



# Fai<sup>th</sup>FINDINGS

October 2024

**TUES, OCT 1** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM

**WED, OCT 2** QUILTING, 9:00AM

GATHER TO PRAY, 10AM

FAITH IN ACTION, 5:30PM

CONFIRMATION, 6:30PM

YOUTH GROUP, 7:45PM

**FRI, OCT 4** PRAYER SHAWL, 10AM

**SUN, OCT 6** WORSHIP, 9:30AM

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP, 10:30AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:45AM

**MON, OCT 7** CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY, 5:30PM

**TUES, OCT 8** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM

PRAYER TEAM, 10AM

WORSHIP TEAM, 11AM

YOUNG ADULTS, 7PM

**WED, OCT 9** CONNECT TEAM, 10AM

GATHER TO PRAY, 10AM

FAITH IN ACTION, 5:30PM

CONFIRMATION, 6:30PM

YOUTH GROUP, 7:45PM

**SUN, OCT 13** WORSHIP, 9:30AM

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP, 10:30AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:45AM

**MON, OCT 14** CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY, 5:30PM

**TUES, OCT 15** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM

COUNCIL MEETING, 6:00PM

**WED, 16** QUILTING, 9:00AM

GATHER TO PRAY, 10AM

FAITH IN ACTION, 5:30PM

CONFIRMATION, 6:30PM

YOUTH GROUP, 7:45PM

**FRI, OCT 18** PRAYER SHAWL, 10AM

**SUN, OCT 20** WORSHIP, 9:30AM

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP, 10:30AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:45AM

**MON, OCT 21** CHOSEN SERIES, 5:30PM

**TUES, OCT 22** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP, 7PM

**WED, OCT 23** GATHER TO PRAY, 10AM

FAITH IN ACTION, 5:30PM

CONFIRMATION, 6:30PM

YOUTH GROUP, 7:45PM

**SUN, OCT 27** WORSHIP, 9:30AM

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP, 10:30AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:45AM

**MON, OCT 28** CHOSEN SERIES, 5:30PM

**TUES, OCT 29** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM

**WED, OCT 30** GATHER TO PRAY, 10AM

FAITH IN ACTION, 5:30PM

CONFIRMATION, 6:30PM

YOUTH GROUP, 7:45PM

**TUES, OCT 15** LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY, 9AM **THURS, OCT 31** HAND OUT CANDY, 3-5PM



**TRICK  
OR  
TREAT**  
*United in faith,  
our mission is to grow in  
Christ and serve others.*



**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**YOUNG ADULTS**

**2ND + 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-35 JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP & CONTINUED SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

**STARTING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH**

ANY QUESTIONS  
**CONNECT WITH PASTOR JOSH**

**The CHOSEN**

8 Week Series, Starting Sept 23  
Monday's at 5:30pm

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES**

MUSIC 5:30PM  
DINNER 5:50PM  
FAITH IN ACTION 6:10PM  
CONFIRMATION 6:30PM  
YOUTH GROUP 7:45PM

LIL FAITH IN ACTION  
PRE-K + KINDERGARTENERS

BIG FAITH IN ACTION  
1-6 GRADERS

**LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY**

**TUESDAY'S AT 9AM**

Dive deeper into the weekly lectionary teachings.  
Grow your spirituality and biblical knowledge with  
Pastor Josh.

Join every week or pop in when you can.

If you are interested in this being an online series as well,  
let Pastor Josh know.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

To view full program details and to register, please go to our website or contact us.

**CAMP ONOMIA** Fall 2024-2025

<b>20-22</b> SEPTEMBER	<b>75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION</b> A weekend of celebrating, remembrance, and excitement for the past and future of camp. Please see our website for a full list of activities scheduled.
<b>1-2</b> NOVEMBER	<b>WOMEN'S REFRESH RETREAT</b> Relax and leave feeling rejuvenated after a short weekend of meaningful conversations, service projects, and time to explore God's creation.
<b>15-17</b> NOVEMBER	<b>MEN'S WEEKEND AWAY</b> Come explore the beauty of Northern Minnesota in the heart of autumn. Enjoy good company, engaging Bible talks, and time to explore.
<b>17-19</b> JANUARY	<b>FAMILY WINTER WEEKEND</b> Winter fun for the whole family! Enjoy the winter wonderland, then come inside and warm up. Devotions, sledding, movie night and more!
<b>21-23</b> FEBRUARY	<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL WINTER BLAST</b> You'll have a blast being at camp with other middle schoolers or people from your youth group. All the fun of summer camp, just in the winter!
<b>14-15</b> MARCH	<b>BIBLE &amp; BREW</b> Join us for a short retreat with Bible study led by Bishop Amy Odgren, a tasting of brews, and good conversation and fellowship!

