

THE EVANGEL



FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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October 2024



God provides holy interruptions in our lives. As we enter October, we celebrate October 31. No, this is not Halloween; this is not my mother's birthday, it is a yearly celebration though. October 31 is Reformation Day.

This day marks the day in 1517 when Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the Door looking for a debate on papal indulgences. Who would have known that such a simple request would lead to the transformation of the church? Luther was not looking to create a new church. His goal was to reform an old one.

Semper Reformanda was a major part of Luther's thoughts. It means the church reformed or always reforming. When we encounter God, the scripture, and grace, we are always reforming. The reformation is something that does not end. It's about Jesus Christ and who Jesus Christ is in our midst. As we encounter Christ, we are called to reform our lives and our communities.

Semper Reformanda started with the 95 Theses yet continues to this day. Luther's life was interrupted by a lightning storm that made him commit to being an Augustinian Monk. His dad though wanted him to be a lawyer not a monk. This reformation of his life led to studying the Bible and bringing forth new understandings of faith. "We are saved by faith through grace not our own works." Our works do not make us. Luther emphasized that. It is God's grace and love for us. This love continues to reform us more into the image of God.

The Holy Interruption of Luther's life was one reformation. Isn't that really the interruption of God for our lives too? God's grace reveals our shorting comings and our need for what Christ has already done. It isn't about us. It is about what Christ has done for us. It is about Christ who redeems us and loves us. This redemption makes a difference in Wilmington, OH.

As we look around Faith Lutheran Church, how has Christ redeemed us? What has Christ done for you? In this season of reformation, let Christ reform you in his love and ponder these questions.

Pastor Joel Richter

WORSHIP/MUSIC NEWS

September 18, 2024

Fall is coming – well at least it looks like it. Pumpkins are out and soon harvest time will arrive. The crops are turning brown as fall season gets closer but also due to the drought we are in. We are hoping we will get some rain soon to replenish our land and our water resources. Pray for some relief soon as conditions are pretty bad for some areas of our state.

We had Rally Day in September starting with breakfast before some drumming. Rally Day kicks off the start of Sunday School at Faith Lutheran so bring the kids to church and let them attend Sunday School which is right after the Children's Sermon each Sunday.

There are a couple of upcoming Sundays to point out:

October 27th Reformation Sunday - don't forget to wear Red

November 3rd All Saints Sunday

November 24th Christ the King Sunday

I want to thank Lani Brannum for singing the liturgy Sept 8th and Pastor on Sept 15th. I appreciate you AND with that – we still need volunteers each Sunday to sign up to help with the many aspects of the service EACH Sunday. Please sign up when you are here at church so we can put it in the bulletin, so we know that each volunteer spot is filled. It's so hard for Pastor to have to look for people each Sunday to fill the spots – so let's help him out!

On September 15th, Faith Lutheran church had a farewell and blessing for Danielle Riley, who has joined the US Air Force. Danni picked the music for that Sunday as she wanted to hear her favorites before she left. (Sure helped me out). There was a reception with cake (Sorry Mr. Newman – no ice cream), afterwards that was greatly appreciated by the Riley family. Danni was sworn in Tuesday Sept 17 and was flown to Lackland Air Force base in San Antonio Texas where she will be for the next 7 ½ weeks. If you have never sent a loved one off to the military, it is hard on your heart but you lean on the Lord to give you strength to not only Danni but for those family members here at home. After graduation in November, she will head to Virginia for Tech school and then she will be assigned to a Base. Needless to say, we prayed at the airport for safe flights and for the Lord to be her strength through her new life. All your prayers are appreciated too for Danni. This world is a tough place sometimes especially for all our military so keep all of them in your prayers too and thank you to all of you who have been there for here through her growing up years in Sunday School, choir, youth events and anything she participated in. Many of you played an important part in molding her into the Christian she is today and we thank you for that.

So, as we are praying for rain and any other needs you might have, always remember to look to the heavens and thank the good Lord for everything we have.



