

# September Newsletter

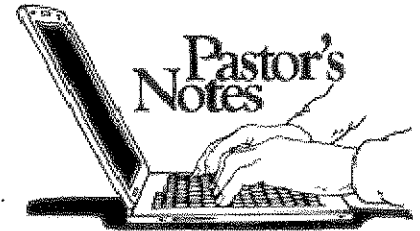
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### A Stewardship of Grace

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." -1 Peter 4:10*

I like to think of September as the busiest month of the year. For many, it is a time where the year gets into full-swing at work and at home. Summer crops are harvested before the chill of autumn; children are sent off to school, fully immersed in class work and starting fall sports. Most of us have our vacation season behind us and are buckling down at work to meet deadlines, start new projects and get as much done as we can over the coming months before we welcome in the "holiday season." This is to say nothing of that most monumental of events: the drastic schedule shift that comes with the start of the NFL season!



As busy as many of us are during September it might seem difficult to get a few moments to catch our breath, much less take time to fully reflect on the bounty given to us by our gracious God. And yet, here at Faith, in particular, it is apparent just how richly blessed by God's grace we are. Jesus Company and Confirmation have begun and we are privileged to teach more young minds of the love of Jesus Christ; we celebrate with our annual Church Picnic, enjoying the fellowship of our congregation and the blessings we have as God's church on earth. We are also starting Thursday night meetings of the "Financial Peace University" program which runs in conjunction with our yearly stewardship campaign.

Stewardship can be one of the most difficult topics in all of Scripture to faithfully communicate to a congregation. The old cliché goes that, for a couple of weeks, the people in the pews have to grit their teeth as Pastor chastises them for their poor giving and asks for more money for the church. Maybe a few people are guilted into putting an extra percentage or two onto their tithe while the rest of us look forward to being done with the program and getting back into the usual Pentecost preaching. This, dear friends, is sad. It's worse than sad. It's garbage. It's bad preaching. It is a failure to communicate the full richness of what God has in mind when he reaches out to us in his Word to talk about stewardship. It is nothing short of serving mammon above God and the worst part is that both pastors and parishioners are equally guilty of it. We preach stewardship as accusing, damning Law when it is, in fact, very sweet Gospel.

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### Sunday Schedule

Worship: 8 am, 10:30 am & 5 pm  
 Sunday School & Adult Bible  
 Class: 9:15 am

### Pastoral Staff

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 Lutheran:  
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### University Lutheran Church

The Campus Ministry of the Lutheran Church-  
Missouri Synod of Indiana University

### Worship and Fellowship Opportunities

#### Sundays

Bible Class 9:15 am  
 Divine Service 10:30 am & 5 pm  
 Fellowship Meal 6 pm  
 LCMS U at Indiana fellowship &  
 Bible study 6:30 pm

\*\*\*Lutheran Student Center open  
 daily for studying, free laundry  
 facilities, wireless & copy center!

#### Wednesdays

Midweek Meal 6:15 pm  
 Evening Service 7 pm  
 Midweek Bible study 7:30 pm

#### Thursday

Graduate Student/Young Adult  
 fellowship and Bible study 7 pm  
 Pizza Talk in Residence Halls 9 pm



**Serving Us In September 2014**

10:30 am Service

**Head Usher** John Harrell  
**Ushers** David DePierre  
 Alex Frey  
 Drew Frey  
 Gary Lybrook

**Acolyte**  
 September 7 Brooke McAninch  
 September 14 Meghan Jerke  
 Book-bearer Gracie Hensinger  
 Crucifer Adam Frey  
 September 21 Amy Harrison  
 Book-bearer Matthew Ross  
 Crucifer Tatiana Huss  
 September 28 Justin Terrell

**Greeters**  
 Sept. 7 & 14 Al & Bonnie Tinsley  
 Sept. 21 & 28 Bill & Leah Wilkinson

**CD Delivery**  
 Sept. 7 Don Weaver  
 Sept. 14 Joe Ziegler  
 Sept. 21 Marilyn Zimmerman  
 Sept. 28 Bill Pfrommer

**Grass Cutting**  
 Week of Sept. 7 Jeff Franz  
 Gary Lybrook  
 Erik Mosier  
 Week of Sept. 14 Drew Frey  
 Kelly Johnson  
 Patrick Mero  
 Week of Sept. 21 Brad Braun  
 David DePierre  
 Jarrod Franklin  
 Week of Sept. 28 Drew Antilla  
 Bill Ballew  
 Alan Schaefer

