



**Faith Lutheran Church**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

**FAITH'S FOUNDATIONS**

**February 2025**

**FROM PASTOR CATIE**

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.”

- 1 Corinthians 12:12

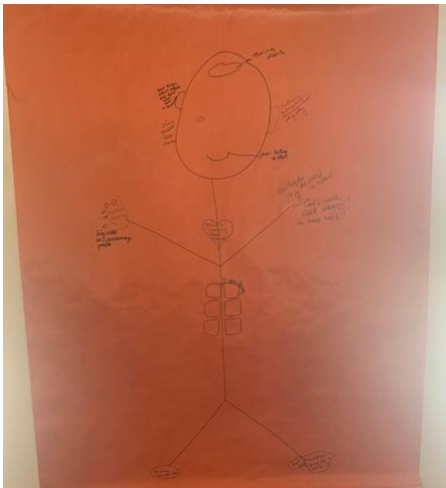
In worship last month we talked about being the body of Christ. We all use our gifts to make up different members of the same body. 1 Corinthians tells us that no member is more important than another. All members are necessary for the body to work as it is intended to!

So, we stepped outside of our comfort zones and leaned in. We got up during the sermon and added to the stick figure. Some drew/wrote what part of the body they feel they represent. Others took time to think about what they hope to do as a part of the body of Christ this year. Either way many interesting and wonderful perspectives were shared!

Our artwork includes hands, feet, ears, eye, brain, heart, mouth, and muscle. But not everyone was able to participate in our creation! So, this month I encourage you to begin or continuing thinking about the many members of the body of Christ. What role will you play? How will you keep doing the work of God through the part you drew in worship?

Peace,

Pastor Catie



**FROM THE PRESIDENT**

For the common good. It's the time of year when we read verses from 1 Corinthians and focus on our talents and how we can use them for the common good. Even as last year came to a close and we read about Solomon asking for wisdom, he did so not to better his own circumstances but to be a better leader for the benefit of all people. That's how I look at the people in our congregation who have stepped up to serve on Boards or on the Council. They are making decisions based on what they think would be the best for all concerned. Also at this time of year we read and hear words about the Epiphany of Our Lord. I think this is traditionally when we talk about the foreigners that we usually call the Wise Men and of course their gifts. This year the writer of a devotion brought up the idea that these were big gifts. Not in size of course because they were travelling far but very valuable gifts. Much over the years has been made as to the connection to the life of Jesus. But for us it also shows how it demonstrates that in giving a big gift your heart is also attached to the cause for the long term. As we sometimes say nowadays, they were all in. So even though we are in a new year now, stay overjoyed at the birth of Jesus and be generous for His sake and His glory. Go big in your gifts and see if this also makes you more connected. And not just with your money of course but also with your time and talent. I am always amazed at the talent of those on the boards and on the council and the time they put in. Work continues on the boiler system in the church. The Trustees keep pursuing the best road to follow as they tweak the system in order to have it run efficiently. Work is going forward on a cozy place where young mothers can take their babies when they are fussy or when privacy is needed and yet still be able to follow the service. Plans are even going forward for this summer's Vacation Bible School. Some of these plans will need your financial support as well as your donation of time. So stay tuned. I am sure I am forgetting some things also. It is nice to know that there are so many things being dealt with and planned for. So lean in and give big of your time, talent, and money.

As always if you have questions or concerns about anything please bring these to the attention of a member of our council.

Sincerely,  
Robin Peterson

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **FACEBOOK**

It's true! Faith Lutheran Church now has a Facebook page. "Like" us at <http://www.facebook.com/faith3lakes/> and watch the page for updates about what's happening in the life of our faith community.

### **LIVE STREAMING**

Did you know that when you're away, you can watch the entire service as it's delivered LIVE on Sunday morning? You can! Simply go to our church's website (<https://www.faithlutheran-threelakes.org/>) and click "Click here to watch live streaming during worship (Sundays at 9:00 am)" right on the front page. Just put in a name and hit "Enter Live Service". Streaming will start, which usually happens around 8:55, 9:00 am, give or take a few minutes, so if nothing is happening yet when you start watching, just wait a few minutes. You can also watch a recording of many of our services on our website. Simply go to our church website and click "Click here to view recordings of worship" to watch any past services. It's that easy!

### **QUILTING**

Quilting is back in session! Please join us every Wednesday at 12:30 pm in the lower level of the church. No experience necessary!

### **ONLINE GIVING**

You can support our mission easier than ever with our donation platform! You can visit [faith3lakes.churchtrac.com](http://faith3lakes.churchtrac.com) and contribute securely online.

When utilizing ChurchTrac to electronically donate to Faith Lutheran Three Lakes, please take the following into consideration:

Go to: [faith3lakes.churchtrac.com](http://faith3lakes.churchtrac.com)

Go to: "On-Line Giving" click "Give Now"

Enter: "User Name and Password" OR "Create a New Account"

Complete Donation Details: (Prayerfully consider "Clicking" on the "Help Cover the Card Processing Fee")

Thank you for your continued support!

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible Study is offered following Sunday church services EVERY Sunday! All are invited and welcome to attend!

No bible required! Please join us for some lively discussions!

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

This year we will gather on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month after worship. Invite you children,

grandchildren, friends, and neighbors to join in the fun!

