



Faith Lutheran Church

Receiving and Sharing the Love of Christ
October 2025 Newsletter



Please join us for Sunday School and Worship.

Sunday School for All Ages is at 9:00am followed
by worship at 10:15am.

Adults meet in the narthex/lobby with Pastor Lee

Junior High & High School meet in Room 9

Elementary (grades 4-6) meet in Room 6

Early Childhood (grades K – 3) meet in the Kinder Room

Young Adult Bible Study meets Wednesday at 6:00pm in
Room 9 of Faith's family center.

FAITH FEST

Saturday, October 25, 2025

5:00pm – 7:00pm

German Food

Schnitzel, Sausage, Chicken, Potato Salad, Red Cabbage, Sauerkraut,
Rolls, and Desserts

Heritage Display & Music

Personal items from Germany, Norway, Sweden, and other European countries.

The German Band of North Texas will provide entertainment.

There will also be a silent auction. You do not need to be present to win.

Adults \$10.00; Children \$5.00 (children under 3 eat free)

Tickets may be purchased from a church member, the church office or at the door.





Dear Friends in Christ;

A Mighty Fortress has been called the Battle Hymn of the Reformation. Martin Luther, inspired by the words of Psalm 46 penned the words of this hymn.

*¹ God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble.*

*² Therefore we will not fear,
Even though the earth be removed,
And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;*

*³ Though its waters roar and be troubled,
Though the mountains shake with its swelling....*

For over 300 years, Europe had dealt with the recurrences of the bubonic plague. In the 14th century, it is believed to have taken the lives of 60% of the European population. In the summer of 1527, this plague came to Wittenberg. Most of the professors of the University fled with their families to escape this horrible plague. Martin Luther remained in Wittenberg because he felt that God had called him to such a time and place to minister to those who were suffering from the plague. Two of Luther's brothers died in the pandemic. Even though Martin Luther's wife was pregnant, he turned their home into a hospital to care for the sick and the dying. Luther, writing to others said, "If you truly love your neighbor, you would self-quarantine to stop the spread of the disease."

Living in this "devil filled world" Martin Luther struggled with depression all of his life. He found great comfort in these words from Psalm 46. He had learned that he could not lift himself out of this pit of despair. "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear..."

Our hope is not in this world, but in the One who created heaven and earth. God is our refuge and strength. He tells us – do not be afraid. Even though everything around us seems to be falling apart.

As Martin Luther wrote –
*"Though devils all the world should fill,
All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill;
They shall not overpower us.
This worlds prince may still
Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.*

That little word, is the Word that became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. Jesus, the Son of God. Fear Not!
God is our refuge and strength.

In His Service
Rev. Jeffrey A. Lee

MISSION OF THE MONTH:

M.O.S.T. Ministries (Mission Opportunities Short Term)

MOST Ministries exists to be a part of the Great Commission, so that the Word of God, the good news of salvation, is brought to every person in every land.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.
(Matthew 28:19-20a, NIV)

We do this both through what we say and what we do:

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. (Ephesians 2:10, NIV)

During the month of October, Faith is asking for your encouragement, prayers and financial support for our Mission of the Month partner, MOST Ministries. MOST Ministries is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization independent of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod but operates in such a way to foster the mission and ministry of the church, providing activities in harmony with the Synod and respecting the doctrine and practice of the Synod at all times.

FOCUS: Every MOST Ministries mission experience includes sharing the Gospel through a simple, clear presentation whenever appropriate with community members. In some countries, formal public evangelism is forbidden by government policy which MOST fully adheres to.

OUTREACH: MOST Ministries provides short term mission opportunities to support Christian ministries through the world through witness and service. Mission Teams minister to the physical and spiritual needs of people through projects such as: Agricultural Education, Clean Water Outreach, Construction, Dental Clinics, English Camp, Eyeglass Clinics, Health Education, Medical Clinics, Music and/or Sports Camp, Ministries for Women, Men and Youth. In the past, Faith has collected eyeglasses for MOST Ministries in addition to providing financial gifts.

