

FAITH at WORK

August 2020



Sisters and brothers in Christ -

We are all working hard. Some of you are diligently making masks and quilts, using your skills to help give others shelter and protection. Others have been working in gleaning or at FISH, to help others with what they need for days ahead. Still others have been caring for those who are sick - whether that be in a professional capacity or loved ones.

Many of you continue to work - some from home, others from offices or at businesses or agencies. Parents (and grandparents) are continuing to care for children, trying to find ways to help their loved ones grow in faith and love and understanding. Many of you are staying safer at home and are learning new technologies as ways to connect with others.

We recognize that this is a time unlike any other in our lives. We recognize that this time is a difficult one, particularly for those who are lonely, or who have underlying health conditions, or for those who have uncertainty regarding their employment.

Many of you are taking this time to be in your garden, to delve into scripture more deeply, to pray. Many of you are taking this as time to learn a new skill, to find different ways to reach

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out to communities, to engage in different ways.

Thank you to all of you for all that you have done and continue to do. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide our leaders in sound policy, health care workers and researchers to find treatments and cures. Pray for God's protection for the vulnerable among us, for compassion for those in need, for empathy for those who disagree with us.

Please call, reach out to each other, send cards. We are a community and are getting through this together.

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Mark



Thessalonians Zoom Bible Study

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.

(August 12, 19 and 26)

We are going to be working through Paul's letter to the church at Thessaloniki - the second one. "We are going to talk about what it means for us and why it matters?" We gather in prayer and take care of each other. We hope that you can join us.

August Worship Services

**Aug. 2nd: 9:30 Zoom Fellowship/Pericope
10:30 Facebook live stream**

Aug. 9th: 9:30 outdoor worship at church (recording sent out later on that day)

Aug. 16th: 9:30 Zoom Fellowship/Pericope

Aug. 23rd: 9:30 outdoor worship at church (recording sent out later on that day)

The council recently approved the purchase of a new camera. We are working to learn the technology so that we can send out smoother, clearer videos for those that choose to watch from home.

We also have two worship service Sundays at church at 9:30 on Aug. 9th and 23rd. These will be following the same rules: wear a mask, bring a chair, and bring your own communion elements.



Summer and Fall

Today it is still summer,
Tomorrow will be fall.
I see the purple asters,
I hear the Autumns call.

I feel the warm sun shining
As a balmy south wind blows;
I see more flowers blooming,
And I see the grass still grows;

The goldenrod is waving,
The bees are in the clover.
I hear a distant honking
The geese are flying over.

The maple leaves are golden;
The pumpkins, round and yellow,
The apple cheeks are rosy,
The pears are getting mellow.

The nuts are growing rounder,
The corn stalks, brown and soar.
By twenty lovely tokens
I know that fall is near.

Today it still is summer,
Tomorrow will be fall.
Today I still am barefoot —
Oh, how I love it all!

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH 2020

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Custodian	Terry B.

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Financial Report as of 7/22/2020

Undesignated Income: \$6,710.00

Budgeted Undesignated Income: \$8,416.67

Net Undesignated Income: (\$1,706.67)

Total Expenses: \$1,881.72

Total Net Income: \$7,842.24

A Prayer for Our Uncertain Times

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health and making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

And during this time when we may not be able to physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen.

- *Written by Rev. Dr. William J Barber II*



For Times of Anxiety and Depression

I pause (breathe in and out) and thank you for this day. For the challenges, the emotions, the struggle. For in all this, I grow closer to you.

I pause (breathe in and out) and ask that in the darkness, I see your light and in my fear, I feel your strength.

I pause (breathe in and out) and remember that today, as in days before, I have survived.

When I've wanted to run, I've stayed. When I wanted to hide, I've faced the day.

I pause (breathe in and out) and ask for forgiveness for the days I falter and the fear takes over. I ask for compassion and love when I'm unable to give those to myself.

I pause (breathe in and out) and resolve to love myself more tomorrow. And always feel your spirit surround me in safety.

I pause (breathe in and out) and rest.

