



FOCUS ON FAITH WEEKLY

✦ FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH ✦ GREENFIELD INDIANA ✦

This Week at Faith Lutheran Church

Sunday Sept. 17	Monday Sept. 18	Tuesday Sept. 19	Wednesday Sept. 20	Thursday Sept. 21	Friday Sept. 22	Saturday Sept. 23
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 9:15 am Divine Service Voter's Meeting 11:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study (Luther video)	<i>Preschool</i> Pastor's Family Day Bell Choir 6:30 pm	<i>Preschool</i> Bible Study 9:30 am	<i>Preschool</i> Faith by Heart 5:30pm Jr. Catechesis: 6th Gr. 5:00 pm 7th Gr. 6:35 pm 8th Gr. 7:30 pm Choir 6 pm Chapel 7:15 pm	<i>Preschool</i> Council 6:30 pm	<i>Preschool/</i>	Men's Bible Study 8—9:15 am Gourd meeting in the CLC 2-4 Family and Fellowship 6:30 pm—8:30 pm

Weekly Divine Service: Sunday 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study: Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Private Confession and Holy Absolution with Pastor is available by appointment

Pastor Wm. Daniel O'Connor email: pastorwdo@faithgreenfield.org

Administrative Assistant e-mail: secretary@faithgreenfield.org Focus on Faith Deadline: 9 am Thursday

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION

As I'm sure many of you are aware, this year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. In celebration of this, Lutheran Hour Ministries has prepared a video series and study about the career of our namesake: Martin Luther, titled "A Man Named Martin." The videos are very well done and are quite interesting. The series is divided into three parts that, all-together, take several weeks to view and discuss. This will be done here at Faith today, during our Sunday morning adult Bible Study hour, and will continue through the month of October. Join us, won't you?, as we learn together more about Luther and the heritage left to us in the Reformation.

Pastor O'Connor

FAMILY & FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Ken and Susan Sedam are hosting Family & Fellowship on Saturday, September 23, 2017. They spend the winter months in Florida and wanted to share their love of playing cards before they leave next month. The evening will start at 6:30 pm. If you don't like cards, please bring your own game to share. Mike Schildmier said he was going to bring a game. Mike will furnish Sloppy Joes; please bring your drinks and light snacks. Please join us next Saturday. All are invited.

FROM THE COUNCIL

September's voters meeting is today at 11:00 am

FROM LUTHER

“Here again you see that the sacrament of Baptism, even with respect to its sign, is not a matter of the moment, but something permanent. Although the ceremony itself is soon over, the thing it signifies continues until we die, yes, even until we rise on the Last Day. For as long as we live we are continually doing that which Baptism signifies, that is, we die and rise again.” (from *The Babylonian Captivity of the Church*, written in 1520 and found in Luther’s Works – vol. 36, p.69)

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (September 21) – St. Matthew, also known as Levi, identifies himself as a former tax collector, and the Lord called him away from his occupation and wealth to be a disciple (Matthew 9:9-13). Not only did Matthew become a disciple of Jesus, he was also called and sent as one of the Lord’s twelve apostles (Matthew 10:2-4). In time, he became the evangelist whose inspired record of the Gospel was granted first place in the ordering of the New Testament. Among the four Gospels, Matthew’s especially portrays Christ as a new and greater Moses, Who graciously fulfills the Law and the Prophets (Matthew 5:17) and establishes a new covenant of salvation in and with His own blood (Matthew 26:27-28). Matthew’s Gospel is also well-known and beloved for its record of the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the Sermon on the Mount – including the Beatitudes, and the “Our Father” (Matthew 5 – 7). Matthew’s Gospel also contains the institution of Holy Baptism and, with that, the most explicit revelation of the Holy Trinity (Matthew 28:16-20). Tradition is uncertain where his final field of labor was, or whether Matthew died naturally or suffered a martyr’s death. In celebrating this festival, we therefore give thanks to God that He has mightily governed and protected His holy Church through this man who was called and sent by Christ to serve the sheep of His pasture with the Gospel.

