

Voice of Faith

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Sunday Services
10:00 AM

Christian Education Hour
(Sunday School)
9:00 AM

Office Hours
9:00 AM—3:30 PM



Our Mission

“Partners with Christ in Building His Kingdom”

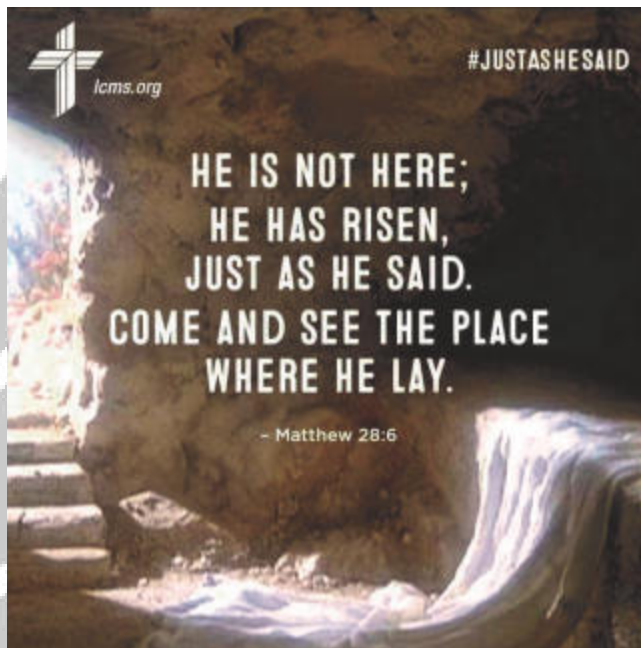
Our Vision

“Bringing Children and Families To the Love and Care of Christ”

Sr. Pastor, Rev. Michael A. Johnson, Sr.
Pastor Emeritus, C. David Stuckmeyer
Minister of Music, Jim Vyhanek
Office Administrator, Leslie Grange
IT, Bob Hameetman and Teena Lubomski
VOICE Editors, Leslie Grange and Pastor Johnson

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HE IS RISEN!



**HE IS RISEN INDEED!
ALLELUIA!**



PASTOR & MRS. JOHNSON

*Our beautiful sanctuary ready to celebrate the
resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!
Christ is Risen!
He Is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!*



Board Banter

Our first successful live-streamed service was on Maundy Thursday and we intend to be live at 10am every Sunday at <https://www.facebook.com/faithlutheranah>. If you would like to receive the worship bulletin via email, make your request to vofpublisher@gmail.com.

The June congregation meeting will be on June 27th and you can expect to receive information regarding the Constitution & Bylaw revisions 3-4 weeks prior to the meeting.

Community Suppers are on the third Thursday, May – September, and the Back-to-School event is scheduled for August 4th. There will be opportunities to participate in these events with your time and effort as well as the need for financial contributions. Please consider pitching in.

Speaking of financial contributions, by the time you read this we should have a new roof on the education building. As expected, the project has exhausted the Capital Improvement Fund and we need help rebuilding that resource over time.

Other projects being worked on are the website, the Food Pantry, a new pictorial directory and a Policy and Procedure manual.

As everyone who desires will be fully vaccinated soon, we hope to see you all back in church. As soon as it is considered safe to do so, we look forward to resuming Heart & Soul in Fellowship Hall afterwards! Enjoy the better weather!

Alan Ahr
alanahr@comcast.net or (847) 397-9208



COMMUNITY SUPPERS - THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH THIS SUMMER

We are so very excited to be having our summer community suppers this year. To begin in May, we will be sending 40 dinners to the families staying at the nearby hotels and also will be preparing meals that will be picked up at our Church.

Because we never know how many will be driving up, we would like to have supplies that --- if we run out of dinners --- we can prepare a take away package for our guests. At the end of September, if we have leftovers we can donate them to our food pantry.

Some of the things we are looking for are:

- Bumble Bee (or equivalent) "Snack on the Run" tuna or chicken salad kits
- String Cheese
- Slim Jims
- Non-refrigerated fruit cups or applesauce
- Individually wrapped desserts

And needless to say, cash is always welcomed. We're more than willing to do the shopping. Faith parishioners are always so generous that we thank you in advance for your help for our community suppers. Any questions - you can always call me at any time.

Blessings, Joan Henning
(847) 910-2846



SPRING PLANT SALE

Join us on Friday and/or Saturday, May 7th and 8th, 2021, for the Faith Lutheran Church and Lambs of Faith ECC annual plant sale! The hours are 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on both days. It is being held outside in the front of the church. The plants are provided by Patyk Farms from Richmond, IL. Payment accepted will be cash, check or credit card. Social distancing will be in effect and masks must be worn.

