



Faith Evangelical

Lutheran Church

Walworth, WI

January 2023

Mission Statement

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

A Message from Pastor Lily

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Christmas of 2021 I came across this quote and I can't help but continue to reflect on it. "Who we are after Christmas morning says a lot about who we found in the manger."

When we look at the nativity, are we still surprised? Are we still transformed by the pure beauty and grace? God gave up everything to come live with us and die for us so we could finally get a taste of grace, do we give that grace to everyone we encounter? "Who we are after Christmas morning says a lot about who we found in the manger." Christmas Day has come and gone, and we remain in the Christmas season for a little longer, let yourself be amazed.

Each new day is a gift, each new year is a blessing, each moment that we are still here we have a chance to share, to give and to love. Let us not take anything for granted.

May each of us see beyond the walls built of fear to the light which continues to glow. May that light help us to see the abundance of blessings which are all around. May we rejoice in the gift of our life, so that love may continue to grow in, with, through, and beyond us.

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 pastorlily@felcwalworth.com





Prayers for Continued Healing: Friends and Family of Eunice Schaid, Melany Christenson (Angie Kynell's Mom), Karla Tildahl, Grace Van Dreser & Gert Moritz.

Prayers for the World: We pray for everyone during the holidays and new year. We know this time can be joyous for some and challenging for others. May love shine through in all circumstances. Our God knows the prayers on our hearts, spoken and left unspoken. May blessings of life be made known.

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

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 Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 4pm.



New for 2023: Sign-up to host *Coffee And...* on Sunday mornings. You can find the sign-up on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Choose a Sunday you would like to host and write down your name. There is a QR code on the sign-up sheet to link you to a training video to explain what hosting *Coffee And..* entails. Basically, you make the coffee, supply the food, set everything out, and clean everything up. If you have any questions, please contact the church office or Rebecca Roehl.



Adult Opportunities



Together Time

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Every Thursday at 1:00pm, starting January 12th.

This is a time for us to enjoy casual conversation and being in each other's company. Please join us whenever you can!

Annual Meeting is Sunday, January 29th.

Meeting immediately following worship service.

This meeting is for anyone to attend. Come and be present while we discuss the budget and future of FELC. Please know you do need to be a member to vote per the church constitution.

If you are concerned about your member status, contact Pastor Lily.

Worship Committee:

Next Meeting on Tuesday,
January 10th at 6:00pm

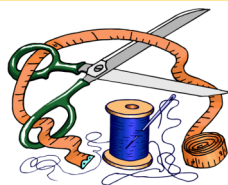


Our next Lunch Bunch will be on
Tuesday, January 17th at noon.

EVERYONE is welcome.
No need to bring anything,
all food is provided.

Congregation Council Meeting

6:30pm on January 16th.
All are welcome to attend!



Faith Sew-ers

We will meet again every
Wednesday at 9:45am starting
January 18, 2023.



No Wine & Word This Month

February 7th - Discuss *Between Two Kingdoms*

All Women are Welcome!

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information or
join us in the Gathering Space on February 7th at 7:00pm



Children & Youth Opportunities



Thank you for everyone who donated and purchased cookies to support CHAOS High School Youth Group and our mission trip. The youth baked 39 dozen cookies and had lots of fun. We are grateful for your continued support!

High School Youth Group

CHAOS is for all high school students.

New Date and Time!

Wednesday, January 11 from 7:35-8:45pm

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

Follow CHAOS on Instagram. @chaos_fclc



Save the Date!

The Faith Formation students will be
presenting the program,
“The Light of the World”
on Sunday, February 5th during
9:00am worship service.

The Live Nativity was a success! Thank you to all who helped, participated and drove thru.



Faith Formation (ages 3-6th grade) and Confirmation (7th - 9th grade)

We welcome all students at anytime!

Wednesdays - May 17, 2023

-Meal 5:30 pm -Class 6:00pm -Worship 6:55pm

If you are willing to help prep, serve and clean-up a meal for Faith Formation
one Wednesday in Spring, please contact Rebecca Roehl.



- Each month we highlight a new image of Jesus on the bulletin board in the gathering space. You can see past featured images in the coat nook by the front door. January's image entitled *Child Jesus* is an icon by Mickey McGrath, OSFS.
- Everyone can attend any church meeting, even if you are not officially a part of that committee. Future meetings:
 - Worship Committee Meeting January 10th @ 6:00pm
 - Congregation Council Meeting January 16th @ 6:30pm
 - Annual Meeting January 29th Following Worship Service

Pastor Lily has a new email!



To help eliminate confusing from past employees; Pastor Lily's email is:

pastorlily@felcwalworth.com

Rebecca and Sarah will keep their emails. See back page for all emails.

- We are still collecting Daniel's Food (Sentry) receipts in the Gathering Space. Receipts can be up to 4 months old, but we ask that you get a green sticker on it from your cashier. A portion of each receipt comes back to the church!

