



Pathways of Faith

Faith Lutheran Church

November 2022

The Pastor's Space

Grace, Peace and Love,

The month of November brings us closer to the liturgical season of Advent. In four short weeks, Advent's message of new beginnings will dawn a renewed worship experience for the faithful. Advent's spirit of renewal will garner messages of new beginnings in ways that allow the faithful to see our faith in new ways. The lesson and message of past seasons will be seen in new ways that grow spiritual understanding and clarity for the faithful. In four short weeks, the message of salvation will be made new again with a renewed focus on Jesus and the work of God's spirit. The renewed worship experience of the faithful intends for us to see Jesus and the message he brings in new and different ways.

Amid the festivities of the coming seasons, Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas, New Years and the season of Epiphany, the focus of the faithful is to show Jesus in the many different experiences of life in a changing world. As we work to bring spiritual clarity of scripture, it is my hope that renewed spiritual growth will also ensue.

The remaining four weeks of lessons of Pentecost are filled with meaningful examples of Christian actions that lift and celebrate the faith that the faithful have been given to witness and share. These end of season lessons sum up and conclude with the faithful confession of faith that Jesus is in fact Christ the King, Son of God and savior of those seeking the salvation he offers.

In the meantime, we continue in our efforts to establish a solid foundation for Christian ministry to build upon. I am reminded that our work is to be done in the spirit of unity and oneness. Remember too, that the same spirit of unity and togetherness is our face in, for and to the world we have been called to serve. Let us practice the faith we have between us with love and humble service.

As God's church in the world, our role is to "MAKE CHRIST KNOWN" in and through the challenging and changing demands of our time.



A Message from the President

I want to thank everyone for their participation in our Luncheon on 10/23/22. The Council was able to say thank you and to obtain some insight on how to move the congregation forward. We still need some volunteers for council next year. Please. November is the time for Thanksgiving, and I am sure that the fellowship team will be planning something yummy. The Neuhardts' are also leading the Basket Brigade so we can share our blessings with others. I am thankful for my Faith Family every day. We now move into our season of Advent, the time of preparation. How will Faith Lutheran PREPARE for the future? Please prayerfully ask yourselves what being a member of Faith Lutheran means to you and share your time, talent and treasures accordingly. Please contact me or any member of council if you have any questions. I have striven to be transparent with all aspects of church council this year and I hope it has made a difference.

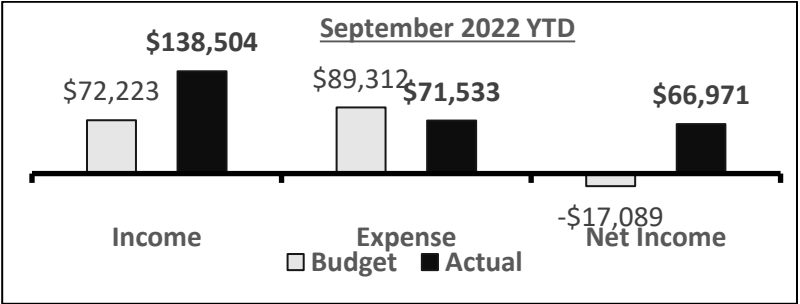
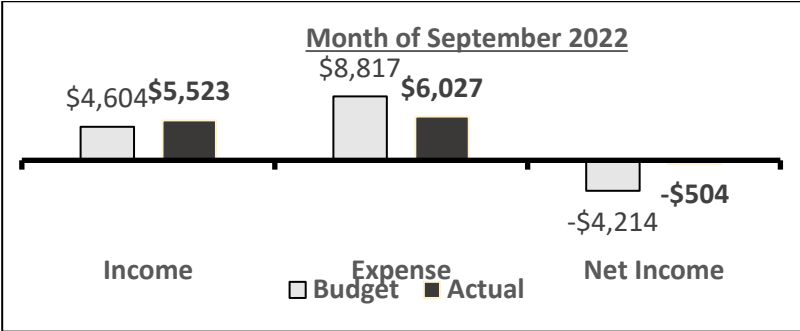
Humbly,
Laura Olson
386-846-1976



The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, November 14th at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Treasurer's Report

Graph for November Pathways



As of the end of September, actual net income of \$66,971 was significantly better than budget. The three main driving factors are:

- Lower staff salaries - \$16,708
- Recovery of stolen funds - \$53,636
- Higher than expected weekly offerings - \$9,996

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Karen Otis, Treasurer

561-251-3594

Fellowship Report

Another month already gone by! October was a good month for fellowship. Our Stewardship luncheon was a great success. We are looking forward to Reformation Sunday. On November 20th we are having our Thanksgiving Luncheon. We hope you will join us! There will be a signup sheet in fellowship hall.