**Statistics for July**

**Average Attendance**

Sunday Worship — 263  
 Sunday School — 37  
 Adult Bible Class — 38

**Altar Guild** Jean Scott &  
 Judy VanOsdol

**Coffee Schedule** Amanda Sharp

8 am Service

**Head Usher** Don Kessler  
**Ushers** Bill Ballew  
 Drew Stults  
 Rick Stults  
 Bill Wampler

**Acolyte**  
 September 7 Ethan Coy  
 September 14 Mya Hagerty  
 Book-bearer Domenic Head  
 Crucifer Justin Terrell  
 September 21 Joshua Grimes  
 Book-bearer Matt Landgraf  
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I wanted to draw your attention to the various blessings of this busy month because they are all ways in which God has showered an abundance on us. As Christians, we understand that we are not responsible for these things; they are not ours. Rather, all good things come from God in his grace and we, his people, act as stewards for them. Being so richly and undeservingly blessed fundamentally alters the way in which a Christian may approach giving. We are not misers, sitting atop our bounty and distributing it where we see fit. Instead, we are like the tenants from Jesus' parable in Mark 12. Our master has given to us from his own property in order that we may use it to increase his domain. It is our place then to use the gifts (take note, not just money) he has given us to make his name known throughout all the earth and to grow his kingdom.

Here is where we see the Gospel shine through; we are not merely laborers in the field, we are God's children. His kingdom is our kingdom. He does not deal with us contractually, but by grace. We read in Romans 8:17 "if [we are] children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ." In Christian giving (that is, giving of our *time, talents and treasures*) our God invites us to increase our own inheritance: the bounty that will come in the new creation which we are now only given a fore-taste of. These blessings here are only a drop in the bucket of what God has in store for us and so we are invited to share with all the world the gifts he gives! How unbelievably different Christian stewardship is from worldly giving; for we are called to give not out of some moral obligation, but in thanksgiving for the treasures of heaven which have already been made ours.

Thanks be to God for making us stewards of *His* grace!

—Pastor Beck

**Faith Young Adults**



A new school year is starting with a new time for our weekly Bible Study nights. We will meet in the Grand Hall at 6:30 pm Monday nights (excluding holidays and holiday weeks) through December 8. Watch out for Facebook postings and updates in the church bulletin for fellowship

activities and any changes in our meeting time. Contact Leah Iversen if you have questions! (812)320-2017.



**Sunday Evening  
 Worship at Faith**

Sundays, 5-5:45 pm

(Holy Communion is  
 celebrated on the  
 2nd and 4th  
 Sundays of the month)

# CHURCH PICNIC

## Annual Church Picnic on September 21

Join us for food, fun and fellowship at our annual church picnic on Sunday, September 21, beginning at 3 pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Enjoy a game of corn hole, bocce ball, or extreme Frisbee on our own beautiful campus right here at 2200 S. High St. If the weather is nice for it, we plan to have a fire going in the fire pit with hot dogs and marshmallows to roast!

Bring your children to build Box City beginning at 4 pm and we will start eating around 5 pm. Bring a main dish, side dish or dessert to share. If the weather doesn't want to cooperate, we will move the festivities into the gym. If you have an outdoor canopy to help provide more shade and would be willing to bring it along, that would also be helpful.

We will need assistance with set up after the 10:30 am service and also with cleaning up so if you are willing and able to help the Fellowship Team with any of these tasks, please contact Emilia Brunner, Anita Elsey, Michelle Hoffman, or Erin Miller.

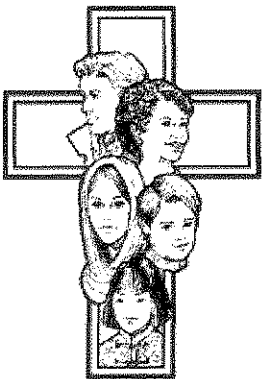
—Emilia Brunner

### Special Thanks

Thanks are given to the Congregation at Faith Lutheran Church for the bereavement care shown to the family of Jonathan Bertermann. Your gifts of food, flowers, prayers, cards and hugs are most appreciated by the family.



—the Bertermann Family



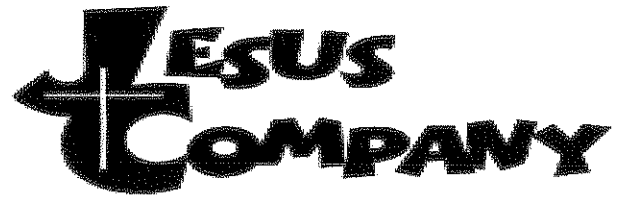
### Sunday evenings at Faith

On most Sunday evenings from 6-8 pm, more than 40 young people from grades 3-12 plus about ten adults are at church for Christian fellowship and instruction. Jesus Company, the Confirmation class, and the Youth Group (FLY) all have their own space and programs.