See you in Church Your Organist,

Tammy Maynard

Addresses for our Shut-ins & Military

Ruby Ostermeier Caroline Wesbrook
175 Cape May Drive 347 Florence Ave
Room 136 Wilmington, OH 45177

AS2 Amanda Riley,
1030 N.E. Cordero Place
Oak Harbor, WA 98277



BIRTHDAYS

Ben Thompson	10/5
Teresa Jewett	10/7
Pat Schultz	10/10
Terry Ling	10/11
David Ackerman	10/17
Kristian	10/20
Chuck Arneson	10/22
Connor Jewell	10/25
Delany Roberts	10/26
Hazel Johnson	10/28
Amelia Johnson	10/29

ANNIVERSARIES

Levi & Megan Sargent	10/14
Josh & Becky Riley	10/15
Tom & Cathy Morrison	10/23

Pastor Joel will be in the office Monday-Thursday

IN OUR PRAYERS....

Zachary Jewell
Darlene Campbell
The Zeckser Family
Caroline Wesbrook
Donna Thorp
Carolyn Baur
Bob Minnish
Randy Gray
Carol Mohr
Steve Vincent
Corey Giacobi

Ruby Ostermeier
Vickie Morgan
Chuck McKay
Ron & Sue Jenkins
Gerald & Pat Schultz
Shayna & Kara Spurrier
Michelle Kasten
Cathy Morrison
Harlene Rein
Rick Wilson

9/22

Marcia Spack

Cousin of Kathy Vincent

9/15

JoAn Davis

Sister of Ben Zella

Beth Johson
Jenny
Susan Pfeifer & Family
Lynn Cowman
Debbie Holnaider
Jess and Matt Stanley
Michelle Roads
Jimmy Skuhrovec
Rick Roberts
Macey Williams
Brittany Kessler
Anthony Stevens
Pat Sands & family
Barbara Perry
Pam Kuhar
Barry Thurston
Bonnie Ward
Michelle
Jessica Wolfe
Lori Heitzenrater
Hunter Wilson
The Lambcke Family
Jerry Grooms
Bill Lewellen
Jennifer Johnson

Daughter in law of Terry & Madonna Johnson
Friend of David & Lani Brannum
Sister-in-law of Kathy Giacobbi
Friend of Lynn Ackerman
Cousin of Kathy Giacobbi
Friends of the Brannums
Friend of Corey Giacobbi
Cousin of Kathy Giacobbi
Friend of FLC
Friend of the Riley's
Granddaughter of Harlene Rein
Friend of FLC
Sister of Linda Hall
Sister of Harlene Rein
Friend of Kathy Giacobbi
Friend of Josh Riley
Friend of Diane Zella
Sister in law of Lani Brannum
Friend of the Riley's
Family friend of the Newman's
Friend of the Riley family
Friends of the Riley family
Brother of Harlene Rein
Brother-in-law of Kathy & Steve Vincent
Daughter in law of Ron Johnson

Beth Maynard
Staff and Patients Zinga Children's Hospital
Claire Cavender
Lynn Turner
Daniel Payne
Pat Cantwell
Jacob Harrison
Julie Minney
Bentley, Lynne Eirons
Kristin Foster
Sue Zurface
Russ Burton

Aunt of Becky Riley
Cousin of Harrison Sargent
Friend of the Riley Family
Brother of Dave Payne (Rhonda Wheasler)
Friend of Betty Pfeifer
Beth Ackerman's Friend's Son
Daughter of Vickie Morgan
Family of Donna Thorp
Granddaughter of Don&Sue Newman
Friend of Becky Riley
Friend of Josh & Becky Riley



Members, family, and friends serving in military



Danni Riley
Amanda Riley
Ben Thompson
Parker Haley
Nick Gumley
Luke Williams
Rebecca Carter
Laura Person
Derrick Izor
Isabella Grimm
Kayla Wilson
Liz Gray

