

FAITH at WORK

November 2020



FROM THE PASTOR

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

I hope that you are well this November. By this point you should have all gotten the letter from Charles about the budget, the nominating committee and the congregational meeting. Just a reminder that the meeting will be a big part of what we do together.

We continue to roll with 2020, to adapt to changing times and circumstances. Last month we did services in the parking lot (which we will be continuing this month – look at the worship schedule in the newsletter), Cheryl recorded hymns that we shared over youtube, we did compline/vespers over zoom, we used short range radio transmitters and all different forms of electronic media and plain old letters to reach out in worship.

The FISH food drive went great. Thank you to all who donated food for that effort and for all the volunteers who helped out,

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Join us on
November 25th @
7 PM for a ZOOM
Ecumenical
Thanksgiving Eve
Service



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especially Elaine Wogomon and Nancy George. Our youth helped out and enjoyed meeting in the church parking lot. We studied scripture some – the feeding of the 5,000 (which is the only miracle that shows up in all four gospels) and played some games together.

These are small things to celebrate perhaps, but celebrate them I do.. I have learned to pay attention to small things over the course of this year. I pay attention to the cadence of the day, to the way that the Holy Spirit moves through me and you, to God's word as I read scripture in my morning devotions or to the flight of hummingbirds hovering near our feeder. I pay attention to the smiles of others as I see them on zoom or hear those smiles through a mask on a front porch or at a bible study. I celebrate those small things, those small victories because one of the blessings of this year, of this uncertain, scary year, has been all of the ways that God has opened our eyes to each other.

November Service Schedule

Nov. 1: Zoom Fellowship/ Pericope @9:00 AM
Facebook Livestream @ 10:30 AM

Nov: 8: Zoom Fellowship/periscope @ 9:00 AM
Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot) @ 10:30 AM

Nov. 15: Zoom Fellowship/ Pericope @9:00 AM
Facebook Livestream @ 10:30 AM

Nov. 22: Zoom Fellowship/periscope @ 9:00 AM
Outdoor Worship (Parking Lot) @ 10:30 AM

Nov. 29: Zoom Fellowship/ Pericope @9:00 AM
Facebook Livestream @ 10:30 AM
Evening Advent Service (Parking lot) @ 5:00 PM (also livestream)

Please bring a lawn chair if planning to sit outside , and communion elements (Bread and juice). **Masks will be required.**

Please enter parking lot on 18th street and leave through the Queen exit. We will have a radio transmitter for those who wish to remain in their car. **Tune in to FM 102.1.**

Zoom Bible Study Monday's @ 1:00 PM

November 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30.

We will be gathering for a bible study over zoom every Monday @ 1:00 PM , let Pastor Mark know if you would like an invitation.

Zoom Compline/Vespers Service **November 3rd 7 17th @ 7 PM**

We are going to be hosting a compline/prayer service over zoom on these evenings. We have enjoyed these contemplative services which have central parts of liturgy that remain unchanged (the magnificat occurs in some way for instance) but which give us a chance to check in, to share highs and lows and to enjoy music together. We hope that you can join us.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service



First Christian Church in Albany will be hosting a zoom worship service on Thanksgiving Eve. Look for an invite and we would love to have you join us on that evening. This service will be hosted by congregations in Albany and Lebanon, clergy and/or lay leaders from each congregation will reflect their traditions as different denominations give thanks to the one vine, Jesus Christ, who sustains us all.



When We See The Harvest

A harvest of apples, a harvest of corn;
A harvest of plenty, an autumn adorned.
With bright colored leaves, a fall festive blend;
A wonderful time for families and friends.
A harvest of pumpkins, a harvest of grain;
A harvest of bounty, and cool autumn rains.
A big harvest moon—way up in the sky;
A harvest blessing that God has supplied.
Be grateful, be humble, give thanks to the Lord;
He has showered his blessings here in our world.
But have we ben faithful, and have we been true?
Have we put God first in all we do?
A harvest that God sees is not food or crop;
Not pumpkins or grain, not apples that drop.
But God sees the harvest of souls needing him;
A harvest of people who need saved from their sin.
A harvest of souls and a harvest of love;
A harvest of mercy from our Father above.
When we see the harvest, let's see
through God's eyes;
And share with the nations the life he supplies.

By: Susan Y. Nikitenko

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH 2020

STAFF

Pastor	Mark Bringman
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Custodian	Terry B.

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Fellowship & Social Con- cerns	Vicky Heintzman
Property Management	Jon Aaberg
Stewardship & Resources	Gordy Gamet
Worship & Music	Terry Virnig
Youth Facilitator	Kayleigh Cannady Shultz
Mission Endowment Fund	Gordy Gamet



Financials for October as of 10/21/2020

Undesignated Income: \$5,245.00
Budgeted Undesignated
Income: \$8,416.67
Net Undesignated Income: (3,171.67)
Total Expenses: \$6,353.50
Total Net Income: \$1,944.50

Congregational Meeting on November 22nd

We are planning our last quarter meeting for Sunday November. The plan is to send out the budget that the council is working on the last week in October so that folks have time to ponder it and bring suggestions first to the council (which will be meeting on the 11th of November) and then to the meeting itself.

