

† Wednesday, November 2 ~

9:00 am Quilters
5:30 pm Faith in Action
6:30 pm Confirmation; 7:30 pm Youth Group

† Friday, November 4 ~

10:00 am Prayer Shawl

† Sunday, November 6 ~

9:30 am Worship / All Saints Sunday
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School

† Tuesday, November 8 ~

9:30 am Prayer Team Meeting

† Wednesday, November 9 ~

10:00 am Connect Team
5:30 pm Faith in Action
6:30 pm Confirmation; 7:30 pm Youth Group

† Sunday, November 13 ~

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School
5:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

† Monday, November 14 ~

6:30 pm WOW @ Sandy Nies'

† Tuesday, November 15 ~

5:00 pm Worship Ministry Meeting
6:00 pm Church Council Meeting

† Wednesday, November 16 ~

9:00 am Quilters
5:30 pm Faith in Action
6:30 pm Confirmation; 7:30 pm Youth Group

† Friday, November 18 ~

10:00 am Prayer Shawl
Youth Gathering Nov 18-19 at Cragun's
Newsletter Articles Due in Office

† Sunday, November 20 ~

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:45 am Sunday School
5:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

† Tuesday, November 22 ~

7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service at Isle E-Free

† Wednesday, November 23 ~

10:45 am Local & Global Mission Ministry Meeting
NO FiA, Confirmation, Youth Group-Thanksgiving Break
Office Closed—Thanksgiving Day

† Thursday, November 24 ~

† Sunday, November 27 ~

9:30 am Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship / Potluck
10:30 am Advent Festival
NO Sunday School

5:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

† Wednesday, November 30 ~

5:30 pm Faith in Action
6:30 pm Confirmation; 7:30 pm Youth Group

Faith Lutheran Church Council Minutes - Unapproved **October 18, 2022**

Council members present: Nancy Hendry, Doug Halvorson, Sue Temte, Karen Gabriel, Rose Marie Nutt, Diane Gibas, Pr. Josh Blair, Holly Main, and Craig Lemieux via zoom.
Council members absent, Derek Karels, Shari Strecker and Brianna Heise.

The meeting was called to order by council president Craig Lemieux at 6:02 p.m.

Pr. Josh Blair gave devotions from John 21.

The agenda was approved with modifications by a motion from Nancy, seconded by Rose Marie.

Doug made the motion to approve minutes of the September meeting as well as a special meeting and the council meeting following the annual meeting on September 25. Sue seconded the motion and it passed. Corrections were made to the minutes submitted for the annual meeting. The minutes will have to be approved at the next annual meeting.

The September treasurer's report was received. The cost of the furnace of \$11,703.69 has been paid, and the electricians have been paid for their work. Sue made the motion to accept the report, Rose Marie seconded the motion, and it passed.

Pr Josh gave his report. He made seven visits, one funeral, one burial, attended the fall theological gathering, attended and led a session at Walking Together a Northeast Synod event held in Cloquet. Four members attended with him. He met with the Isle Ministerium; third graders were given their Bibles. He reported Faith in Action has about 20 kids attending. The largest group is fourth through sixth grade boys. He joined the quilters and learned to quilt one Wednesday. He attended a power and boundaries training with is required for pastors. Attended confirmation in Moose Lake, a rural volunteer potluck. He said the lock-up went well. Twenty-one kids had signed up for the youth gathering at the time of the council meeting. He said there was concern that FIA ran too late for younger children. He suggested possibly starting at 5 p.m. for the younger children having supper with the older kids and then letting the young ones go home. Pastor said the insurance has been transferred, and the meal train for Jim Beck is going well. He applied for rebates for all the upgrades for the lights, etc. He attended most committee meetings. His goal is to attend all committee meetings when possible. On a personal note, he has finished another class, the second portion of his doctoral thesis. He will get a break of two weeks have another eight-week class, then graduate in the spring.

Old business:

The youth picked colors for the youth room. Some patching has to be completed. The project is moving forward, but there is an order to the project that has to be followed.

The personnel committee is working on updating the office hours, and job descriptions to determine what we need. This will be an ongoing item on the agenda for a while.

The flooring in the education area is an ongoing project. The carpet still needs to be removed. The question was raised regarding how the epoxy flooring would work for the dancers. Right now that is on hold until the painting can get done.

An estimate has to be received from the electricians for lights, and the sanctuary wall.

The switch to the new insurance company was effective Oct. 1.