Near the end of the two hours, however, they become one group for closing devotions in the sanctuary. They sit together in "tribes" of six or seven young people of mixed ages. Cantor

Robert Cruz is introducing the Office of Compline, a brief devotion for the end of the day found in our Lutheran Service Book. Eventually, each tribe will take turns leading the worship.

All members of the church, especially parents of the children and youth involved, are invited and urged to arrive about 7:45 pm to participate in this closing devotion.



Twenty-two children in grades 3-6 have enrolled in this year's edition of Jesus Company. The group will meet on three of the four Sunday evenings in September; all except the 21st, due to the church picnic. The adult volunteer leadership group this year includes Liesl and Robert Cruz, Carol and Dave Ebeling, Janet Hitzeman and Patti Landgraf. In addition, Deanne Brown coordinates the snacks for each week; Janet Schafer is ready to sub when needed. Additional adults are invited to assist with specific tasks from time to time. Talk to any team member.

*Jesus Company* serves as pre-confirmation instruction for the children. The activities each evening include recreation, music, devotions, work on a service project, memorizing Bible verses, and focusing on Bible truths. Children are grouped into grades 3-4 and 5-6 for instruction. This month, the 3-4 class is learning to use their Faith Alive Study Bibles and being introduced to the Ten Commandments. The 5-6 class is beginning a Bible Study of The 13 Apostles. Yes, thirteen. The story of the 13<sup>th</sup> apostle who replaced Judas after Christ's ascension can be found in Acts 1:15-26.

—Jesus Company Staff

### "My Devotions" Free for Families



Parents, watch for the new quarterly edition of My Devotions, written especially for children in elementary grades. This edition is for the months of September, October and November. Children in grades 1-6 should have received a personal copy in Sunday School or Jesus Company.

Your child is not likely to read it on his or her own, until you intentionally take time to read it with them every day, perhaps at mealtime or bedtime. Place it in a handy place near their Faith Alive Bible and read it daily. The age-appropriate stories, the prayers, and the faith-forming messages are daily reminders of God's love through Jesus.

For many years, the Children's Ministry Team has purchased and distributed this publication by the LCMS publisher, Concordia Publishing House. Extra copies and some back issues are available on the tables in the narthex and on the welcome table at the upper level entrance. Members are welcome to take these for grandchildren, neighbors or friends.



## Financial Peace University at Faith

September 4 – October 30

It's not too late to register for *Financial Peace University*, the nine-week class featuring Dave Ramsey. In fact, you can attend the first session on September 4, FREE. Then, if you decide to join, you can pay the registration fee at the end of the class and your materials will be ready for you the next week.

Students in the class [1] view informative and entertaining DVD presentations as he offers specific strategies for becoming debt-free, [2] participate in guided discussion, and [3] apply these principles to personal finances. See the bulletin board in the Message Center across from the library for more information, or link to <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/>.

*Financial Peace University* will be held in the classrooms on the upper level from 6-7:40 pm. on nine consecutive Thursday nights. It is open to the entire Bloomington community. Free child care will be provided by the staff of Faith's Preschool and Christian Child Care for those who request those services in advance.

The fee is \$93 per family. Checks are to be payable to Faith Lutheran Church with "FPU" on the subject line. Contact the church office or Dave Ebeling, the class facilitator, at [dave.ebeling@in.lcms.org](mailto:dave.ebeling@in.lcms.org) or 812-322-6503, with inquiries or to register.



### Broadcast weekly on:

Indy's WHMB-TV 40 on Sundays at 10 am or Evansville's WAZE-TV 19 on Sundays at 8 am.



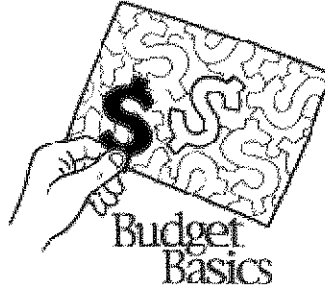
for the October 2014 newsletter is:  
**Monday, September 15.**

Coming Soon.....

Look for Time & Talent packets at the end of September.



## Three Items to Add to Your Back-to-School Budget



Those of us born way back in the 1900s remember the good ol' days of school. You know, the ones where summer lasted well into August. That was the life. Here we are, still before Labor Day, and the new semester is well under way. You survived registration, school supply checkout lines, and even the first day back. Bravo moms and dads! Before you get cozy with your new routine, however, take a second look at your budget. Consider the three after-school-starts expenses listed below.

**School Lunch** You fed them all summer, yes, but at school your kids have choices, and that means you need a plan. The School Nutrition Association says parents will pay about as much to buy a public elementary school lunch versus brown-bagging it. Consider your family's food philosophy when deciding how to provide your kid's lunch. Because these costs vary from kid to kid and school to school, it may be best to gather your own averages over several weeks and then budget accordingly.