Member of FLC
Member of FLC
Member of FLC
Nephew of Amy Wilson
Grandson of Ruby Fisher
Friend of Amanda Riley
Cousin of the Brannum Family
Cousin of Amanda Riley
Cousin of Michelle Kasten
Friend of Danni Riley
Friend of the Riley family
Friend of Danni Riley

If you are sick for any reason – please stay home or do not come to Church if you are apprehensive about your health. If you have a temperature or do not feel well – **PLEASE** – do not come to church – stay at home. Also please stay at home if a person in your household is ill or running a fever. This is for any illness, also meaning please do not enter the building even if you think no one is here. We have vulnerable members in the congregation. You may not know the health conditions of your neighbors in the pews. With this in mind, love your neighbor by staying home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our service will be recorded Live on Facebook and posted in Flocknote.

www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranChurchofWilmington

Your offering may be mailed or done online by going to

<https://www.flcwilmington.com/donationsofferings>

Volunteers Needed-There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for Greeters/Ushers, Communion Assistants and Lectors. Please check the dates and see if you are available to volunteer a Sunday.

The 2025 Altar Flower Chart Has Been Posted On The Bulletin Board In The Narthex. Sign up on your preferred Sunday and indicate if they are given “in memory of...”; “in celebration of...” or “in honor of...”- A \$20 donation is suggested. Thank you!

Welca Website: The website Womenoftheelca.org has very good articles, including Daily Grace, which may be of interest to you. Check it out! Café is an award-winning web-based magazine (boldcafe.org) for young adult women who are interested in how faith relates to issues women face today.

Kroger Community Rewards Program:

05/01/24-7/31/24 **\$87.05** contributed to the **youth group fund.**

A Kroger Plus card is needed to enroll. See office for more information or:

You may re-enroll via phone at 1-866-221-4141.

To enroll, go to: www.krogercommunityrewards.com

A successful sign-in will take you to a page with a first paragraph entitled **Kroger Community Awards**. In the text of the paragraph click where it says “click here”. You will then be on a page “Find Your Organization”. In the first box, type **QG123** or Faith then click search. **Choose Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church** and then save.

Food Pantry News For the total of the month of September our food pantry helped 36 adults, 48 seniors and 19 children (103 total people - 49 families). If you would like to learn more about volunteering for this ministry, see Jack Connor or Terri Roberts. To help supplement our Food Pantry this year, we are asking the congregation to bring a different product each month as shown below.

Food Pantry Donations 2024

October-Kleenex

November-Shampoo

December-Paper Towels

On October 13th after the 10:45 service, we will meet at Schappacher Farms pumpkin patch to pick pumpkins and have photo opportunities. Then go to pastor Joel's house to carve pumpkins and have a cookout.



On October 20th from 2pm-4pm we will be having Trunk a Treat in the church parking lot. We need volunteers for trunks. There will be a \$25 gift card for best decorated trunk. Also, we could use donations of candy to pass out. Sign up sheet in the narthex.



Come out and join us here at church on November 13th, 6 pm until 7 pm for our first youth club. Any age youth is welcome. There will be drumming, a craft and lots of fun learning about God together.

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JANUARY 3-5

QUAKE
2025

Youth Quake for 2025 will be January 3-5. Youth Quake is for youth 6th grade thru 12th grade. If you have someone interested in attending Youth Quake please let the office know. We will update with the theme for 2025 when it is available.

Fall Clean-Up

Come out and help around the church on
October 12 between 1-4 pm
for a workday beautifying the church grounds.
Many hands make light work.
We appreciate any help. Thanks in advance!

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

**Consecration Sunday
October 27th**

**Set clocks back
November 3rd**

**Congregational Meeting
November 10th at 9:30a**

**December 8th
Advent Gathering
More information to
follow**

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE
October 2024

ALTAAR GUILD		COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	
Date	Name	Date	Name
10/6/24	Lynn Ackerman	10/6/24	
10/13/24	Kathy Vincent	10/13/24	Terri Roberts
10/20/24	Diane Zella	10/20/24	Lani Brannum
10/27/24	Madonna Johnson	10/27/24	Diane Zella

GREETERS/USHERS		LECTOR 830	
Date	Name	Date	Name
10/6/24		10/6/24	
10/13/24		10/13/24	
10/20/24		10/20/24	
10/27/24		10/27/24	

LECTOR 1045		COFFEE HOSTS	
Date	Name	Date	Name
10/6/24	Donna Barnhart	10/6/24	Diane Zella
10/13/24	Terri Roberts	10/13/24	
10/20/24	Diane Zella	10/20/24	
10/27/24		10/27/24	

ACOLYTES		READINGS	
Date	Name	Date	Name
10/6/24		10/6/24	
10/13/24		10/13/24	
10/20/24	Brannums	10/20/24	
10/27/24		10/27/24	

ALTAAR FLOWERS		READINGS	
Date	Name	Date	Name
10/6/24	In memory of Tony Giacobbi-The Giacobbi family	10/6/24	Gen 2:18-24; Ps 8; Heb 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16
10/13/24	Josh & Becky Riley in celebration of their Anniversary	10/13/24	Amos 5:6-7, 10:15; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31
10/20/24	Diane & Ben Zella in celebration of their Anniversary	10/20/24	Isa 53:4-12; Ps 91:9-16; Heb 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45
10/27/24		10/27/24	Jer 31:31-34; Ps 46; Rom 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Church, Holidays in United States

Oct 2024 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
		10am - Pastors Bible 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	9am - Quilting Club @ 10am - Food Pantry Open 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	6pm - Girl Scouts	6:30pm - Fiber Guild @	9am - Ladies Bible Study
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8:30am - Worship @ 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Worship	10am - Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm - NA meeting	10am - Pastors Bible 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	9am - Quilting Club @ 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	6pm - Girl Scouts 6pm - Worship Com 7pm - Council @ Faith	lifeline screening	9am - Ladies Bible Study 1pm - Clean up day
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:30am - Worship @ 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Worship 12pm - Pumpkin picking	Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day 10am - Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm - NA meeting	10am - Pastors Bible 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	9am - Quilting Club @ 10am - Food Pantry Open 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	11am - Kiwanis @ Faith 6pm - Girl Scouts		9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Card making
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
8:30am - Worship @ 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Worship 2pm - Trunk or Treat	10am - Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm - NA meeting	10am - Pastors Bible 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	9am - Quilting Club @ 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	6pm - Girl Scouts		9am - Ladies Bible Study
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Consecration Sunday Reformation wear red 8:30am - Worship @ 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Worship	10am - Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm - NA meeting	10am - Pastors Bible 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	9am - Quilting Club @ 6pm - Girl Scouts @ Faith	Halloween 6pm - Girl Scouts		

CHECK OUT FAITH'S FACEBOOK PAGE

You do not have to be a member of Facebook to access our page - just type www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranChurchofWilmington into your browser window and you will be taken directly to the page.

WEB NEWS

For congregational news, go to: www.flcwilmington.com

On-line giving now available through our website.

**Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church is in
the Southern Ohio Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.**

For synod news: www.southernohiosynod.org

For national news: www.elca.org

ELCA Presiding Bishop: *Rev. Elizabeth Eaton*

Bishop of the Southern Ohio Synod: *Rev. Suzanne Dillahunt*

***ALL Meetings/Events/Projects must be booked
thru the office to be added to the calendar***

DEADLINES

Bulletin Announcements–Wednesday by 11:30 a.m.

Newsletter Calendar– No later than third Sunday of the month.

Email: faithelca@swohio.twcbc.com



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To Share God's Love

To Care For Each Other

To Reach The World for CHRIST

WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY 8:30am & 10:45am

**Youth Sunday School,
& Catechism (gr. 6-8) classes (SEP-MAY)
Adult Sunday School (All Year)**

Phone 937-382-2460