
Pathways of Faith

Faith Lutheran Church

November 2021

THE PASTOR'S SPACE

Grace, Peace and Love:

As we stand at the threshold of a new liturgical church year, Faith Lutheran Church should consider itself blessed. We have been blessed for the spiritual guidance provided that led this congregation in the will of God. We have been blessed to have come through 2021 church year relatively unscathed by the covid-19 virus that has changed the way things were normally done in and outside the church. We have been blessed to have been given the opportunity to continue doing the work of God for and through the present liturgical church year. We have been blessed to have successfully completed another church year healthy in the spirit and name of God.

As we approach the remaining weeks of Pentecost and prepare to close a spiritually productive 2021 church year, let us do so with a reverent and thankful appreciation for the God that has brought this fellowship to the blessings that we presently enjoy.

Our plan is to begin the new liturgical year with three mid-week Advent worship services to express the in-depth and inherent meaning of the faith God has called us to serve. The liturgical church season of Advent begins the worship celebration and practices anew. It tells the story of God's salvation in new and different ways. The spirit of the season is strengthened and renewed for the challenging work that's ahead for the church in a changing and spiritually evolving world.

2 November 2021

It speaks to faith's relevance for that seeking the strength and blessing that Jesus promised comes with its acceptance. It brings us closer to the faith that we cherish in this world and the next.

As the close of one liturgical church year comes to an end and a new one begins, let us be inspired for the work that is ahead. It is work that's designed to fill the hearts and minds of those seeking spiritual fulfillment in the promising hope and abundance assured for a life of faith.



The next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 10th, 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!

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We are moving forward toward the Advent Season, the time of preparation. The recent Temple Talks have given us all reason to prayerfully consider our roles at Faith Lutheran in the coming year. As we look forward to gathering with family and friends for the holidays, let us not forget how valuable our Faith Lutheran Family is. Please contact me if you have questions, ideas or anything at all.

Blessings,
Laura Olson

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

We are now entering that time of year when we celebrate holidays, visit loved ones, and share our blessings with those less fortunate. Members of the congregation also have the duty to elect a new council to carry on the business of the church for the next year. Please consider volunteering to serve on council this year. If you have questions, please speak with Julie Hoyle, who is leading the Nominating Committee.

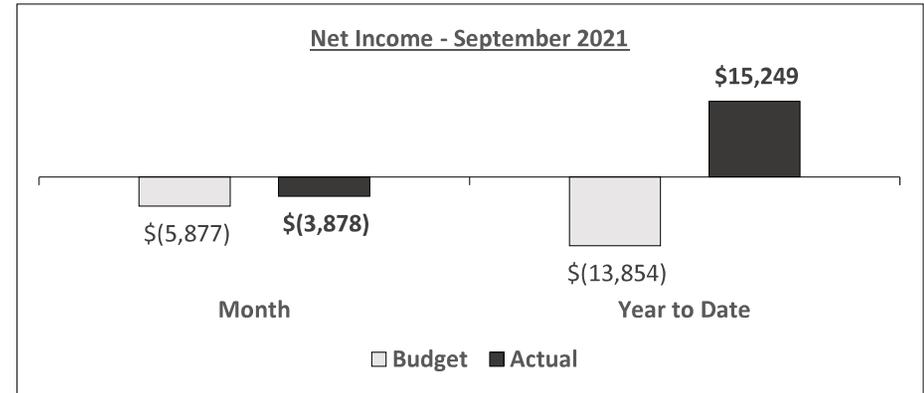
Also, the congregation soon will have to make an important decision about the future ministry of Faith Lutheran Church. I have decided that it is important for us to meet as a congregation to openly discuss your questions and hear your opinions on what our future ministry means to you. **A special congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 14, 2021.** This will be a short meeting following the regular church service. Those members who want to participate may stay after service for a brief presentation and discussion. If you are not prepared to attend in person, feel free to contact the office. I may be able to set up a Zoom meeting that would allow you to see and hear the presentation remotely.

Thank you to all who are working so hard to keep our church safe and clean for regular services. And thanks to those who continue to support our active ministries with their time, talents and financial gifts!

Please pray for those who are ill, for our Pastor, and for our return to a healthy environment.

In Christ’s Love, David Walsh.

TREASURER’S REPORT



The actual loss for the month was \$3,878. This was better than budget due to lower-than-expected expenses.

Actual Net Income through the end of September was \$15,249. Please note this includes \$16,500 Payroll Protection Funds (PPP funds), which we do not have to repay. Without these funds, the **net loss** would have been \$(1,251).

