

† <u>Sunday, July 2~</u>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
† <u>Wednesday, July 5 ~</u>	5:30 pm	Come to the Water
† <u>Saturday, July 8 ~</u>	6:00 pm	Isle Days Parade
† <u>Sunday, July 9 ~</u>	9:30 am	Chapel in the Park at Isle City Park
† <u>Monday, July 10 ~</u>	6:30 pm	WOW at Sandy Nies'
† <u>Tuesday, July 11 ~</u>	10:00 am	Prayer Team Meeting
	6:30 pm	Youth Group at Sandy Nies'
† <u>Wednesday, July 12 ~</u>	10:00 am	Connect Team Meeting
	5:30 pm	Come to the Water
† <u>Sunday, July 16 ~</u>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
† <u>Tuesday, July 18 ~</u>	5:00 pm	Worship Ministry Meeting
	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
† <u>Wednesday, July 19 ~</u>	5:30 pm	Come to the Water
† <u>Friday, July 21~</u>		Newsletter Articles Due
	10:00 am	Prayer Shawl
† <u>Sunday, July 23 ~</u>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
† <u>Monday, July 24 ~</u>	5:00—8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
† <u>Tuesday, July 25 ~</u>	5:00—8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
	7:30 pm	Youth Group
† <u>Wednesday, July 26 ~</u>	5:00—8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
	5:30 pm	Come to the Water
† <u>Thursday, July 27 ~</u>	10:30 am	Local & Global Mission Ministry Meeting
	5:00—8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School
† <u>Sunday, July 30 ~</u>	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship



Faith Lutheran Church Council
Unapproved Minutes
June 20, 2023

Members present were: Karen Gabriel, Shari Strecker, Craig Lemieux, Pr. Josh Blair, Rose Marie Nutt, Nancy Hendry, Sue Temte and Diane Gibas.

Absent: Doug Halvorson, Holly Main, Brianna Heise and Derek Karels.

The meeting was called to order by council president Craig Lemieux.

The agenda was approved with modifications after a motion by Shari, seconded by Rose Marie.

Nancy made a motion, seconded by Sue to accept the secretary's report. The report was accepted.

In the treasurer's report it was noted that revenues are down, and expenses are normal. Craig made a notation that, yes we are down, but spending our money wisely. We've made some major upgrades to our facility that were necessary to keep the building in good condition.

In addition, the youth account was discussed. We discussed the option of youth having their funds in a separate account.

Shari made the motion, seconded by Rose Maire to approve the treasurer's report. The motion passed.

In his report Pastor Josh shared VBS will be held July 24-27 from 5 to 8 p.m. for children pre-K through sixth grade. Emily Miller will be the coordinator this year.

Pastor Josh is looking for a curriculum for Faith in Action next year. He said he is looking forward to having Sunday school in the fall.

For confirmation class, students will be asked to read the Bible. There is an app that can be used. He also wants to challenge the congregation to read their Bibles along with the confirmation students.

He also gave a brief summary of the youth mission trip to Niagara Falls. He is also looking forward to finding options for other youth trips.

Pastor Josh made a vacation request for Aug. 3 - 6.

Old Business:

* The personnel committee was discussed.

* The office has a new copy machine. Pastor Josh gave kudos to Kristi saying she negotiated good terms with the leasing company. We are paying less for the new machine than the previous copier. We are also paying less for black and white and color copies.

On the north wing update:

The carpeting will come in August, sometime after VBS.

* Pastor will look into what is available for signage in the renovated wing.

New business:

* Pastor Josh's review was tabled.

* New members are anticipated to be received the end of July or in August.

* Come to the water was slated to begin Wednesday June 21.

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* An assisting ministry program was discussed.

* Doug submitted a letter informing the congregation of the work being done in the building and the funds needed to complete the project.

The council approved the letter to be sent out.

* The R.U.R.A.L. music festival will be held again this year. Last year, Faith gave \$2,500 towards the Christian music festival. Nancy made to motion, seconded by Rose to do the same this year. It as also noted last year we held a special freewill offering that would go to the festival.

* Our member, Rick Gabriel, has applied to seminary. It is customary for the home congregation of the applicant to help in what ever way they can. Shari made the motion, seconded by Sue to send \$950 to his tuition. The motion passed.

Worship and Music, Prayer, Connect, Local and Global Mission committees met. They all have their projects they are working on.