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Pastor Josh, along with Nancy Hendry, Jane Lemieux, Bev Thomsen-Severson and Diane Gibas attended Walking Together in Stories of Ministry, Developing Leadership in Your Congregation workshop in Cloquet on Oct. 8 in conjunction with the Northeast Minnesota Synod. There were more than 20 workshops offered. Participants could attend four workshops each. The information was interesting and will be brought to the coinciding committees.

During the September council meeting it was decided to publish the secretary's report after the council approved it. However, that would mean each report would be published two months later, and after discussion it was decided to publish minutes the following month, but the title will state "Unapproved minutes". Diane made the motion, Nancy seconded and the motion passed.

New Business:

The pray ground was discussed. The pray ground is the table in the front of the sanctuary where children are invited to gather during Sunday worship. Pros and cons of the pray ground were discussed. Council is looking for some solutions to some issues. We also discussed busy bags. We learned the bags are in need of updating. Doug will apply for a \$250 Thrivent grant to cover the cost.

Our corporate resolution was updated as required by law. The agents of Faith include: Craig Lemieux, president; Sue Temte, vice president; Doug Halvorson, treasurer; Diane Gibas, secretary; and Craig Magnan, financial secretary. Sue made the motion to accept this resolution, Doug seconded and the motion passed.

Six students are in line to be confirmed this year. Holly and Karen volunteered to interview the candidates.

Two people have expressed interest in becoming members of Faith. Doug made the motion and Karen seconded the motion to accept two new members.

Kristi and Pastor Josh gave the dates they would like to have vacation days. It was agreed to let Pastor rollover a couple of his days for his graduation. Sue made the motion and Karen seconded to approve the dates and the rollover.

The janitorial position was discussed.

Getting the website updated has been a matter of discussion. Craig has talked to Danielle George about getting the work done. She will give us a bid on how much it will cost. Craig will invite her to the next council meeting to talk to us. Nancy made the motion and Sue seconded the motion to authorize \$160 to cover the cost of making a plan for us to look at. The motion passed.

Doug made the motion to authorize the signature card for the bank, Sue seconded the motion and it passed.

The updated church council needs to be included in the update for the church directory. New council members are Holly Main, Brianna Heise and Karen Gabriel.

Ministry team reports

The connect committee is planning an Advent Festival again this year.

It was requested to combine the Stewardship and Finance committees in the directory. Nancy made the motion and Sue seconded it. The motion passed.

The next meeting will be held Nov. 15 at 6 p.m. Pr. Josh will have devotions again.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. with a motion by Diane, seconded by Pr. Josh.

Faith Lutheran Church Council Minutes
SPECIAL MEETING - September 25, 2022

The meeting was called to order by council president Mark Menke at 11:35 a.m.

Members present were Mark Menke, Shari Strecker, Rose Marie Nutt, Nancy Hendry, Craig Lemieux, Doug Halvorson, Sue Temte, Pr. Josh Blair and Diane Gibas. Also present was Karen Gabriel.

Holly Main and Brianna Heise were absent.

Mark presented a letter of resignation by Maggie Rens. Maggie's resignation was accepted with regret with a motion by Sue Temte, Seconded by Rose Marie Nutt. Maggie's resignation was accepted with regret.

Karen Gabriel has agreed to be on council. Nancy Hendry made the motion to accept Karen as a council member, seconded by Rose Marie. Karen is a new council member.

Officers were elected.

Mark declined to be president of council next year. With a motion by Nancy, seconded by Shari, Craig Lemieux will be our next council president.

Sue Temte will remain as vice president after a motion by Mark, seconded by Shari. The motion passed.

Doug Halvorson will remain as treasurer after a motion by Shari, seconded by Sue. The motion passed.

Diane Gibas will remain as secretary with a motion by Nancy, Seconded by Shari. The motion passed.

With a motion by Nancy and seconded by Shari it was decided to table committee assignments until our next regular meeting.

We adopted an option to adjust the names of committees as we see fit after a motion by Nancy, seconded by Shari.

The council will continue to hold regular meetings on the third Tuesday of every month beginning at 6 p.m.

Mark presented the council with his resignation. It was accepted with deep sadness with a motion by Sue, seconded by Rose Marie.

The meeting was adjourned.

Faith Lutheran Church Council Minutes SPECIAL MEETING - September 20, 2022

Faith Lutheran Church special council meeting held September 20, 2022, For the purpose of personnel issues.

