



# Pathways of Faith

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Faith Lutheran Church

May 2021

## THE PASTOR'S SPACE

Grace, Peace and Love:

The Easter Season continues to remind the faithful of the spiritual renewal of its coming. Its presence brings with it the fresh spirit of new beginnings even in the midst of so many challenges for the church. Its message encourages the church's ministry/mission in times that calls for effective results for Christian effectiveness in the world.

At this time in the Interim Ministry process of Faith Lutheran Church, the Interim Ministry leaders continue to advance the means for building a solid church foundation anchored and secured in faith. We continue to seek the advice and guidance of our Synod Leaders, especially in times of Covid-19 reductions and special procedures.

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2 May 2021

As we continue advancing in the Liturgical Season, the message and mission of Faith Lutheran Church envisions a meaningful presence that addresses contemporary human concerns with the possessed gifts that are among us. It is during the Interim Development Process that we seek to discern the ministry that's naturally supportive of our gifts and talents.

In a few short weeks, the Easter Season will give way to the Season of Pentecost, the season of the Spirit. It is during the Pentecost Season that the lessons of scripture speak to God's spirit at work in the world today. So, receive the remaining messages of Easter in the spirit of faith that transcends all understanding.

In the spirit of Easter, know that resurrection is refreshing renewal. In the spirit of Pentecost, know that its message is to be taken everywhere the spirit goes. In the spirit of future ministry here at Faith Lutheran Church, know that interim plan development is designed to support ministry that addresses current issues for the contemporary world of today.

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3 May 2021

### President's Report

Your Church Council meets regularly to conduct the business of Faith Lutheran Church. We meet remotely using the "Zoom" computer application as an additional precaution during the pandemic. Any member who would like to attend may do so by notifying our administrative assistant, Julie Harris, or myself. We then will add you to the Zoom message for the next meeting.

The council unanimously voted to appoint Anna Charla to one of the two open positions on council. Thank you, Anna, for volunteering to serve! We still have one additional open position if another member would like to offer himself or herself for that position. Please contact me or any council member for information.

Thank you for patiently following the rules of wearing face coverings and keeping a safe social distance from others while attending services. As the infection risk decreases in Volusia County, we hope to return to our traditional services as well as fellowship activities. We cannot give an estimate of when that might be as it will depend upon more of our neighbors getting vaccinated and seeing a drop in the overall high infection rate in Volusia County. In the meantime, we will continue doing the best that we can with the recommended safety precautions we follow.

In Christ's Love,  
David Walsh.

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4 May 2021

### Vice President's Report

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Frank & Linda Mobley who have been long time, faithful members at Faith Lutheran. However, we do wish them God's speed on this new exciting chapter of their lives! They will be missed! SLOWLY.... but surely things seem to be turning a corner at FAITH, we are now allowing 45 people for in-person worship. Invite your friends to join us, especially those who need a church home. We are now standing for the Gospel and prayers and responding (through masks). I hear that many of us have been fully vaccinated and I know we ALL look forward to rounding the corner on this virus and safely returning to "full on" worship with singing and fellowship. My eagerness is often met with the phrase "baby steps", which we are taking. We will get there someday. If you have any ideas to make a "baby step," please let myself or Dave Walsh know your thoughts. One of the many reasons for my eagerness to move forward is to work on increasing our membership. It's not hard to see that over the past year we have lost many long-term members. Does anyone have any ideas on how to spread the word about what a great church Faith Lutheran is? Please let me know if you ever have any ideas or topics you would like me to bring up at our church council meetings. Don't forget, each and every one of you is always invited to witness our meetings. Blessings,  
Laura Olson- 386-846-1976

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5 May 2021

## FELLOWSHIP

Greetings from your two new chairpersons for Fellowship! We are both pleased to take on this new endeavor and challenge. Although Fellowship is not officially open yet, just seeing each other and chatting on Sunday mornings is sharing fellowship. Gathering together is special. In this time of anticipating real fellowship get together's, we would appreciate any of your ideas for how we can start this again. So, please don't hesitate to share your thoughts with us.

God's Blessings to all- be happy, well and stay safe!

Lynne Meinhold and Cathy Neuhardt



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Please Join us at Bridge of Hope to help feed the homeless on the 4th Monday of every month. We will be there on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9am. This month we will be setting up and will start at 9:00am. Please join us at 324 North Street. For location and time info or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Mikulski.



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6 May 2021

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

WELCOME TO MAY!!!



Our April Showers Food Drive has definitely brought us May Food!! We are still currently collecting non-perishable food and drink items until May 16<sup>th</sup> for our upcoming food drive that we are going to have for families in our community on June 5th!

