



Pray for the homeless, those with mental struggles, unemployed, our shut-ins, college students, all military & their families, First Responders. We pray for our friends, families & our loved ones:

Aaron, Alyson & Jarrett, Angel, Ann Beth, Austin Wagner, Adam N., Barry & Joann,

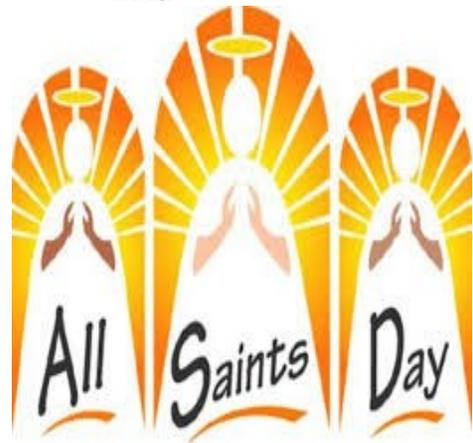
Barry & Shelby, Brenda, Carl, Cazmyre, Chancy, Cheryl, Claudine, Debi, Denise, Diane, Dick, Dodi, Don, Don & Florence, Doug, Eloise, Emily & family, Evelyn, Gavin, George, Harriet, Heidi, Irene A., Inez, Jackie, Jan, Janie, Jen, Jenny, Jerry, John, Julie, June, Kate, Kathy, Kayla, Ken, Kenny, Kostmaka Family, Larry, Lauri, Lee, Leila, Lisa, Lori, Mandy, Maureen M., Mike H., Nancy, Nikki, Pat, Paula, Rich, Rogalla Family, Ruthie, Sara & family, Scott, Selena, Sharon, Shirley, Steve, Sue, Tallen, Tammy, Tim, Tina, Tom, Tom & Robert, & Vicki.



The Out to Dinner Group will meet at Bravo's Restaurant, 376 Prairie Hill, S.Beloit, at 6:00 PM on Friday November 8th. Please sign up by Nov. 3rd - the signup sheet is on bulletin board. Everyone is welcome to come join us!



FAITH LUTHERAN CRAFT SHOW
Sat., November 16 ~ We have 40 vendors!
10am-3pm Craft Show/Bake Sale
Volunteers are needed ~ See Craig Miller



On Sunday, November 3 we will once again have a special slide show and candle-lighting as part of our All Saints' Day worship service. Please bring in a photo of a loved one or email one **BY THIS TUESDAY** faithsouthbeloit@gmail.com Photos will be returned.



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Sunday, October 27, 2019

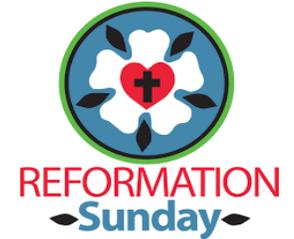
Reformation Sunday - 9:30 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS



P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!



Hear ye, Hear ye!

Let it be known that all members of Faith Lutheran Church congregation are hereby called to attend the 2019 Annual Meeting and Potluck on Sunday, November 10th at 10:45, following the worship service. Plan to attend and bring a dish to pass. Fried chicken will be provided! The music for worship on this Sunday will be blue grass so we ask you to please join us!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

22 – Gail Kelce, 25 – Cathy Murphy, 26 – Pat Wicks,
30 – Ray Wendell, 31 – Russell G. Scheibel



READERS SCHEDULE

October 27 - Sue Brunson
November 3 - Mike Marty
November 10 - Pat Wicks
November 17 - _____
November 24 - Nicole Blakeman



FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

October 27 - Gerry Cliffe & Cathy Murphy
November 3 - Russell G. Scheibel
November 10 - George & Sue Brunson
November 17 - Nicole Blakeman
November 24 - Laurray & John Coots



ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE

October 27 - Hedrington, Rowlett, Nolan
and Stubbendick families
November 3 - Bernie & Pat Parisot
November 10 - George & Sue Brunson
November 17 - Craig & Kelly Miller
November 24 - Sue Boyette & Vicki

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church

We are happy to have you worship with us today! Please stay and join us for a bite to eat & drink after worship.

Communion is by intinction. Come forward to receive the bread, dip in the wine (dark) or juice (light). Gluten-free wafers are available - indicate to Pastor when it's your turn. You don't have to be a member of Faith or even be Lutheran to take Communion. Christ is the host - ALL baptized are welcome at God's table.

Offering ~ As always, if you are unable to attend worship, please make sure to catch up with your **offering** next week. Thanks for being so faithful in giving generously to God's work at Faith Lutheran.

Financials for Sunday, October 20, 2019- Week #40

Attendance - 67

Actual Offering	\$2,541.00
Weekly Offering Budget	\$2,150.00
2019 YTD Actual Offering	\$94,512.36
2019 YTD Offering Needed	\$90,300.00

Today's Worship Leaders

Altar Guild - Carol & Roger Frey

Computer Technician - Mike Banker

Offering Video - Helen Meier

Reader - Sue Brunson

Counters - Bob & Kathy Strasser

Fellowship - Gerry Cliffe & Cathy Murphy

Greeters - Teresa Moffitt, Liz Shockley
and Ruth Anderson

Musician - Betty Comins

Ushers - Ray Wendell & Doug Congdon

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier

CARITAS FOOD DRIVE

will begin
next Sunday



*Today's altar flowers are
donated by the Hedrington,
Rowlett, Nolan & Stubbendick
families in memory of
Donna Hedrington.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

P: On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ - the good news - that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. (*A brief silence*) Almighty God, Gracious Lord,

C: we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah., the 31st chapter.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A RESPONSIVE READING FROM PSALM 46

R: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

R: though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

C: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

R: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

C: The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

R: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

C: Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

R: behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

C: "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

R: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God + bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal!



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

OFFERING

VIDEO DURING OFFERTORY

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” by Promise Keepers Singers

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, in thee.

May we thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive,

And gladly as though blessed us, to thee our first-fruits give.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

~ WORDS OF INSTITUTION ~

THE LORD'S PRAYER

~ COMMUNION ~

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

A reading from Romans, the 3rd chapter.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

P: The holy gospel according to John, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "Saved by Grace though Faith"

Hymn of the Day

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead-fast in your word; curb those who
2 Lord Je-sus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
3 O Com-fort-er of price-less worth, send peace and



by de- ceit or sword would wrest the king-dom from your Son
Lord of lords a-lone; de-fend your ho-ly church, that we
u-ni-ty on earth; sup-port us in our fi-nal strife



and bring to naught all he has done.
may sing your praise e-ter-nal-ly.
and lead us out of death to life.

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. 6

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need. (*A brief silence.*) God, our refuge and strength, you make all things new. Reform your church so that our life together bears witness to your unmerited love. Free us from sin and write the law of love on our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Reform our relationships with you, with one another, and with all creation. Restore this good earth, the home you entrust to our care. Enrich soils, cleanse waters, and purify the air. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bring an end to war and to the violence that shakes the nations and worries your people. When voices of fear threaten to overwhelm us, fill the earth with your peace and strength. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Be the present help of those suffering the tumult of illness, poverty, abandonment, and uncertainty. Bring your calm and healing to those in need (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: In this community, O Lord, we are all sinners and saints. In our dealings with one another and in our witness in the world, help us trust in your mercy, freely offering others what you give us. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We remember before you those who have died in Christ and now live in the fullness of salvation (*especially*). We trust your presence now even as we wait for your glory to be revealed. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.