

A Newsletter from the Worshipping Communities of

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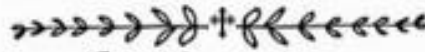


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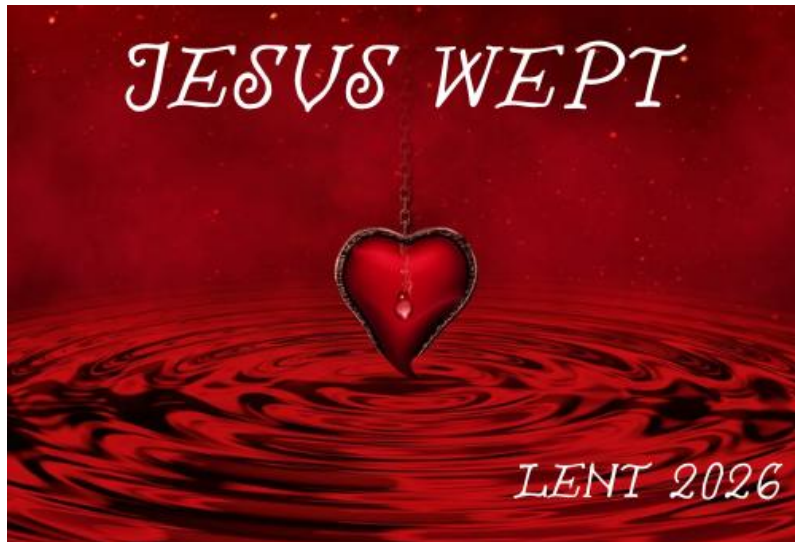


From Pastor Bethany



"So deeply do I care for you
that I am determined to share
with you not only the gospel of God
but also myself,
because you have become
very dear to me." – based on
1 Thessalonians 2:8

Dear Friends in Christ,
March 6th marked 7 years since I began serving alongside the people of Faith and Rock Creek Lutheran Churches. Each year I pause to recognize this anniversary, giving thanks that God led me here. It is my joy to look back on all that God has done through this ministry since 2019. Through sharing together in the sacramental life, we have experienced God's abundant grace. Both of our worshipping communities have grown as we have widened the welcome and invited people to join us wherever they are at on their faith journeys. In the midst of it all you have, as Paul writes to the Thessalonians, become very dear to me. It is my privilege to minister to you in times of joy and sorrow, through milestones and memory making, in moments of clarity and the messiness of uncertainty. All of it is our life together in Christ led by the Spirit. For that and so much more I say thanks be to God!



Our Lenten season continues with Wednesday soup suppers served at Rock Creek at 6PM followed by mid-week services at 7PM. You can pray along daily with prayers posted on Facebook which were written by our Confirmation students and their AAA Adults. Here is the remaining Lenten schedule:

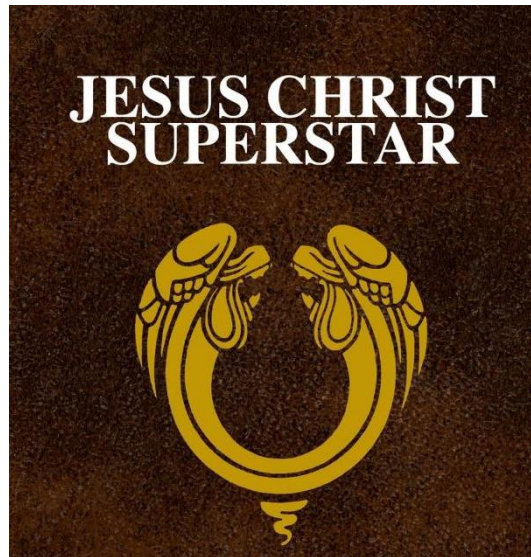
Soup Supper and Service	March 11	6PM	Rock Creek
Soup Supper and Service	March 18	6PM	Rock Creek
Soup Supper and Service	March 25	6PM	Rock Creek



