

A Newsletter from the Worshipping Communities of

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Lutheran
Church**



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After enjoying a summer of preaching from the Psalms and celebrating our ministry partnerships I am reenergized to begin year two of Uncommon Preaching. This thematic approach to preaching allows us to hear a variety of scripture in worship, reflect together for a month on a common theme that ties it all together and wonder at what God might be saying to us. This year of Uncommon Preaching begins with the themes of Neighbor (September), Covenant (October), Gratitude (November) and Peace (December). May the word of Christ dwell in us richly as we focus on these themes through scripture and song.



All incoming 6th – 8th graders...Mark your calendars!

FaithLift Confirmation will begin with a Parent/Student Potluck Gathering

Wednesday, September 11th at Faith 5:30-7PM

Bring your family, a dish to pass and your calendar

Learning Nights 4-5:30PM at Faith

Sept 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30



Faith 5 at Club 10

Youth group has left the building! Join us for a fun night of trivia and faith formation on Wednesday, September 18 and 25 from 7-9PM at Club 10. Pastor Bethany and the youth will meet for team trivia at 7PM followed by faith formation at 8PM. We will be using a resource called Faith 5 to guide our conversations. Invite a friend! Bring money for food. Beverages will be purchased with youth group funds.



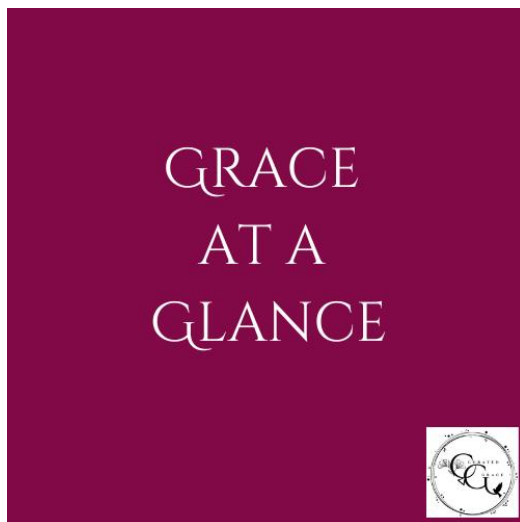
It is time for another year of Sunday School to begin!
Classes begin on Sunday September 8th

Faith 8:30AM & Rock Creek 10AM

If your children or grandchildren plan to attend Sunday School please contact Tracy Rosemeyer at Faith or Jill Bauer at Rock Creek to get them registered. May God bless the learning of our children and the work of our teachers this year!



With the start of Sunday School, anyone signed up to serve snack and coffee on Sunday Morning at Rock Creek is asked to have it set up by 10AM to be enjoyed BEFORE worship. Adults will then have this time to gather while the kids enjoy Sunday School.



Did you miss worship? Do you want to recall something that was shared? Check out Grace at a Glance on the church Facebook page. Each week this will give you a recap of the Centering Song. Scripture and a sermon snippet.

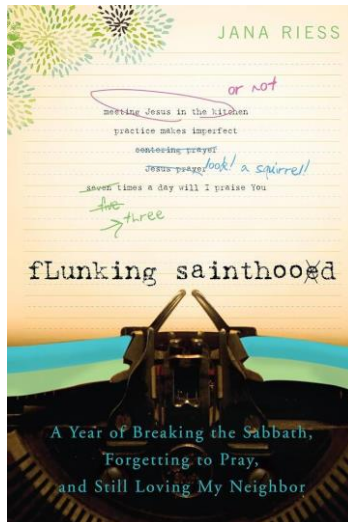
Luther Park Bible Camp...



...Our Partnership with Holy Play



Camp was a blast this summer! It is never too early to mark your calendar for time away at Luther Park. Our 2025 week at camp will be held June 22-June 27. Make plans to join the fun! Campership funds are available.



A Recommended Read

I was recently asked by a parishioner to consider sharing a book recommendation in each newsletter. So, here goes...

Flunking Sainthood: A Year of Breaking the Sabbath, Forgetting to Pray and Still Loving My Neighbor by Jana Riess

Author, Jana Riess, set out to try a new spiritual practice each month for a year. She would chronicle her success in each practice so that a how-to book could be shared with the world. After most of her months of practice did not go as planned and her take-aways were far from what she expected she told her publisher she wasn't able to write the book because her experiment had failed. The publisher encouraged her to still write about her experience, to share her honesty and

vulnerability and even her epic fails. Thus, Flunking Sainthood was written, offering encouragement to all of us who are trying to figure out this thing called discipleship as we too, continually fail forward. If you like memoirs and a reminder that all of us stumble as disciples but are still loved by the Jesus we follow you might enjoy this book. *(Note: I don't agree with everything in the books I read and recommend. It isn't necessary to agree with an author in order to learn something valuable from them. If you choose to read any of my recommended reads please do so with an open heart and mind. Also, I am always happy to hear your feedback if you decide to read a book I recommend. I love a good conversation about a good read!)*



Bonfire, Smores, and Social Time!