- *By Erin Roush*



Psalms for August

The Psalms for this month are relevant for our life and time. We haven't been adding them to the bulletin lately, however they are worth the read. May they bring comfort to you today and always.

Aug. 2: Ps 145: 8-9, 14-21
Aug. 16: Ps 67
Aug. 30 : Ps 26:1-8

Aug. 9: Ps 85:8-13
Aug. 23: Ps 138



Psalm 67

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

Selah

²that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

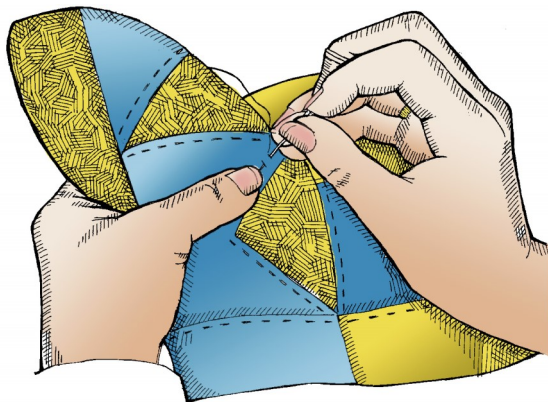
⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

Selah

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

⁷May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.



QUILTING GROUP

Quilting on Wednesdays in August (9 AM)

Wear a mask, bring a chair

Wednesdays in August, quilting will be meeting on the patio of the church. This will be following all of the rules of our outdoor services: masks and physical distancing are mandatory. We will be outside only (inside air is a much higher risk of transmission)

The quilters will be working on tying (there is a lot of need for tying at the moment and this is the easiest piece to transport outside). There will be no refreshments and people are encouraged to use the restroom before they arrive.

Greetings from Camp!

Here are your announcements from Camp Lutherwood Oregon for the second half of July.



Join us for Campfire!

All are invited to join us for our last campfire of the summer on Friday, August 7th at 7pm PST on Zoom.

We have a great evening planned for campers, families, adults and all who love camp. Email office@lutherwoodoregon.org for a Zoom link & password to join the fun!

COVID-19 & Camp Lutherwood Oregon

Camp Lutherwood Oregon is not open to any guests until at least July 31st. All planned 2020 summer programs have been suspended. We are following the guidelines of the local health authorities and government mandates and will consider possible events for families and adults, as soon as it is safe to do so.

The Governor's office issued a final decision around the opening of summer camps yesterday, June 1st, saying, "After much consideration, and in consultation with the Oregon Health Authority and local public health officials, our office will not be allowing overnight camps to operate this summer. We are seeing increased cases in migrant housing and other settings involving overnight programming and, when it comes to Oregon's children, we can't take the risk of opening overnight summer camps."

We have added a COVID News link on our website where updates will be posted with any new information, which you can visit at <http://www.lutherwoodoregon.org/covid-news/>

SPIRIT OF HARVEST: Save the Date! Wednesday, October 7, 2020, 7-8PM

Join us for an online gathering to celebrate the Spirit of Harvest that lives year-round at Camp Lutherwood Oregon. Despite the challenges of the past year, including the destruction of our main lodge from the fire and the suspension of summer programs due to COVID-19, there's so much to celebrate and share. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 7, 2020, from 7-8PM, as we continue to share more about the Spirit of Harvest Festival in the coming weeks!

Online Giving is available
through our Web Site

Availability to use Debit or Credit Cards for donations is on our website. If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Janice Virnig, email f1ctreasurer@proaxis.com, or call 541-928-7660

BEAT THE HEAT

STAY HEALTHY & SAFE THIS SUMMER



Drink water

Stay hydrated & don't wait until you're thirsty.



Avoid peak times

Stay indoors during the hottest time of the day from 10AM - 4PM if possible.



Keep cool

Protect your skin from direct sunlight to prevent sunburn.



Look before you lock

Never leave children or pets inside the car. Protect them from heatstroke.



Wear sunscreen

Apply sunscreen before going outdoors. Reapply every 2 hours.