Members present: Sue Temte, Nancy Hendry, Diane Gibas Rose Marie Nutt, Shari Strecker, Doug Halvorson, Mark Menke, Craig Lemieux, and Derek Karels.

Absent: Maggie Rens and Pastor Josh Blair, (Pastor Blair was in the building but not present for the meeting.)

Sue made the motion to close the meeting, Shari seconded. The meeting was closed for discussion.

Nancy made a motion to reopen the meeting seconded by Rose Marie. The meeting was reopened.

Two issues were decided on:

- 1 - Employees should notify their supervisor when they wish to take time off.
- 2 - Take off strip kitchen and bathroom floors from custodian's list of duties.

Doug made the motion to adopt the custodian duties as revised, Shari seconded, the motion passed.

Office hours will be expanded to Monday through Thursday 7 1/2 hours a day. We will need 23 1/2 hours for the administrative assistant. Kristi will have to be consulted on this issue.

Shari made the motion to adopt changes in the job description of the administrative assistant. Nancy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Congratulations to our Confirmands . . .



Nevaeh Gesell
Tucker Haggberg
Payden Hanson
Lucas Karels
Danie Larson
Livia Raverty

Blessings as you continue your faith journey!



Dear Heavenly Father, open our hearts this Thanksgiving and give us the spirit of thankfulness as we spend time together with our family and friends. This past year, you have been with us...helping us get past our doubts, being by our side as we faced our struggles, and providing for our needs. May we now be there for those who are hurting, those who have little, and those who struggle. Open our hearts to share your goodness and mercy and love with them.

- Your creation is filled with beauty and grace. Full of color—full of life. Thank you for giving it to us to enjoy.
- Make this church a place where people can be honest and transparent about their struggles and their weaknesses and know they are still loved. We pray for all our members and all who worship with us either in person or on line. We especial lift in prayer the following each week.
 - Week of November 6 – Dee Berg; Frank and Ellie Bertek; Samantha Christle, Aaron, and Ivan Bitzan; Ronda Bjornson
 - Week of November 13 – Randy and LaDonna Blackorbay; Pastor Josh Blair; Helen Bland; Wayne and Linda Boike
 - Week of November 20 – Jon, Jodi, Isaiah, Ethan, and Noah Borg; Paul, Sue, and Justin Borgfelt; Dennis and Ilene Boser
 - Week of November 27 –Mark and Becky Bruske; Brianna Bruske, David Hill, Rylenn, Roman, Estelle, and June; Lenore Bryant
- Hear the cries of the sick and dying, the hungry and homeless, the lost and forgotten. Bring healing and hope, food and shelter, love and compassion to all in need. We especially ask you to watch over and comfort those on our prayer network.
- Be with all our youth who have received “Prayer Pillows”. May they learn the power of prayer and the importance of having you present in their lives. Help them to share you with their friends.
- Be with and inspire all who work with our youth. Open the hearts of those being taught that they might know your love for them.
- As we come together for our Thanksgiving service, let it be a joyous time as we offer our thanks for everything you have bestowed upon us this past year.
- As we celebrate “All Saints Day”, help us to acknowledge the saints who have gone before us and to recognize, thank and cherish those who are still among us today.
- Watch over all our hunters. Keep them safe and give them wisdom and respect for your creation. May their time in nature bring success in their hunt.
- Touch the lives of our youth who will be attending the “All Youth Gathering” at Craguns in Brainerd on November 18-20th. Be present in their lives, help them build relationships and fill them with hope as they struggle with the challenging world around them.
- Bless the family of Paul Sawatzky as they brought him to be baptized on October 23, and bless the family of Danie Larson and Blake Larson as they are baptized on October 30. Guide their families and sponsors and lead us as a congregation to be part of their journey in their Christian faith.
- Thank you for placing among us, those individuals who so silently, yet faithfully, give of their time to beautify the church grounds, the church and worship space. May they know that their work of planting and caring for flowers, mowing, hanging banners, sharpening pencils, filling pew racks and all those other tasks that we seem to take for granted are very much appreciated.
- As more and more of our snowbirds leave, grant them travel mercies until they once again return to be with us.

We lift these prayers and our own personal prayers to you. Asking that your presence be felt in our own lives as well as the lives of those to whom we pray. AMEN

"We do not always see the saints among us...that is because we do not see what it is we are looking at...(Many) of the people in our lives are saints; it is just that some of them have day jobs and most will never have feast days named for them". —Robert Benson

Time spent in prayer is time well spent

"Gather to Pray" Every Wednesday

Join with other members each Wednesday by praying from home or at Church.