To learn more, check out the information on the church bulletin board or go to www.mostministries.org. To give, please use a Mission of the Month envelope available on the table in the narthex, ear-mark your check for the offering plate, or give online (in Subsplash) to Mission of the Month.

www.mostministries.org, 2025

~ Thank You ~ I want to thank all my sisters and brothers in Christ who supported me by attending my solo art show in July – especially the reception. Your large turnout benefited the Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council as well. Thanks to all of y'all and the grace of God, the show was a great success. Thank you and God bless you. JoAnn Schulze



"Serve the Lord with gladness." Psalm 100:2

This verse is the motto for the LWML. Our purpose is to serve the Lord in many different ways. On September 21st, we joined with others from our congregation to prepare teacher kits which will be delivered to an Orphan Grain Train location in Texas. These kits will be distributed by them later.

Our monthly collection of mites helps to fund this and other mission grants such as the Portable Laundry Trailer for Forged by Fire. This grant of \$100,700 will provide funds for purchasing an eight-station laundry trailer for use by victims, volunteers and first responders in areas affected by natural and man-made disasters. It will also provide an opportunity for LERT volunteers to share the Gospel with them. Thank you for your donations of \$185.76 in September.

On October 19th, we will celebrate LWML Sunday with a special service. We will also provide information about LWML and our mission grants for the 2025-2027 biennium.

Don't forget to visit our booth at the Arts & Crafts Sale at the Recreation Hall November 7-8. We will have lots of goodies available for sale.

Be sure to sign up for Advent by Candlelight on December 7th. Our theme this year is Christmas Carols.

Blessings to all,

Marlene Peiser



We are here to help! The Board of Evangelism will provide food to church members who are recovering from illnesses or surgical procedures, birth of a baby, or other situations where meals are challenging. Contact Rosanne Keilers, board chair; Sue Angerhofer, Pat Hardy, Kat Hinkel, Sheila Small, Pastor Lee, or the church office.



**Saturday, December 20,
at 4:00pm**

**Talk with Christine if you
have a place for the carolers
to visit.**



Stephen Ministry in Action

A ministry of care giving, relying on God to be the cure giver.

Comments shared by people who have received care from a
Stephen Minister...

"My Stephen Minister was there during the darkest of times—patiently listening and trying to understand my pain. Looking back, I can clearly see how my Stephen Minister kept me connected to God when I was falling away."
Anonymous

"My Stephen Minister listens—really listens. I never realized how helpful and healing such a simple act can be."
Anonymous

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk any of our team members.

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

In His service,
Sherre West

It's Renewal Time for

Lutheran Witness and Texas Messenger Subscriptions

It's time to renew *Lutheran Witness & Texas Messenger* Subscriptions for 2026. Though the cost of publication continues to rise, the Texas District will not increase subscription prices for the upcoming year. As a result, the annual subscription will remain at \$24.75.

To renew, please place an earmarked check in the offering plate or drop by the church office. Any donations over \$24.75 will be used to gift a subscription to another church member. Renewal requests must be received by Sunday, November 2.

If you have any questions, please contact
Lisa Stroebel.

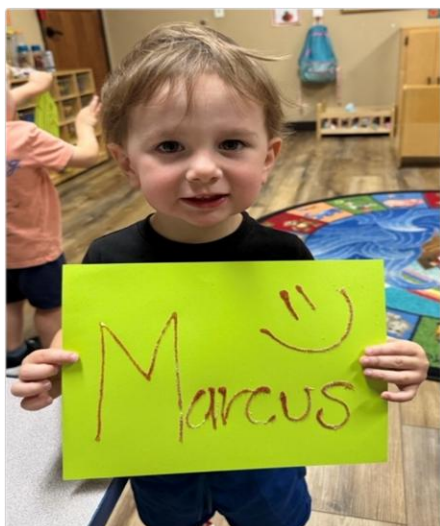


Faith All Stars

The All Stars are playing T-ball this season. Game continues each Monday in October at 5:30pm on Faith Field (Faith Family Center in case of inclement weather).