* Prayer committee is working bring ideas to make prayer more exciting and meaningful.

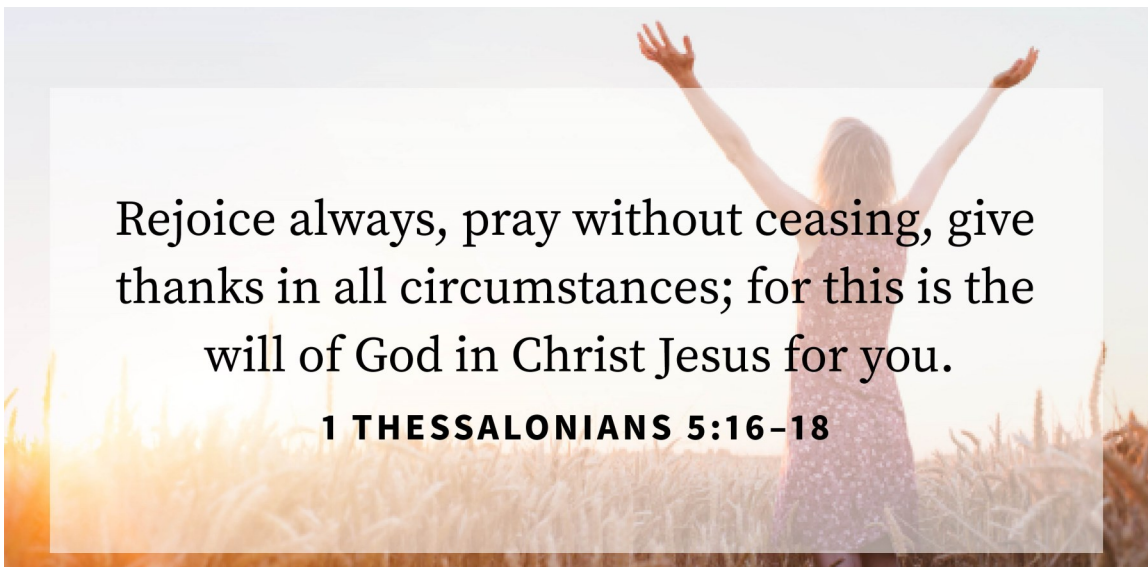
* Connect committee is working on Come to the water and looking for people to sign up to serve a supper.

* Local and Global Missions is planning a project to collect 60 items each month or focus on several projects throughout the year to celebrate Faith's 60th anniversary.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 after a motion by Rose Marie, seconded by Shari.

Next month's meeting will be July 18 at 6 p.m.

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RENOVATION PROJECT-HOW CAN YOU HELP?

The North Wing (also known as the Education Wing) is the oldest part of our building. It was originally used as the fellowship hall, office, kitchen and classrooms before the new sanctuary and fellowship hall were built. During COVID a significant ceiling project was begun in the large community room. While a large portion of the work was accomplished, the project isn't complete. Ceilings in several rooms in the North Wing are in poor condition. The insulation in the attic space needs to be fixed. Carpeting in the North Wing is badly worn.

The church council has decided to complete the renovation project. The project will have three phases. The first phase is to complete the ceiling in the large community room and paint the room. The second phase will be to replace the ceilings in the classrooms as well as repair the insulation in the attic areas. The final phase will be to replace the carpeting in the North Wing.

Volunteers will be asked to assist with some aspects of the project. However, we have bids for the ceiling and the carpet replacement. The council approved the renovation project with an expectation of the cost being approximately \$22,000.

How can you help? Please **PRAY** for the successful completion of the renovation project. Please **GIVE** generously to the renovation fund. The renovation project is an expense which is over and above our regular operating budget. Please **VOLUNTEER** to help when volunteers are needed.

Our goal is to have the renovation project completed by September 1st. Faith Lutheran will be celebrating our 60th anniversary on September 10th, 2023. The renovation project will be a great way to celebrate this milestone in our church history.

Thank you for your continued faithful and generous support of the mission and ministry of Faith Lutheran Church.

Doug Halvorson, Treasurer, Faith Lutheran



We Pray for:

July 4th celebrations

Isle Days, July 7-9

“Come to the Water”, Wednesday evenings,

July 5 - August 16

Community Worship in Park, July 9

WOW, Monday, July 10

VBS, July 24-27, 5-8 p.m.