*If you should ever need personal prayer...
contact any prayer team member who will pray with you.*

On Sunday mornings, during communion, someone from the prayer team will be available in the narthex if you should need personal prayer.

*Don't forget to "Pray with your Directory."
Each time you pray, lift up individuals/families in the church directory.
God knows their needs...we just need to pray for them.*

Prayer shawls are available in the Chapel.

*Shawls are available for you to take and give away to anyone whom you feel is in need of prayers. We ask that you record in the shawl book, the date and to whom the shawl is given.
(This helps to not deliver multiple shawls to the same individual.)*

Life is full of reasons to be thankful!

How often have you received something and then forgot to thank the individual for what you had received? I get myself so wrapped up in doing things and keeping busy that I do not always express my thanks; not because I am ungrateful, but because I am distracted and I simply forgot. Days later, I mentally beat myself up for not being more sensitive and caring to the people who have reached out to me in some way. I remember a saying my niece posted on her Facebook page which I thought was a profound statement. It said...

What if you woke up today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday?

If that was true, I wonder what you would see before you each day! So, as Thanksgiving approaches, let it be a time to extend your thanks to all who have reached out and helped you in some way this past year. May it also be a time to thank God for all his blessings, for all he has helped you to accomplish in your life and for all the good things he continues to provide and do for you each day.

God deserves our thanks all the time!

God's blessings and peace from:

Ellory Christianson, Diane Gibas, Nancy Hendry, Doc Moss, Carolyn Nutt, Pam Peterson



Children, please cut out and place this prayer in your prayer pillows.
Watch for a new prayer each month.

Children's Prayer Time

Dear God, thank you for providing for our needs. If I have plenty or just a little,
help me to always share with others what you have given me. Amen.



Advent Festival

Sunday, Nov. 27th - 10:30 AM

Potluck - Bring a dish to share!

**Wreath Making - Yule Log Decorating
Children's Crafts**

Prayer Shawl Ministry has been busy knitting and crocheting prayer shawls. Prayers and blessings are included in the fibers of each shawl to give you the warm embrace of unconditional love and comfort.

May you find strength and feel the caring of our loving Lord and Savior through the gift of the shawl maker.

You may keep your shawl or pass it on and feel the blessings as they ripple from giver to receiver. You may even want to continue the kindness by making one to pass on.

Please feel free to take one for yourself or anyone who would benefit from a Prayer Shawl. We have several that are available, just let the office know when you do take one.

A gift created with love heals and comforts.
This gift is unconditionally yours!



We as a congregation, made a baptismal promise to all our baptized children, that we would help support and pray for them in their faith journey. The prayer ministry team is planning to implement a process to make that happen. Some of what would be involved would be praying for them on a regular basis, remembering them on their baptism and any other important event happening in their life.

More information on this will be coming soon.



WE WALK BY
Faith
 NOT BY SIGHT
 Corinthians 5:7



Save your receipts from Teals and bring them to church. Teals donates 1% back to our Youth Group. On average, we receive an annual check of approximately \$1,000.00.



Thank you, Teals!



October 2	\$3,570.00
October 9	\$3,174.00
October 16	\$1,400.00
October 23	\$2,419.00

Ruby's Pantry

The 1st Monday of each month at
Onamia Lion's Community Center,
806 West Kathio St, Onamia.
10:30—Noon ... call 532-3366 for questions.
For a \$25.00 cash donation, you will receive
an abundance of grocery items.



Food Shelves

Isle - Old Fire Hall, across from Post Office
Must be resident of Isle School District
1st Tuesday of the month 4 pm - 6 pm
4th Tuesday of the month 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm



Birthdays

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

11/01 Di Miller
11/04 Joshua Madson
11/05 Tom Gibas
11/05 Pat Gudim
11/06 Cody Haggberg
11/07 Brealyn MacLean
11/08 Lisa Sahlstrom
11/09 David Haggberg
11/09 Teagen Haggberg

11/18 Jeremy Haggberg
11/18 Shaun Joy
11/19 Pastor Kate Mensing
11/21 Gail Oswald
11/21 Eleanor Samuelson
11/22 Ethan Borg
11/24 Claire Christensen
11/25 Judy Crace
11/28 Caleb Johnson
11/28 Kristi Pedersen



Anniversaries

11/06 Paul & Sue Borgfelt
11/06 Doug & Judy Halvorson



Please let the office know if we have missed or
incorrectly listed your birthday or anniversary.