Collect: O Son of God, our blessed Savior Jesus Christ, You called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist. Through his faithful and inspired witness, grant that we also may follow You, leaving behind all covetous desires and love of riches.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS CONT.

Jonah (September 22) – A singular prophet among the many in the Old Testament, Jonah the son of Amittai was born about an hour’s walk from the town of Nazareth. The focus of his prophetic ministry was the call to preach at Nineveh, the capital city of pagan Assyria (Jonah 1:1). His reluctance to respond and God’s insistence that His call be heeded is the story of the book that bears Jonah’s name. Although the swallowing and disgorging of Jonah by the great fish is the most remembered detail of his life, it is actually addressed in only three verses of the book (1:17; 2:1, 10). Throughout the book, the important theme is how God deals compassionately with sinners. Jonah’s three-day sojourn in the belly of the fish is mentioned by Jesus as a sign of His own death, burial, and resurrection (Matthew 12:39–41).

Collect: Lord God, heavenly Father, through the prophet Jonah You continued the prophetic pattern of teaching Your people the true faith, and demonstrating through miracles Your presence in creation to heal it of its brokenness. Grant that Your Church may see in Your Son: our Lord Jesus Christ, the final end-times prophet, Whose teaching and miracles continue in Your Church today through the healing medicine of the Gospel and the Sacraments.

FROM THE PRESCHOOL

We are looking for a couple of good homes. One would be for the piano currently in the CLC, the other for the doll house also currently in the CLC. As neither of these items is getting any use, we would love to see them go to a happy home where they will be appreciated. FYI, you will need to provide transportation for each of these items. If you have any questions about either item, please contact Rebecca Shanton.

If you are interested, please give your name to MaryJo McConnell or to Rebecca Shanton. Your name will then be put into a hat and the new owner(s) will be chosen randomly.

Please have your name in by Sunday, Oct 1st.

Thank you!



“As LCMS World Relief and Human Care and its LCMS Disaster Response now answer the call for two hurricanes, it’s important that the kindness being expressed across the Synod continues in the aftermath of these catastrophes. LCMS Disaster Response, in the stead of a multitude of sacrificial donors who are determined to make a difference in the lives of those who are genuinely suffering, is committed to supporting affected districts and their church communities while also building on their capacity not only in responding to a congregation’s needs, but also in extending Christ’s mercy by providing body-and-soul care to individuals and entire communities.”

— REV. DR. ROSS JOHNSON, LCMS DISASTER RESPONSE DIRECTOR

To Give:

- **Online** — Visit lcms.org/harveyand and lcms.org/irma.
- **By text** — Text “LCMSHARVEY” or “LCMSIRMA” to 41444.
- **Over the phone** — Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Central time at 888-930-4438 or the LCMS Church Information Center at 888-843-5267.
- **By mail** — Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response/Relief,” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO, 63166-6861. Gifts also can be designated specifically for Hurricane Harvey and/or affected areas by stipulating in the memo line.

Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Additional information about our LCMS response, and the impact your gifts are having, will be available over the weeks and months ahead at lcms.org, on the Synod’s social-media outlets, and in our official periodicals and publications.

Prayer:

For all who have been devastated by Hurricane Irma and for those still in danger; for those who have lost loved ones, home or employment; for those who will respond in the Caribbean and Florida and for those who continue to respond to the wildfires in the West and to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana; for all hearts that are weary and discouraged, that they may find good courage and hope in what never passes away, the love we have been given in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

MARY MARTHA GUILD

Faith's Mary Martha Guild is a society of the Indiana District LWML. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

Concordia Theological Seminary Donation Day

October 10, 2017

A box has been placed in the Fellowship area to collect donations for Concordia Theological Seminary Donation Day. If you would like to contribute, please bring your donations by Sunday, October 8. Needed items include:

- Dry or canned food items
- Toilet tissue
- Paper Towels
- Personal hygiene items
- Health care products
- Disposable diapers
- New or clean used clothing in good repair for all members of the family
- Monetary donations which can be used to purchase food at low cost through local food banks
- Gift cards to major local retailers, restaurants and gas stations (all no larger than \$25) are always welcome.