Youth Group - Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m.

9:30 Worship

Sunday Coffee Fellowship

Church Council

Building & Property

Caring Ministry Team

Children’s Education Ministry Team

Connect Ministry Team

Faith in Action

Finance/Human Resources

Local & Global Missions

Music Ministry

Prayer Ministry Team

Prayer Shawl

Quilting

Stewardship Ministry Team

WELCA

Worship Ministry Team

Youth Ministry team

Youth Group

“Common Prayer Time”

Every Wednesday - pray from home or at Church

“Pray with your directory”

Lift up individuals/families in the church directory each time you pray.

“Personal Prayer”

Need of personal prayer: Seek prayer during communion on Sunday’s or contact any prayer team member who will pray with you.



Looking for ways to spice up your prayer life...

Sometimes we just become too complacent in our prayer life...not that we want to, but it just seems to happen. We have good intentions of praying, we know we should pray, we want to pray, and when we attempt to pray we find our thoughts wandering off to all those other things occupying our mind. Lets just face it, we all suffer from PADD...Prayer Attention Deficit Disorder. Yes, we all struggle with prayer...for some more than others.

God offers us prayer time as a way of communicating with him...thanking him for all he has done in our lives, seeking forgiveness for all we have done wrong...or not done, lifting up people who need his healing and comfort, and asking his guidance in our daily life. God desires a personal relationship with all of us and it is only made possible through prayer.

The prayer ministry team will, each month, introduce a new way of helping you to enhance your prayer life. For July we will introduce the use of prayer beads of which many different types exist for us to use. We will focus on the Protestant prayer beads and how to pray the Lutheran Rosary. Check out our display in the Fellowship Hall.



Children’s Prayer Time

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for loving me every day. Please keep me and my friends safe this summer.
Amen.

Prayers for July



Dear God, as seasons change and we now find ourselves into the summer months, we tend to get so caught up in the whirlwind of summer activities that we forget to see what is important in our lives. We forget that we have been called to be your disciples all year long. So, this summer, help us to continue to be instruments of your love. Help us to show and express it no matter where we might be so others can come to know you as we know you.

- Forgive us for our carelessness in caring for your creation. Bring hope and comfort to all who have had to suffer from devastation by storms, natural disasters, fires and drought. We thank you for the recent rains and yet ask that they continue to bring needed moisture to our parched land and to nourish crops necessary to sustain all life.
- Be with our youth who will be attending Bible camp this summer. Let it be a time of fun, friendship, and learning.
- Bring favorable weather for our Wednesday evening “Come to the Water” meal and worship in the park. Encourage us to use this as an opportunity to invite neighbors and friends to join us for an uplifting evening.
- Breathe new life into our Faith in Action Program for our youth. Be with all who are working to make this an enticing and exciting program for our young people.
- Be with all who lead and participate in our Vacation Bible School. May it be a time of friendship, fun and learning.
- Draw near to all who are living in fear or anxiety, grief or illness. We especially lift up all who are on our prayer network. Comfort them and calm their fears.
- We thank you for those you have sent to us to love. Pour your grace into the hearts of all who are part of this church. Refresh and renew them to be witnesses of your love. Each week in July we pray for the following.
 - Week of July 2 – Jean Retka; Bruce and Laurie Richards; Nancy Rizer-Schmidt; Isaac, Amber, Rita, Maya, and Charles Robertson.
 - Week of July 9 – Michael, Samantha, Elsie, Evelyn, and Eleanor Samuelson; Arnold Sandin; Troy and Michelle Tramm; Bev Schleif.
 - Week of July 16 – Mary Sears; Kieth and Bev Severson; Grace Slagle; Kevin, Melanie, Logan, Austin, and Emma Slama.
 - Week of July 23 – Tyler, Tara, Brody, Ruby, Harvey, and Sophie Soderstrom; Jake, Amanda, Tucker, and Paige Strecker.
 - Week of July 30 – Roger and Shari Strecker; Jake, Jordan, Everly and Odin Swing; Mike and Sue Temte; Glenda Theis.
- Be with all who gather over the 4th of July, and keep everyone safe whether they are traveling or just hanging out at home. May this be a time of fun and fellowship with family and friends.
- Bring healing to the divisions that are separating our country. Guide our government officials to work together to make the right decisions for the economy, the budget, the people and for world peace. Bring an end to conflicts and disagreements so we may work and live peacefully with one another.
- Be with all who attend the Isle Day activities. Let our float in the Isle Day’s parade be a witness to those in the community that we are indeed Christ’s “Fishers of Men”.
- Encourage us to attend and to also invite others to worship outdoors in the park on Sunday, July 9th. Make this a time where we can both worship you and celebrate your beautiful creation.
- Guide our public school leaders as they plan for the upcoming school year. May their staffing vacancies be filled with the very best teachers for your youth.
- We give thanks for the baptism of Linnea Leach and Gabrielle Perkio. Be with them as they continue to grow in their Christian faith.
- Be with all our families this summer, giving them quality family time together. Grant travel mercies to all who will be traveling.

