



Pathways of Faith

Faith Lutheran Church

October 2023

The Pastor's Space

Grace, Peace and Love:

Fall has sprung and the new season prepares us to share the natural seasonal blessings that come with it. However, for some reason nature seems to be a little more destructive than near past times and it seems to be getting progressively worse as time progresses. As the faithful, set aside to be an example of our faith in the world, we are to rest on our faith even through times that appear to be the time of nature's wrath.

Through it all, we are to remember the present liturgical season that we are blessed to worship in, "Pentecost", the season where God's Spirit leads and guides His faithful even through the turbulent times of nature. We are well into the Pentecost Season, anticipating the crowning of Jesus' divine nature at the end of our present liturgical season and church year. Then to begin the journey all over again, anew with the spiritual growth that has grown us in our present level of faith.

In these faith challenging times of change all around, I pray that we as God's church in these different times of today, will be faith strengthened for the remaining journey that the church is called to minister through, the journey of today. Pentecost teaches the lessons of faith led by God's Spirit here in spirit to lead.

So, anticipate the remaining spiritual lessons of the remaining season of Pentecost, that we will be able to reflect on the past and see the spiritual growth that has taken place in you and in our fellowship assembly as church.

Our congregation, the people and ministry that Jesus established here at this location long ago, is the place that we are called to celebrate our faith together. To worship the God of scripture, to fellowship in ministry together and to minister in a way that reflects the one true God that we assemble to worship and praise.

So, enjoy the remaining seasonal celebrations of Pentecost, as well as, the new season of nature 'Fall' has sprung. Learn from both the spirit's way to maneuver our time in the spirit of 'Divine Grace and Love'!



Message from the President

Gods Work Our Hands was on Sunday September 10, 2023. What a great success. Thanks to all who made it possible.

Stewardship packets will be distributed soon. Please prayerfully consider your donations of time, talent and treasure. Please let us know if you are willing to be part of the Stewardship Team. Remember to return your packets on Reformation Sunday 10/29/23. Wear red to church that Sunday too!

Administrative Assistant Yvonne Magill should be coming back this month and we are so grateful!

Thank you to everyone for the kind words of support and financial support while our church has been going through some challenges. Small but Mighty!!

Respectfully,

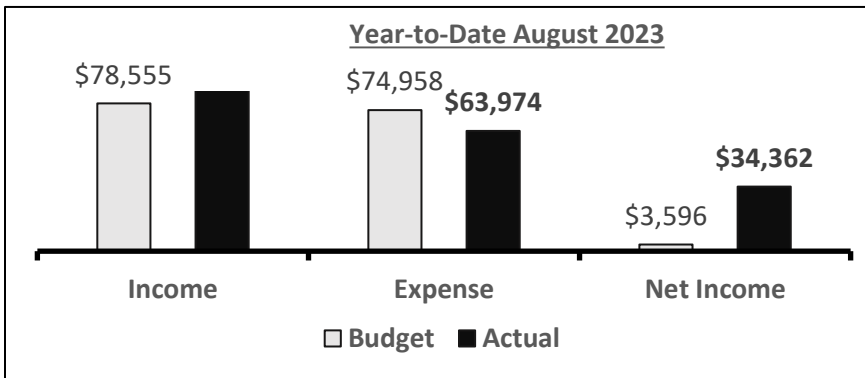
Laura Olson

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**President's
REPORT**

Treasurer's Report



Through the end of August, net income of \$34,362 was significantly higher than our original budget. This helps to put us in a position to absorb the high expenses we experienced in September, which will be reflected on next month's graph. Those expenses included property insurance, a new roof for the Fellowship Hall and cleanup costs due to water damage caused by a flood in the restroom and offices. It has been quite a month!

But as always, we have much for which to be grateful. We have a loving and giving congregation, many of whom made donations to help defray these costs. Thank you for your unselfish generosity.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Karen Otis, Treasurer

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Property Report

As we begin the 4th quarter of 2023, we look back over the last year with thankfulness that we were given the ability to keep God's church and grounds in excellent condition for others to see. I would like to thank all who have served on our Property Group and others who have donated their time and resources to our cause here at Faith.

Even with the extreme heat, we were able to continue and fulfill our duties and responsibilities to keep our campus looking great. In the past month of September, we have added a new roof to the fellowship hall, removed excess shrubs and grass, trimmed the ditch on Rt. 40 and completed other small tasks.

As we have stated in past issues of Pathways, it is still hurricane season, so please be aware and make preparations for you and your family in the event a large storm should pass our way.

Next month our Property Day will be Saturday, October 14. We will be trimming hedges, mowing and weed trimming. Thanks to all who assist us in keeping Faith a great place to worship and commune with our Lord.

Yours in Christ's Service,

Bob Neuhardt

Social Ministry

September 10, 2023, marked the 10th Anniversary of 'God's Work Our Hands'.

We have been blessed to have the Ormond Beach police patrol our church premises for suspicious persons or activities around our church.

We honored the Ormond Police Department for their continued presence at Faith Lutheran Church. We delivered the gifts we purchased with your donations to them recently and provided them lunch and snacks.

As we start the Fall season, let's remember "Stewardship" Time, Talents and Tithing for 2024.

In Faith,
Julie Hoyle



Fellowship Report

According to the calendar, it is officially the season of Fall (now to convince the weather experts). Speaking of Fall, our Tastes of Fall Fellowship hour was very tasty and we thank everyone that brought something. We also enjoyed a nice Labor Day lunch. Celebrating Pastor's Birthday was also a highlight.

Looking into October we will have a special German luncheon for Reformation; so, check out the sign-up sheet. Oh, and speaking of sign-up sheets, please take a look at the fellowship hour sheet and sign up if you can. Sundays' Fellowship Hours are so welcoming! Join us!

Blessings,

Lynne Meinhold and Cathy Neuhardt



Thank You

So I don't miss anyone, I wanted to use the Pathways to convey my deepest thanks for all the prayers, well wishes and cards that have been sent my way. I didn't really realize the magnitude of the surgery and recovery and your prayers keep me plugging along. Faith Lutheran is truly a wonderful family that I cherish being part of.

Love,

Lynne Meinhold



Plarning

Our plarning group makes beautiful mats for the homeless. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 19th from 1-3 PM in the church. If you are interested in being a member of this group, please contact Barbara Neunfeldt at (386)677-6017.



Bridge of Hope

The next Bridge of Hope opportunity to feed the homeless will be Monday, October 23rd at 10:00 AM.

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

Please contact Kathy Mikulski with any questions.

(410) 507-2826

Game Night

Join your fellow church members for a fun evening out. Our next game night is scheduled for Friday, October 27th at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy some pizza, play some games and share good company!



Council Meeting

The next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 9th at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend.





Altar Flowers

- 01 Laura Olson – In loving memory of her grandson, Gaige Mills
- 08 Gisela Schafer – In loving memory of her husband Andrew’s birthday
- 15 Laura Olson – In celebration of her son Garrett’s birthday
- 22 Carolyn Hixon – in honor of her husband and sons
- 29 ----

Bulletins

- 01 ----
- 08 Bob & Cathy Neuhardt – In celebration of Jeremy and Eva’s birthdays
- 15 Lynne Meinhold – In loving memory of her grandson, Andrew
- 22 ----
- 29 Lynne Meinhold – in celebration of her daughter Lisa’s birthday

Candles

Ceil and Bat Masterson – To the Glory of God



October 7	Harold Neunfeldt
October 13	David Walsh
October 14	Wendy Eames
October 29	MaryEllen Meehl



October 11	Marylou & Bob Aldrich
October 19	Lois & Ken Ackerman