March 29 Palm Sunday
8:30AM Rock Creek 10:30AM Faith

April 2 Maundy Thursday 7PM Faith

April 3 Good Friday 7PM Rock Creek



Under the direction of Rock Creek member Ron Krienke, the musical Jesus Christ Superstar will be performed in the round at Eau Claire Children's Theater's Oxford Theatre March 26th-29th and April 2nd-4th. This will be a fundraiser for three deserving local nonprofits. The Community Table, Jonah Justice and The Eau Claire Children's Theater. Because of the generosity of a local individual, David Markquart (Ron's former employer and friend), who is covering all of the production expenses, ALL proceeds from the ticket sales will be shared with the three nonprofits. \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for youth. Jesus Christ Superstar is a rock musical which tells the story of the last six days of Jesus' life through the eyes of Judas Iscariot. Reserve your tickets online at ECCT.org



Our 23 member Youth Mission Trip Team is heading to Indianapolis in June to serve for a week with YouthWorks! Fundraising has begun. Read on for ways you can support this team as they represent our congregations this summer!



Spoon Up a Palm Sundae!

On Palm Sunday, March 29 youth will be serving up ice cream sundaes. These will be enjoyed with decorative spoons made by the youth group. Choose a spoon make a donation to



Rent A Youth

COST:
FREEWILL DONATION
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TO REQUEST
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Mission Trip youth are ready to lend a helping hand! If you have yard work, house work, things to paint or any other project we are here to help!





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Day Camp

School is out so camp is on!

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 7:30AM-5:30PM
INFANTS - 5TH GRADE

Faith Lutheran Church 1032 Prissel St, Durand

- Bring your kids to enjoy a fun time with Sr High youth / join us all day or just a couple hours
- Light breakfast and snacks will be served / Bring a packed lunch and waterbottle
- Games, Outdoor Play, Crafts, Legos, + More
- RSVP to Pr Bethany at frclcpastor@gmail.com



ROCK CREEK
Fire Department

PANCAKE & FRENCH TOAST FEED

Featuring:

*All-you-can-eat Pancakes, French Toast,
Sausage, Milk, Coffee, Juice, Fruit*

Firefighters

Jason Wiley—Chief

Roy Splinter

Kevin Traun

Jon Koller

Dustin Nelson

Brandon Wiley

Dave Clausen

Greg Mayer

March 29th, 2026

8am-11am

Rock Falls Town Hall

Cost: FREE

Donations are kindly accepted.

Northwest Synod of WI



Walking Together 2026

Walking Together is an annual event intended to assist with resource sharing, best practices in ministry, new initiatives, and collaboration. This year we will explore the theme "Church Without Walls"

March 21, 2026

8:30 - 4:00

Bethany Lutheran - Rice Lake

\$25 per participant

Register at NWSWI.org



Luther Park Bible Camp



Summer Camp



Our Partnership with Holy Play

Registration is now open. Visit lutherpark.org to register. Pastor Bethany will be joining kids who attend camp the week of June 14-19. Campership dollars are available if needed. Register by March 31st to get the lowest cost.



March / April Confirmation Schedule:

March 11 and March 25

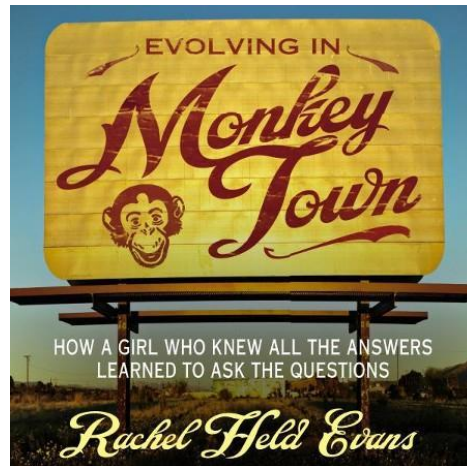
4-5:30PM at Faith

Spring into Service

April 22, 29, May 6, May 13

Confirmation Sunday May 3

A Recommended Read from Pastor Bethany



Evolving in Monkey Town is a first person account of how a girl who knew all the answers learned to ask the questions. Raised in a strict Christian family, church and school in the town made famous by the Scopes Trials, Rachel Held Evans' faith began to unravel in college. As she encountered people of different walks of life the long held, often judgmental mindset she had been raised with, started to fall apart. This is the story of how she pushed back against the faith beliefs of her upbringing and emerged more deeply committed to God and more fully able to love her neighbor. Evans sadly passed away in 2019 at age 37 due to an allergic reaction to medication. Though her life was cut short her writing continues to encourage people who wonder if they actually have it all figured out or if God might still be working on them too.



