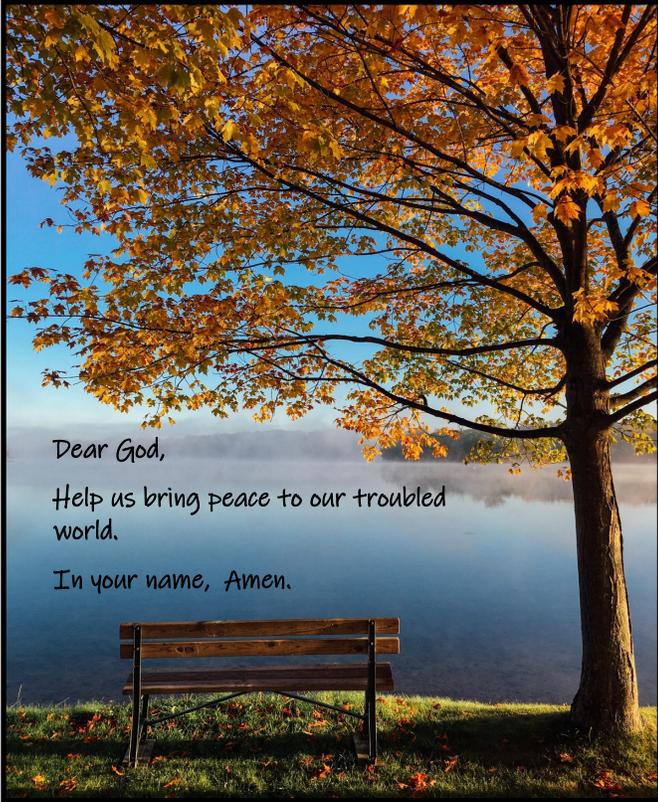


# FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## September 2022



Dear God,  
Help us bring peace to our troubled  
world.  
In your name, Amen.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Congregational Council Meetings:  
Tuesday, September 20th at 7:00 pm  
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RALLY DAY—September 11,  
Join us to begin the new year of Sunday  
School, Confirmation and Adult learning.  
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Church Picnic September 11,  
11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Fun and Fellowship for all.  
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## A Note from Pastor Peggy

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is hard to believe that summer is over and September is upon us! I hope you all found time for some refreshment and are entering this “new year” ready for the **changes** and opportunities that lie ahead of us. It is appropriate at this time to thank the many members who have worked diligently over the past few months to help get Faith back on track. Thanks to Karla, Cathy, Joanne and Judy for covering the office while we have searched for a new office administrator. And to Brian and Jeff for a myriad of tasks to help get the building in better shape, especially getting the keys sorted out and organized. Now, if you need a key for something, there is a log to sign out a key and to sign it back in, and we know what keys go to which locks! The property committee cleaned the floors in the basement which makes everything look brighter! Always thank you to Brian, Jeff and Ernie for the tech support with the live streaming of services and the computers in the office. And the altar guild, without whom we could not have communion every week. Hot dogs and hymns has been a lot of fun on Wednesdays all summer and we thank Michelle and her crew for cooking and serving, and Bob and Linda for the programs. Of course the counters who count and deposit offerings every week and to Jennifer and her family for so much of our special music. Now, the danger here is who did I not mention? Please know that your efforts are appreciated every day. In the book of Philippians, Paul writes, “every time I think of you, I thank my God.” My point is that it takes everyone working together with their God given gifts to make the church run.

Onto a different topic; I want to make visits. If you or a family member is in the hospital and would like a visit please call the church office. Because of HIPA and because the hospitals have limited volunteers, it is difficult for the church to get the information when a member is admitted. The most helpful thing, is if you call the office. I also want to visit in your home if you or a loved one is unable to get out and would appreciate a visit. Or if you just need to talk...call and we will schedule a time for that.

Again, thank you for all that you do to make this a vibrant and faithful church.

