship services. We have changed how we share in communion, we don't pass the offering plate and we continue to share the peace in a distanced fashion.

When we change things up, this allows us to directly confront "why" we do things. As time passes we and many other churches/businesses/schools etc. have decided what will return and what is better off absent within our spaces and events.

We can worship in a variety of ways. However, within our worship services we do like to keep certain things happening in certain ways, a lot is based on tradition and our pure love of these elements. I believe God to just be glad we are spending devoted time with God.

One of the pieces I have been most surprised about is that other churches have taken "sharing of the peace" out for good. Is that the best way to go? I wonder if we have missed an opportunity to chat about the importance of the "sharing of the peace" in our communal worship...

Towards the beginning of our worship we typically have a time of "Confession and Forgiveness". We take time to tell God the things we have done wrong and we ask for forgiveness from God. This happens while standing next to our siblings in Christ doing the same thing, all of us admitting that we are imperfect people.

And before we join the table for communion we need to come together and demonstrate grace for one another. We are in a community and communities will fail us. We unintentionally and sometimes intentionally hurt the people around us. We want to leave that behind and move to the table with open hearts and forgiveness for our siblings in Christ. So we share the peace.

This peace comes from our Lord and surpasses all understanding. It is given to us and we get to share it with others. We take time in the middle of worship to specifically take a moment to share in relationship with each other. God gives us these people around us to share in this life together. Why not take time to acknowledge this blessing? Being with others in a community is a beautiful mess.

"The peace of our Lord be with you all!"

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





Prayers for Continued Healing: Grace Van Dreser, Gert Moritz, family and friends of Jim Fallon (Pastor Lily's cousin), Karla Tildahl, Emily and Bobby Giannini and newborn twins (Susie and Terry Schaid's daughter and husband and grandchildren).

Prayers for the World: We pray for the Elkhorn School District and surrounding community for the loss of a high school student. Let us lift up in prayer those who are battling depression and those who are grieving for a loved one who died by suicide.

*If you would like anyone to be included, please call the church office 262-275-3445 or email office@felcwalworth.com. Thank you!

Memorial

The chrysanthemums placed near our altar were donated by Arnell Jorgenson in loving memory of her late husband, Alan, their granddaughter Grace Ann, and great grandson Sullivan Gene.



Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these siblings of mine you did for me. -Matthew 25:40

November is Caregiver Appreciation Month. Sunday, November 13 is Caregiver Appreciation Day

Join us on Sunday November 13, 2022 as we pray for and bless the many wonderful caregivers at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church and beyond.

Some people choose to be caregivers, and they prepare themselves by becoming professionals in the healthcare industry. Other people have the role of caregiver thrust upon them when family members become old, sick or disabled. Some have no training, and no end of shift. They need heaps of physical and emotional help--and just as important, spiritual help.

Is there someone you would like to thank for being a caregiver to you or others? Please notify the church office or fill out a form in the gathering place.





Welcome to Sarah Quealy, FELC's new Administrative Assistant



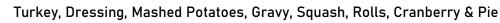
Hello, I am Sarah Quealy. I am an artist and a photographer. I graduated from Olivet Nazarene University in 2016. I moved to Capron, IL two years ago from Carol Stream, IL. My boyfriend, Kyle, and I have a one year old Golden Retriever named Buster. I'm excited to join the FELC Family and get to meet everyone.



Sunday, November 13

Join us in officially welcoming new members to our church family

Walworth Immanuel UCC Turkey Dinner



Saturday, November 12, 2022 from 3pm until Sold Out

Drive Thru Only

111 Fremont St, Walworth Wi (Across from the grade school)

Stewardship/Giving Opportunities

When we think about stewardship we think about donating money to the church. This is a good and necessary thing. FELC cannot maintain the church building, pay its employees, or have the resources for service and ministries without your financial generosity. However, stewardship is much more than donating money. Stewardship is an opportunity for you to give of yourself. God has gifted each of us with talents that are meant to be used to do God's work in this world. Included in your stewardship mailing this year will be a Time and Talents booklet. This booklet is like an interest survey. The stewardship team would like to know what ministries you are interested in and where your talents fit. All members of your household are encouraged to complete this booklet, more copies will be available at the church. Please return this booklet to the church by December 4. Thank you for your participation; FELC is grateful to you for sharing your time and talents with us to strengthen our community and many ministries. Watch for your stewardship mailing to arrive the second week of November.

Please join us for Commitment Sunday on November 20!



Adult Opportunities

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 November 17, 2022 at 4:00pm.

Committee Annual Reports and Budget Requests are due to the church office by Friday, November 18.



Our next Lunch Bunch will be Tuesday, November 15 at noon. EVERYONE is welcome.

No need to bring anything, all food is provided.