**Fees** Public school is free except for those fees. And, boy, do they add up quickly! Schools charge fees for everything including science labs, computer use, gym class, art class, field trips and extracurricular activities. Ask early and often what fees you are required to pay and which ones are optional based on student participation. Talk with your kids about the options and find what works best within your budget and their interests. Then stick to your decision.

**Replacement Costs** Kids are constantly losing things. And jealousy—that other kid's designer backpack or bright-colored folder—can strike at any moment. Combat replacement costs due to loss or item envy by being proactive. Provide a spot for each kid's books and school supplies to live at night. Remind them to check their bags at the end of each class and before heading home for the day. As for the jealousy? Talk to your kids about the value of a dollar and discuss the fact that *their* value isn't based on what they own or how they look, but who they are.

Sit down with your kids at the dining room table when they get home from school. Work on your family budget while they finish homework. Talk about what each of you is doing and offer encouragement as needed. When everyone is finished, head outside for a few minutes of family fun. After all, you can relax when you know you've planned for the future!

—Adapted from The Dave Ramsey Resources

## OA Meeting at Faith

Overeaters Anonymous meets in classroom C, upstairs, **Thursdays at 8 am.** Newcomers are welcome.

## Guys' Night / 7th Annual Camping with Christ

Friday, September 5, through Saturday, September 6

*"For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20)*

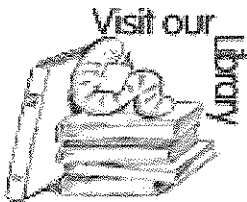


The Fellowship Team would like to invite all men and boys of Faith and the Bloomington area to a night of camping at the Grimes' family property at 7550 W. Ratliff Road, Bloomington, IN 47404, in Ellettsville. This is the same location it has been in years past. **COME FOR AN HOUR OR STAY ALL NIGHT!**

Events will include a cookout for dinner, basketball, corn hole, horseshoes, and a bonfire with s'mores. Ask your friends, coworkers, and family members to join us so they too can experience the joy of Christ's love through fun fellowship and learn more about Him through devotions and casual discussions.

We will begin the festivities on **Friday, September 5, at 5 pm** and will end in the afternoon on **Saturday, September 6**. Please plan on bringing your tent and sleeping bags plus a snack or dessert to share. Burgers, hot dogs, beverages, and s'mores fixings will be provided.

Contact Tony Grimes at 876-0499 if you are interested participating, if you need directions or if you have any questions. Please consider joining us for this great time!



### Faith's Library:

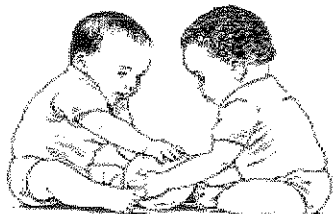
#### Is there anything in it for you? Part 1

NOVELS, long and short, that will intrigue or inform or inspire you—or perhaps make you chuckle. Unfortunately some of the female authors of historical fiction can't help muddying their books by weaving in fanciful love stories.

BIOGRAPHIES of believers who have overcome situations that would have some of us drowning in a humongous puddle of self-pity, of others who paid the ultimate price and are now in the church victorious, of folks whose lives can inspire us to bigger and better things. Oh, and there is more....

A whole shelf of books about personal issues such as addiction, death and bereavement, disabilities, debilitating pain or illnesses, family breakups, aging and aging parents. (Way up on the top shelf are age-specific books that address, from the Christian perspective, the touchy issue of speaking with your children about S-E-X.) . Oh, and there is more....continued next month.

—Rita Barsun, Faith in Volumes



### Faith & Friends Play Group

Moms, dads, and caregivers of young children are invited to Faith and Friends Playgroup. We meet every Tuesday morning from 9:30-11:30 am. Come get to know some of the other families and friends of Faith Lutheran! During the month of

September will be meeting at the home of Laurie Stellwagen. Her address is 3716 S. McDougal St. Bloomington. Contact Emilia Brunner at 824-5170/pebrunner@bluemarble.net if you are interested in hosting playgroup or would like to join us. We look forward to meeting newcomers to the area and hope to see you there!



### FLY News

Join our Facebook page for updates

On Friday, September 5, the men of the congregation, including youth will be camping at the Grimes' family property, Look for more information in the announcements in the Sunday bulletin.

On Friday, September 12, the Junior High will be having a camping retreat at Camp Lakeview, please let Pastor Edwards, Pastor Beck, or me know ASAP if you plan to attend so we can get you the paperwork and I can plan accordingly.

