

## of Pastors at Faith Lutheran Church

1942 – July 1942 Pastor Dwight Shelhart  
1949 – August 1949 Pastor Finn Hansen  
1953 – March 1953 Pastor Robert Heide  
1956 – January 1956 Pastor Roy Morrod  
1960 – August 1960 Pastor Walter Beck  
1968 – September 1968 Pastor Carl Ipsen  
1974 – December 1974 Pastor John Anderson  
1976 – October 1976 Pastor Joseph Miller  
1986 – October 1986 Pastor Richard Bonner  
1988 – May 1988 Pastor Elmer Sterner, Interim  
1994 – April 1994 Pastor Kendra Nolde  
1998 – November 1998 Pastor Norma Vander Meer  
2000 – November 2000 Pastor John Froiland, Interim  
2009 – October 2009 Pastor Jay Quinn  
2010 – May 2010 Pastor Dell Olson, Interim  
2011 – April 2011 Pastor Len Hoffman, Co-Interim  
2011 – Pastor Amy Nyman, Co-Interim  
2013 – April 2013 Pastor Luanne Bettisch  
Present Pastor Richard Meier



**Faith Lutheran Church**  
*Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring the*  
Sunday, August 27, 2017  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ 9:

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and GREETINGS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the

C: **Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of  
turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us t  
your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive  
forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ  
our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of  
(*A brief silence.*) Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned  
and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are  
and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive u  
known and unknown, things we have done and th  
have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and upho  
Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newne  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a call  
ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his a  
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all  
the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the

C: **Amen.**

**MN** The Church's One Foundation



Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 Elect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 With a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 Toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
 She on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



His new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 For - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
 His - tory's . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 His the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 His - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

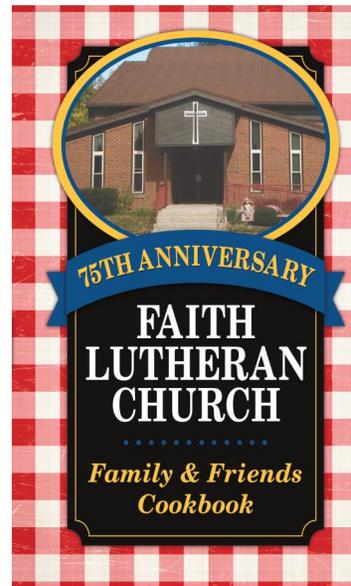


Heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 Ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 With their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 With the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 Blessed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



His own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 His one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 On the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 The great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 We, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
 communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



*Purchase yours  
 of our special  
 Anniversary Cookbook  
 for only \$10.00  
 please see Susan  
 the Church Clerk  
 10% goes to World*

**Faith Lutheran Church ~ History**

The first meeting of the newly formed Faith Lutheran Evangelical Church was held on Sunday, August 25, 1941, at the South Beloit American Legion Hall. The Legion Post made the hall available as a temporary place of worship. Faith Lutheran Church was chartered at an organizational worship service on January 1, 1942. In the presence of 82 charter members, 37 children and 22 adults were baptized in the service. The building was filled to capacity with 176 in attendance. Visiting members of the Synod said it was the most impressive service they had ever witnessed, and commended it to Pastor Dwight Shelhart. Purchase of a church site on two lots at the corner of Roscoe and Olive Avenues was made in May, 1942 for





**BIRTHDAYS** 1 – Diana Schneider, 2 – Rachel  
- Aaron Blakeman, 5 - Julie Wright, 9 – Lynn  
- Fran Cliffe, Jr., 14 – David Cliffe, 21 – Austin  
Don Dittmer, 25 – Trisha Cliffe, 26 – Reece Binder

**SENIOR BIRTHDAYS** 5 – Becky Miller, 7 – David  
Jane Redieske, 9 – Robert Schwarz, 10 – Shawn  
Austin Grover, 19 – Kelly Miller, 20 – Ellen Olson  
Antonson, 22 – Vallerie White, 25 – Gerry Cliffe

Church "Crafts and Chrome" Show  
from 10 to 4 FREE Admission  
for Craft Show and Car Cruise-In  
or event for everyone!  
entertainment Bake Sale  
ear - Car Swap Meet!



ing some baked  
the Bake Sale!