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Karen Otis 561-251-3594

5 November 2021

FELLOWSHIP CORNER

Welcome to November - the month when our thoughts really turn to Fall and its majestic colors, cooler weather, Veteran's Day and most of all Thanksgiving. Most of us are blessed in our lives to have enough food and the basics of life to sustain us. There are many in our own County who are not as fortunate. That brings us to the Basket (or now a Box) Brigade - a project we have participated in for years. Please check out the flyers and information provided and help out the less fortunate as best you can. We hope you enjoyed the Reformation Sunday Service and luncheon that followed. Thank you to everyone who provided food and shared the fellowship. On the Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 21st, we will have our Congregational Thanksgiving luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet if you will be attending and also volunteer to bring something if you can. It will be a special day together.

There is a new updated Church Needs sheet out also. Check it out to see if you can provide anything to assist the Church's budget. Thank you.

God Bless You All! Happy Thanksgiving!

Lynne Meinhold and Cathy Neuhardt



Please Join us at Bridge of Hope to help feed the homeless on the 4th Monday of every month. We will be there on November 28th at 9am. We will be **setting up** and will start at 9:00am. There's a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us at 324 North Street. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Mikulski.

6 November 2021



Our next Game Night will resume in January 2022



Our planning group makes beautiful mats for the homeless! They are at the church planning once a month on Thursdays at 1pm. In November, they will meet on Thursday, November 18th, from 1pm-3pm. If you are interested in being a part of this great group, please contact Barbara. If you know of someone in need of a mat, let us know. Sometimes we come across those that look like it may make their day to receive a mat. Feel free to call the church office and we will arrange for you to pick one up.

Barbara Neunfeldt 386-677-6017



Don't forget to sign up for weekly flowers or bulletins or monthly candles for 2021. Please select your dates. Sign-up sheets and pricing are in the narthex. **THERE ARE MANY SPOTS FOR BULLETINS IN NOVEMBER OPEN AND THIS HELPS DEFRAY THE COSTS!**

We are looking for a volunteer to take the altar cloth any time after service on a Sunday, get it dry-cleaned and bring it back before the next Sunday. If this is something you would be interested in volunteering to do, please let Lynne Meinhold know. Thank you!



7 November 2021

SOCIAL MINISTRY

WELCOME TO NOVEMBER!!!

We all seem to love this cool weather that is upon us!! No humidity!! I hope this month finds all doing well and ready to jump into our busy season of giving and sharing and love! Our Basket Brigade is moving along rapidly with Cathy and Bob Neuhardt at the helm!! I am so thankful we have such hard working and dedicated couple as the Neuhardts!! Thank you members and friends for your generous and appreciative donations to this wonderful project! Many thanks for your generous donations to our loose change project! For the month of October we received in loose change \$40! We have purchased 2 gift cards for \$20 each for those folks that need some assistance! These goals could not be made without YOU, and for that we are so appreciative! Thank you for your continual support in our grocery cart donations also. Any questions or requests regarding the Basket Brigade, please do not hesitate to contact the church office and our awesome Julie will always help you with questions or needs! Have a Blessed month! Peace and Love! Pat Huntley



Here is an opportunity to help our church! If you shop on Amazon, please go to 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.

A HUGE thank you to Karen Wells! Karen is a HUGE help at Faith Lutheran Church! Thank you Karen for updating the website weekly with the services, monthly with Pathways and periodically with special announcements, pictures and events. Karen is a HUGE help and we can count on her whether she is local or in Michigan. Our website looks great and it keeps us all updated. Thank you!

Heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

8 November 2021

PROPERTY MINISTRY

Hello from Property

Fall is here. Our property at Faith continues to look very good. Gardens and borders have been mulched, grass cut, hedges and shrubs trimmed and buildings cleaned and sanitized. A huge thanks to all of those who continue to keep a beautiful church and grounds for all to enjoy and the public to admire. Our next official Property Day will be on November 13@ 8:00 AM. Please wear a mask if you plan on attending. Thank you all.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Hello from the folks on Stewardship.

Our 2021/2022 Stewardship Program has ended, however, there is still time to get your time and talent sheets and pledge cards in if you were out of town or have just been busy. We can't encourage enough how important our Stewardship drive is this year above all others. Your Council is working weekly and monthly to think of ways that we can cut costs and bolster our treasury to keep our doors open at Faith. Your stewardship and caring will enable us all to meet our goals.