Worship Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, November 8 at 6:00pm Learning Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00pm





Wednesdays at 9:15am Join us in the Gathering Space for conversation and Christian fellowship.



Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00pm

We will be discussing *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens.



All women are welcome to join us! It is okay to come even if you did not get a chance to read the book!

December 6: Movie Night Social to watch *Where the Crawdads Sing* January 3: No Wine and Word February 7: Discuss *Between Two Kingdoms*

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information, or just come on November 1 and meet us in the Gathering Space. Faith Sew-ers

Wednesdays at 10 a.m. In the lower level of the church

> Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship



The quilters will not meet between Thanksgiving and New Years. Join us again in January, 2023.



Children & Youth Opportunities

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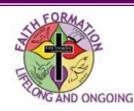
High School Youth Group

Next meeting: Cookie Baking Saturday, December 10 Watch for details to come

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



Confirmation Classes

Faith Formation and Confirmation (7th - 9th grade) (ages 3 - 6th grade) We welcome all students at anytime!

Wednesdays - May 17, 2023 -Meal 5:30 pm - Class 6:00 pm - Worship 6:55 pm

Faithline: Family Faith Formation Class Wednesday, November 2 6:00pm



No Faith Formation, Confirmation or Family Worship on Wednesday, November 23. Happy Thanksgiving!

Vacation Bible School Dates for Summer 2023 have been announced!

VBS will be June 19-23 from 9am-noon at The Community Church of Fontana.

Volunteer opportunities are available. Please contact Rebecca for more information.

Congratulations on your Confirmation Brody!.



If you were unable to join us for Brody's Affirmation of Baptism on October 30, you can find a link to the worship service on our Facebook page or on our website.



Christmas Cookies are back! Order yours today. See order form on page 10. All proceeds support youth attending mission trips and the ELCA Youth Gathering.

Save the Date

Live Nativity December 11, 2022.



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- To all who helped keep the church grounds looking great this past year! We appreciate your weeding, mowing, trimming, and care for our property!
- Steve Buchanan for his work on painting the outside of the church.
- "Thank you for all the love throughout Pastor Appreciation Month. I feel so special in this community." - Pastor Lily Brellenthin

- The first Sunday in advent is Sunday, November 27.
 Advent worship services will feature Holden Prayer and a worship series entitled "Stories of Faith."
- Just a reminder that Pastor Lily's position is threequarters time. This means she leads us in worship services three Sundays a month and works an average of 35 hours a week.
- The Crop Walk this year had a record number of 140 walkers! And our church had two walkers, Susie & Rachel that together made over \$2,600. Total amounts donated are still being gathered and calculated.
- Our featured image of Jesus for November is *The Messiah* by Cecil (Creed) Reed Jr. Look for it on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space.
- Church office will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25. Happy Thanksgiving!
- In January 2023 there will be three openings on our congregation church council. One of those positions will be treasurer. Please prayerfully consider serving your church community in this way. For more information about what it means to be on council, please see any current council member or call the church office.
- 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.
- Articles for the December newsletter should be turned into the church office by November 20th.
- Please keep the church office updated if you have an new address, phone number, or email.



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 for yourself and feel free to share with a friend



Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am

Scripture readings for November

Nov. 6 Twenty-second Sunday After <u>Pentecost</u>—All Saints Sunday

Job 19:23-27a I know that my Redeemer lives and I shall see God.

Psalm 17:1-9 Keep me as the apple of your eye; hid me under the shadow of your wings.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 The coming of the Lord Jesus Luke 20:27-38 Jesus speaks of the

resurrection; the God of the living.

Nov. 13: Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-2a A day of blistering heat for the arrogant; a day of healing sun for the righteous.

Psalm 98 In righteousness will the Lord judge the world.

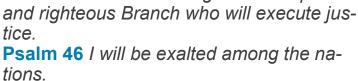
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Do not be idle, but do what is right for the sake of Christ.

Luke 21:5-19 Jesus speaks of wars, endurance, betrayal, and suffering for his sake.

Day Light Savings Reminder

On November 6, 2022 you will set your clocks <u>back</u> one hour!





Jeremiah 23:1-6 Coming of the shepherd

Nov. 20: Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pente-

cost — Christ the King Sunday

Colossians 1:11-20 *Hymn to Christ, firstborn of all creation; peace through his blood.*

Luke 23:33-43 Jesus is crucified between two thieves: you will be with me in Paradise.