Blessings,

Lynne Meinhold & Cathy Neuhardt



Property Report

Hello from Property

It is time for cooler weather and more outside activities. Our Property Group continues to work very hard to keep Faith Lutheran Church looking great! Last month we had a great turn out and were able to restore our grounds back to a presentable appearance after hurricane Ian. A huge thank you to Boy Scout Troop 404 and church members for all of their help. Everyone did an amazing job. We look forward to another successful Property Day this month on Saturday, November 12th at 8 AM. We will be trimming shrubs and hedges, cleaning gutters and weeding.

In addition, your Council is actively working on replacing a portion of our AC/Heating system in the fellowship hall. We have secured a vendor after receiving bids from 4 independent vendors. More information will follow as the project progresses.

Please be aware of your health and safety this Autumn and Winter. Doctors and health care professionals are predicting a very active cold, flu and COVID season, so please get your flu shots and COVID booster shots as soon as possible.

Yours in Christ's Service,
Bob Neuhardt

Men's Group Meeting

The first joint men's group meeting for All Saints, Hope and Faith Lutheran churches will be held Saturday morning, December 5th. If you are interested, please contact Charlie Hoyle for additional information.

(386)843-2747 cghoyle@aol.com



Men's Fellowship

Bridge of Hope

The next Bridge of Hope opportunity to feed the homeless will be Monday, November 28th at 8:30 AM.

Location: Hope Place
1340 Wright Street
Daytona Beach, FL 32117

Please contact Kathy Mikulski with any questions.

(410) 507-2826

Volusia County
Thanksgiving Basket Brigade

We are currently in the midst of the annual Basket Brigade, collecting non-perishable foods for needy families to celebrate this Thanksgiving. Our part of this function will take place on November 15th at 3PM in the fellowship hall to pack boxes and get them ready for pickup on Wednesday, November 16th, by the Basket Brigade staff. We appreciate all of your donations for this worthy cause and are requesting anything you can spare from one item to one hundred. Our goal this year is 60 boxes, but we are hopeful it will be much higher. Last year we set a record of 64 cartons thanks to the members of Faith Lutheran Church, the Boy Scouts, friends of Faith and other generous members of the community. I would like to send out a special thank you to Cathy Neuhardt and Lynne Meinhold for their untiring efforts in making this happen for the needy. Volusia County set an overall record of 3700 cartons in 2021! Let's help to make 2022 an even greater year.

Yours in Christ's Service,

Bob Neuhardt

2022 Thanksgiving Basket Brigade



The following foods are being collected for the Volusia County Basket Brigade. We are doing this by weeks, but you can bring what you wish whenever! Thanks!

<p>October 9th Carrots Corn Onion Strings</p>	<p>October 16th Cranberry Sauce Sweet Potatoes (Yams) Mashed Potatoes</p>
<p>October 23rd Gravy Cream of Chicken Soup Stuffing</p>	<p>October 30th Jiffy Mix Canned Ham Mini Marshmallows</p>
<p>November 5th Packaged Cookies Cake/Brownie Mix Cream of Mushroom Soup</p>	<p>November 13th Pasta Pasta Sauce Scalloped Potatoes</p>

Crafts With Marge

When: Wednesday, November 9th - 10:00 AM.

Where: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$12 covers all supplies

To register, contact Marge Sykes

marge.sykes@hotmail.com

Cell: (703) 475-3200

Register by Sunday, November 6th

Coffee and snacks will be provided.

Join us for a fun crafts project and fellowship!

**This will be my last craft class. It has been a lot of fun, good
fellowship and laughs. You made some neat crafts!!!**

**Thanks to everyone for helping me to fulfill one item on my
bucket list.**

Blessings, Marge.



Altar Flowers

- 6 Joe & Patsy Cromwell – In Loving Memory of my mom,
Theresa Roberts
- 13 The Neufeldts
- 20 Jim & Marge Sykes – Harvest of Blessings to our Faith
Lutheran Family
- 27 Laura Olson – In Memory of my father, Richard Olson

Bulletins

- 6 Laura Olson – Honor of all Veterans
- 13 Available
- 20 Available
- 27 Available

Eternal Candle

Given by the Eames





November 28 Kenneth Ackerman



November 15 Jerry & Kathy Mikulski
37th Anniversary

November 28 Faith Lutheran Church
40th Anniversary