

Faith's Blessings

Faith Lutheran Church

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“Got Milk?”

By Reverend Kathleen Stump

On my way home from church one afternoon I stopped to see my then 10-month-old grandson, Daniel. My son delivered the squirming bundle into my arms and his eyes rested squarely on my white collar. He grasped it with his chubby fingers and held it tightly, watching and listening.

He injected a “num-num-num” version of “I am hungry” and a bottle of milk was offered.

As he slurped down the warm, white nectar,

still listening....

still watching...

still holding on to my collar,

his eyes glistened and smiled.

A reflection of trust...a reflection of contentment...a reflection of love.

It wasn't long until the bottle was emptied of its glorious contents and Daniel elicited that tell-tale burp.

He had been filled.

I set him down on the floor and watched as he crawled away happily,
and my heart was filled.

A pastor feeds those who are hungry, sharing the Spiritual Milk poured out by the Holy Spirit.

Intentionally watching

Intentionally listening

Intentionally speaking to the needs of each individual.

Being ever mindful of “what is said, and what is left unsaid”.

Watching and listening for the tell-tale signs reflected in their eyes,

Conveyed in their words, and modeled in their actions.

They have been filled.

And the pastor is fed by those who were hungry.

As they share their hopes and their concerns, theirs joys and their sorrows.

their prayers.

their trust.

their faith.

the pastor is filled by the reflection of God’s love!

“I [Paul] commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church”

Romans 16:1a

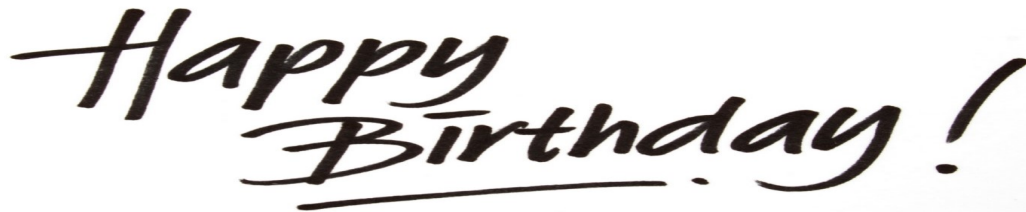
Phoebe was a servant at the church in Cenchreae who was willing to carry Paul’s letter to the Christians in Rome. Paul also tells the people to *“help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well”*. Phoebe was a woman who was eager to deliver the Good News to others. She helped finance the work of the church in her community and welcomed others into her home. Phoebe was enthusiastic to do her part.

God has chosen us, as He chose Phoebe, to be the ones who bring that message. Faith’s calendar of events is filling up with opportunities for worship, learning and sharing, fellowship and fun, and service to our neighbors... being fed and feeding others – in body, mind and spirit. Please watch your bulletins and newsletters for details and plan to join us.

We are people of Faith who, in faith, through its ministries, feed, care for, and lift up one another! Thank you for all you do in serving Christ; you are a reflection of His love...and I am filled.

In grace and peace Pastor Kathy

CELEBRATING IN AUGUST



Happy Birthday!

Steve Will	Aug. 2		Wendell Heil	Aug. 17	81 yrs.
Lee Shaffer	Aug. 3		Calvin Walker	Aug. 17	84 yrs.
Shirley Trent	Aug. 6	85 yrs.	Kohen George	Aug. 20	
Mary Snyder	Aug. 8		Dave Pugh	Aug. 21	
Brittany Will	Aug. 10		Sandy Pyle	Aug. 23	
Ken Will	Aug. 12		Ryan Maust	Aug. 28	
Bill Revello	Aug. 13	93 yrs.	Dylan Everett	Aug. 28	
Cliff Spangler	Aug. 15	90 yrs.	Judy Glessner	Aug. 29	
Helen Weaver	Aug. 15	93 yrs.	Kolton George	Aug. 30	
Louise Spangler	Aug. 16	86 yrs.	Alexandra Swank	Aug. 30	

Happy Anniversary!

Vivian & John Fuller	Aug. 2	7 yrs.
Karen & Bruce Schmidt	Aug. 26	33 yrs.
Brandi & Justin Rhoads	Aug. 31	8 yrs.