In Christ,

Pastor Peggy Wuertele

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND WORSHIP WITH US

### Sunday Church Services at 9:45 AM

### Sunday School beginning September 11 at 9 AM (see below)

**Rally Day**—September 11. Join us to celebrate the beginning of another year to worship together, reconnect with friends and create new memories.

- ♦ Set up for picnic—Saturday Sept. 10 at 9 a.m. Please come out to help.
- ♦ A picnic will follow the church service along with games and fun for everyone.
- ♦ The Pioneer Band will perform.
- ♦ Food will be catered but cakes/desserts are needed for the cake walk.

**Sunday School** and all classes begin September 11, 2022, 9 a.m.

- ♦ Sunday School classes available from Bible Babies to Adult Forum.
- ♦ Confirmation Classes for our youth in Seventh & Eighth grades. This is a two-year program.
- ♦ A new course, "What Happens Beyond Confirmation Class" will be organized.
- ♦ Adult Forum classes will resume. Class will be held in Gathering Place.

For questions on any of the above, please call Joanne at 215-880-1649.

**Coffee Time/Meet and Greet**—September 25th and October 9th.

Come out before and/or after church to enjoy coffee and conversation with Council Members. Learn what is happening at Faith and enjoy the opportunity to ask questions and get to know your representatives. Possibly you would like to be a part of Congregational Council?

**Hotdogs and Hymns**—This was well received so we will continue through September. Join us Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. for food and fellowship.

**Pew Communion**—The first Tuesday of each month, join us for brunch at noon followed by pew communion at 1:00. We hope to encourage our members who are uncomfortable driving at night, to use this time for fellowship that was enjoyed at our Wednesday night Hotdogs and Hymns. All are welcome!



# Music in Ministry

*"O come and let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!"*

*-Psalm 95: 1-2*

Worship and music are inseparable. The arts are a powerful medium for ministry, providing a vehicle for personal and corporate praise, prayer, and thanksgiving to God. Music speaks what cannot be expressed in words, thus soothing the mind, healing the heart, calming and uplifting the spirit. Music is a gift from God that flows from heaven to the soul. **However great or small your talents, there is a place for you in our music ministry.** I hope that this helps you to find a way to come out this fall to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord."

## **Musical opportunities include:**

### **Bell Choir:** (7th grade and up)

I look forward to **NEW** members joining us this year. Having the ability to read music is an advantage but if you are unable to read music and have an interest in playing, please do not be discouraged; come to a rehearsal and see what it is all about. If you were part of the bell choir last year you need not contact me, as I will count on you continuing playing with us, but if you are a potential new member that would be interested in playing please contact me **BEFORE** the first rehearsal for the purpose of assigning bells.

***Rehearsals***-one night a week (Thursdays 6:15-7:15)

***Location***-Rhoads Room/Sanctuary

***Ministry***-rings once a month during the worship service and special events of the church season

### **Senior Choir:** (9th grade and up)

Calling all who are interested in praising God in song! If you have not been in the choir before and are interested in joining us, please contact me **BEFORE** the first rehearsal, so that a folder is prepared for you.

***Rehearsals***-one night a week (Thursdays 7:30-8:30)

***Location***-Rhoads Room/Sanctuary

***Ministry***-weekly ministry for Sunday service and special events of the church season

## **Special Music:**

Vocalists and instrumentalists for special musical offerings are welcomed. Solos, duets, trios, and small ensembles are valued anytime, but especially during the summer months. Please let me know if you are interested in sharing your special talent.

## **Instrumentalists:**

There are Senior Choir anthems that sometimes have an accompaniment part that require various instrumentation (violin, trumpet, flute, drum, clarinet, etc.); if you would be interested in accompanying the Senior Choir on a particular instrument—please let me know what instrument it is that you play and what level you play at (beginner, intermediate, advanced).