Bring your family, chairs and drinks to enjoy an evening out on the Rock Creek lawn on Sunday, September 22nd from 6-7:30PM. Dream Team will supply the smores and yard games. Let the kids play while the adults enjoy getting to know the families in the area for a night of networking. A super casual event! Invite your neighbors!



**God's work.
Our hands.**

**Baby & Toddler Closet
Donations**

September 8th

Diapers

Wipes

Baby food

Cash Donations



The Dream Teams invite you to join in on September 8th for the national day of service across the ELCA called God's Work Our Hands. We will be collecting items to help stock the new Baby Toddler Closet housed in Faith Lutheran's basement. Bring some of the following items to worship with you September 8 – September 22: Diapers, Baby Wipes, Baby Food, cash donations. On Sunday September 22 we will get to hear from the closet's founder, Jessie Nunez, and present her with the donations we collect. Help support this local cause with your generosity!



Neighbor to Neighbor Health Fair

Saturday September 28

10AM-1PM

Rock Creek Lutheran Church

This is an outreach to our Hispanic neighbors for health promotion and community resources. Join us for the day to offer welcome and hospitality to our neighbors. Also, Gordo's Taco food truck will be there for the day serving food. Come by for lunch!



UFF DA DINNER

Featuring Traditional Norwegian Meatballs & Lefse

Saturday, October 26

Serving 3:00 - 6:30 pm

DINE IN | TAKE-OUT
BAKE SALE | SILENT AUCTION

Adults 13 & up \$12 Kids 5-12 \$6 4 & Under Free
Tickets available at the door or in advance.



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Directions: West of Rock Falls on Highway 85 to North 810th Street

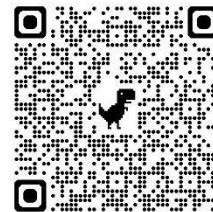
Everyone Welcome!



Volunteers Needed!



The Uff Da Dinner Committee needs a lot of helping hands for prep and serving. Please scan the QR code to sign up or contact Becky Richardson to help.





Filled School Supply Bags for LWR are due September 22nd!!!

Drawstring backpacks to fill are in the church narthex. School Kit Supply List:

___ 4 – 70 Sheet Notebooks (Wide or College Rule) NO LOOSE LEAF PAPER

___ 1 – 30 Centimeter Ruler

(Or a Ruler with Centimeters on One Side and Inches on the Other)

___ 1 – Pencil Sharpener

___ 1 – Blunt End Scissors (Safety Scissors with Embedded Steel Blades Work Well)

___ 5 – Unsharpened #2 Pencils with Eraser (Secured with a Rubber Band)

___ 5 – Ball Point Ink Pens (Blue or Black) (Secured with a Rubber Band)

___ 1 – Box of 16 or 24 Crayons

___ 1 – 2 ½ Inch Eraser



Our September Sunday Supper is sponsored by M.H. Smith. Thank you!

The monthly cost for Sunday Supper is approximately \$300. If you wish to sponsor all or a portion of a Sunday Supper please contact Linda Talford or drop your donation in the offering plate. You can also support Sunday Supper through donating desserts, bingo prizes, a grand prize for the monthly drawing or attending the meal to offer hospitality to our neighbors. We continue to depend on your generosity to keep this community outreach going.



Bishop Installation September 15

The Rev. Martin Halom was elected to serve a six-year term as bishop of our synod, the Northwest Synod of WI. He began serving on August 1. You are invited to attend his installation service on Sunday, September 15 at Hope Lutheran Church in Eau Claire at 3PM. Please RSVP at this link if you plan to attend: <https://subspla.sh/29kzdc3> or call Liz at the synod office 715-859-6810



**The following dates remain unsponsored for 2024:
November 3 and 24, Dec 1, 8 15, 22, 24 and 29**

Radio ministry is a vital part of our outreach ministry. It costs \$50/week for the radio broadcast. Send \$50 to Faith Lutheran Church and include the date you would like to sponsor and who it is in memory or honor of. Consider remembering an anniversary, birthday or another milestone. Thanks to those who have already sponsored. A sponsorship form is below for your convenience. Simply print, fill out and return.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP FORM

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

Worship Date to sponsor _____

___ In honor of _____

___ In memory of _____

Return with check made payable to: Faith Lutheran Church, 1032 Prissel St
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