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THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICES

Wednesday, November 24, 6:30 p.m.

Faith Ministry Center
Faithfoxvalley.org/FMCLive

Thursday, November 25, 9:30 a.m.

Faith Ministry Center

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL SUNDAY SERIES FOR ADVENT

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" is perhaps the most beloved Advent hymn of all time. Its haunting melody in minor mode and memorable text make it a favorite for all ages to sing. The origins of the text stem from the 9th century where each verse was based upon seven different antiphons (a short sentence sung or recited before or after a psalm or canticle). Each of the verses were referred to the Great "O" Antiphons and originally used at Vespers (Evening Prayer Service) during the last seven days of Advent. The antiphons were restructured into verse form in the 1100s and finally published in Latin in 1710. They were discovered by an English minister named John Mason Neale in the 19th century and eventually published as "Draw nigh, draw nigh, Emmanuel" in 1851. Neale, who was ordained into the Anglican ministry in 1841, was actually kept out of parish ministry because of poor health and Catholic leanings. Instead, he was appointed as the director of Sackville College, a home for old men. Serving at the College, John exercised his gift of compassion for the needy while continuing to research, write and translate ancient Greek and Latin hymns into English. "Good King Wenceslas", "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" and "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" are a few of his other famous contributions.

Our series for Advent this year will reflect on four of the famous verses constructed by John Mason Neale. As we prepare for Christmas and the birth of the Christ Child, we will take a closer look at key phrases and terms that we sing every Advent but perhaps never stopped to understand or fully appreciate the profound meanings and Biblical origins. The following information and all seven antiphons can be found on p. 357 of the Lutheran Service Book.

Advent 1 (11/28) "Ransom Captive Israel"

This phrase is found in the opening verse of the hymn and traces back to part of the Great "O" Antiphon used on December 20th which reads "Come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness and the shadow of death."

Advent 2 (12/05) "O Come, Thou Branch of Jesse's Tree"

This phrase is found in verse four of the hymn and traces back to part of the Great "O" Antiphon used on December 19th which reads "O Root of Jesse, standing as an ensign before the peoples, before whom all kings are mute, to whom the nations will do homage."

Advent 3 (12/12) "O Come, Thou Key of David"

This phrase is found in verse five of the hymn and traces back to part of the Great "O" Antiphon used on December 20th which reads "O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel, You open and no one can close, You close and no one can open."

Advent 4 (12/19) "O Come, Thou Dayspring"

This phrase is found in verse six of the hymn and traces back to part of the Great "O" Antiphon used on December 21st which reads "O Dayspring, splendor of light everlasting, come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death."

A MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS DIRECTOR

As I am writing this, fall is upon us and the leaves are changing color. It's a beautiful time of the season. It also means apple cider and apple cider donuts, which are so delicious and something to be thankful for. If you love this time of season, I am sure you are thankful for it as well. Of course, there is so much more we can give thanks for in our lives than just fall. Everything may be going our way or we may wonder what we should be doing. Maybe things are not easy right now or we may even be going through a very rough time; however, we should remember our Heavenly Father is always there for us. Our great comforter, the Holy Spirit, is with us at all times. Despite the struggles in our lives, we can always be thankful. It may not always be easy, but I am thankful even in my times of struggle and disappointment. It sounds strange, I know, but in my experience two things have usually happened – God has usually been glorified and my faith has been strengthened.

God being glorified during our good times is almost a no brainer, but it does seem odd to say during our times of struggle. In part, it is attitude. How do you look at life? Is life like Charlie Brown, always gloom around the next corner, or is life an adventure with opportunities galore? Maybe you are somewhere in the middle? I know I am at times, but mostly life for me is an adventure that God has blessed me with each day – struggles and all. I believe

my faith keeps my perspective of thankfulness, and I have seen this in others as well. Hopefully you have seen this in your own life. In those difficult times, God is still there pouring out his blessings on us. We usually don't see them till we have made it through the struggle, but if we could stop and take a breath during the struggle, we would see His amazing love pouring out on us in many little ways. Don't always look for the big blessings to be thankful, but also what we perceive as the little blessings.