Just as you have commanded us to pray and as you have promised to hear us, we lift up these and our own prayers for our church and community and for all God’s people. AMEN

**Blessings: Ellory Christianson, Diane Gibas, Nancy Hendry,
Dave Morneau, Doc Moss, Carolyn Nutt, Pam Peterson, Mary Sears**

NOTE: Prayer shawls are available in the Chapel.
Please take and give away to anyone whom you feel is in need of prayer.
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.)

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invites children to

All aboard for
fun at VBS!

Rocky Railway VBS:
Jesus' power pulls us through

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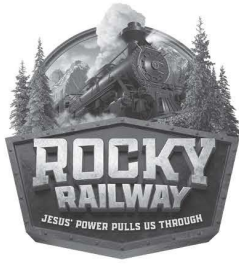


Rocky Railway VBS: Jesus' power pulls us through

A summer kids' event called Rocky Railway VBS will be hosted at Faith Lutheran from July 24th to July 27th.

At Rocky Railway, kids discover through life's ups and downs that Jesus' power pulls us through. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, engage in fun snack-eating experiences, take part in one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them to trust Jesus, and make Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long.

Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with the Rock Wrap-Up that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Rocky Railway is for kids from Pre-K to 6th grade and will run from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. We will also be having dinner before VBS starts from 4:30-5pm on those given days! For more information, call 320-676-3161.



Registration Form

(One Per Child)

Please Email Your Child(s)
Registration Form to
Emily Miller
emgem2029@gmail.com
or
Return the Form to
Faith Lutheran Church in Isle

Child's name: _____ Child's gender: _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (____) _____

Home email address: _____

Home church: _____

Allergies, medical conditions, or special needs: _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Crew number or name (for church use only): _____

COME TO THE WATER
FREE MEAL & WORSHIP
ISLE CITY PARK
5:30PM
WEDNESDAYS




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!



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| June 4 | \$3,875.00 |
| June 11 | \$2,607.00 |
| June 18 | \$2,504.00 |
| June 25 | \$6,605.00 |

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



July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

| | | | |
|------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| 7/03 | Donna Pinz | 7/15 | Whitney Phipps |
| 7/03 | Kathy Harrison | 7/15 | Lindsey Nelson |
| 7/04 | Mary Sears | 7/15 | Eric Thompson |
| 7/06 | Blake Karels | 7/16 | Diane Gibas |
| 7/06 | Adelynn Eklund | 7/16 | Shanessa Gesell |
| 7/06 | Virginia Freese | 7/17 | Randi Kautz |
| 7/06 | Paul Sawatzky | 7/17 | Rod Peterson |
| 7/07 | Kevin Pedersen | 7/17 | Walt Thompson |
| 7/07 | Sue Temte | 7/17 | Kora Phipps |
| 7/07 | Hayden Thielen | 7/18 | Brodie Kuhlman |
| 7/08 | Mary Jablonski | 7/20 | Kloey Current |
| 7/08 | David Nutt | 7/21 | Bill Fredrick |
| 7/08 | Dustin Mensing | 7/22 | Lori Menke |
| 7/09 | Tara Soderstrom | 7/22 | Mike Temte |
| 7/09 | Philip Thielen | 7/23 | Kevin Slama |
| 7/10 | Jennifer Larson | 7/24 | Silas Hill |
| 7/10 | Jean Retka | 7/25 | Arnie Sandin |
| 7/14 | Jill Thompson | 7/26 | Terry Oswald |
| | | 7/31 | Rose Marie Nutt |