### **Communion Assistant**

We are creating a new way to serve in worship! In the past, the reader also served as the communion assistant. However, some folks have expressed interest in serving communion but are not interested in reading.

Moving forward, anyone who would like to be a communion assistant can let the office know! If no communion assistant is assigned, we ask that the reader continue to serve in this way as well.

### **Noisy Offering**

On Sunday February 9th we will be having a noisy offering. The collection will support the work of Caritas. Please bring your change!

### **Paint-N-Sip Fundraiser**

February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm Faith will host a painting event to raise funds for our youth. All supplies will be provided, just bring a beverage to enjoy. Cost is \$30 per person. Please sign up at church by February 16<sup>th</sup> as space is limited.

### **Continuing Education**

Pastor Catie will be participating in a class offered by the synod February 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. She will leave after worship on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and return to the office on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **BAPTISMS WE REMEMBER THIS MONTH**

February is the month of love - for on February 14th, Valentine's Day, we remember those whom we love. God also remembers those whom he loves. Through baptism, God has claimed us! Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God backs up his claim with actions! The objects of God's love got more than cards or flowers they have received new life! But God's love is not limited to one day of the year for God's love is never ending. For God, every day is Valentine's Day!

2<sup>nd</sup> Eliza Dobbins

10<sup>th</sup> Kailyn Fogerty

26<sup>th</sup> William Dachelet

Also Remember: Jennifer Korten Hof and Duane Bonack

### **Monthly Attendance**

Year: 2024

Month: December

# of Services: 6

Average: 47

Average online: 32

Year: 2025

Month: January

# of Services: 4

Average: 26

Average online: 27

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

**THOSE STRUGGLING WITH ILLNESS, PAIN, LOSS  
OF HEALTH IN MIND, BODY, AND SPIRIT:**

Kyle Smith, Paul Kragh, Ollie DeMuth, Megan Schiller,  
Ann Woelfel, Duane and Colleen Bonack, Rick Gensler,  
Sr., Ruth Sammetinger, Beth Schomisch, Jim Stroschein,  
Kris Tenges, Myrna Stroschein, Heidi Lulloff, Olivia,  
Maggie Servant, Delores Rutherford, Rich Collins, Bob  
Buss, and Diane Lulloff.

**ALL THOSE WHO ARE ANXIOUS AND WORRIED  
ABOUT MANY THINGS**

**OUR CHURCH MINISTRIES**

Congregation Council  
Board of Worship Life (BOWL)  
Board of Outreach  
Board of Trustees  
Marywood Franciscan Spirituality Center

**OUR PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL OF JESUS  
CHRIST, INCLUDING**

St. Theresa's Roman Catholic Church  
Three Lakes Evangelical Free Church  
Grace Lutheran Church

**OUR SYNOD, THE NORTHERN GREAT LAKES  
SYNOD OF THE ELCA, AND ITS CONGREGATIONS.  
OUR COMPANION SYNOD, THE EASTERN AND  
COASTAL DIOCESE OF THE EVANGELICAL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TANZANIA, AND ITS  
CONGREGATIONS**

**Treasurer's Report**

	Start of Fiscal	Year 2024 - 2025	Beginning Bal	\$682.71
Month	Donations	Expenses	Monthly Net	Fiscal Yr To Date
Sept	\$8,088.70	\$10,224.54	-\$2,135.84	-\$1,453.13
Oct	\$7,214.10	\$8,662.22	-\$1,448.12	-\$2,901.25
Nov	\$5,910.15	\$9,109.48	-\$3,199.33	-\$6,100.58
Dec	\$20,399.40	\$9,331.42	\$11,067.98	\$4,967.40

**Stewardship Calander**

February 2025

	<b><u>2/2/25</u></b>	<b><u>2/9/25</u></b>	<b><u>2/16/25</u></b>	<b><u>2/23/25</u></b>
<b><u>Reader</u></b>	Jan Harris	Karen Meyer	Linda Swanson	Phoebe Pettingell
<b><u>Communion Assistant</u></b>	None	None	Vickie Johnson	None
<b><u>Greeter</u></b>	Jan Harris	Amy Davis & Debby Carlson	Amy Davis & Debby Carlson	Chris & Jacque Deidtz
<b><u>Music</u></b>	Rhonda Buss	Rhonda Buss	Rhonda Buss	Rhonda Buss
<b><u>Video</u></b>	Brad & Bo Bisnette	Dillon Ford	Dillon Ford	Dillon Ford

**February 2025**

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
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2  9:00 am Holy Communion  Fellowship/ Bible Study	3	4	5  12:30 pm Quilting	6	7	8
9  9:00 am Holy Communion  Bible Study/ Sunday School  Confirmation 11am-2pm	10	11	12  12:30 pm Quilting	13	14	15
16  9:00am Holy Communion  Bible Study	17	18	19 12:30 pm Quilting	20	21	22  Paint-N-Sip Fundraiser 1:00pm
23  9:00 am Holy Communion  Bible Study/ Sunday School	24	25	26 12:30 pm Quilting	27	28	



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**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A member of the Northern Great Lakes Synod  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

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Church Office: 715-546-2770

Office Hours:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday  
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Pastor Catie's Office Hours:

Mondays at Mugs 9:00am – 12pm  
Tuesday: 9:00am – 12pm  
Wednesday: 9:00am – 12pm  
Thursday: 9:00am – 12pm

**WEEKLY WORSHIP**

Sunday Morning – 9:00 am

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