Sunday, September 21, is the annual church picnic. That means we will be having our annual ice cream fundraiser. If you plan to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in 2016, you should attend and help scoop ice cream. Stay tuned for additional details.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday, September 5—Guys' Night camping at the Grimes'
- Sunday, September 7—FLY at the church
- Friday & Saturday, September 12 & 13—Junior High Rally at Camp Lakeview
- Sunday, September 14—FLY at the church
- Sunday, September 21—Church Picnic (ice cream fundraiser)

—John Poage, 345-0223,  
Email: [btownfly@gmail.com](mailto:btownfly@gmail.com)

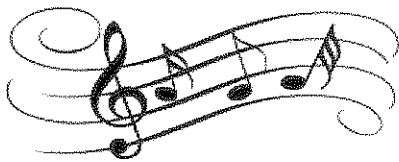
### Women's Bible Study begins again on

Wednesday, September 3

The Living Word Women's Bible Study that meets on Wednesday mornings took a break during the Summer.

Make plans to join the group when they begin meeting again on Wednesday, September 3, at 10 am.





### The Cantor's Corner

In the third chapter of Colossians, St. Paul encourages those who have been raised with Christ to “seek the things that are above, where Christ is.” St. Paul then calls us to “put to death” all sorts of earthly passions (a list we would all do well to regularly review) and to “put on the new self.” And in the midst of describing this “new self” with terms like “kindness,” “meekness,” and “love,” Paul almost sneaks in the following instruction:

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*

What? Did St. Paul really put the singing of “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs” in the same sentence as “teaching and admonishing”? And did St. Paul really put all of those things under the broader category of ways in which the word of Christ may dwell in us richly? Yes he did!

The point I am trying to highlight is that music in the Church isn't primarily about how it may affect our emotions (which are important) or about how it may cater to our personal tastes (which are not important) but rather about how it allows the word of Christ to dwell in us richly. Music is there to deliver the goods. And those goods are nothing less than the word of Christ: a word that kills and makes alive, able to divide bone from marrow. May all of us grow to cherish this beautiful purpose of Church music. And may all of us joyfully and faithfully receive the word of Christ that is delivered every week on the wings of “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs.”

—Robert Cruz

### Ladies' Night Out

Friday, September 12, 6:30 pm

Ladies' Night Out is a monthly gathering of the ladies of Faith Lutheran Church to enjoy a few hours of Christian fellowship with each other. It is a great opportunity to invite friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers. We will be meeting at Randi Cox's NEW home on Friday, September 12, at 6:30 pm. Please bring an appetizer or snack to share. Beverages and dessert will be provided. Randi's new address is 2400 E. Queensway, Bloomington, 47401. Contact Randi at randikcox@yahoo.com or 320-8741 if you need directions.



### Lutheran Early Response Team

Saturday, September 13, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

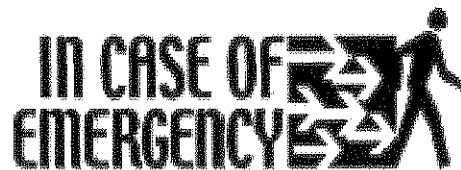


In order to better manage volunteers and resources, FEMA has finalized a guideline on credentialing volunteers for large-scale disasters. The federal guidelines indicate that volunteers responding to a disaster should be trained and certified. Lutheran Church Charities is providing training for Lutheran Early Response Teams (LERT) throughout our district. Should a disaster strike, these teams would be put on call and may be asked to deploy in 72 hours or less to the disaster site.

This training will prepare team members for credentialing and will focus on the safety, work, and ministry of Lutherans as Early Responders.

### Adult Education News

The kickoff (note the football metaphor) of the Sunday morning Adult Bible Classes on August 10 was a great success. Both classes were nearly full to capacity. During the months of September through November, we will be continuing the same classes -- the Gospel of Matthew (led by Pastor Beck) and "Worshipping as the Family of God" (led by Robert and Liesl Cruz). If you find it necessary to miss a session due to other commitments, do not fret about getting "out of the loop." Both classes are self-contained from week to week, although each will follow its own common thread.

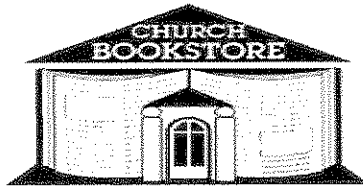


### Sanctuary Emergency Evacuation

As we are learning more often, it seems that violent weather is no longer a respecter of season or time of day. We cannot presume that a tornado will not strike between the hours of 8 am and noon on a Sunday morning. Therefore it is important to know the proper procedure to follow during any worship service, day or evening, if a tornado warning is issued. That warning may be heard from the siren near Childs School but will also be broadcast on the weather radio in the church office. When such a warning is issued, the ushers will notify the pastor and they together will initiate an immediate evacuation of the sanctuary. Please follow the ushers' directions and move quickly to the area of lower level restrooms. Please move into the three lower level restrooms as long as space will allow. There are also storage areas along the way, i.e., under the stairway, that would be extremely safe. Even if you cannot access one of these areas, move as far as possible into the area of the Resource Center, away from the windows. This area is largely underground and covered with several inches of poured concrete and steel. Our builders confirm the area will provide adequate safety. But, PLEASE move quickly, following the ushers' instructions, and be sure to assist those around you who may have difficulties. There are also wheelchairs in the narthex if someone needs help in exiting quickly.