\*\*\*Rehearsals for all ensembles begin ***Thursday, September 8th***. If you took a break from music and are ready to come back, if you have never rung a bell or sung in a choir before, or if you have been part of the music ministry here for years; I look forward to glorifying God's name with you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at home: [jenniferk-ishbaugh@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferk-ishbaugh@gmail.com) (subject heading: FELC Music) or at 610-451-8660 (cell/text).

Jennifer Kishbaugh, Director of Music

## **Notes from Council**

- ◆ Council voted to donate \$1,000 to The Walk to End Alzheimer's to support "TEAM RUTHIE". Ruth Rohrbach "long time member of the Faith Family" has suffered with this disease since 2011. As a fellow member of the church, we hope you can also support this walk with a donation or *Join the Team!* Eighty percent (80%) of all donations go to Alzheimer's research and roughly the rest goes to the care of Alzheimer sufferers. All walkers will receive a free T-shirt to wear the day of the walk. There are flyers in the narthex along with a donation jar. Monetary donations can also be sent on line (info provided on the flyer). To "Join Team Ruthie" on September 24th please contact Shay Lucas (Ruth's daughter) at 484.764.6975. Thank you in advance for your support.

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- ◆ Communion: Beginning October 2nd, we will celebrate communion around the altar the first Sunday of each month.

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- ◆ Council has agreed to move forward with the purchase of the new ELW pew hymnals. If you would like to purchase a hymnal for the church, the cost will be \$25 per hymnal. Please make sure to complete the HYMNAL purchase form if you would like a special notation in the front cover of the hymnal. You can return the form to the church office along with your check. (See the form below and at the end of newsletter).

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## "WE NEED HELP"

Starting September 11th we will be adding additional help with our worship services. We are asking for volunteers to participate with our church family! We want to grow our Faith Family and to do that, we need people to come forward and become active members. As you become involved, you will feel a bond and friendship that our "Faith Family" has shown to all of us.

Below we have the names and numbers of the individuals you would need to contact if you're interested. We have lists from the past but are always looking to increase our help.

- ◆ Acolyte/Crucifer - Joanne Gantz-Jalowiecki (215) -880-1649
- ◆ Altar Guild - Cathy Haller - (610) 266-8762
- ◆ Communion Assistants - Office Administrator (610) 435-0451  
or Cathy Haller at (610) 266-8762
- ◆ Lectors - Office Administrator (610) 435-0451  
You will be asked to read the first lesson, the responsive reading of the Psalm, and the second lesson.
- ◆ Assisting Ministers - Office Administrator or Pastor (610) 435-0451  
You would be helping Pastor with worship. Training will be provided.
- ◆ Narthex Greeters - Office Administrator (610) 435-0451, Dan Herzog (610) 428-6142 or Barb Kotsch (610) 868-3546



## **PLAN AHEAD:**

### **OCTOBER:**

**Oct. 2nd—World Wide Communion**—In addition to celebrating World Wide Communion this day, we will begin our "Communion Around the Altar" on the first Sunday of every month.

**Oct. 9th—Harvest Home**—Please share the blessings that God has bestowed on you. The Whitehall Food Pantry serves people of all ages from Whitehall/Coplay area. People may have temporary needs or permanent disabilities preventing them from providing for their families. Our patrons are so very grateful for the help they receive. Please continue to share God's love in this way.

Food can be brought to the church Mon.—Thurs. 9-12 or Sunday mornings from Oct. 1—Oct. 9. Thank you for your support of this important outreach.

**Oct. 15—Pink Pumpkins Fall Fest Craft and Vendor Show**—This is an organization providing support to breast cancer patients. All proceeds go directly to patients in treatment now. There will be Bingo tickets available in advance for \$25 or at the door for \$30. There will be prizes for **both** men and women. Halupki Platters will be sold, pre-orders are encouraged. Please call Deanna at 610.440.2119, email [iroc7963@aol.com](mailto:iroc7963@aol.com) or go to the website [ONLINE@PPC4C.ORG](http://ONLINE@PPC4C.ORG) for tickets and/or additional information.