I know I am thankful for my amazing Lord who has sustained me in this life. It has not always been easy, but He has provided for every one of my needs and brought me through every struggle and trial. Personally, I am also thankful for my family, my friends, a home, the ability to work, my church, technology, and the list goes on. As a person on staff at Faith Lutheran, I am thankful for you as well. Whether you participate online for worship and/or Bible study or come in person, I am thankful you are engaged with our ministry called Faith Lutheran Church with our mission of telling the Good News. Maybe you are the person that smiled at me on the way into church or maybe you are the person that said the facilities look dirty, or the service was hard to hear online. I'm thankful for all of you. You heard me correctly. Your input shows you care about Faith as well. Being the finance, facilities, and technology guy I am

also thankful for those that give of your time and/or your money. Giving of your time helps reduce our expenses and giving your money helps cover those expenses. You knew that plug was coming.

Thanksgiving is coming up soon. It may be a stepping stone away from Christmas, but it should remind us how thankful we can be that God sent His only son into this world for our salvation. What are you thankful for? Hopefully you can list at least five things, or maybe twelve. Most of all, I hope you are thankful for Our Lord and Savior who paid the ultimate price to take away our sins. May you live in His grace and bless others with His love.

- Dan Newman



at a **GLANCE**



HONORING OUR VETERANS

Veterans Day is observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans, who are people who have served in the United States Armed Forces. It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany.

We thank God for those who have served in the Armed Forces to protect our nation.

If you have served or are currently serving in the United State Armed Forces we would like to know about your service by filling out the form at faithfoxvalley.org/veterans.

FACILITY CARE NEEDS YOUR HELP

At Faith we are abundantly blessed with members who generously volunteer their time to serve in many areas. Their help has a direct impact on our budgets and finances. Our facility staff needs help to keep our facilities in top notch condition. If you have basic understanding of maintenance and repair, can you help out in the following areas?

- Light Bulb Technician. This person would visit each site maybe 2-3 days each week, walk the building to find burned-out fluorescents and replace them. This person needs to be able to carry a 6' fiberglass-frame step ladder and be working at levels--as low as 3' off the ground, maybe as much as 10'. This can be split between sites with two people.
- Public-space Floor Mopper. CMC needs such a person for at least 2-3 hours twice per week in the hallways, lunch triangle, copy triangle, and lobby. It would be nice if this could get done after hours or pre-7:30am at the CMC. FMC needs a person 2-3 hours twice each week, the times are flexible based on area usage.
- Site Inspector. This person would walk around each facility weekly with a form on a clipboard, basically noting anything that is out of order and needs attention in each area. Estimate time is 2-3 hours at each site. Basic understanding of repair/maintenance is helpful.
- Emergency Lighting Inspector. This person would walk each site once per month, inspecting/testing the emergency lighting units. This task takes about 1 ½ hours to cover both sites. Must be comfortable working from a ladder.

To learn more contact Dave Werner at 920-381-5869 or Dave.Werner@faithfv.org or Dan Newman at 920-265-1415 or Dan.Newman@faithfv.org.

Thank you to the many people who volunteer to serve to keep our facilities in exceptional condition. Your help reduces maintenance expense and in turn provides funds to support our friends and partners in ministry.

spiritual MINISTRIES

COMFORT DOG MINISTRY



Why was our Comfort Dog named Hagar? Her name comes from the Old Testament story about a woman named Hagar. Her story in the Bible has two “episodes”. The first episode to her story is found in Genesis 16:1-16, and the second episode is in Genesis 21:7:21. The word Hagar means “Forsaken; Flight”. When you read these Bible verses you see that Hagar was caught up in the middle of a messy and tragic story. She felt so forsaken and had to flee her messy situation. And yet, Hagar’s story is about much more than the tragedy and rejection she experienced in her life. Her life story finds its meaning in our loving God who comes to her during both episodes and lovingly brings her comfort and redirects her life to accomplish His purpose.