You all have given so generously to this drive, like so many times in the past, and for that we thank you so much! Our little church is definitely MIGHTY!!

Also, many thanks for gift cards and monetary donations, as there are many families still in great need.

Please call the church at 672-2048 to arrange a time to drop off any donations!

Many thanks to our Faith family who have been so diligent working with Feeding the Homeless each and every month, and we really appreciate your time and dedication to this wonderful outreach.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 386-290-5312!

Thank you! Peace and Blessings!  
Pat Huntley

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7 May 2021

Our planning group has started meeting again! They make beautiful mats for the homeless!



They are at the church planning on Thursdays at 1pm. If you are interested in being a part of this great group, please contact Barbara!

Barbara Neunfeldt  
386-677-6017

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Don't forget to sign up for weekly flowers or bulletins or monthly candles for 2021 in celebration of a special occasion or as a memorial to a special relative/friend. Please select your dates. Sign up sheets and pricing are in the narthex. **THERE ARE MANY SPOTS OPEN AND THIS HELPS DEFRAY THE COSTS!**



Thank you!

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Here is an opportunity to help our church! If you shop on Amazon, please go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and log in and they will donate a percentage of each purchase to your favorite charitable organization at no cost to you. You just login and choose Faith Lutheran Church of Ormond and start shopping! Please call the church office with questions.



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8 May 2021

*Hello from Property:*



The year seems to be flying by and we are already into May.

How fast the months go by us. We would like everyone to know that we continue to work diligently to keep our church clean and safe, especially at this time coping with the Corona Virus and thank you to all who wear masks and practice social distancing. The church and fellowship hall are sanitized after each use and cleaned by Lynne Meinhold every week. We will continue this regimen of sanitizing until we see the statistical data and numbers fall to a safe level dictated by CDC. So far, we have been very fortunate in keeping the virus away from our door. Our last property day was April 10 and was very successful. We trimmed hedges, mowed grass, repaired a sprinkler head and pulled weeds along with eradicating insect nests on the property. Our next property day will be on Saturday, May 8 @ 8:00 AM. Please wear a mask if you plan to attend. We will be painting the church sign, so you may want to wear your paint clothes. In June, our property day will be Saturday, June 19 @ 8:00 AM. Thanks to all who keep our church and property looking good. Have a great month everybody !

Bob Neuhardt

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9 May 2021

BELOW IS OUR CURRENT PRAYER LIST. PLEASE KEEP THEM ALL IN YOUR PRAYERS. THANK YOU!



### PRAYER LIST

Our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico, Haiti, Cuba & the United States. Nicole Abraham & family, Steve DeKrey and family, Anthony & Leah Fappiano, Kim Gray, Pamela Greene, Jackie Hanes, Jeff Hayward, Rita Highley, June Hopper, Jean Ivis, Jenna Johnston, Salena Mobley Kelly, Charlie Kitchens, Carol Krpata, Tina Lundgren, Angus Macglauchan, Gloria Max, Marilyn Mee, Janine Meister, Frankie Mobley Jr., Anthony Panos, Mary Ellen Pec, Lois Record, Elise Ross, Roger Schmitt, Clara Starr, Jerry Thorson, Ruth VanVoorhees, Matt Walsh, Joe Young, members of the military: Nathan Houston.

Please note: Please notify the office at any time to have someone added or removed. If you would like a pastoral visit or phone call, please call the office at 672-2048.

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**View Weekly Bible Study  
AND  
Sunday Worship Service**  
**[www.faithlutheranormond.com](http://www.faithlutheranormond.com)**

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10 May 2021

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

- 2 Given by Jim Sykes to the Glory of God and in celebration of Marge's birthday.
- 9 Given by Lynne Meinhold to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her grandson, Andrew McEwen.
- 16 Available
- 23 Available
- 30 Available



### **BULLETINS**

- 2 Given by Bob & Cathy Neuhardt to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jane Gordon.
- 9 Given by Lynne Meinhold to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her grandson, Andrew McEwen.
- 16 Available
- 23 Available
- 30 Available

### **ETERNAL CANDLES** for the month

Given by Bob & Cathy Neuhardt to the Glory of God and in honor of their new granddaughter this month.