Protect your eyes

Wear sunglasses to protect your eyes from UV rays.



Seek shade

Use a tree, umbrella or tent to protect you from the sun.

Prayer Chain



We are asking anyone in the prayer chain to lift up the concerns of Faith Lutheran Church weekly (which could be as little as taking a few seconds and asking God to be with all of those listed, lifting them up by name) and to pray for other concerns as they are shared. Peggy Preston will be heading up the prayer chain. If you are interested in being on the prayer chain, send her an email: pegpreston@aol.com

August's Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Outdoor Worship Service:	27	28	29	30 Pastor Vac 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor Cleaning	31 Pastor Vac	1 Pastor Vac
2 Pastor Vac 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM Zoom Fellowship Time/Pericope	3 Pastor Vac	4 Pastor Vac	5 Pastor Vac 9:00 AM Outdoor Quilting 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	6 Pastor Vac 8:00 AM Reports to Council Due	7 Pastor Vac 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor	8 Pastor Vac
9 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Outdoor Worship Service:	10	11	12 9:00 AM Outdoor Quilting 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study 7:00 PM Council Meeting	13 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor Cleaning	14	15
16 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM Zoom Fellowship Time/Pericope 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Facebook Livestream Prayer Service	17	18	19 9:00 AM Outdoor Quilting 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	20 8:00 AM Newsletter Deadline 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor Cleaning	21	22
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For the most up-to-date version,
[visit our online calendar](#)

Pastor Mark's away Sunday August 8th

Pastor Mark will be away camping until August 8th. During this time if you have a pastoral care need, please give Father Bob of St Albans a call at 541 921 1076. Pastor Mark will send out a link to a Sunday sermon.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE NEEDING
STRENGTH, GUIDANCE AND HEALING:**

Tim B
Brenda Carroll
Sandy Hina
Robert Jon
Daniel Sullivan
Linda Gail Voet
Melba Wright
Brandon Crawford
Christopher
Noah Holman
Susan Johnson
Barbara Rose
Jerry Sheffield

Pat Norby
Eleanor Barr
Gigi Douglas
Ron Wold
Chiera Family
SangSau Tran
Silas Haynes
Cindy Harms
Lori Guerrero
Izzy Covalt
Mona Crawford
Kris Waskosky
Shedd Waskosky

Shirley Brudvig
Kristy Bishop
Oliver
Madielynn
Stephan Selvage
Patrick Selvage
Garrett Baarsch
Carl Wogomon
Stephanie Bauthman
Marjorie Trainor



**PLEASE REMEMBER
THESE FRIENDS IN
PRAYER**

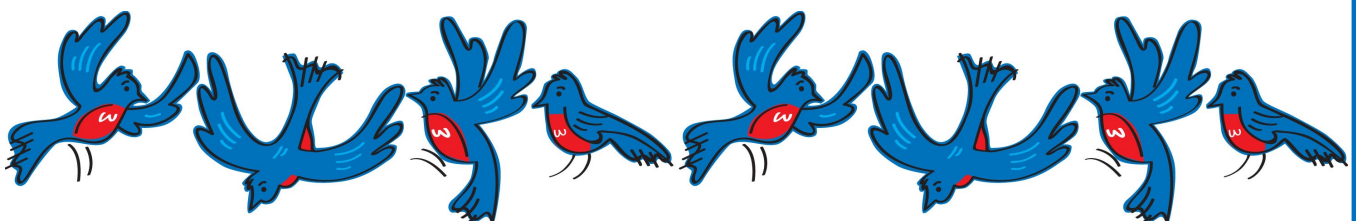
REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND: Lou C, Bonnie K, Rita E, Betty K, Ruth Irwin

OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES: Kim Sass & Family,
Wally Oster & Family, Prochnau Family.

A Prayer for Good Health

**Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all,
we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them
strength in body, courage in spirit and patience in pain.**

**Let them recover their health, so that restored to our
community of Faith, they may joyfully praise Your Name,
for You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.**





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Sundays
Sunday School
9 am
Worship 10:15
am

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