In the first episode, Hagar runs away from her messy situation, only to have the angel of the Lord call her by name and ask, “Hagar, where have you come from and where are you going?” (Gen. 16:8). In episode two, Hagar is sent off into the wilderness with her son to die. Feeling forsaken, again the angel of the Lord comes to her and calls her by name and asks, “What troubles you, Hagar?” (Gen. 21:17)

Scripture also reveals that Hagar gives God a name based on her experience with Him. ““So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, “You are a God of Seeing . . . truly here I have seen Him who looks after me.”” (Gen. 16:13) Hagar finds herself in the presence of our God who sees the mess she is in and lovingly looks after her when others have turned their backs on her.

Hagar’s story is our story, too. God sees the messiness of our lives. The pains of grieving the death of a loved one can mess with us physically, emotionally and spiritual. Sickness that invades our body creates fear and uncertainty. The messiness of rejection by others, the hurt we feel from the words and actions of others, the anxiety experienced from loss of a job, anger from being treated unfairly . . . all can mess with our lives in ways that send us into a spiritual and emotional wilderness, tempted to give up hope.

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When we take our Comfort Dog into the community, everyone she encounters with her comforting, caring “please-pet-me” style, has their own story. Hagar has a knack for helping others tell their story . . . a retired Vet sharing his frustration with getting his VA benefits, a tearful woman sharing her fears of upcoming chemo treatments, a dejected man reflecting on the loss of work opportunities . . . the list goes on. In prayer we can bring them to the God who sees them and looks after them.

Our work with Hagar also draws me into reflections of those times God has come to me in the messy episodes of my life and has asked, “Tim, where have you been and where are you going? Tim, what troubles you?” Hagar’s presence reminds me I have a God who knows my name, who sees the messiness in my life, looks after me, and helps me find a way forward. I hope and pray she does that for you as well.

So very blessed!

On Behalf of Faith’s Comfort Dog Ministry Team,
Tim Schwan

STEPHEN MINISTRY



You Are Part of a Caring Congregation!

One of the best ways to tell that our congregation cares is by our commitment to Stephen Ministry. This is an important way that we express God’s love to those around us. Is God calling you to take a more active role in Christian caregiving? Then Stephen Ministry may be just what you’re looking for. To find out more, contact Pastor Adam Bridgman or one of our other Stephen Leaders, Amy Cox, Joan Klaas, Mary Nimmer, Connie Place, Ken Place, Kris Smith, or Pastor Jim Wiebel today.

Our Stephen Ministers are Ready to Serve You!

If you or someone you know might benefit from being matched with a Stephen Minister contact Pastor Adam Bridgman at adam.bridgman@faithfv.org or by calling the church office (920-739-9191).

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Save the Date! Our Sunday School Christmas Service for students in grades 5K-Grade 6 will be Sunday, December 19 at 4pm at Faith Ministry Center. We will be rehearsing during our Sunday School time, but will have 2 additional rehearsals on Saturdays, December 11 and 18. More information will be sent out closer to the dates.

COVENANT CHOIR

Do you have a young budding singer at your house? Are they starting 3rd, 4th, 5th, or 6th grade this fall? Want to help them connect with other kids their age at Faith and get them involved in ministry? If you are answering YES, consider Covenant Choir. Singers can join at any time and rehearse Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Music/Media Room. If you are interested, please contact Steven Moore by email at steve.moore@faithfv.org or call 739-9191.

PUPPET MINISTRY

Puppet Ministry is open to Grade 5-12 students and adults. New puppeteers, prop/costume creators and stage/sound technicians are always welcome. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7pm in the Youth Room at FMC. Those interested can contact Becca Klemm, becca.klemm@faithfv.org



CHILD CARE CENTERS



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With the turning of the seasons, we are reminded that change is good. Children spend countless moments enjoying the differences they observe in nature and in activities they join with us at Celebration as well as when with their families as Fall takes hold. We see a shift in energy, learning lessons, and in the joy of anticipating our onsite Pumpkin Patch, our Halloween fun days with friends

and our amazing teachers creating activities that bring smiles and wonder to the faces of our little ones.