—Spiritual Care & Worship (Elders)

## Faith Bookstore News



Have you read the book GOD IS NOT DEAD? If you haven't, it is a MUST read! It is a wonderful and wonderfully-done story. It is, unfortunately, all too true in some of our schools and universities today. If you have a student in your family, you really should read this book. If you do not have a student in your family, you should read it as a Christian in today's world. I saw the actor interviewed who played the professor in the movie. He IS a Christian in reality, and the interview was most interesting. When asked how he could play this part, his reply was, "if my playing this part leads just one person to Christ, it is worth it." We have this book here in Faith Bookstore.

You will also find books that deal with the Christian students entering college and middle school. There are several books in our bookstore that are for teens. We even have devotionals for teens written by teens!

For the younger set, the Arch Books on all kinds of subjects based on Biblical characters and their experiences are a favorite for kids and their parents. You'll find a huge selection here at Faith Bookstore.

At our bookstore you will find Bibles for all ages from infancy to 110! Don't forget to shop here for Christian greeting cards and gifts as well.

See you at the bookstore here at Faith. Browsers are always welcome, and if you don't see what you are looking for, just ask. We will be glad to see if we can get it for you if we don't have it in stock.

—Lou Ann Lybrook, Deanne Brown & Amanda Sharp

## School – schedules, homework, rules, friends, fun



Yes, it is hard to believe school is in full swing already. Where did our summer go? Life is back on schedule once again. The way life is today you parents have to learn the trick of multi-tasking, time keeping, cooperating and sharing to get everything accomplished for your children and yourselves. Many prayers are needed to keep you calm, have patience and know the Godly way to deal with our little ones. We, your Faith family, know you have your hands full and know our families here at Faith are a must on our prayer list.

Carol Ebeling recommends a web site: <http://familiesinfaith.org>. Carol writes: "If you check out this link, you'll find audio and video clips, focused teaching games and activities, prayer guides, children's messages and more that cover all seasons of the church year. Please take a moment and check it out."

I would also recommend [www.biblicalparenting.org](http://www.biblicalparenting.org). You will find great ideas to help you with parenting skills. Parenting is a full time job and is often difficult. Know that you have many here at Faith who are behind you one hundred percent. Need a listening ear? Ask. We love your children and want them to succeed.

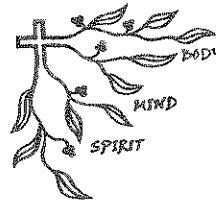
—Marilyn Zimmerman, Children's Ministry Team

## Camp Lakeview Dinner Auction Donations Needed



It's that time of year again! We will be collecting donations to give to Camp Lakeview to use for their dinner auction that will be held on Saturday, November 22, in Columbus, IN. Keep an eye out for the donation tables in September so that our collection of items can be delivered in early October. Any **crafts, artwork, woodwork, antiques, gift baskets, collectibles, gift certificates for goods or services**, or any **unused items** you just have lying around the house are all acceptable donations for this vital fundraiser. **Ministry teams**, please consider assembling a themed gift basket as a team. These are fun items that bring in a nice donation to Camp Lakeview!

Thank you to those of you who have contributed in the past. We hope you will prayerfully consider how you can contribute to the success of this event! Please contact Paul or Emilia Brunner if you have any questions.



## A Healthy Faith

Breast. Brain. Colon. Prostate. Liver. Leukemia. Melanoma. We all know people who at sometime lived with cancer. We often wonder how we can help those who are currently battling this monster. For the past 15 years, Bloomington Hospital Foundation has sponsored Hoosiers Outrun Cancer, a local fundraiser to benefit the Olcott Center. The Olcott Center provides patients and their families with information on cancer diagnosis, treatment, early detection and prevention. These services are provided free of charge thanks in large part to the monies raised through Hoosiers Outrun Cancer. This year's race takes place on Saturday, September 20. For more information on the 5K Walk, 5K Run, the 1-Mile Family Walk or 1-Mile Kids' Run, please see the HOC website at [hoosiersoutruncancer.org](http://hoosiersoutruncancer.org) or the Health and Human Care Ministry Team bulletin board. (Also coming up is the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk on October 25. See Janet Hitzeman for more information about this fundraiser/fitness event).