Nov. 27 First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5 Weapons of war transformed into instruments of peace. Psalm 122 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." Romans 13:11-14 Salvation is near; time to wake from sleep. Matthew 24:35-44 The sudden coming of the Son of Man

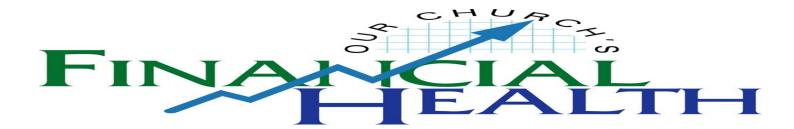


Worship Servers

November 6	9:00 am
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Barb W.
November 13	9:00 am
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Liz H.
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November 20	9:00 am
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November 20 Reader	9:00 am Chad R.
November 20 Reader Ushers	9:00 am Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V.
November 20 Reader Ushers Communion Assist.	9:00 am Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V. Chad R.
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December 4	9:00 am
Reader	Liz H.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Kristi R.
December 11	9:00 am
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	John S. & Rick L.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.
December 18	9:00 am
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Barb W.
December 24	5:00 pm
Reader	
Ushers	Volunteers needed
Communion Assist.	
Projector	
December 25	9:00 am
Reader	
Ushers	Volunteers needed
Communion Assist.	1
Projector	

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



Monthly Financial Report September 30, 2022

		, 2022		
Cash Received:				
From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and				
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)) <u>3,4</u>	<u>75</u>	40	
Total Cash Received			\$9,116	
Cash Paid:	ć na	0		
Operating Expenses*	\$53			
Synod Benevolence Committees	863 713			
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	/1. <u>10,7</u>			
Total Cash Paid	<u>10,7</u>	40	<u>12,846</u>	
Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid)			(3,730)	
Checking Account Balance, September 1, 2022			7,212	
Checking Account Balance, September 30, 2022			3,482	
* Includes changes in non-cash assets, current liabi	ilities, and res	stricted transfers		-
** Includes monthly and specific donations				
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	ricted Cash	Balance		
Checking Account	3,482			
Mission Investment Fund***	103,256			
Endowment Fund (Fund A) Subtotal	<u>262,166</u>		268 004	
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash			368,904 <u>8,575</u>	
Unrestricted Cash Balance			360,329	
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Year t	o Date Info	rmation		
		<u>Budget</u>	Actual	
From Members to General Fund (Through Sept 30,	2022) **	75,080		
78,795				
Total Expenses		136,512	122,958	
Memorial/Dedi	cated/Rest	ricted Information	ı	
Balance, September 1, 2022	•		15,840	
New Dedicated				
Designated by Contributor	50			
Designated by Contributor	(1,905)			
God's Work Our Hands	180			
God's Work Our Hands	(90)			
Christmas in July	1,745			
Christmas in July	(95)			
Furnace Fund	1,500			
Furnace Fund	(8,650)			
Balance, September 30, 2022	9		8,575	



Fresh baked sugar cookies by the CHAOS Youth Group students are available to order. Plain and frosted cookies are available. All proceeds help fund youth attending mission trips and the ELCA Youth Gathering. Please complete the order form and return it to church by Wednesday, November 30. Checks Payable to Faith Lutheran with "cookies" in the memo line

Cookies will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 11.	Name and phone number:	· · · · • • •
A 17754	Dozen Frosted cut-out sugar cook	les for \$7 per dozen
	Dozen Plain cut-out sugar cookies	for \$6 per dozen
A A	\$ Total Amount Due	
	I will pick up cookies on Sunday, D I need to make arrangements for a	•
	Order Deinsettige	White 6 inch Poinsettia
	Order Poinsettias	
	for Christmas! rder must be received by Thursday, December 1st	# of plants x \$12 = \$
		Pink 6 inch Poinsettia
Name		
Env. #		# of plants x \$15 = \$

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Please mail this form &

payment to:

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

Poinsettias may be taken home on Christmas Eve after worship.

In honor of ______

In memory of ______

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	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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		9am Staff Meeting 7pm Wine & Word	9:15am Together Time 10am Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship			11am—3:30pm RIC Zoom Training
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9am Worship All Saints Sunday		9am Staff Meeting 6pm Worship Committee 7pm Learning Committee	9:15am Together Time 10am Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship			10am - 4pm Confirmation Retreat
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9am Worship Caregiver Recognition Day & New Member Sunday		9am Staff Meeting 12pm Lunch Bunch	9:15am Together Time 10am Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	4pm Spiritual Reflections at Sugar Creek Lutheran Church		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9am Worship 6:30p Commitment Sunday Mo	6:30pm Council Meeting		9:15am Together Time No Faith Formation/ Worship			
27	28	29	30			
9am Worship			9:15am Together Time 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship			



Contact Us:



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Church Office Hours:

Monday: Closed Tuesday—Friday: 9 am - Noon

Staff

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Congregation Council 2022

Executive Team

Rick Lottig- President Kristi Reierson - Vice President Penny Gruetzmacher - Secretary Bill Clark - Treasurer

Council Members

Laurie Collins Gail Connelly Liz Hemmerich Karen Martinez Susie Schaid Karlie and Kelsie Kroening, Co-Youth Representatives

Congregation Council meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

All are welcome to attend.