Cindi Swanson is heading up this fundraiser and can be reached at (847) 508-5448, if you have any questions. Cindi will be needing lots of volunteers to make this a successful sale. Delivery of plants will be on Thursday, May 6, 2021, and then the sale the next two days. Please consider donating your time to help on any or all of those days!

The proceeds of this fundraiser benefit the Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center.



Calling all Women of Faith to Lutheran Women Missionary League Rally

Periodically, women from the Greater Chicago Zone of LCMS churches get together for an awe-inspiring rally. This time it will be held at Faith Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 9 AM. It will begin with a service conducted by Pastor Johnson followed by a business meeting whereby we will have the opportunity to choose projects for LWML to support with our mites for the next biennium. Lambs of Faith was a recipient of an LWML grant in the spring of 2020.

Let's show our support to LWML by being in attendance on May 22nd. Meet many women of all ages over the Chicagoland area with the common goal of "Serving the Lord with Gladness!" Psalm 100:2.



Lambs of Faith ECC Board



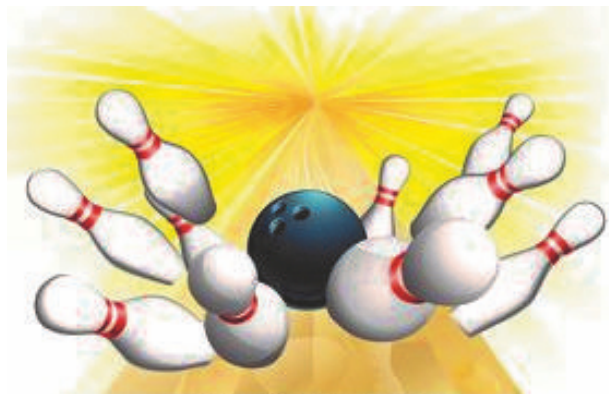
L to R: Leslie Grange, Joe Pegoraro, Alan Ahr-Congregation President, Special Guest Gail Holzer-School Ministry Executive of English District, LCMS, Marilyn Johnson, Pat Kopp, Judy Otis (not pictured: Pastor Johnson, Advisor, Marilyn Janda, Karen Kerz)

FAITH LUTHERAN MEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

This is Faith Lutheran Church Men's Bowling League 62nd year! As of April, the top four teams for the play-offs are Eddie's Lounge, Faith Lutheran Church, Meadows Funeral Home, and Midwest Laser Cartridge, and the play-offs are in May. We thank our sponsors that are listed below for all of their support. We are always looking for full time bowlers or sub-bowlers. If you have interest, please let me know, and contact Buzz Gross at 847-312-5131 or E-mail me at ray_gross@msn.com.

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FAITH LUTHERAN MEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household

First

What is baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (**Matthew 28:19**)

Second

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (**Mark 16:16**)

Third

How can water do such great things?

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying." (**Titus 3:5-8**)

Fourth

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (**Romans 6:4**)

CHURCH GROUNDS SPRING CLEAN-UP MAY 29, 2021 ~ 9:00 AM TIL NOON

Many hands are needed on Saturday, May 29th, to help the Building & Grounds team beautify the church property. Bring your tools, lawn bags, gloves and your strength and energy! In appreciation and thanks, lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact John Schnittker, Jr., (224) 622-2238.



PRAYER CHAIN

As Christians, we **know** that prayer works. It can change things. There are members in our congregation that are hurting, struggling, recovering, grieving and also at times, celebrating. If you are a prayer warrior and would join us in praying for those who would love your prayer support, please contact Lee Wood at imleelovesfelines@sbcglobal.net, or contact Leslie Grange in the office, and we will provide you with a list of fellow saints to pray for with us.



Official Acts



Funerals

Karen Schroeder
Passed on March 22, 2021



May 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8:00 AM Trustee Meeting
2 9:00 AM Chr. Ed. & Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship/Comm. 	3 6:45 PM Men's Bowling VOICE OF FAITH DEADLINE	4	5 7:00 PM Bell Choir 8:00 PM Faith Choir	6	7 9:00 AM—4:00 PM Plant Sale 	8 9:00 AM Prayer Shawls 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Plant Sale 
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23 9:00 AM Chr. Ed. & Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship	24	25	26 7:00 PM Bell Choir 8:00 PM Faith Choir	27	28	29 9:00 AM-Noon Church Grounds Spring Clean-Up 
30 9:00 AM Chr. Ed. & Bible Study 10:00 AM Worship	31 OFFICE CLOSED 					



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