—Health and Human Care Ministry Team

JOY Group  
visiting  
Zionsville



The JOY group's next event will be a trip to Zionsville on Thursday, September 18, for an outing being planned by the Merciers'. Watch the bulletin for more information as the date gets closer.

—JOY Group Planning Committee

**Faith Lutheran Preschool  
& Christian Child Care News**

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**From the Director ...**

Greetings from the Director of FLP & CCC,

The 2014-2015 school year is off to a great start. We have welcomed many families back that have been with us since their children were infants and have stayed with us all the way through the program to the Pre K classroom. We have also had the pleasure of welcoming several new families from the community. It is so nice to have the building full of smiling faces and busy bodies. It sure makes the day go by fast.

We are changing the format of the Preschool and Christian Child Care newsletter. All of the lead teachers will be contributing to give you a better picture of what we are all about and what we are accomplishing each month.

**Pre-K (4 and 5 year olds)**

Our Pre-K year began with a wonderful home visit with each child. The children and I had a blast using stamps, stickers, construction paper and glue to make a paper chain counting down the days until that exciting first day of Pre-K! Beginning our year praying together with Mom and Dad, sisters and brothers, and even a few four-legged friends, is the perfect way to share Christ's love for us all. In Pre-K this year, we will have a letter of the week, a number of the day, and many exciting opportunities to learn and grow, all while singing, playing and building friendships. Every day we are thrilled to grow in faith, and learn ways to love and serve God!

We will be doing quite a bit of writing this year in Pre-K. If you would like to donate 8 1/2" x 12" decorative stationery to the preschool, we would be so appreciative of this paper. Any design is fine! Thank you!—*Hillary Gebhardt*

**3's Preschool (3 and 4 year olds)**

My name is Meghan Faulkner, and I am so excited to be teaching the 3s class at Faith Lutheran Preschool. I am enjoying getting to know all of my little students, and helping them grow mentally and spiritually. During the first week of school, we talked about what God made, and that He made us special in His eyes. The second week of school we learned about Adam and Eve falling into sin, and made finger paintings of apple trees. I am excited to see where our journey is going to take us throughout the school year. In Christ—*Meghan Faulkner*

**Multi-Age classes (3-5 year olds)**

Faith Preschool has two multi-age classrooms with a total of three teachers. Ms. Jessica Stinson's class is every afternoon and all day Tuesday and Thursday. Miss Carrie Baxter's class is Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, and I teach every morning. This allows us the flexibility to tailor each student's schedule to their family's needs. Our students are three, four, or five years old. Currently there are 28 of them. It has again, been such a joy to see how happy our returning students are to be back, and to see the excitement in the younger children from the Child Care rooms who are now old enough for all the big kid projects and activities. God's Blessings—*Cara Huss*

**Christian Child Care (6 weeks-3 year olds)**

Once again this year has very full classrooms, mostly filled with children returning from last school year, that accompanied by a bounty of returning staff has given us a very smooth beginning to the school year. We have had two fire drills and the children did a great job of remembering the procedures from last school year. We started the year covering the story of Creation. The children have enjoyed recreating the beautiful majesties of His creation. They also enjoy making things that are familiar to them that they can easily associate with their daily lives.

We have been blessed to have Mrs. Cruz join our staff. She visits our toddler classrooms once a week to teach music. The children were a little timid at first, not sure of this change, but quickly warmed up to Mrs. Cruz and now ask if we can have music every-day. God's Peace and Blessings—*Rachel Stults*

**Science (taught to all preschool classes)**

In Chapel we fittingly begin the school year with Creation, and in Science we coordinate by having our first unit focus on ecosystems. We begin here in Indiana, observing first hand what a deciduous forest is like. We went for a walk in our woods, collecting leaves, wildflowers, tulip tree seeds, and Indiana limestone along the way. We listened to birds, and spotted native wildlife. The second week we learned about tropical rain forests, followed by oceans, and finally deserts. After that we leave Earth and head into outer space for two weeks. God's Blessings—*Cara Huss*

**Music (taught to the toddlers and preschool classes/ages 1-5)**

I am delighted to join the FLCP & CCC staff this year as the music teacher. I use a Kodaly based approach that builds the foundation for a life-long love and understanding of music. Students will be actively engaged in learning core musical concepts such as fast vs. slow, steady beat, rhythm vs. beat, loud vs. soft, meter, high vs. low, matching pitch, and much more through activities and games using a variety of folk songs, Christian children's songs, Lutheran hymns, and components of the Liturgy. In addition students will also learn how to play the following instruments over the course of the year: Rhythm Sticks, Sand-blocks, Jingle Bells, Rattles, Shakers, and Hand Drums. Our first two weeks of music time have been filled with great fun and enthusiasm and I cannot wait to watch the students continue to learn and grow this year! In Christ—*Liesl Cruz*