Since 1949, Camp Onomia has offered a life changing experience which invites all people to encounter Christ through Creation and Community

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**We Pray for:**

World Communion Sunday, October 6  
 NE Synod, "Walking Together" Event,  
 October 12  
 3rd graders receive Bibles, October 13  
 Reformation Sunday- New Member,  
 October 27

*Bible Studies:*

WOW, October 8 @ 6:30 p.m.  
 "Chosen" Mondays @ 5:30 p.m.  
 Lectionary Tuesdays @ 9 a.m.

Faith in Action - Wednesday 5:30 p.m.  
 Confirmation - Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Group - Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

Young Adults - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
 @ 7 p.m.

9:30 Worship  
 Sunday School  
 Sunday Coffee Fellowship

Church Council  
 Building & Property Ministry  
 Finance & Stewardship Team  
 Children, Youth & Family Ministry Team  
 Connect Ministry Team  
 Local & Global Missions  
 Memorial Ministry  
 Music Ministry  
 Prayer Ministry  
 Prayer Shawl  
 Quilters  
 WELCA  
 Worship Ministry Team

**"Common Prayer Time"**

Every Wednesday - pray from home or  
 at Church

**"Pray with your directory"**

Lift up individuals/families in the church  
 directory each time you pray.

**"Personal Prayer"**

Need of personal prayer: Seek prayer  
 during communion on Sunday's or  
 contact any prayer team member who  
 will pray with you.

**"Be Watchful and Pray - Words and Actions"**

*"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." Ephesians 4:29*

In our culture today, we see more and more chaos and division due to nasty rhetoric and hasty actions that seems to dominate conversations and the news. Many times every day, we are faced with multiple circumstances to speak and act. We may not always realize how powerful our words and actions can be and the impact they may have on others. What we say and do can either build up or tear down lives. God warned us that if we are not careful, our hasty words and actions have the potential to inflame and result in a negative and lasting impact on others as well as on our own lives.

*"Watch your thoughts, they become your words.  
 Watch your words, they become your actions.  
 Watch your actions, they become your habits.  
 Watch your habits, they become your character  
 Watch your character, it becomes your destiny."*

Author - Lao Tzu

So, if what you're about to say will be cruel, harsh, and unnecessary, don't say it. If your actions will have a momentary or lasting negative effect, then don't do it. Instead pray and ask God to guide your speech and give you the right words. Ask for transforming power to renew your heart so what you do is right. Whenever you hear or witness others saying and doing harmful things, also pray for God to intervene in their lives and to give them the knowledge between what is good and bad, what is right and wrong, and what can be helpful or hurtful. God gave us our voices and with it a heart to do what is right for all his children.

So, let us take seriously what it says in Matthew 12:36, "But I tell you that every careless word that people speak, they shall give an accounting for it in the day of judgment."

*Children's Prayer Time*



*Dear Jesus, sometimes I get upset and may say things that hurt others. Help me to not be hurtful with the words I say or the things I do.  
 Amen.*





Heavenly Father, as we step into a new month, help us to embrace October with its changing colors and cooler breezes. May it remind us that change is an integral part of your divine design. So, let this month be a time of examination, growth, and renewal in our lives. Just as the trees shed their leaves, may we shed our burdens, regrets, and negative thoughts that hinder us from moving forward and help us be prepared for whatever comes our way. And, as we enter a new church year, may we see how you have called each of us to serve you using our gifts to help make our ministry programs and activities a success.