Anniversaries

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|------|-------------------------|
| 7/03 | Doc & Marlene Moss |
| 7/04 | Klaus & Priscilla Rapp |
| 7/13 | Mike & Sue Temte |
| 7/18 | Rod & Pam Peterson |
| 7/24 | Isaac & Amber Robertson |
| 7/25 | Shaun & Katie Joy |
| 7/27 | Harley & Tama Exsted |



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

**If you find that you are unable to fulfill the task on your given Sunday,
please find someone to take your place and let the office know as soon as possible!!**

SERVERS for Worship July 2023

Scripture Readers:

July 2 - Bev Severson
 July 9 - Bev Severson
 July 16 - Ellory Christianson
 July 23 - Ellory Christianson
 July 30 - Craig Magnan

Ushers:

July 2 - Dave Morneau
Doc Moss
 July 9 - Lucas Karels
Blake Karels
 July 16 - Doug & Judy Halvorson

 July 23 - Rose Marie Nutt
Karen Gabriel
 July 30 - Kevin & Melanie Slama

Greeters:

July 2 - Diane Gibas
Nancy Rizer-Schmidt
 July 9 - Les & Donna Pinz

 July 16 - Leta Christensen
Shari Strecker
 July 23 - Dorothy Haggberg
Sue Temte
 July 30 - Kieth & Bev Severson

Prayer Station:

July 2 - Diane Gibas
 July 9 - _____
 July 16 - _____
 July 23 - _____
 July 30 - _____

Acolytes:

July 2 - Hunter Lemm
 July 9 - Tristan Schweich
 July 16 - Kobe Current
 July 23 - Blake Larson
 July 30 - Blake Karels

Communion Prep Team:

July 2 - _____
 July 9 - _____
 July 16 - _____
 July 23 - _____
 July 30 - _____

Communion Assistants:

July 2 - Sue Temte
Judy Crace
 July 9 - Al & Sue Gustner

 July 16 - Al & Sue Gustner

 July 23 - Cheryl TenBruin
Elaine Norman
 July 30 - Craig & Barb Magnan

Coffee Servers:

July 2 - Doug & Judy Halvorson
 July 9 - Bev Severson, Elaine Norman
 July 16 - Tonja Eklund Family
 July 23 - Diane Gibas, Nancy R-Schmidt
 July 30 - Karels Family

Thank you for serving!

July 2023

Faith Lutheran Church, Holidays in United States

Jul 2023 (Central Time - Chicago)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|-------------------------|
| 25
9:30am - Worship
10:30am - Coffee | 26 | 27
7:30pm - Youth Group | 28
Newspetter sent OUT
10am - Gather to Pray
5:30pm - Come to the | 29 | 30 | 1
9am - AA Big Book |
| 2
9:30am - Worship
10:30am - Coffee | 3 | 4
Independence Day | 5
10am - Gather to Pray
5:30pm - Come to the | 6 | 7 | 8
9am - AA Big Book |
| 9
9:30am - Chapel In the | 10
1pm - Garden Club
6:30pm - WOW | 11
10am - Prayer Team
6:30pm - Youth Group @ | 12
10am - Connect Team
10am - Gather to Pray
5:30pm - Come to the | 13 | 14 | 15
9am - AA Big Book |
| 16
9:30am - Worship
10:30am - Coffee | 17 | 18
5pm - Worship Team
6pm - Council Meeting | 19
10am - Gather to Pray
5:30pm - Come to the | 20 | 21
Newspetter Articles Due in
10am - Prayer Shawl | 22
9am - AA Big Book |
| 23
9:30am - Worship
10:30am - Coffee | 24
5pm - VBS | 25
5pm - VBS
7:30pm - Youth Group | 26
Newspetter sent OUT
10am - Gather to Pray
5pm - VBS
5:30pm - Come to the | 27
10:30am - Local & Global
5pm - VBS | 28 | 29
9am - AA Big Book |
| 30
9:30am - Worship
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7:30pm - Youth Group | 2
10am - Gather to Pray
5:30pm - Come to the | 3 | 4
10am - Prayer Shawl | 5
9am - AA Big Book |

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



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 Monday & Friday - Closed
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 E-mail: yougotfaith@frontier.com
 Josh Blair, Pastor (951) 575-5027
 Craig Lemieux, Council President

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Click this →