Find joy in each new discovery! We do! - Kelly Zdanovec, Administrative Director



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We enjoyed the beautiful fall weather in October and the leaves changing colors on the two big trees in our play yard! The children love to rake them up and then jump in the piles.

The month was also spent talking about the colors orange, yellow and red, learning about fire safety, pumpkins, leaves and fall. During the month of November our children will be talking with their teachers about things for which they are thankful ... Jesus, family, friends and all that God gives us each day. The staff is also thankful that everyone is healthy right now!

Faith Child Care has an opening for a full-time or part-time teacher. We will work around your schedule. If you or someone you know is looking to work in child care or to work in a new field, please send them our way! They can apply directly with us by emailing a resume to lori.jenks@faithchildcare.com or call Lori 920-739-7772. Experience is not necessary.

Enjoy the beautiful weather! - Lori Jenks

important INFORMATION

Treasurer's Report for September 2021

	Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Total Budget
OFFERINGS:	\$124,070	\$446,402	\$472,752
OTHER INCOME:	12,724	37,883	34,910
TOTAL INCOME:	136,794	484,286	507,662
TOTAL EXPENSE:	157,886	474,051	490,966
VARIANCE:	(21,092)	10,235	16,696

CHECKING & SAVINGS

WHAT WE HAVE—OUR ASSETS	\$2,009,492
DESIGNATED FUNDS—OUR LIABILITIES	\$1,923,462
VARIANCE (WHAT WE OWE)	\$86,030

Endowment Values as of 9/30/2021:

Perpetual: \$283,871
Contributions YTD: \$41,828
Worship Arts: \$92,493
Contributions YTD: \$3,100
Expansion: \$3,142
Contributions YTD: \$1,825

September Third Week Offering

\$1,493.50 will be given to support the ministry of Celebration Lutheran School.



SEPTEMBER 2021 RITES AND RECORDS

Transfers out

Ben Ginnow
Thomas and Cynthia Repphun

Marriages

Bradley Himstedt and Katie Lallensack

New Members Received

Andrew and Jennifer Rooyakkers;
Dylan, Owen and Grace
Charlene Goerl
Barbara Bodoh
Richard and Kathy Maronek

Baptisms

Celia Lynn Berg
Colten Anthony Martinek

Deaths

Beverly Koester
Michael Nau

upcoming **EVENTS**

QUILTS & CARDS

Thursday, November, 8:30-11:00 a.m.

and/or Thursday, November 18, 1:00-3:30 p.m., Faith Ministry Center

Quilts: Come join us on either or both of these days for fellowship and assembling of quilts or cutting and sewing patchwork quilt tops. Sewing machines are available. If you can't join us, fabric is available and you can certainly work at home. We appreciate your help! The quilts are donated to those seeking shelter at Harbor House.

Cards: We are also working on making Christmas cards for the residents at Brewster Village. About 220 cards are needed each Christmas and also for the residents' birthdays throughout the year.

You are welcome to come anytime to help with either of these service projects of the Faith LWML.

MIDWEEK ADVENT

WORSHIP

Wednesdays, December 1, 8 & 15

Faith Ministry Center

In our Wednesday Advent services, we look back at those who waited upon the Lord in Scripture for his promises to come to pass through the Christ Child, and we contemplate how we as families should wait upon the Lord together as God continues to make himself known to us in his time.

December 1 - *Wait Upon the Lord with Faith*

December 8 - *Wait Upon the Lord with Hope*

December 15 - *Wait Upon the Lord with Gratitude*

church **COMMUNITY**

GOD'S BLESSINGS TO OUR CONFIRMANDS

More than 50 students participated in the rite of confirmation on Saturday, October 16. May you all be blessed with the knowledge that you are never alone in life and that God will always be there to watch over you and guide you.