**Extra Special Thanks  
to Brat Stand Volunteers!  
Without all of your help,  
this would not be possible!  
No matter what role you've  
played, here at church or at  
the City Park Centennial,  
your help is appreciated &  
we are so grateful for your  
continued support!**

***A very special shout out to:  
Anne Strasser, Pat Wicks,  
Kathy & Bob Strasser, and  
Inez Miller - your dedication  
is AMAZING!!***

**Please see Sue to get a Craft  
Show/Car Show yard sign**

## INTRODUCTION

**P:** In Isaiah the people are bid to look to their spiritual an-  
the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares  
church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confes-  
God's word of reconciliation and mercy are keys to th  
mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this wo  
offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individ  
build up the body of Christ. From the table we go fort  
spiritual worship through word and deed.

**C:** Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray. (*A brief silence.*)

**C:** **O God, with all your faithful followers of every age  
we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong  
foundation and form us into the body of your Son  
that we may gladly minister to all the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

A reading from Isaiah, the 51<sup>st</sup> chapter

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that see  
Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the qu  
which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to  
bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I bles  
made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will co  
waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, he  
the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in  
thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my peo  
heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me  
justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my delive  
my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peop  
coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up  
the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heav  
like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and th  
it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and r  
deliverance will never be ended.

**R:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** Thanks be to God.





AJ, Alyson & Jarrett, Aunt Pat, Baker's, Barry & Brad, Brayton, Brenda, Brett, Brian, Burn's, Cindy, Debi, Patti, Denise, Dick, Don, Dorris's, Florence, George, Gerda, Gere, Gordon, Harriet, Hatch's, Jean, Jeff, Jessica, Jim, Jolynn, Kathy Mears, Kelli, Louise, Lyla W., Marion, Mary, Meri, Nan, Nikko, Rick, Robin, Roger, Ron, Sharon, Shelly, Steve, Sue, Teresa, Terry, Tim, Tina, Todd, Tom, Tom & Gale Viola, Witten, Zach, Zoey, all service men & women families, all who are homeless & unemployed, our college students and our travelers.

*Send up prayers for all of our visitors today. Pray for them and keep you!*

... sympathy, and Get Well cards sent upon notification. Please call Karen Dunaway at 815-389-8957 or Karen Dunaway at 815-389-2353 or you could email [kardunaway7@gmail.com](mailto:kardunaway7@gmail.com)



11 am - Wheeler House Car Show  
 Music & Student Awards  
 12-3 - Nature at the Confluence  
 Tours  
 2-4 - Open House at South Beloit  
 Police & Fire Departments

## ALLELUIA



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sa



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hea



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news th

## GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others say Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

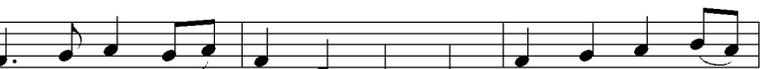
R: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Guest Pastor, Rev. Kendra Nolde

Day All Are Welcome



a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
 a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
 a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
 a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
 a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
 where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
 ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
 to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
 and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
 d's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
 jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
 Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
 h - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
 and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
 is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
 bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
 prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -

*Refrain*



end di - vi - sions:  
 faith of Je - sus:  
 feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
 fear and dan - ger:  
 n floor to raf - ter:



vel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Worship

**Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church.** We are so happy you worship with us today! Please join us after worship in the Fellowship Room for beverages, snacks and conversation.

**Communion** is by intinction. Come forward as directed by the ushers, receive the bread with an open hand then dip it in wine (dark) or juice (light). **WE WILL NOW ALSO OFFER GLUTEN-FREE BREAD AS AN OPTION FOR COMMUNION.** Just indicate to Pastor when it's your turn. If you eat the bread before dipping or drop it, please ask for another piece. You don't have to be a member of Faith or be Lutheran to receive Communion. Christ is the host of the meal - ALL baptized believers are welcome!