**Oct. 16—Healing Service**—Come and receive prayers during the 9:45 a.m. service for yourself, loved ones or friends.

**Oct. 22—Trunk or Treat**—Volunteers are needed to "share their trunk". Please let Joanne know if you are willing and available.



## **NOVEMBER:**

**Fall Craft Fair—November 12th—9:00 AM-3:00 PM**—Lots of help will be needed. Stay tuned for updates and sign up sheets. (See flyer at the end of newsletter).

New Attraction this year—**Grandma's Attic**. Lightly used Christmas decorations will be available for purchase.

Just in time to decorate for the Birth of our Lord.

Donations for Grandma's Attic will be accepted beginning October 12 at the church.

Join the Faith Family to be a part of this fun day.



## **DECEMBER:**

**Christmas Tea—Sunday December 4**—Come out on Tuesday, Sept. 13th at 7:00 PM for a planning meeting for this years Christmas Tea.

This is a fun event and "**table hosts**" are needed. To learn more or to sign up, please contact Joanne Gantz Jalowiecki at joanne-gj842@gmail.com. More information will be coming in the following months.

Mark your calendar for September 13, 7:00 PM. to learn more.

**Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning:** One Service Christmas Eve and one service Christmas morning. Times to be announced.

## **UPDATE:**

### **We Love our "Over 80's" Faith Family**

On August 17th we celebrated our "Senior" members with our Annual Over 80's Birthday Party. It was a joy to have 38 members of family/friends join us as they shared the love, stories and experiences of their lives.

A huge thank you to Sue Stahler and Linda Eberhart for organizing this gathering and to their dedicated helpers who made it happen.

We are so blessed.



A big heartfelt **THANK YOU** to everyone who made the Over 80s Birthday Party such a wonderful event. A special Thank You to Sue Stahler and the ladies who worked so hard to prepare and serve the delicious meal. It made my heart swell to see good people I haven't seen in a long time and miss very much.

Thank you! Carl Rohrbach



## Miller/Keystone Summer Blood Drive

**Monday, October 31, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm CANCELLED**

Miller Keystone has had to cancel our drive October drive once again due to employee shortages.

As always, this is a lifesaving mission and your help is needed.

To secure a reservation with Miller Keystone,  
please call 610.820.0962.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



### Whitehall Food Pantry needs:

pancake syrup, pancake mix, jelly, cereal, soup,  
pasta meals (i.e. hamburger helper, tuna helper, etc.)  
ground coffee and tea.

Many thanks for your continued support of this  
important ministry.

IF ENTERING THE HOSPITAL.....



Please remember if you or a family member are in  
the hospital to give the church office a call so that we  
may be in contact with you. If the hospital asks for  
your church code, Faith Lutheran is Number "224".

This will help us to continually be in touch.

FELC phone: 610.435.0451

Thank you.

After receiving multiple requests for Karla's recipe, we decided that it would be fun to share a favorite recipe each month. Please pick one of your special "go-to" recipes and submit to the office to be included in one of the future newsletters.

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Karla Billig shared a delicious family treat at the Wednesday evening Hotdogs and Hymns AND at our Vacation Bible School. Many requests were made for her to share her recipe for Honey Drop Cookies and she graciously agreed. Enjoy!

### Honey Drop Cookies

From Karla Billig/Nana Meckes/Nana Kramer

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup soft butter
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cup flour
- 1 1/2 tsp baking powder

Cream sugar and butter till fluffy.

Add honey and salt and beat in eggs one at a time.

Mix flour and baking powder, then add to butter mixture by hand.

After mixed well, drop by teaspoon on a parchment lined cookie sheet.

(These will spread so don't put too close.)

Bake 375° for only 7 minutes.

These cookies are soft, cool on the sheet then remove. Enjoy!