Thank You

- "Dear Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Thank you for your generous support and donation to Walworth families and children this holiday season! You gave the gift of kindness and cheer to many families who are in need. We are incredibly grateful to have such a wonderful and caring community! Feeling blessed!" Lee Knoble-Janney & Jen Ott-Wilson Walworth School Counselors
- Thank you for everyone who rang bells for the Salvation Army.
- Thank you to those who decorated the sanitary and gathering space for Advent and the Christmas season.
- Thank you for everyone who helped set lights up for the Live Nativity.
- "You all continue to make me feel so special. Thank you for all the Christmas treats for my family and me! So much love for you, wishing you many blessings in the new year!" - Pastor Lily



Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am

Scripture Readings for January

Jan. 1: First Sunday of Christmas

Numbers 6:22-27 *The Aaronic blessing.*

Psalms 8 *How majestic is your name in all the earth!*

Galatians 4:4-7 *We are no longer slaves, but children.*

Luke 2:15-21 *The child is circumcised and named Jesus.*

Jan. 6: Epiphany of Our Lord

Jan. 8: Baptism of Our Lord

Isaiah 42:1-9 *The servant of the LORD brings justice.*

Psalms 29 *The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.*

Acts 10:34-43 *Jesus' ministry after his baptism.*

Matthew 3:13-17 *Revelation of Christ as God's servant.*

Jan. 15: Second Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 49:1-7 *The servant brings light to the nations.*

Psalms 40:1-11 *I love to do your will, O my God.*

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 *Paul's greeting to the church at Corinth.*

John 1:29-42 *Revelation of Christ as the Lamb of God.*

Jan. 22: Third Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 9:1-4 *Light shines for those in darkness.*

Psalms 27:1, 4-9 *The LORD is my light and my salvation*

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 *Appeal for unity in the gospel.*

Matthew 4:12-23 *Revelation of Christ as a prophet.*

Jan. 29: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Micah 6:1-8 *The offering of justice, kindness, humility.*

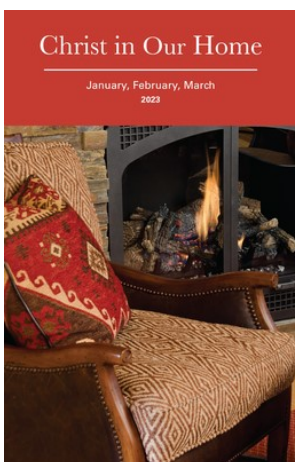
Psalms 15 *LORD, who may abide upon your holy hill?*

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 *Christ crucified, the wisdom and power of God.*

Matthew 5:1-12 *The teaching of Christ: Beatitudes.*

Christ in Our Home Booklets

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 one up for yourself and feel free to share with a friend.



Worship Servers

January 1 9:00 am	
Reader	Various
Ushers	John S.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Needed
January 8 9:00 am	
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Hemmerich Fam.
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Tracey S.
January 15 9:00 am	
Reader	Penny G.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	Penny G.
Projector	Liz H.
January 22 9:00 am	
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.
January 29 9:00 am	
Reader	Kristi R.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Kristi R.
Projector	Barb W.

February 5 9:00 am	
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Confirmation Students
Projector	Confirmation Students
February 12 9:00 am	
Reader	Kristi R.
Ushers	Susie & Terry S.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Weborg Family
February 19 9:00 am	
Reader	Penny G.
Ushers	Sheen Family
Communion Assist.	Penny G.
Projector	Sheen Family
February 26 9:00 am	
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Tracey S.

If you are a new Worship Server, contact the office to get training before your date.

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
November 30, 2022**

Cash Received:

From Envelopes, Special Contributions, & Others	\$7,763	
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>100</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$7,863

Cash Paid:

Operating Expenses*	\$10,291	
Synod Benevolence	863	
Committees	661	
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred)	<u>0</u>	
Total Cash		11,815

Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid) (3,952)

Checking Account Balance, November 1, 2022 17,201

Checking Account Balance, November 30, 2022 13,249

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

** included monthly and specific donations

Unrestricted Cash Balance

Checking Account	13,249	
Mission Investment Fund ***	103,811	
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	<u>250,282</u>	
Subtotal		367,432
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>8,324</u>
Unrestricted Cash Balance		359,018

Year to Date Information

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (Through Nov. 30, 2022)**	97,877	98,112
Total Expenses	166,848	145,929

Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance, November 1, 2022 8,224

New Dedicated

Furnace Fund 100

Balance, November 30, 2022 8,324

December '22							February '23						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	26	27	28				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Worship Service	2	3	4 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	5	6	7
8 9:00am Worship Service	9	10 4pm Spiritual Reflection at Sugar Creek Lutheran Church 6:00pm Worship Meeting	11 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship 7:35pm CHAOS Meeting	12 1pm Together Time	13 6:00pm Rehearsal	14 2:00pm Wedding
15 9:00am Worship Service	16 6:30pm Congregation Council Meeting	17 12:00pm Lunch Bunch	18 9:45am Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	19 1pm Together Time	20 Newsletter Deadline	21
22 9:00am Worship Service	23	24	25 9:45am Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	26 1pm Together Time	27	28
29 9:00am Worship Service Annual Meeting to Follow	30	31				



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Church Office Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00am – Noon

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Congregation Council 2022

Executive Team

Rick Lottig – President

Kristi Reiersen – Vice President

Penny Gruetzmacher – Secretary

Bill Clark – Treasurer

Council Members

Laurie Collins

Gail Connelly

Liz Hemmerich

Karlie Kroening

Kelsie Kroening

Karen Martinez

Susie Schaid