MARY MARTHA QUILTERS

Where has the summer gone? Time is approaching to get back to quilting. Monday, September 18 from 1:00 to 3:00 in the fellowship room here at Faith will be our start our quilting season. We welcome all Ladies interested to come and help. Any questions, please ask Jean Fox or call 765-778-4098. Please join us.

CONGREGATIONAL NETWORK

As you all know, the Congregational Network Dementia & Dinner event is coming quickly this coming Monday September 18, 5:30-7p at Brandywine Community Church! I am asking you all to help in a last minute push to get more people there. I have heard many times, from many different churches, that dementia is a topic they wanted more information about. Let's get those people there J

Please tell your churches about this FREE event and encourage them to go, especially if they have a loved one or they themselves are dealing with dementia. I would also appreciate it if you included the information and/or flyer in the bulletins this week or posted on your church Facebook page. On our part, we have now posted it on the healthy365 Facebook page and tagged most of our church partners and are working on getting the information into the Daily Reporter this week as well. It takes a team to make this successful, and I have full faith in this team to make this a great event. Hope to see you all there!

**Registration is through the Alzheimer's Association 1-800-272-3900. Registrants may need to specify that it is for "The Basics" presentation in Greenfield on 9/18. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you would prefer me to call in the registration information, I would more than happy to do so.

Erika Bruggeman, MSW, LSW
 Congregational Network Navigator
 Hancock Regional Hospital Foundation
 Office: 317-468-4142

2017 REFORMATION SERVICE

BE PART OF A UNIQUE CELEBRATION! We have the privilege of being here to celebrate 500 years of the Reformation. One great chance to do so will be our Indiana Central Region Reformation Service on Sunday October 29 at Cornerstone Lutheran Church in Carmel at 3 o'clock p.m. Come and be part of this unique celebration!

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Organist..... Elise Temme
 Crucifer Grant Shepherd
 Acolyte Joey Roland, Ether Surburg
 Communion Assistants..... Steve Coon & Randy Litten
 Elder on Duty Tim Wagner
 Greeters Lois Hoff & Polly Strothmann
 Ushers..... Jim Arthur, Lester Cook, Ed Fox
 Altar Guild Gloria & Richard Curry
 Sound Rick Riegler
 Refreshments..... O'Connor & Surburg

RECEIVING IN FAITH : SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Divine Service 103

RESPONDING IN FAITH: SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

General Fund	3,450.00
Loose Cash	84.25
Memorials.....	60.00
LCMC.....	100.00
Total	\$3,694.25

KFUO LUTHERAN RADIO

*For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of September 17. Find the full listing at kfu.org/church-bulletin. Listen to **Worldwide KFUO.org**, your radio station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, daily worship opportunities, and current issues from a Lutheran worldview. Programs are archived at KFUO.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts! Have a question or comment? Find us at [@KFUOradio](https://www.facebook.com/KFUOradio) on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.*

This week on KFUO.org, we discuss building and sustaining healthy congregations with Ted Kober (Faith & Family 9/19/@ 10am CT), begin in 1 Timothy for our lectionary study with Rev. Jonathan Fisk on Sharper Iron (weekdays @ 8am CT), and study the lectionary for the 16th Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 20 on Thy Strong Word (9/20 @ 11am CT).

Call 800-730-2727 or email letstalk@kfu.org to join the conversation on "Let's Talk!"

ADULT STUDIES IN GOD'S WORD

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This class meets every Sunday morning in the fellowship area of the church, immediately following our time of fellowship after the Divine Service. Come join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This class meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30 in the fellowship area of the church, with refreshments served 15 min. beforehand. Note: Last week we began a study of the Song of Solomon. Come join us.