Come out and enjoy cooler weather and **CHEER** on the All Stars. The end-of-season party is October 27.

happy
FALL
y'all



*There's always something to be
thankful for.*

1 Thessalonians 5:18



The Bulletin Board

Bulletin Folders (by Sunday)

1st Paula Hymer 2nd Trudy Carlson	3rd Sue Angerhofer 4th/5th Lynann Simpson
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Serving in October:
Erika Barlow



October Ushers

Larry Angerhofer
Burl Peiser

Please begin thinking about serving as an usher in 2026. Lee Barlow, Head Usher, can answer questions.

Lector Schedule (by date)

10/05	Brandon Bohannon
10/12	Keith Fredrickson
10/19	Ginia Bruno
10/26	Lee Barlow



~ NOTICE ~

ReUse, Reduce, Recycle

Thanks to those who have provided plastic bags for Faith School use and aluminum cans for the youth group. Let's keep it up!

Your humble bag folder and can crusher!

FREE Notary Public Service

Cindy Stafford – (254) 592-6630

Faith Lutheran's Elders

Glen Cornman, Head Elder
 Andy Burke; Will Lansmon
 Richard Liedtke; John Quade
 Ronnie Tate

Church Council meets every third Monday of the month. Meetings are open to all members.

Altar Flowers for October

10/05	Peiser
10/12	Luera
10/19	Lansmon
10/26	Open



marigolds

Altar Flower Chart

If you would like to celebrate/commemorate a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion by sharing fresh flowers/plant with the church, please sign up. The chart can be found on the wall next to the church kitchen. Questions? Please speak with Lisa.



Faith's family center is open the first & third Sundays of each month from 2pm to 4pm'ish for pickleball. Equipment is provided. Come play!



~ Join Choir ~

Thursdays at 6:30pm
in the sanctuary



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Church Information

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Church Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am – 5:30pm
 (closed 12:30-1:30pm for lunch)
 Friday: 8:30am – 12:30pm

OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship Schedule Pastor Jeffrey A. Lee 9:00am Sunday School for All Ages 10:15am Combined Worship Service No Brunch Faith School Chapel – Wednesdays at 10am			1 6:00pm Board of Stewardship~Rm 6	2 *Christine Richmond 6:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsals~Sanct.	3 MOW~Pack	4 *Pastor Lee *Ed Weber
5 2:00pm Pickleball~FFC	6 5:00pm Delta Kappa Gamma~Narthex 5:30pm Faith AllStars on Faith Field	7 3:00pm Evangelism Meeting~Library 5:30pm PFS Mtng~Narthex	8 10:30am Tate Small Group~Rm 6 5:15pm Board of Ed Mtng~Lbry 6:00pm LWML Bible Study~Rm 6	9 6:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsals~Sanct.	10 *John Franz MOW~Sparkman	11 9:00am Faith School Training
			LWML District Retreat - Waco			
12 **Troy & Sheryl Truss 11:30am Trustee Mtng~Library 5:30pm Stephen Mnstry Supervision/ Continuing Ed~Rm 6	13 *Larry Brock *Marlene Peiser 5:30pm Faith School Board Mtng~Rm 9 5:30pm Faith AllStars on Faith Field 6:30pm LWML Bus. Meeting~Rm 6 6:30pm Board of Elders~Library	14	15	16 6:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsals~Sanct.	17 *Temperance Espinoza MOW~Franz	18
19 LWML Mite Box Sunday 2:00pm Pickleball~FFC	20 5:30pm Faith AllStars on Faith Field 6:00pm Church Council Meeting~Narthex	21 *Maggie Lansmon 1:30pm Simpson Small Group~RM 6	22 *Ralph Hymer 10:30am Tate Small Group~Rm 6 6:00pm LWML Bible Study~Rm 6	23 **Jack & JoAnn Zerkle 6:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsals~Sanct.	24 MOW~Bruno 6:00pm Decorate for Faith Fest	25 Faith Fest 5-7pm 
26 Reformation Sunday *Don Kirklen 5:30pm Stephen Mnstry Supervision/Continuing Ed~Rm 6	27 5:30pm Faith AllStars on Faith Field	28 *Tate Maruska	29 *Joyce Adams *Diana Wood *Jack Zerkle	30 *Diana Synatske	31 Reformation Day MOW~ Keilers 	KEY *Birthday **Anniversary Church Events School Events Building Rentals LWML Events