- Encourage us to get involved in the Bible Studies that are being offered this fall. May those who attend find it a time of learning and growing deeper in their faith.
- Bring energy to our new Young Adult group. As they come together, be with them and guide them as they start this new and exciting group.
- Stir in the hearts of those who might be interested in joining our church family on Reformation Sunday, October 27. May they find us to be an open and welcoming congregation that helps them to grow in their faith.
- Our young people are the future of this church and you have given us the responsibility to lead and guide them in their faith development. As our children and youth ministry programs begin for the year, bring forth the workers necessary to make these ministry programs successful.
- We thank you for the service and dedication of the council members who have served our church in a leadership role and are now going off council. Be with our new and continuing council members and guide them in the duties they have taken on. May the rest of us be willing to accept the call to help them with the ministry work of this church. Guide us in using our gifts and talents where we are called to help.
- As we break bread together on October 6 and celebrate World Communion Sunday, may we remember that the Lord's supper comes to all of us, regardless of where we live and how it is celebrated.
- Plant your word in the lives of our 3rd graders as they receive their Bibles. Bring enthusiasm and excitement as they, along with their parents, spend time together reading your word.
- As our choir returns, call forth all who have an interest in serving you through their gift of music. We give thanks for the many involved in our music programs. Continue to bless them as they praise you through their music.
- You have called us to be there for one another. May we be there for the sick and those in pain, to visit the homebound, to console those who grieve, to be a friend to those who suffer loneliness, and to reach out to those in need. We lift up all who are on our prayer network and those in our personal prayers. Be with them all as you surround them with your love.
- Bless Myla, Athea and Sage as they are welcomed into our family of Faith through their baptism. Guide their families and sponsors and lead us as a congregation to be part of their journey in their Christian faith.
- We thank you for all who gather to make quilts for the needy and homeless and those who make prayer shawls for individuals needing prayers of comfort. Bless these groups and their times together.
- Help us to be concerned for the feelings of others. Fill us with understanding and the knowledge and the beauty that comes with caring for our neighbors in need. Give us the power of the Holy Spirit so we may live lives that honor you by welcoming all who worship with us. In October, we especially pray for
  - Week of October 6 – Pam Geiger; Geoff, Shanessa, Nevaeh, Parker Gesell, Tom and Diane Gibas.
  - Week of October 13 – Marlene Green Ron & Pat Gudim, Al and Sue Gustner, Brady and Aleia Haggberg.
  - Week of October 20 – Bubbles and Phyllis Haggberg, David and Susie Haggberg, Donald Haggberg.
  - Week of October 27 – Dorothy Haggberg; Jeremy, Teagen, Hunter, and Tucker Haggberg.
- Watch over all our snowbirds as they travel to warmer climates for the winter months. Keep them safe and be with them during the time we are apart.
- Go with our children and youth as they participate in Halloween activities. Watch over them and keep them always safe.
- Be with our church representatives and those from other churches within the NE Minnesota Synod as they gather on October 12, for the "Walking Together event with a focus on World Hunger.

Continue to work in and through our lives so we may strive to serve you unconditionally. AMEN

Blessing: Elory Christianson, Diane Gibas, Nancy Hendry, Dave Morneau, Doc Moss, Sandy Nies, Carolyn Nutt, Pam Peterson, Mary Sears, Cheryl Ten Bruin.

Note: Prayer shawls are available in the Chapel

Please take and give away to anyone whom you feel is in need of prayer.  
we ask that you record in the Shawl book, the date and to whom the shawl is given.  
(This helps to not deliver multiple shawls to the same individual.)

**If you find that you are unable to fulfill the task on your given Sunday, please find someone to take your place and let the office know as soon as possible!!**

**SERVERS for Worship October 2024**

**Scripture Readers:**

October 6 - Doug Halvorson  
 October 13 - Cheryl TenBruin  
 October 20 - Sandy Nies  
 October 27 - Barb Magnan

**Acolytes:**

October 6 - Aidan Heise  
 October 13 - Dylan Heise  
 October 20 - Rylan Heise  
 October 27 - Ryah Kuhlman

**Ushers:**

October 6 - Larry Nutt  
Doc Moss  
 October 13 - Larry Nutt  
Doc Moss  
 October 20 - Doug Johnson  
Sandy Nies  
 October 27 - Mike & Michele Haggberg  
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**Communion Assistants:**

October 6 - Doug & Judy Halvorson  
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 October 13 - Al & Sue Gustner  
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 October 20 - Larry Nutt  
Cheryl TenBruin  
 October 27 - Curt & Di Miller  
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**Greeters:**