Greetings from Barb, Carolyn, and Marlene. We are the official schedulers for servers at Faith!

Now that we have our new Pastor and worship is back into full swing, we figured we had better get busy, too!

Notices will go out each month, please look to see what tasks you have been assigned for the quarter. If by some chance you are unable to work on that Sunday, please help by trading with someone else on the list (contact numbers are in your directory). That will make our Sunday's run ever so smoothly.

It's like a family; when we all share in the responsibilities, it makes life so easy! Thank you for serving.

SEE NEXT PAGE for OCTOBER Servers!

please find someone to take your place and let the office know as soon as possible!!

SERVERS for Worship November 2022

Scripture Readers:

November 6 -	Craig Lemieux
November 13 -	Doug Halvorson
November 20 -	Diane Gibas
November 27 -	Ronda Bjornson

Ushers:

November 6 -	Bob & Kristi Pedersen
November 13 -	Doug Halvorson Les Pinz
November 20 -	Kieth Severson Bryan Heise
November 27 -	David & Susie Haggberg

Greeters:

November 6 -	Shari Strecker
	Leta Christensen
November 13 -	Phyllis & Bubbles Haggberg
November 20 -	Phyllis & Bubbles Haggberg
November 27 -	Ronda Bjornson
	Holly Main, Mary, Ivan

Prayer Station:

November 6 -	Doc Moss
November 13 -	Diane Gibas
November 20 -	Doc Moss
November 27 -	Sandy Nies

Acolytes:

November 6 -	<u>Parker Gesell</u>
November 13 -	<u>Blake Karels</u>
November 20 -	<u>Aidan Heise</u>
November 27 -	Kobe Current, Dylan Heise

Communion Prep Team:

November 6 - _____
November 13 - _____
November 20 - _____
November 27 - _____

Communion Assistants:

November 6 -	Craig & Jane Lemieux
November 13 -	Craig & Jane Lemieux
November 20 -	Rose Marie Nutt Kathy Harrison
November 27 -	Rose Marie Nutt Kathy Harrison

Coffee Servers:

November 6 -	Craig & Barb Magnan
November 13 -	Bruce & Laurie Richards Geoff & Shanessa Gesell
November 20 -	Donna Johnson, Helen Bland, Jean Retka, Joan Lundquist
November 27 -	Les & Donna Pinz Nancy Rizer-Schmidt

Thank You for Serving!

November 2022

Faith Lutheran Church, Holidays in United States

Nov 2022 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 Confirmation Sunday 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 5pm - Choir Rehearsal	31 Halloween 3pm - Trunk or Treat @	1 First Day of American	2 9am - Quilters 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA 6:30pm - Confirmation 7:30pm - Youth Group	3 2pm - Yoga	4 10am - Prayer Shawl	5 9am - AA Big Book
6 Daylight saving time 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School	7	8 Election Day 9:30am - Prayer Team	9 10am - Connect Team 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA 6:30pm - Confirmation 7:30pm - Youth Group	10 2pm - Yoga	11 Veterans Day	12 9am - AA Big Book
13 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 5pm - Choir Rehearsal	14 1pm - Garden Club 6:30pm - WOW	15 5pm - Worship Team 6pm - Council Meeting	16 9am - Quilters 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA 6:30pm - Confirmation 7:30pm - Youth Group	17 2pm - Yoga	18 Youth Gathering Newsletter Article Due In 10am - Prayer Shawl	19 9am - AA Big Book
20 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Coffee 10:45am - Sunday School 5pm - Choir Rehearsal	21	22	23 Newsletter sent out 10am - Gather to Pray 10:45am - Local & Global 5:30pm - NO FIA 6:30pm - NO 7:30pm - NO Youth Group	24 Office Closed Thanksgiving Day 2pm - Yoga	25 Native American Heritage	26 9am - AA Big Book
27 Advent 9:30am - Worship 10:30am - Advent 10:30am - Potluck 10:45am - NO Sunday 5pm - Choir Rehearsal	28	29	30 10am - Gather to Pray 5:30pm - FIA 6:30pm - Confirmation 7:30pm - Youth Group	1 2pm - Yoga	2	3 9am - AA Big Book



Please call the office at (320) 676-3161 or email yougotfaith@frontier.com with any changes in your contact information.

[Click Here for November 2022 Calendar](#)



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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00am–2:00pm
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