The major work of the fall quarter meeting is approving the budget and suggesting the council. We hope that you will reflect on the work the council is doing and proposing with the budget so that we are prepared before the congregational meeting.

Church Council Meeting

The Church council will be meeting on November 11th at 7 pm. If you would like to listen in via zoom, send a message to Pastor Mark or one of the council members and the link will be sent to you.

Council reports are due by 11-6-2020!



Oregon Synod 2020 Assembly

Save the Dates: November 6th, 3 PM to 8:30 PM
November 7th, 8:30 AM—4 PM



Registration will open on September 20th. Cost is \$25 this year. Mary & Gordy Gamet were elected to be our representatives however, due to the format a couple more from our congregation can attend if desired. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mark.

Circle of Friends Invitation

The Circle of Friends meets every month on the third Saturday for 9 to noon. During the pandemic we have been meeting in the Gazebo in Preston's back's yard, so we have a cover over our heads but can still be safe.

We have fun and work on projects. On November 21, we want to invite others to join us but will need your help in order to be prepared and have everything ready for whoever decides to join in. We are going to have fresh greens available, along with all the goodies to make center pieces or swags for the holidays. We think that most of us are going to be celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays a little differently this year so thought that having a bit of holiday cheer for Thanksgiving would be fun and we invite you to join us.

Give Peggy Preston a call at 541 926 2697 to make your reservation, let us know what time you want to arrive (between 9-noon) and plan to bring a flat bottom container with you if you wish to make a centerpiece. We need the time so we can figure how much space we will need to set up so everyone is socially distanced. Bring your own drinking water and your face mask. We observe the same rules as we would if meeting at the church.. Plan to spend at least an hour making your creation, but know you will be welcome to stay longer too. As the name of the group indicates friends are welcome so invite a neighbor to come with you.



FLC Quilter News



Quilting outdoors has worked so far however, with the Fall winds blowing leaves off the roof unto the quilt frame, the breezes, brief light showers, cooler temperatures, it was a unanimous decision to abandon further attempts to quilt until the decision is made to allow access to use the Fellowship Hall.

We actually completed making 50 quilts this Fall, which was more than we usually do in this time frame. All who participated in making these quilts are appreciated. We will be able to make quilts available for community outreach this Fall, meeting needs at Signs of Victory, House of Zion, Hospice House, Helping Hands (if more are needed), and Jackson Street House.

Disaster Response from FLC The September fires in Linn County were met with a response by members of Faith Lutheran. Thirty full size quilts and four children's quilts were taken to the fairgrounds for distribution. Three \$250 Thrivent generosity grants were written and received. John Berg, Norma Messman & Peggy Preston wrote grants and formed teams to purchase and deliver needed items for the victims of the fires. The response to the needs of those affected by the fires was great. Everyone contacted was willing to join the effort and helped meet the needs.



Many thanks to Pastor Mark, Andie Daniels, Elaine Wogomon and the FLC Youth for hosting a successful Food Drive on October 17th. We sent two van loads to FISH, were able to have a brief youth meeting. Thanks to all of you who gave so generously. You are appreciated!



Many of you have asked about donating food for Christmas food baskets, and if we are hosting a gift giving tree for the Salvation Army kids. The answer is a resounding YES!

We are hosting a food drive for the Salvation Army in November and December. (Basket in Entry way by parking lot)

The giving Tree will be set up in the entry way by the parking lot to by November 8th. If you can't stop by to pick it up a tag, call the office and we will mail you one. Unwrapped Gifts need to be returned to the church or the Salvation Army by Dec. 11, 2020. If you need someone to pick it up from you, please give Jeanette Thorpe a call @ 541-974-2010.

If you would like us to do the shopping, just give your \$\$ to Jeanette Thorpe or Drop it by the church office. We will ensure that items are purchased for the kids. Thanks in advance for your help and generosity!



**Advent Midweek Ecumenical Worship
Wednesdays December 2, 9, 16 at 7 pm**

We will be celebrating Advent with St Albans and First Christian. Each congregation will be hosting a virtual service (ours will be on December 2nd) at 7:00 PM. This gives us an opportunity to see how different congregations worship and to celebrate Advent.

**Advent Sunday Evening Worship
5:00 p.m. at the Faith Lutheran Parking Lot
November 29th, December 6th, 13th and 20th**

We are going to have a series of worship services in the parking lot of Faith Lutheran Church. There will be candles, a tree and an advent wreath blazing as a reminder that Christ is the light that pierces our darkness.