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY— This lay led study meets every Saturday at 8:00 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Solomon Builds the Temple.
It is good to be near God. Psalm 73:28

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

LuFest – Friday, April 13, 2018 at Lucas Oil Stadium
Purchase your LuFest 2018 table of 10 for the discounted price of \$1,000 **through October 13**. Visit bidpal.net/lufest2018 to learn more about the 36th annual Lutheran Festival dinner/auction for supporters of LHS, purchase tables or sponsorships, and donate to help LHS teachers/staff members attend the gala event.

Dig Pink/Be the Hope Night, October 3

Please join LHS in raising awareness and funds for breast cancer research. **Dig Pink/Be the Hope Night** is **Tuesday, October 3** during the volleyball matches (JV at 6:00 pm, Varsity follows). We will honor all cancer fighters and survivors between matches and will host a Chick-fil-A sponsored hospitality room throughout the evening. Money raised will go to the I.W.I.N. Foundation. More info at lhsi.org.

“Alice in Wonderland” – October 5, 7, & 8

Saints on Stage present “**Alice in Wonderland**” October 5 and 7, 7:00 pm, and October 8, 3:00 pm in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium at LHS. Tickets (\$10 adult, \$5 student/senior) may be purchased online at lhsi.org or in the LHS office weekdays, 7:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Metal/Electronics Recycling and Paper Shredding, October 28

Save your metal and support Lutheran High School! On **Saturday, October 28, 9:00 am – noon**, you may drop off any kind of metal and electronics (\$20 donation per TV or monitor) to be recycled and documents to be securely shredded (\$5/box donation suggested).

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mary Jo McConnell..... 9/17
 Meredith O'Connor 9/21
 Grant Shepherd..... 9/21
 Jean Fox..... 9/23

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mary Jo McConnell 9/17
 George Butzin 9/21
 Meredith O'Connor 9/21
 Jadon Yeager 9/23

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

CHURCH LEADERS

Council:

Jeff Dickmader (Chairman)
 Brian Atkins (Vice-Chairman)
 Amanda Houser (Recording Secretary)
 Robert M. Yeager (Treasurer)
 Phyllis Arthur (Parochial Ed. Chair)
 Tom Fitzwater (Evangelism Chair)
 Mike Schildmier (Properties Chair)
 Rebecca Shanton (Parish Ed. Chair)
 Bob G. Yeager (Stewardship Chair)
 Tim Wagner (Elders Chair)

Elders:

Tim Wagner (Chair)
 James Froiland
 Shawn Houser
 Mark Jenkins (Recording Secretary)
 Ken Peterson
 Matthew Surburg

CARDS TO SHUT INS

Mr. Chuck LaVallee
 200 W. Green Meadows Dr.
 Greenfield, IN 46140

IN OUR PRAYERS

Note: Prayer requests will be listed for four weeks, unless longer is requested.

*Drew Schwier's family (friend of the congregation)
 26 yrs. old shot and killed*

*Hurricane Irma survivors
 Lee Orr (Friend of Keith Harlow)
 Hospitalized*

*Brian Atkin's sister Toni
 Water on her brain*

*Sandy Albrecht's father
 Hospice*

*Vivian Baumann
 Stroke*

*Donna Kuppler
 Homebound*

*Marilyn Kroeger
 Nursing home bound and ill*

*Marjorie Lung
 Nursing home bound*

*Chuck LaVallee
 Nursing home bound*

*Betty Mattsey
 Homebound*

*Don Pfaff
 Homebound*

*Peggy Price
 Homebound (in Ft. Wayne)*

*Marilyn Rothkopf
 Nursing home bound*

*Ellie Trautmann
 Nursing home bound*

Emily Rogers (LWML National Board)

Serving our Country

Rob Wolfla, Nick Arthur, James McConnell,
 Noah Heiwig, Will Harlow (friend of Pastor's)

Please inform the office if a prayer, baptismal birthday, anniversary or birthday was missed or incorrect this week. Thank you.

Please Contact Lori (317) 431-9514, and email address is loriyeager@comcast.net. You may also call or email the office to have it forwarded