11 May 2021

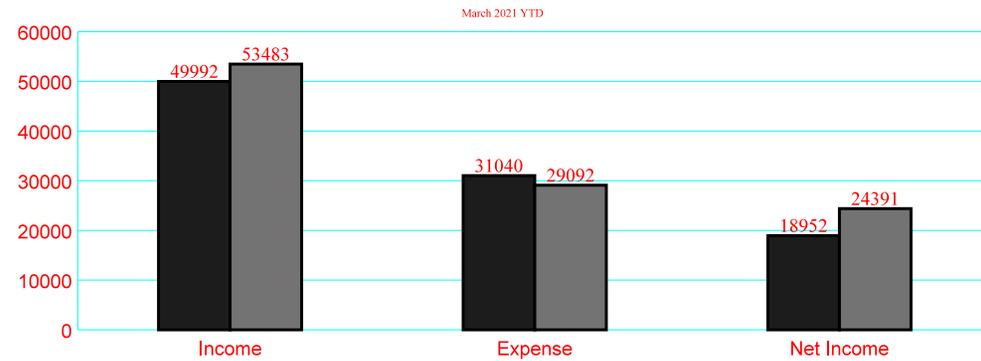
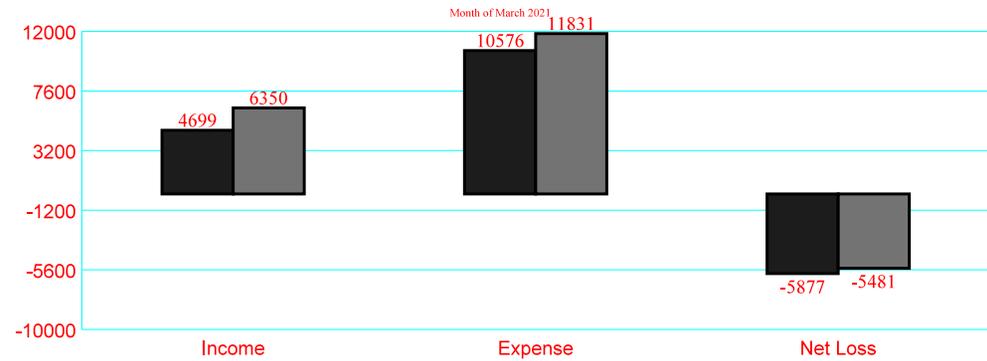


May 1	Marge Sykes
May 8	Lois Ackerman
May 8	Sue Nordmeyer
May 19	Marla Kumpf
May 24	Rich Mathis
May 30	Daniel Perkins Smith



May 1	Christine Herman & Susan Howard	6 years
May 4	Dorothy & Steve Wise	54 years
May 25	Linda & Frank Mobley	26 years

12 May 2021



YTD Net Income through March was \$5,439 higher than budget. Half of this was attributable to higher-than-expected offerings. Thank you!!

Karen Otis - *Treasurer*

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13 May 2021



Thank you ALL so much for all of the love and appreciation shown for “Administrative Assistant’s Week.” I was blown away! From the balloons and beautiful flowers to all of the

cards, gifts and gift cards, to the emails, texts, posts and phone calls, the lunches, candy and other goodies that were brought in, I was truly overwhelmed! I love all of you more than you know and am so thankful for each and every one of you. This church family is wonderful! Julie Harris



Next Council Meeting will be held Monday, May 10, at 6:30 pm via ZOOM. All are welcome! Please let Julie Harris or Dave Walsh know if you would like to be added to the list for Zoom. Thank you!

Please remember that your pledge commitment to Faith is what keeps our ministries going plus supports our ability to pay our bills in a timely manner. We are consistently doing the work that God has given us to do, so please remember your pledge.



You may bring your tithes and offerings to church, mail them in or you may sign up online via [easytithes.com](http://easytithes.com) to give. On our website, we have the Easy Tithe link at the bottom of the home page. If you click on that, it will take you directly to the site where you can set up your account to make either a one-time tithe or recurring tithes.

“Our Mission at Faith Lutheran Church is to faithfully proclaim the gospel while serving others according to God’s will.

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14 May 2021

”Please watch our weekly services on [faithlutheranormond.com](http://faithlutheranormond.com) every week!

## FIRST ANNUAL



I want to thank everyone who has donated to the Food Drive project. It was going to end April 30th; but to get everything in order we can still accept donations until May 17. Then we will be advertising for the people to call and we will set up time slots to pick up the food. The distribution day is set for June 5<sup>th</sup>. If anyone wants to volunteer to help, let me know or contact Julie Harris at the office. We also need volunteers for packing of bags and we would really like someone who could take pictures on the days we work on this project. I always get too busy and forget to take them. I need to send pictures to Thrivent to show them what we do. We have collected an enormous amount of food and that’s without Thrivent dollars being used yet. So again, a big thank you to you all! Any questions or concerns, you can reach me at 386-451-8162 or [cl\\_neuhardt@hotmail.com](mailto:cl_neuhardt@hotmail.com).

Blessings Cathy Neuhardt