These services will center around the gospel lessons of the four Sundays: Jesus saying what the end will look like in the temple, the proclamations of John the Baptist (one Sunday from Mark's gospel, another from John's gospel) and Mary hearing the annunciation. We are going to have a mix of traditional hymns (like O Come O Come Emmanuel and The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came) with classic rock anthems (such as Bad Moon on the Rise by Creedence Clearwater Revival or Bob Dylan's Times They are A Changin').

After the service itself if the weather is nice we will have a fire going in a fire pit. You are invited – if it is nice – to bring a hot chocolate or tea or some other warm beverage and to have socially distanced time with your sisters and brothers in Christ.

Advent is also the time we will begin a new church year in the gospel of Mark. Mark is sometimes described as a war time gospel, a gospel where from the very start Jesus goes to battle with the forces of sin, death and darkness. Christ's light will shine through the gloom of night, reminding us that God is always with us, that God with us is the base reality of our life.

Thank You For Your Support!

With grateful hearts, we are happy to announce that the Spirit of the Harvest event was a huge success!



The generosity of many made it possible to receive the matching gift, bringing the total amount raised to \$170,000. Thank you!

Camp Site & Facility Updates

We're excited to celebrate the completion of the new dining hall and kitchen, as well as a new bridge! The dining hall and commercial kitchen are fully ADA accessible, so all of our guests can enjoy this large group gathering space. Thanks to the generous in-kind donation from Wildish Construction, our new bridge will support camp for many years to come. The new bridge is four feet wider than the old bridge to allow larger vehicles to pass, and it is made of a sturdy concrete which allows for a much greater weight capacity.

Tentative 2021 Summer Programming Dates

Please Note: With Coronavirus, this summer will look different at camp. We are preparing to adapt our typical programming to ensure the health and safety of all of our campers, staff and guests. We commit to offering an outdoor experience that will be safe and adaptable. The dates listed for 2021 are tentative, and we will continue to publish updates as more information becomes available. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Registration Opens: TBD

Week 1: June 27- July 2 Confirmation | Explorer

Weekend 1: July 2-4 - Family Camp 1

Week 2: July 4-9 - Mini | Pioneer | Explorer | Staff in Training

Week 3: July 11-16 - Discovery | High School

Weekend 2: July 16-18- Family Camp 2

Week 4: July 18-23 - Forest Retreat | Pioneer | Explorer

Week 5: July 25-30 - Confirmation | High School

Weekend 3: July 30- Aug 1 - Women's Retreat

Week 6: Aug 1-6 - Discovery

Mini Camp: 1st-3rd grade

Pioneer: 3rd-5th grade

Explorer: 5th-6th grade

Discovery: 7th-9th grade

Confirmation: 6th-9th grade

High School Programs: 9th-12th grade

Please contact the office (541) 998-6444 or office@lutherwoodoregon.org with any questions.

November's Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saints Day 9:00 AM Fellowship / Bible Study (ZOOM) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Facebook Livestream Prayer Service	2 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	3 7:00 PM Evening Compline Service (Zoom)	4 9:00 AM TOM's	5 8:00 AM Reports to Council Due 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor Cleaning 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scout District Mtg.	6	7
8 9:00 AM Fellowship / Bible Study (ZOOM) 10:30 AM Outdoor (Parking Lot) Worship	9 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	10	11 9:00 AM TOM's 7:00 PM Council Meeting	12	13	14
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22 Christ the King Sunday Congregational meeting/election 9:00 AM Fellowship / Bible Study (ZOOM) 10:30 AM Outdoor (Parking Lot) Worship	23 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	24	25 9:00 AM TOM's 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Zoom Service	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29 9:00 AM Fellowship / Bible Study (ZOOM) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Facebook Livestream Prayer Service	30 1:00 PM Zoom Bible Study	1	2 9:00 AM TOM's 7:00 PM Ecumenical Zoom Service	3 8:00 AM Reports to Council Due 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM Janitor Cleaning	4	5

For the most up-to-date version,
[visit our online calendar](#)

**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
Izzy Covalt
Mona Crawford
Kris Waskosky
Shedd Waskosky
Shirley Brudvig

Kristy Bishop
Oliver
Madielynn
Stephan Selvage
Patrick Selvage
Garrett Baarsch
Nona Sabatka
Carl Wogomon
Stephanie Bauthman
Marjorie Trainor
Nancy Goodwin
John Busher
Vail T. Palmer



**PLEASE REMEMBER
THESE FRIENDS IN
PRAYER**

REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND: Bonnie K, Betty K, Ruth Irwin

OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES: Be with Family of Joan & Pastor Dawn Gregg for the passing of her Great Nephew., Kim Sass & Family, Wally Oster & Family, Prochnau Family, Conklin Family and Enfield Family.

Prayer For Health and Healing

Almighty God, you are the only source of health and healing. In you there is calm, and the only true source of peace in the universe. Grant to each one of us an awareness of your presence, and give us perfect confidence in you. In all pain, weariness and anxiety, teach us to yield ourselves to your never-failing care. Help us know and trust in your love, power and wisdom. Give us strength and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.



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