Aurora Baer
Anna Barten
Lyla Borchartd
Emily Brokl
Paige Brokl
Siena Budnik
Kameron Chronis
Tyler Cruse
Ella DeVantier
Ava Dietrich
Eligh Erickson
Alex Fenske
Tyler Gardner

Nick Geurink
Aaron Hambel
Jabari Hammond
Noah Heling
Waylon Hernandez
Josh Iversen
Nathaniel Iversen
Jake Kuchenbecker
Abigail Kurey
Talen Mitchler
Ian Moore
Brynn Patten
Cassie Phillips

Gabe Ransom
Joelle Reif
Julia Reif
Nevaeha Rieder
Lawsyn Rose
Morgan Saari
Caleb Schaefer
Cole Schaefer
Katelyn Schmidt
Zach Schmidt
Nathan Seiske
Callie Smithlin
Emily Stadler

Ava Strassburg
Sophia Strong
Michael Tomsyck
Zachary Trudeau
Grant VanderHeiden
Emma VanLoo
Carter Vissers
Naomi Wenthur
Mason Werfal
Virginia West
Nolan White
Abigail Winters

MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The purpose of the mentorship ministry at Faith is to cultivate a trusting, loving, Christ centered relationship between the mentor and mentee to encourage one another as they walk through life's journey side by side.

Currently Celebration Lutheran School is currently looking for mentors to walk with their youth. If you have a heart to walk side-by-side with our youth contact Renee Pickering at 920-734-8218.



THE GIFT OF PROPHECY

You are invited to join Jesus in His mission at Faith. God's plan and design is for us to use our gifts, talents, and time to help change the lives of others. This month we will examine the Gift of Prophecy.

That does not mean you are supposed to have visions of the future. It means you are a "forthteller," telling or "speaking forth" the mind of God by preaching, speaking, and teaching God's Word. You are discerning and can use that gift to help people turn their hearts back to God. A prophet in full-time Christian service is a person with the heart of a preacher who is on a mission. You have the Spirit-given capacity and desire to serve God by proclaiming His truth.

As a prophet, you have the ability to quickly and easily translate the Word of God into today's context. You are able to see how the timeless truths of God are relevant for people now. While another part of being a prophet is calling people to repentance, you do so by pointing people on the right path with a spirit of love.

You have a strong sense of duty and have many opinions about a large variety of subjects. You tend to be impatient and have a more serious outlook on life. You enjoy being alone. When you do have to relate to people, you would rather do that in a group than one-on-one. You enjoy public speaking and you have the ability to make quick decisions. When you do things, you want them done right. You are hard-working, devoted, naturally intuitive and discerning. You are willing to stand up for what is right and you are willing to point and guide people on the correct path through vision and relentless encouragement.

While serving in the ministry of prophecy, remember to "speak the truth in love" (Eph. 4:15). If you keep a tender, loving heart, you will be a blessing in your home, church, and to individuals and you can make a real impact on their spirituality.

How can you bring your faith to life?

You would serve well as one who teaches God's Word, provides guidance to others and promotes causes you believe in. Depending on your secondary-most dominant gift and your abilities, you may serve as a teacher, especially for middle school to adults; an elder; or someone who could serve on the visioning or strategic planning team.

As you progress in your spiritual journey and seek to do the work you are called to do, you can sometimes get stalled by not knowing how to proceed. If you are not quite sure of God's plan and design for you but have already seen spiritual gifts in your life. Then you are encouraged to take the next step and discover God's plan for you by taking the on line gift assessment at: [s.h.a.p.e. Test – Helping You Discover God's Purpose in Life \(freeshapetest.com\)](http://s.h.a.p.e. Test – Helping You Discover God's Purpose in Life (freeshapetest.com))

Contact Denis Ashauer at 920-739-9191 ext. 1123 to learn more where your gift of mercy can be used in ministry at Faith for the benefit of the kingdom of God.

THIRD WEEK OFFERING

On the third weekend of each month, Faith is giving away all "loose plate" offerings to world mission partners, area charities and other non-profits. Offerings received November 20-22 will support the work of Harbor House.