Thank you so much,

Bob Neuhardt



9 November 2021

Friends of Music at Faith Lutheran

All of our members and supporters of Faith Lutheran Church will be given the opportunity to donate to a music fund separate and supplemental from pledges to the general fund. This fund is called “Friends of Music at Faith” and provides funding to enable the music department to feature guest musicians for worship services, e.g. at Christmas and Easter.

These donors will be acknowledged for their contributions in the service leaflet, and worded as is presently established for altar flowers, “In memory of” or “in celebration of” for a designee.

The beauty of such a fund in a time of shrinking budgets is that it affords an opportunity for the addition of orchestral instruments or vocal soloists for the enhancement of the worship service, while at the same time offering a venue for members of the congregation to contribute to a ministry for which they have a particular interest.

If you would like more information, please contact Daniel Perkins Smith. All donations can be made to Faith Lutheran Church and memo marked “Friends of Music.”

Daniel Perkins Smith



10 November 2021

VOLUSIA COUNTY BASKET BRIGADE

Hello to all,

If you were not aware, we are now collecting non-perishable food items for our annual Volusia County Basket Brigade which takes place the week before Thanksgiving. This year, we are requesting food items centered around Thanksgiving Dinner. A current list has been generated by the good folks on the Basket Brigade committee. You have been able to see it here in Pathways and on the weekly announcements and there are flyers in the narthex. \$10.00 gift cards for turkeys are also welcome or cash donations which you can mail or drop off at the church office (please call ahead to make sure some one is at the church and can let you in). We have applied for our project donation money through Thrivent which is \$250.00. We have had some food donations and other cash and card donations from our members and other folks so far. In order to reach our goal this year of 40 boxes, we will need quite a bit more. Please rest assured ALL, and we mean ALL, of your valuable donations go toward the Basket Brigade. As last year, there are many more families and folks who, because of the Covid Virus and other reasons, are not working and are struggling to make ends meet. Please, please make a concerted effort to help these members of our community who are less fortunate than you. Thank you so much for your kindness and loving generosity. We are positive it will make a difference !

Yours in Christ’s Service,

Bob Neuhardt



11 November 2021

OUR THANKSGIVING PROJECT

Volusia's Thanksgiving Basket Brigade

We have a goal to provide at least 40 boxes.

Please let the church office know if you are able to help deliver and/or put together boxes. We will be assembling on Friday, November 19th, and delivering on Saturday, November 20th.

Shopping Suggestions.....For a Family of 5:

Volusia Basket Brigade has provided ALL the boxes we need!

\$10 Grocery store gifts cards- (to cover the expense of a turkey or ham)

Cans of corn	Cans of green beans
Cans of green beans	Cans of yams
Bags of marshmallows	Brownie Mix
Cans of cranberry sauce	Boxes of stuffing
Boxes or bags of mashed potatoes	Boxes of Scalloped Potatoes
Onion Strings (French's)	Cans or jars of gravy
Cans of cream of mushroom / chicken soup	
Boxes of cornbread mix	Ramen Noodles

If you would prefer to offer a monetary gift or to donate a gift card, please give to Julie Harris in the church office..

Please contact Cathy or Bob Neuhardt if you have any questions.

12 November 2021

CRAFTS with MARGE



This month we are going to make: a mosaic stained glass ornament

When: Wednesday, November 17, 9:30 a.m. (about two hours)

Where: Faith Lutheran Church

Cost: \$8 covers all supplies

**Sign up: Call or email the church office:
(386) 672-2048 cflutheran@cfl.rr.com**

**If you have any questions contact Marge Sykes or see her at church
Home: (386) 281-5583 marge.sykes@hotmail.com
Cell: (703) 475-3200**

Register by Monday, November 15th

***Coffee and snacks will be provided.**

Marge is our talented “flower lady” who will provide instructions.

***Join us for a fun crafts project and fellowship!**

13 November 2021

ALTAR FLOWERS

- 7 Given by Charlie & Julie Hoyle to the Glory of God in honor of all veterans.
14 Available
21 Given by Laura Olson to the Glory of God and in memory of her father, Richard Olson.
28 Given by Lynne Meinhold to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bob on their 55th anniversary.



BULLETINS

- 7 Given by Karen Otis to the Glory of God.
14 Given by Karen Otis to the Glory of God.
21 Given by Charlie & Julie Hoyle to the Glory of God.
28 Given by Laura Olson to the Glory of God.

ETERNAL CANDLES for the month of November

Available

14 November 2021



November 9 Helen Brown
November 30 Noel Pelella



November 15 Jerry & Kathy Mikulski 36 years
November 23 Carmen & Annette Fappiano 65 years