Altar Guild members and All who are interested in assisting
in this vital ministry at Faith
are invited to gather together with Pastor Kathy
on Sunday, August 8, following worship,
for a time of renewal and learning .

This ministry involves preparing Faith's worship space
with the furnishings, vessels, elements, linens, and paraments
used in the liturgy.

It is a ministry open to all parishioners - men and women –
ages 14 and beyond.



During the month of July, we lifted the following persons in prayer:

Ryan Wood, family and friends of Herb Walker, Bessie Zerfoss, Cliff Spangler, Jane Pugh, Jim Mowry, Jeannie Torrence, Carey Kovus, Doris Lehman, Eileen Knupp, family & friends of Cynthia Coleman and Lucas Hayman, Jay Bryan Anderson Jr., Paul Mosholder

Reminder

Rain, rain, rain. Just a reminder that Faith Lutheran and the New Centerville parish have flood buckets available. If you or someone you know is being impacted by the volume of rain and moisture please let us know so that we may deliver these supplies.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care visits are a means of bringing the presence of Jesus Christ into the lives of our community of Faith at times of acute illness, pending surgery, long-term care and rehabilitation of care, as well as hospice care. We rely on family members, friends, and neighbors to let the church staff know when someone is in a hospital or other facility; please call the church office 443-3179 and provide the name of the individual, name of hospital or care facility, and room number if known; and it is also helpful to give time/date of surgery.

August Second Offering

The second offering for August, designated for the Christmas Coat Program, will be collected Aug. 8.

This program provides winter gear for families in the Somerset area who cannot afford to purchase what is needed for their families.

HEARTSTRINGS

Faith's "Heartstrings" is collecting items that did not reach our 200 item goal yet. During August, we will be collection shampoo for both men and women; **73 bottles needed** and body lotion; **86 bottles needed.**

We will be supporting Countryside in Friedens, Martin's in Rockwood and also Siemons in Somerset.

A table and a box have been provided in the overflow for donations. Any item at any time can be donated, you don't have to follow the schedule. A copy of the wish list has been posted in the overflow and on the board at the front doors.

Can you help with our
"Heartstrings?"

WELCA

Everyone is invited to attend the WELCA picnic on August 9 at 6 pm in the fellowship hall.

Bring a covered dish and join us for good food and fellowship!



August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship 9 am Donut Sunday SCS 10:30 am	2	3	4 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 6 pm	5	6	7
8 Worship 9 am 2nd offering (Christmas Coats) Altar Guild meeting after worship SCS 10:30 am	9 WELCA Picnic 6 pm	10	11 Caring Workers 10 am	12 Council 7 pm	13	14
15 Worship 9 am College Sending Blessing Baptism; Everett SCS 10:30 am	16	17	18 Caring Workers 10 am Choir 6 pm	19	20	21
22 Worship 9 am SCS 10:30 am	23	24	25 Caring Workers 10 am	26	27	28
29 Worship 9 am 5th Sun. offering SCS 10:30 am	30	31		Second Offering is for Christmas Coats Program		

**Youth in Action
returns in September!**

We thank those who are willing to serve
for the month of August

August 1

Altar Guild	Sandy Pyle	Reader	Sandy Pyle
Assisting Minister	Jack Loeffert	Acolyte	Olivia George
Council Person	Karen Shaffer		

August 8

Altar Guild	Dawn Will	Reader	Steve Will
Assisting Minister	Jane Pugh	Acolyte	Will Brant

August 15

Altar Guild	Sandy	Reader	David Pyle
Assisting Minister	Bill Hoffman	Acolyte	Jack Loeffert

August 22

Altar Guild	Dawn	Reader	Cindy Miller
Assisting Minister	Annalina Brant	Acolyte	Kolton George

August 29

Altar Guild	Sandy	Reader	Will Brant
Assisting Minister	Daren Walker	Acolyte	Arianna Ohler

**Please remember that if you cannot be here and have
a “job”, find a replacement!**

WE GIVE THANKS TO

Our sexton, Rick, for scrubbing the
carpet, pews and offices

Caring Workers for assembling
our newsletters

Allen, Gene and Ryan for assisting members
who requested help with household chores

Everyone who helped in any way with
the pavilion renovation project

Altar Guild for their flexibility as we transition
back to full liturgy

Church musicians and choir who help us
lift our voices during the summer

We give Thanks to God – for all these gifts –
shared in serving Christ and community
in community with one another.

