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A Newsletter from the Worshipping Communities of



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**TO EQUIP THE SAINTS FOR
WORKS OF MINISTRY AND
TO BUILD UP THE BODY OF
CHRIST,
- *EPHESIANS 4:12***

I recently reflected with a group of colleagues at the synod's Walking Together workshop day about how our call as pastor's is to teach, preach, administer the sacraments and equip the saints. We are pretty faithful at the first three but sometimes fall short at placing the work of God's kingdom into the hands of lay people. This conversation reminded me about how the life of the church is at its best when many hands are put to work for the sake of the world. As we await the new life that comes on Easter Sunday I wonder how each of you would like to be further equipped to be the hands and feet of Christ? Let your pastor know how she can best live out that part of her call so that we can be the church together!



Daily Lent devotions continue to be shared on the church Facebook page. Thanks to all who took time to write. Here is the remaining Lenten schedule as we head toward Holy Week:

Soup Supper and Service April 2	6PM	Rock Creek
Soup Supper and Service April 9	6PM	Rock Creek



April 13 Palm Sunday 8:30AM Rock Creek 10:30AM Faith

April 17 Maundy Thursday 7PM Rock Creek

April 18 Good Friday 7PM Faith

April 20 Easter Sunday 8:30AM Rock Creek 10:30AM Faith



Spoon Up Support

On Palm Sunday, April 13 the Youth Group will be serving up delicious Palm Sundaes after worship! For a freewill donation you can choose a hand decorated spoon (crafted by the youth) to enjoy eating your dessert with. Donations collected will support the Youth Mission Trip: Destination Denver 2025



The youth group is excited to report that our mission trip team has grown by two!
We now have 12 traveling to Denver to serve in July!

Upcoming Youth Group Gatherings

Sunday April 13 Serve Palm Sundaes after worship

Wednesday April 16 7-8:30PM Faith

Wednesday April 23 7-8:30PM Faith

Wednesday April 30 7-8:30PM Faith



Participants had a blast at the Youth Group run Day Camp on March 14 when school was out! We raised over \$500 for the mission trip!



April Confirmation Schedule:

April 2nd will wrap up the learning year for FaithLift Confirmation students as the 8th graders meet to plan their Confirmation service

4-5:30PM at Faith

Faith Confirmation Sunday April 6

Rock Creek Confirmation Sunday May 4

Help Needed!



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 7-8



Northwest Synod of WI

Synod Assembly 2025

April 26, 2025

8:30 - 4:00

Bethany Lutheran - Rice Lake

Our congregations will each have two voting members plus Pastor Bethany at Synod Assembly this year on behalf of Faith and Rock Creek. Thanks to Nate Walker and Maria Walker for representing Faith and Steve and Kathy Dahl for representing Rock Creek. We will gather around the theme of “Come and See” as together we do the work of the church! Stay tuned for a full report in May.



Thanks to all who offer continued support for Sunday Supper through serving, monetary donations, making desserts and attending! Monthly participation is topping 100 with dine in, take out and home deliveries. This is an amazing way to be the church for and with the community!



Come enjoy the show!

April 11 and 12 7PM April 13 2PM

Nine of our youth are in the cast

Ron Krienke is set designer/builder

Pastor Bethany is choreographer/blocking director

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

Performances at DAHS Gym



Luther Park Bible Camp

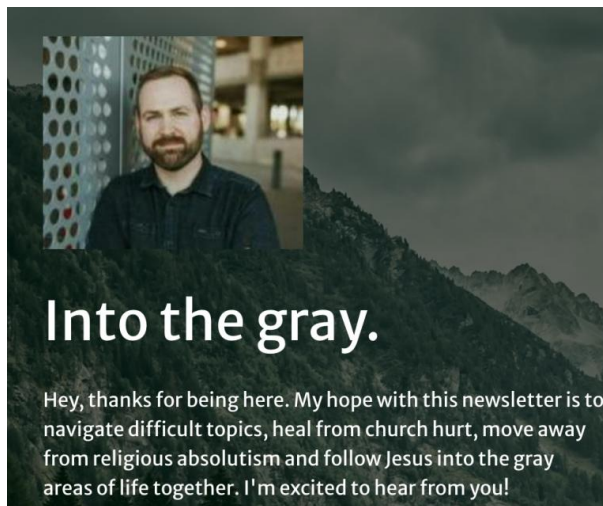


Our Partnership with Holy Play

Summer Camp

Registration is now open. Visit lutherpark.org to register. Early bird discount registration deadline is March 31st. Pastor Bethany will be joining kids who attend camp the week of June 22-27. Campership dollars are available if needed.

A Recommended Read from Pastor Bethany



This recommended read is not a book but a weekly emailed newsletter by Rev. Benjamin R Cremer entitled Into the Gray. You can subscribe to it for free on his website: <https://www.benjaminrcremer.com/>

Benjamin has been our conversation guide throughout Midweek Lenten services as we have been engaging with his writings that are centered on scripture and informed both by his own life experiences and current events. He courageously delves into the intersection of politics and Christianity and helps the reader muddle through the messy middle. His writing is honest and may challenge some of your assumptions but always leaves me asking better questions as I wonder about my call as a Jesus follower in the world today. May you be blessed as you read and wrestle.



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
Troy Mayer
Greg Mayer

April 6th, 2025

8am–11am

Rock Falls Town Hall

Cost: FREE

Donations are kindly accepted.



Thanks to all who have already sponsored a radio broadcast for 2025. These are the remaining open dates: July 6 Nov 23, 30
 Aug 3, 10, 24, 31 Dec 7, 28
 Sept 7

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:

Faith Lutheran Church 1032 Prissel St, Durand WI 54736

Faith Lutheran February Financial Summary

	Feb. Actual	Feb. Budget
<i>Opening Balance</i>	<i>\$35,785.25</i>	
<i>Income</i>		
Offering	\$4,585.40	\$7,326.00
Noisy Buckets	\$69.75	\$100.00
Interest	\$3.02	\$3.00
Memorial Fund		
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$73.00	\$66.00
Radio Broadcast	\$350.00	\$200.00
Sunday Supper		\$166.00
Youth Group	\$600.00	\$
<i>Total Income</i>	<i>\$5,835.17</i>	<i>\$8,110.33</i>
<i>Expenses</i>	<i>\$1,694.83</i>	<i>\$8,992.00</i>
<i>Ending Balance</i>	<i>\$39,925.59</i>	
Account	Feb. Ending Balance	
Checking	\$39,925.59	

Property Savings	\$1,044.03
Memorial Savings	\$6,366.75
Sunday Suppers	\$6,294.02
Total	\$53,630.39

Thank you for your continued support! If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at 715-672-4954 or 715-279-0413 and please leave me a message if needed or e-mail me at gknoepke@mtdfwi.com

Sincerely,

Greg Knoepke

Faith Lutheran Treasurer