God's Peace and Blessings—*Rachel Stults, Director*

**Our September Birthdays:**

**Sam Stolberg, Myles Frazier & Grace Henderson**



**Faith's Early Childhood Ministries (preschool and the infant/toddler programs) are accredited with the National Lutheran Schools since 2004 and are a Registered Ministry with the State of Indiana since 2007. Accreditation and Registered Ministry status continues.**



# September 2014

\*GOAL uses the building on Tuesdays 4:30-7 pm, Upper Level

# Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<b>1</b> Scripture Readings for September 2014 Sept. 7—Ezek. 33:7-9; Rom. 13:1-10; Matt. 18:1-20 Sept. 14—Num. 21:4-9, 1 Cor. 1:18-25, John 12:20-33 Sept. 21—Ezek. 2:8-3:11, Eph. 4:7-16, Matt. 9:9-13 Sept. 28—Ezek. 18:1-4, 25-32, Phil. 2:1-4 (5-13) 14-18; Matt. 21:23-27 (28-32)	<b>1</b> No Preschool / CCC Office closed Young Adults 6:30 Basketball 8:30 pm	<b>2</b> Pastors' Conference Play Group at Laurie Stellwagen's 9:30 am *GOAL 4:30 pm Parish Planning Council 6:30 pm	<b>3</b> Living Word Bible Study 10 am FAPC & FAJC 6 pm	<b>4</b> *OA Meeting 8 am Staff Meeting 1 pm Financial Peace University 6 pm	<b>5</b> Guys' Night Out / Camping with Christ at Grimes' 5 pm	<b>6</b> Senior Choir Retreat 9 am	
<b>7</b> 13th Sunday after Pentecost Worship 8 am (Communion) Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am- Jesus Company 6 pm Confirmation 6 pm FLY Group 6 pm	<b>8</b> Meal Share 5:30 pm Stewardship 6:30 pm Young Adults 6:30 Basketball 8:30 pm	<b>9</b> Play Group at Laurie Stellwagen's 9:30 am LWR Quilting 2 pm *GOAL 4:30 pm Spiritual Care & Worship 6:30 pm	<b>10</b> Living Word Bible Study 10 am Children's Ministry 5:30 pm School Board 6 pm Adult Education 6 pm FAPC & FAJC 6 pm Senior Choir 7 pm	<b>11</b> *OA Meeting 8 am Financial Peace University 6 pm	<b>12</b> Ladies' Night Out at Randi Cox's 6:30 pm Jr. High Rally 7 pm	<b>13</b> LERT Training 8:30 am-4:30 pm Jr. High Rally ends 4 pm	
<b>14</b> Festival of the Holy Cross Worship 8 am (Communion) Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am (Communion) Worship 5 pm (Communion) Jesus Company 6 pm Confirmation 6 pm FLY Group 6 pm	<b>15</b> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Young Adults 6:30 Basketball 8:30 pm	<b>16</b> Play Group at Laurie Stellwagen's 9:30 am *GOAL 4:30 pm	<b>17</b> Living Word Bible Study 10 am FAPC & FAJC 6 pm Senior Choir 7 pm	<b>18</b> *OA Meeting 8 am JOY Group to Zionville Financial Peace University 6 pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	
<b>21</b> Festival of St. Matthew Worship 8 am (Communion) Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am (Communion) - FAPC/FAJC sing Church Picnic 3 pm Box City 4 pm Dinner 5 pm Worship 5 pm (Communion)	<b>22</b> Young Adults 6:30 Basketball 8:30 pm	<b>23</b> Play Group at Laurie Stellwagen's 9:30 am LWR Quilting 2 pm *GOAL 4:30 pm Men of Faith 7 pm	<b>24</b> Living Word Bible Study 10 am FAPC & FAJC 6 pm Senior Choir 7 pm	<b>25</b> *OA Meeting 8 am Financial Peace University 6 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Christ on Campus at Butler University	
<b>28</b> 16th Sunday after Pentecost Worship 8 am Blood Pressure Checks 8:45 am Sunday School/Bible Classes 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am (Communion) Worship 5 pm (Communion) Jesus Company 6 pm Confirmation & FLY Group 6 pm	<b>29</b> Young Adults 6:30 Basketball 8:30 pm	<b>30</b> Play Group at Laurie Stellwagen's 9:30 am *GOAL 4:30 pm				Rev. Eric Edwards Rev. Christopher Beck Rev. Liwei Sui 332-1668 (office)	
Rev. Richard Woelmer at University Lutheran 336-5387 (office)			Mrs. Rachel Stults Director, Preschool & Child Care 334-2209 (office)				

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**Church Picnic—Sunday, September 21—page 3**