Harbor House is the singular agency in Outagamie and Calumet Counties committed to the awareness and prevention of domestic abuse. As passionate advocates, they constantly seek to start, drive, and shape the conversation around domestic abuse and the services needed to break the cycle. They do everything in their power to keep individuals and families safe through knowledge and connection.

To learn more about Harbor House and their programming and services, please visit harborhousewi.org.

WELCOME NEW LIFE CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Starting in November, New Life Chinese Christian Church (NLCCC) will be holding services at 10:40 a.m. at our Faith Ministry Center in the Music Media Room. They will hold their services during that time so that those who have spouses who do not speak Chinese may attend our later service at Faith.

Much of what NLCCC believes aligns with what we at Faith believe. We look forward to hosting them in our building and building on our relationship. Please welcome their members and families.

THANK YOU NOTES

From Habitat for Humanity

Thank you for your gift of \$1,000 ... Bless you for committing to the 2021 Faith Build. Your investment will provide health, stability, and hope.

The family is hard at work earning their "sweat equity." Volunteers, members of several faith communities, and several home owners are on the build site making this dream come true for the Thao family. Thank you for the gifts that make this dream possible.

From 5-Stones

Thank you for your continued support of 5-Stones. Your donation of \$1,000 is appreciated, and we view your congregation as an important partner in fighting sex/human trafficking in our area. Because of your generosity, we have been able to establish a future projects fund. We are currently looking at several options, including the production of a second age-appropriate film on social media influences and predator awareness. We also continue to customize our presentations to the groups we speak to.

The 2021-22 school year has just begun and we are getting many requests to present our program to middle and senior high schools. Some of those already booked include: Appleton West H.S., Menasha H.S., Kimberly H.S., Kaukauna H.S., Oshkosh Middle and H.S., FVTC, and New London and Waupun Middle Schools. We expect more training requests in the upcoming months, but our challenge is to have enough knowledgeable presenters.

We will continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers during the upcoming year.

library NEWS

As we are looking at our November calendar, we find Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, and the beginning of Advent. Your Faith Library can provide materials related to all of these.

For Veterans Day, we have WWII titles including Tom Brokaw's *The Greatest Generation Speaks: Letters and Reflections* (940.54 Bro), in which he profiles men and women who served their country with valor. Wisconsin's own are found in *The Hero Next Door, Stories from Wisconsin's World War II Veterans* (940.54 Gil), by Kirsten Gilpatrick, and Appleton author, Lowell Peterson, has written *The Sun Rose Clear: Stories of WWII* (940.54 Pet). If you are a veteran, Denis Ashauer would love to hear from you at denis.ashauer@faithfv.org.

The day of Thanksgiving brings many images to all of us. The famous 1942 Norman Rockwell painting, "Freedom From Want", pictures a family gathered around the Thanksgiving table. We give thanks always for our many blessings including our ability to worship and gather. Carol Barton has written *Remembering: Psalm 103:2 Praise and Thanks to God and Remembering All His Blessings* (253.2 Bar).

In board books we have Tomie de Paola's, *My First Thanksgiving* (813.54 De P), and in picture books, *P Is For Pumpkin: God's Harvest Alphabet* (813.54 War) by Kathy-Jo Wargin, and Julie Stiegemeier's, *Thanksgiving: A Harvest Celebration* (NF9 394.26 Sti).

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New for our Intermediates is *How Great Is Our God: 100 Indescribable Devotions About God and Science* (242.63 Gig). Pastor Louie Giglio provides 100 incredible new facts and devotions about God and science. A book that certainly gives us ways to give thanks for all God has given us.

November 28 is the first Sunday in Advent. For children, *Waiting For Christmas: Stories and Activities for Advent*, Nonfiction Tote 7 (263.91 Gre), is by Susanne Greene. On our Christmas DVD rack, look for *How Can I Celebrate Advent?* (DVD 813.54 Cre).