Thanks to all who have already sponsored a radio broadcast for 2026. Most dates are open from June 28-Oct 4. It costs \$50/week for the radio broadcast. If you would like to sponsor, please place a check for \$50 made out to Faith Lutheran Church and this completed form in the offering plate.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP FORM

I would like to sponsor a Radio Broadcast (\$50/week)

Sunday to sponsor _____ (___ check here if this date is flexible)

___ In honor of _____

___ In memory of _____

Place in offering plate or mail to:

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Help Needed!



Chicken Tent Fundraiser

Grilled chicken + Helping Hands = Faith's biggest fundraiser of the year!

Faith's Chicken Tent Fundraiser was a big success last year at Fun Fest thanks to so many helping hands. Everyone at Faith is being asked to step up to help reach the goal of raising \$5,000+ for our ministry during Fun Fest Weekend.

Here are the ways you can help in upcoming months:

April - Donate money/food to offset costs. Watch for donation envelopes at Faith

May – Sign up to help set up/serve/clean up the meal during Fun Fest June 6-7



Thanks to all who offer continued support for Sunday Supper through serving, monetary donations, making desserts and attending! We have financial sponsorships covered through June. We always need more helping hands. If you or a community group you know of wants to help serve please contact Linda Talford at 715-495-0552.



Many of the talented youth in our congregations are performing in this production. Come enjoy the show and support our youth!

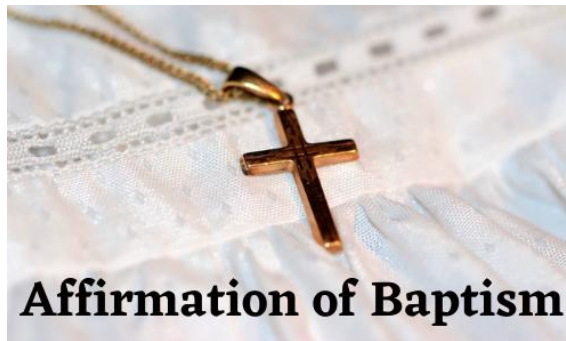
April 17 and 18 7PM April 19 2PM

Tickets available at the door: Adults \$10 Seniors/Students \$8

Performances at DAHS Gym



Young people ready to begin receiving the bread and cup at Faith will celebrate their First Communion at worship on Sunday March 29 at 10:30AM



Come celebrate on May 3rd at worship with our Confirmands as they affirm their baptisms and commit to continuing to follow Jesus:
Rock Creek 8:30AM Haylee Bauer and Wyatt Panetti
Faith 10:30AM Avery Kallstrom, Briella Northrop, Callie Dorwin Prissel, Keegan Weisenbeck, Londyn Miller, Mia Ebsen, Rhys Rucker, Roxsi King-Prissel, and Wyatt Black



On Sunday, May 10th we will celebrate our graduating seniors during worship. Come and pray a blessing over them as they reach this important crossroad and take the next step in their lives of faith and vocation.

Pentecost - Bike Blessing - New Member Sunday



Kick off summer with a special Bike Blessing on Sunday, May 17th. Bring your bicycle, tricycle, scooter or skateboard. Ride with Pastor Bethany to worship. We will meet at 8AM at Diane Nolan's house (N856 810th St) to ride to Rock Creek and 10AM at Caddie Woodlawn to ride to Faith. You will receive a special gift to put on your wheeled ride. Kick off summer with God's blessings! Riders of all ages are encouraged to join us. We will also receive new members that day at both congregations as we celebrate Pentecost, the gift of the Holy Spirit!



On Sunday March 22 and Sunday May 24 there will be one joint worship service at 10:30AM at Faith. There will be NO worship services held that day at Rock Creek.



**Mark your calendars for the
6th Annual
Community Unity VBS
July 6-10, 2026**



Pastor Bethany will be taking March 16-24 and May 23-26 followed by a continued education reading retreat May 27-20. If you have a pastoral care need during the March dates please contact Pastor Mara Ahles-Iverson at 563-370-8808. Pastoral Care Coverage for May will be announced later.