We ARE Church – TOGETHER!

Youth in Action

Doing God's Work with Our Hands

In Fellowship and Fun



“ARE WE THERE YET?” CAMPING OUT WITH MOSES

Sunday, September 26th

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Camping is one of the many tools God uses in the lives of His people. He uses wilderness type experiences to mold us, to build character, and teach life lessons to those of us He has called to serve Him. Join us as we “camp” with Moses and learn about his camping trip that lasted 40 years!

The children and youth will be burning the palms with Cliff and Louise Spangler in preparation for Ash Wednesday as part of our “campfire” as we talk about the “burning bush”.

So get your backpack ready for a journey through the desert and an afternoon that includes crafts, the Lenten service project, games, laughter and a light supper!

There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby at church
or just give us a call at 814 443-3179 and let us know you'll be here!



Brenda Maust, Faith's Parish Administrator for over 8 years will be retiring at the end of September. She and Ryan are looking forward to hosting an exchange student and traveling. With that,

Position: Parish Secretary/Administrator

Description:

This is a part-time office position with responsibility for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the church office, coordinating and producing various forms of communications, maintaining parish records, financial records and assisting pastor with a variety of ministries. The position reports directly to the Pastor and works cooperatively with volunteers and other staff, including the Finance Treasurer and Church Council. This job is a salaried, 16-hour per week, position. Paid holiday, vacation and sick days are offered.

For a full job description contact Reverend Kathleen Stump at pastorkathystump@gmail.com. Resumes, including salary requirements, should be submitted to the attention of Reverend Kathleen Stump, at Faith Lutheran Church, 6567 Glades Pike Road, Somerset, PA 15501, or pastorkathystump@gmail.com

If you or someone you know is interested, please see Pastor Kathy.

Mark your calendars ...

Altar Guild meeting Sunday, **Aug. 8** after worship

WELCA picnic **Aug. 9** @ 6 pm. Covered dish, all are welcome!

College Sending Sunday, **Aug. 15**

Sunday, **Sept. 12** Backpack Blessing during worship & Family Banquet at 11 am in the fellowship hall, we will honor our "Golden Club Members."

Sunday, **Sept. 19** movie matinee

Sunday, **Sept. 26** Healing Service and Youth in Action "Are We There Yet?" Camping with Moses

Watch your bulletins and newsletter for more details, there is more to come!

Names Needed

Do you have a child or grandchild who will be entering third grade this Fall? If so, please notify the church office so we can make sure they get their Bible and Bible carrier presented by Faith Lutheran Church. We need to have all names by August 15.

Thank you!



FAMILY BANQUET

September 12

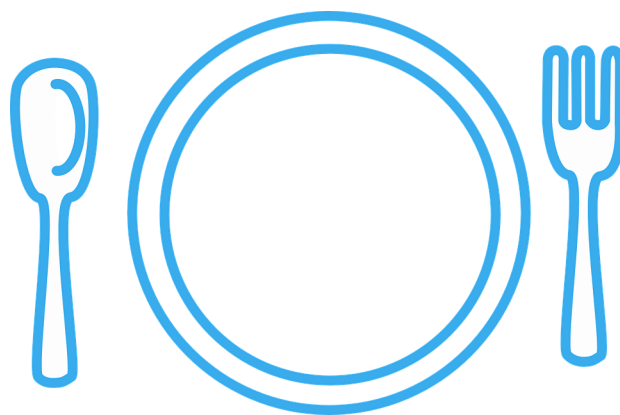
11 am

Fellowship Hall

Join us as we celebrate "Faith" with our Family Banquet and honor our Golden Club Members.

Tickets are available from the office until August 31.
Adults \$15; children 12 and under free.

My Girls Catering will provide the meal. Entertainment is planned. Join us for good food, good fellowship and the celebration of our Faith Family!



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Sunday Worship 9 am
Sunday Church School 10:30 am