On the Intermediate book cart is *Advent and Lent Activities For Children* (263.91 Kie), by Shiela Kielly. There are also three Advent titles by Arnold Ytreeide, *Tabitha's Travels*, *Bartholomew's Passage*, and *Jotham's Journey*, all under (242.332 Ytr).

For Adults, *In The Manger* (242.33 Luc), by Max Lucado, is a collection of 25 inspirational selections for Advent, and *Are You Ready? Devotions for Advent and Christmas* (242.33 Alb) by Lyle Albrecht.

New for women is *Women of the Bible Speak: The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today* (220.9 Bre), by Shannon Bream. In fiction, *The Union Quilters*, sacrifice and love during the Civil War (F 813.454 Chi) by Jennifer Chiaverini.

Wishing you and yours God's richest blessings this Thanksgiving Season!



YOUTH SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

For Students in Grades 9-12



Fall Rake-n-Run

Saturday, November 6

Meet at the Faith Ministry Center at 12:30 p.m.

Return at 4:00 p.m. for pizza.

Join us as we rake for some of our Faith members.

Please bring your own rake! Please email our Director of Youth Ministry, Mike Henning, by November 3 to sign up: mike.henning@faithfv.org.

Parents, this event doesn't happen without your help! Drivers are needed. Please contact Mike in the church office if you're able to help.

PIZZA FUNDRAISER



Students in grades 7 through 12 will be taking pizza orders for this fundraiser until November 7. These amazing homemade pizzas will be made on Saturday, December 4. All proceeds from this fundraiser benefit each student selling them to help them participate in various Faith Youth Ministry sponsored activities - Camp Luther retreats, LCMS Youth Gathering, servant/adventure trips, and other scheduled youth activities. Contact Mike in the church office with any questions.

YOUR SOURCE FOR FAITH YOUTH MINISTRY INFORMATION

2021-22 HIGH SCHOOL WYN "ELEVATE" AND "BASIC"

ELEVATE Student Worship

All students in grades 7 through 12 join together for worship lead by our Student Worship Band from 6:30-6:50 p.m. Wednesday nights on November 3, January 5, February 2, and May 4. Following ELEVATE, students continue with Confirmation and WYN activities.

WYN Basic

WYN Basic meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8:15 p.m. All students in grades 9 through 12 meet for a time of fun, food, games, music, "His Word" devotional time, and WYN activities.

fly CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2021

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 -WYN ELEVATE* -FOUNDATIONS	4	5	6 Rake-n-Run 12:30-4pm
7	8	9	10 -WYN BASIC -FOUNDATIONS	11	12	13
14 Pizza Orders Due	15	16	17 -WYN BASIC -FOUNDATIONS	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 -No WYN BASIC -No FOUNDATIONS	25 	26	27
28	29	30			FOUNDATIONS: 6:30-8:15pm	WYN ELEVATE & BASIC: 6:30-8:15pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

December

1 - Advent worship @ 6:30pm
 4 - Pizza Making 9am-3pm
 8 - Advent Worship @ 6:30pm
 15 - Advent Worship @ 6:30pm

22 - WYN BASIC@ 6:30pm
No FOUNDATIONS
 24 - Christmas Eve
 25 - Merry Christmas!
 29 - No WYN
No FOUNDATIONS

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

CHRISTIAN GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Middle School Sunday School

Celebration Ministry Center:

A combined 7th thru 12th grade class will meet from 10:20-11:20 a.m.

Faith Ministry Center:

A combined 7th thru 12th grade class will meet from 9:20-10:20 a.m.

High School Sunday School

Celebration Ministry Center:

A combined 7th thru 12th grade class will meet from 10:20-11:20 a.m.

Faith Ministry Center:

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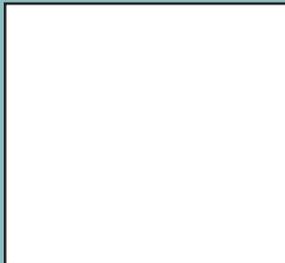
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