October 6 - Dee Berg  
Doc Moss  
 October 13 - Judy Crace  
Donna Moore  
 October 20 - Judy Crace  
Donna Moore  
 October 27 - Dee Berg  
Doc Moss

**Coffee Servers:**

October 6 - Doug & Judy Halvorson  
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 October 13 - Al & Sue Gustner  
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 October 20 - Mike & Michele Haggberg  
Brady & Aleia Haggberg  
 October 27 - Mike & Heidi Patrick  
Bev Severson



# OCTOBER 2024

Faith Lutheran Church

Oct 2024 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 7pm - JFK Dance	30	1 9am - Lect Bible Study	2 9am - Quilting 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA @ Faith 6:30pm - Confirmation @ 7:30pm - AA 7:45pm - Youth Group	3	4 10am - Prayer Shawl	5 9am - AA Big Book 9am - Baby Shower
6 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 7pm - JFK Dance	7 4:30pm - JFK Dance 5:30pm - Chosen Bible	8 9am - Lect Bible Study 10am - Prayer Team 11am - Worship Team 7pm - Young Adults	9 10am - Connect Team 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA @ Faith 6:30pm - Confirmation @ 7:30pm - AA 7:45pm - Youth Group	10	11	12 9am - AA Big Book
13 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 7pm - JFK Dance	14 1pm - Garden Club 4:30pm - JFK Dance 5:30pm - Chosen Bible	15 9am - Lect Bible Study 6pm - Council Meeting	16 9am - Quilting 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA @ Faith 6:30pm - Confirmation @ 7:30pm - AA 7:45pm - Youth Group	17	18 Newsletter Articles Due in 10am - Prayer Shawl	19 Baptism 9am - AA Big Book
20 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 7pm - JFK Dance	21 4:30pm - JFK Dance 5:30pm - Chosen Bible	22 9am - Lect Bible Study 7pm - Young Adults	23 Newsletter Sent Out 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA @ Faith 6:30pm - Confirmation @ 7:30pm - AA 7:45pm - Youth Group	24	25	26 9am - AA Big Book
27 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 7pm - JFK Dance	28 4:30pm - JFK Dance 5:30pm - Chosen Bible	29 9am - Lect Bible Study	30 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA @ Faith 6:30pm - Confirmation @ 7:30pm - AA 7:45pm - Youth Group	31 3pm - Candy	1	2

**Faith Lutheran  
MONTHLY GIVING**

September 1  
Giving \$2520

September 8  
Attendance 46  
Giving \$2295

September 15  
Attendance 86  
Giving \$2781

September 22  
Attendance 74  
Giving \$2293

# October Birthdays

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 10/01 Elaine Freichels   | 10/18 Pam Geiger          |
| 10/01 Amber Robertson    | 10/19 Robert Larson       |
| 10/01 Livia Raverty      | 10/19 Logan Slama         |
| 10/03 Joyce Miller       | 10/20 Grace Slagle        |
| 10/03 James Rens         | 10/20 Jason Amundson      |
| 10/04 Harvey Soderstrom  | 10/22 Nancy Miller        |
| 10/04 Curt Miller        | 10/22 Ellory Christianson |
| 10/06 Donald Haggberg    | 10/24 Dee Fehlberg        |
| 10/06 Samantha Samuelson | 10/29 Dennis (Doc) Moss   |
| 10/09 Denise Larson      | 10/29 Sandy Nies          |
| 10/09 Natasha Kuhlman    | 10/30 Brad Johnson        |
| 10/11 Laura Heise        |                           |
| 10/11 Jared Oswald       |                           |
| 10/16 Robert Peterson    |                           |



## October Anniversaries

- 10/08 Bill Michaelis & Ellory Christianson  
 10/14 Terry & Gail Oswald  
 10/10 Robert & Denise Larson  
 10/18 Tyler & Tara Soderstrom  
 10/19 Nicholas & Breanna Eklund  
 10/23 John & Jennifer Wegner



We would like to say a big **Thank**

**You** to all of those who volunteer in our Church and in our Community. We especially want to thank **Joan Lundquist** who gives many hours of her time at ONE MORE TIME in Isle. Each month Faith Lutheran Church receives a donation that goes into the Good Samaritan Fund.

This donation helps Faith Lutheran Church give to those in need.



**PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE  
OR EMAIL WITH ANY CHANGES IN YOUR  
CONTACT INFORMATION.**

*Thank you!* 

Faith Lutheran now has online giving set up. It can be accessed by going to [www.faithisle.org](http://www.faithisle.org) or click or scan the following QR with your smartphone.





**Save your receipts from Teals** and bring them to church. Teals donates 1% back to our Youth Group. On average, we receive an annual check of approximately \$1,000.00.

*Thank you, Teals!*

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**Church Office Hours**  
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
 9:00am–2:00pm  
 Monday & Friday - Closed

**Faith Lutheran Church Council Minutes** *(Unapproved)*  
**September 17, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members present were Aliesha Holbert, Kortney Sawatsky, Nancy Hendry, Dennis "Doc" Moss, RoseMarie Nutt, Sue Temte, Karen Gabriel, Diane Gibas and Pastor Josh Blair. Members absent were Tim McArdle, Derek Karels and Craig Lemieux.

Sue gave the devotions.

The agenda was approved with modifications with a motion by Diane seconded by Kortney

Doc made the motion to accept the secretary's report from the August meeting, seconded by Diane. The report was approved.

The treasurer's report was received. Aliesha said we did well watching our budget for the fiscal year. She said we have \$16,000 that we didn't spend. That amount includes designated funds which carry over. The amount in the youth fund is what they earned in their fundraising ventures.

After discussion, Kortney made the motion, seconded by Doc to make the youth fund its own account. This will include youth fundraising expenses, other activity expenses and youth trip expenses. These will be line items on the budget. It will not include campships and education materials. The motion passed.

There were no guests.

Pastor talked about the haunted trail, Third graders will be getting their Bibles in October, Youth activities have started, there are 13 kids in confirmation. The youth group will have a new format and the young adult group will start later.

Under old business:

1. Karen will talk to Dave regarding the cemetery. That is an ongoing item.
2. The Connect Committee was discussed. The committee needs members. More information will be forthcoming.
3. The annual meeting will be held September 29. The question was raised: Can members who are attending online be allowed to vote? According to Roberts Rules of Order, members can vote via zoom. After COVID, this became the norm. However, after discussion, we decided it may be doable, but we have to work on it. Nancy made a recommendation to wait for a year to get issues worked out to which everyone agreed. In another topic, if the agenda is not printed the nomination part of the meeting could be moved forward to add names. If the agenda is printed we will amend the agenda. Sue and Kortney will count the ballots if needed.



The water problems are ongoing. The stucco needs sealing.

There were good reports on Rally Sunday, however the activities at Fiddlestix did not happen.

The 2024-25 budget was approved by council after a motion by Doc, seconded by Nancy.

A new Sysco coffee maker was discussed. Carolyn, Larry and Kristi picked on out. It will take six to eight weeks to get the pots. Prices are still being compared for other products the Sysco company offered us.

#### New Business:

Walking Together, the Synod workshop day has four people who signed up. The deadline to register has been extended to Sept. 24.

Pot luck dinners were discussed. Who is in charge and who will when one is planned was the discussion.

Employees on council. As Sue is not running for council again and she is an employee of the church it was determined this would be a good time to look at the issue noting that it has not been a problem, but the norm is that employees are generally not on a governing body. Pastor was hired by the congregation and not the council. It is also in our constitution that he must serve on the council. All other employees are hired by the council. Doc made the motion that no employees will sit on the council, Aliesha seconded the motion. The motion passed.

An additional motion was made to the employee policy that states: An employee is not permitted to be on a call committee. The motion was made by Aliesha, seconded by Doc and passed.

The light in the playroom was discussed. It is on a list to fix.

Pastor requested Dec. 1 off. It is the first Sunday in Advent.

#### Committee Reports:

Worship and Music: Nancy said the met and planning is moving forward.

Prayer: Diane reported this year our theme will be Gather to Pray. More information is coming.

Local and Global Missions: Karen reported next year we will be sponsoring YAGMs in Cambodia. Carl who was in Africa last year and one of the missionaries we supported was to come and speak with us the next Sunday. We will continue to support the local food bank, school gifts, ELCA gifts, diapers for the local police department and hats and mittens for school kids.

Memorial: Nancy reported the Memorial fund paid for the the transportation and tuning of the baby grand piano donated to the church.

Nancy made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Rose. The meeting was adjourned.



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