<b>SEPTEMBER 2022</b>	<b>September 4</b>	<b>September 11</b>	<b>September 18</b>	<b>September 25</b>
Altar Guild	Linda Johnston	Sara Laub	Diane Batza	Rosemarie Haffner
Acolytes/ Crucifers	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Communion Assistants				Sue Stahler
Lectors	Judy Ehret	Gail Herzog	Shel Ehret	Bob Billig
Narthex Greeters	Barbara Kotsch	Chris Gartner	Charlene Frack	Dan Herzog
Flower Bulletin Sponsors	Nelson & Kathy Schaeffer In honor of their 58th Wedding Anniversary		Gloria Senchak In loving memory of John Senchak	

# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4 9:45 AM - Worship Service	5 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  HAPPY LABOR DAY 	6 10:00 AM - Prayer Group (TGP) Noon—brunch 1:00 PM Mid Week Communion (TGP) 6:45 PM - Boy Scouts (PH) 7:00 PM Tech/Comm (TGP) 7:00 PM Assist. Minister Training	7 Hotdogs and Hymns 6:00 PM (TGP)	8 6:00 PM Cub Scouts (PH) 6:15 PM Bells 7:00 PM Christian Ed. 7:30 PM Sr. Choir	9	10
8:00 PM - AA Meeting (PH)						
11 Rally Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 AM Sunday School & Conf. 9:45 AM - Worship Service 11 AM Picnic 8:00 PM - AA Meeting (PH)	6:30 PM Brownies (PH) 6:30 PM Girl Scouts (PH) 7:00 PM - Pioneer Band (BH)	10:00 AM - Prayer Group (TGP) 6:45 PM - Boy Scouts (PH) 7:00 PM Tech Comm 7:00 PM Christmas Tea Comm Mtg	Hotdogs and Hymns 6:00 PM (TGP)	6:00 PM Cub Scouts (PH) 6:15 PM Bells 7:30 PM Sr. Choir	8:00 AM - CTC Meeting (TGP)	
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# SEPTEMBER

Bashore, Derek	09/01	Gantz, Dorothy	09/16	Reese, David	09/28
Bauder, Anne	09/01	Krick, Harry	09/16	Ward V, Charles	09/28
Druckenmiller, Avery	09/02	Thomas, Julia	09/16	Falk, Phillip	09/29
Benner, Hailey	09/04	Trotter, Rhys	09/16	Keenan, Debra	09/30
Bachman, Wendy	09/05	Morgan, Curtis	09/17	Makatura, Jennifer	09/30
Phelps, Melanie	09/05	Schaffer, JR, James	09/17		
Robbins, Morgan	09/05	Cole, Brandon	09/18		
Endy, Kayla	09/06	Kucsan, Landon	09/18		
Ostolaza, Sofia	09/07	Ziegenfuss, Jacob	09/18		
Hosford, Morgan	09/09	Bednar, Carol	09/19		
Bragg, Justin	09/11	Brandt, Suzan	09/19		
Brandle, Matthew	09/11	Meyer, Tyler	09/19		
Brandle, Shawn	09/11	Billig, JR, Robert	09/20		
Himmelwright, Allen	09/12	Carr, Heidi	09/20		
Deutsch, Linda	09/13	Lance, Gabrielle	09/20		
Fejes, Medaux	09/13	Bartholomew, Tonia	09/23		
Heller-Landis, Andrea	09/13	Kuchera, Karter	09/24		
Bilous, Austin	09/14	Olejnick, David	09/24		
Blacker, Laura	09/14	Colburn, Thomas	09/25		
Heiney, Heather	09/14	Eisert, Arlene	09/26		
Smith, Patricia	09/14	Miller, II, Richard	09/26		
Trotter, Macie	09/15	Wechsler JR, Ronald	09/27		
Fisher, Sarah	09/16	Mattison, Derek	09/28		

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