**Offering** ~ If you are unable to attend worship, please contact us to catch up with your **offering** the next week. Or, mail your offering to the church office and write "offering" on the envelope. Thank you for your faithful generosity in giving to God's work here at Faith Lutheran Church!

Today's Worship Leaders

- Altar Guild** - Carol and Roger Frey
- Computer Technician** - Anne Strasser
- Offering Video** - Anne and Rachel Strasser
- Counters** - Kathy and Bob Strasser
- Fellowship** - 75th Anniversary Open House
- Greeters** - Terry Schrupp and Debi Nelson
- Musician** - Betty Comins
- Reader** - Craig Miller
- Ushers** - Doug Congdon and Shawn Guffey
- Nursery** -
- Pastor** - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier
- Guest Pastor** - Rev. Kendra Nolde



Financials for Sunday, August 20, 2017 - We

Attendance: 78

<b>Weekly Offering Actual</b>	<b>\$2,066.00</b>
<b>Weekly Offering Budget</b>	<b>\$2,111.00</b>
<b>2017 YTD Actual Offering</b>	<b>\$70,484.40</b>
<b>2017 YTD Offering Needed</b>	<b>\$71,774.00</b>
<b>Offerings YTD Toward Roof Loan</b>	<b>\$10,127.60</b>

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AL  
peace. Share the good news.  
ers be to God.



Thank you for  
being part of our  
special event. It  
means a lot to us!

*We join us in the Fellowship Room  
Open House. We have cake, coffee,  
lunch. Please look around at all of  
historical memorabilia on display!*



*Very special thanks to Pastor Kendra  
Nolde for coming all the way from St.  
Louis to join us. She served as Pastor at  
Faith Lutheran from 1988-1994. You  
made our 75th Anniversary even better !*



**THANK YOU** to the 75th Anniversary  
Committee members, especially Pat Wicks,  
Committee Chair for organizing us! Thanks  
to Gerry Cliffe, Carol Frey, Kathy Strasser,  
Sue Miller, Mike Banker, Cathy Murphy,  
Sue Brunson, and Betty Comins, and  
everyone who helped out in any way!



**WOW!** Huge thanks to Todd and Anne  
Strasser the float-building organization  
and efforts! Thanks to everyone who  
helped with the making of our float.  
You're great - YOU all made it happen!

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P:** Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you  
to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.  
(A brief silence.) God our rock, provide a strong foundation  
for your church on earth. Unite it in joyful praise, service,  
and mission. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** You make deserts into gardens and the wilderness into  
Eden. Restore the clean and pleasant beauty of your  
creation. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** You shine the light of justice on the nations. Deliver us  
quickly from evil, protect the defenseless, and bring peace to  
warring lands (especially). Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**P:** You renew our minds and transform our bodies. Visit us  
who seek a cure or long for relief from chronic pain and  
comfort and healing to all who suffer illness in spirit and  
body (especially). Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

... gifts to all. Build up this assembly. Increase our  
... ty, compassion, and cheerfulness. Lift up from among  
... ets, ministers, teachers, and diligent leaders.  
... your mercy,  
... r prayer.

...vation lasts forever. Console us here on earth until we  
... who praise you without end. Lord, in your mercy,  
... r prayer.

... of thanksgiving for 75 years of congregational life.)  
... r prayer.

... hands we place all our prayers, spoken and  
... n, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.

### OF PEACE

... ce of Christ be with you always.  
... o with you.

### ~ VIDEO DURING THE OFFERING ~

... "Household of Faith" by Steve Green

### Y RESPONSE

... *but thine own, whatever the gifts may be  
... have is thine alone, a trust, oh Lord, from thee.  
... bounties thus, as stewards true receive,  
... as though blessed us, to thee our first fruits give.*

### PRAYER

... ur Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us:  
... ur faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for  
... of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God,  
... ar to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our  
... nd Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
... r and glory forever.

### ~ WORDS OF INSTITUTION ~

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our  
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and*

### ~ COMMUNION ~

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not  
bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast  
love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may  
your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of pe  
are Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

### BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face sh  
with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with f  
give you peace.

C: Amen.

### CLOSING HYMN    Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christ  
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar -  
3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur -  
4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to t  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts a  
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - t  
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - t