

**FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
4543 DOUGLAS ROAD
TOLEDO, OH 43613**

OCTOBER 2019

FAITH CHRONICLES



Faith United Lutheran Church
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Website: www.faithunitedlutherantoledo.com or www.faithunited.church

Pastor: Pr. Tom Schaeffer

Worship Services: Saturday – 4:00 pm

Secretary: Jan Weatherly

Sunday – 10:00 am

Organist: Patrick Finnegan

Sunday School – 9:00 am

Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs. – 9:00-4:00; Wed. 10:00-4:00; Fri. 9:00-2:00.

In case of an emergency, you may reach Pastor Tom at 419-481-3891 or Donna Morrin at 419-290-8997

A Message from our Pastor

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Karen and I wanted to thank you all for your incredible generosity at the recent celebration of my 30th year of ordination. The day was wonderful, and we were both overwhelmed and humbled by your gift. Everything about this day meant a lot to us.

We feel so blessed to be here. Most of us know the history. I was a pastor who needed to find a part-time call for a church that would also allow me to fulfill my duties to the business I owned. It was a unique situation. By the grace of God, there were two churches looking to share a pastor part-time who were completely receptive to my background and business venture.

It is now very clear to me that God had a plan all along. My circumstances changed quickly. I was now in a position to accept a full-time call. Moreover, the churches decided to take a significant step of faith and consolidate into one church- Faith United. Now there was a ministry that needed a full-time pastor and a pastor who could give it to them.

I could have never anticipated this blessed chain of events. But it is just one more way in which God has shown his hand to be upon Karen and me throughout our lives and ministry. We are so grateful for Faith United and look forward to the years we will share together.

United in Faith,
Pastor Tom

Consecration Sunday – October 20

Over the next several weeks there will be much taking place that will enhance and examine what exactly is Consecration Sunday. Letters will be mailed out as well as temple talks and personal witnesses given. On Consecration Sunday we will conclude with a Celebration luncheon. This will be a catered event so that no one has to miss the event while they are working in the kitchen. We will be giving out Consecration Sunday Reservation Cards as well. The next six weeks will not only be exciting, but will help all of us to understand our personal relationship with God better, and help us to discern what God is telling us and calling us to do with our time, our talents and our treasury, to the Glory of His name.

Consecration Sunday and the Celebration Luncheon are on October 20, 2019

Blessings,
Frank Weaver

What's New at Faith United?

Facebook Page: If you haven't been to Faith United's Facebook page yet, please visit there (and Like us.) Anyone is welcome to share photos of church activities, say hello to one another and just keep up on news. You can also share upcoming events with your Friends. It is called Faith United Lutheran Church.

Donations to the Fish Bowl

Each week donations to the Fish Bowl will be designated to a different cause, organization or other purpose. Any and all donations are always gladly accepted.

Web Site – The church's Web site, www.faithunitedlutherantoledo.com or www.faithunited.church, is a great source for information for you and you can tell friends to check out the site to find out what is happening at Faith United! This website is up and running, and new items are added all the time.

Church Office Hours – as of 1/14/2019, the new office hours are:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday	9:00-4:00
Wednesday	10:00 – 4:00
Friday	9:00-2:00

There are now doorbells at both entrances to the church office. If the doors are locked during regular business hours, please ring the buzzer. Just a personal note, the secretary has bad knees, so it takes a couple of minutes to get to the Luther Hall door, so please be patient.

Church Supplies – the church is always in need of paper towels, toilet paper, and hand soap. You can bring supplies to the church office or drop off on Sunday.

Christian Education

Christian Education is now a work in progress. There are few regularly attending students, both youth and adult, and even fewer teachers. Please pray for this ministry.

Cindy Sauppé

Worship, Music, and Fine Arts – October 2019

We plan Worship that brings the committed joy, the searching fragrance, and the hurting peace. How has Worship affected you? I am interested in your comments.

Welcome back to the Chancel Choir and the Bell Choir.

The next meeting of this ministry is Tuesday, October 8 at 7:00 pm. Join us if you like to choose hymns and plan "the best hour of your week".

Living Awake,
Cindy Sauppé

WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

Coming events for WELCA:

Rebekah Circle – October 3, 7:00 pm- Bible Study: *No hard feelings? The ache of grief...*

October – Bread Sale - October 13 in the vestibule after Worship - The proceeds will allow WELCA to offer scholarships for the November WELCA Retreat.

Ladies Retreat: November 1 & 2 at Widewater Retreat Center (see the attached letter)

Thankoffering Sunday

Advent by Candlelight – December 3

Rebekah Circle is gathering of women who share in Bible Study, enjoy fellowship, and join a Churchwide community of women who strive to serve God, in the image of Jesus, and support healing and wholeness in the world.

Bread Sale – Donate a loaf of your homemade bread (banana, lemon, cinnamon, wheat, white, pistachio, etc.) and then buy a different bread. You have a treat and you have then supported the scholarship fund for the Ladies Retreat.

Ladies Retreat is November 1 and 2 at Widewater Camp and Retreat Center in Liberty Center, Ohio. We begin at 6 pm on Friday, November 1 and end about 3:30 pm on Saturday, November 2. The cost is \$75 and includes overnight lodging, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and all Retreat materials, Debbie Warren will lead us in sessions entitled, *The Power of Praise and Worship*. Debbie comes to us by popular demand. For more information and to register please contact me. Registration closes October 18

In "faith – united",
Cindy Sauppé

The Power of Praise and Worship

"I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, so I shall be saved from my enemies." Psalm 18:3

Faith United Lutheran Church Women's Retreat

November 1 and 2, 2019

Debbie Warren, Christian Speaker

Presenter

Widewater Retreat and Ministry Center

4-050 US – Liberty Center, Ohio 43532

We are praying that you might be interested in joining us. Your presence would make our gathering unique because of you.

The retreat center is 30 miles from Toledo. The atmosphere is very casual. Driving directions are available. We like to begin our Retreat Sessions on Friday around 7:00. A light supper will be available around 6:00. The deadline for reservations is October 18, 2019.

The cost of the retreat is \$75 and includes Retreat materials, overnight lodging, supper on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Make your check payable to Faith United Lutheran Church with WELCA Retreat in the memo.

Items to bring would be: personal toiletry items, including towels and soap, bed linens or a blanket and sleeping bag (twin bed), and a Bible. You may bring a snack for Friday night. A beverage bar is available 24/7.

It is our hope that this time away with God will help you grow in your relationship with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and, to encourage you to continue to make time to be with God in all the facets of your life. Join us for a time away with God... RETREAT.

Contact me by phone (419-472-1397) or email (cssauppe@gmail.com) with questions and to make your reservation.

*Living Awake,
Cindy Sauppe'*

p.s. Bethany Lutheran Church and Reformation Lutheran Church have joined together to become Faith United Lutheran Church. All are welcome.

Rummage Sale Rap-up

As many of you have heard, the 2019 rummage sale was a HUGE success. While it took hours of work and numerous volunteers, the grand total of \$6502.25 was taken in which made it all worthwhile!

Thank you for your donations and please remember to start saving for next year. Our future dates will be Aug. 13,14 and 15, 2020. Without everyone working closely together, we never would have had this success.

Sincerely,

The Rummage Sale Committee

Important Information and Announcements

Announcements/Newsletter Articles

In order to allow Peg and Jan adequate time to provide you with the best product there are some guidelines that must be followed by all groups and all members of the congregation.

Sunday Bulletin Announcements - must be typed (if needed Jan is happy to do the typing for you) and submitted to the office personally or by email no later than noon Wednesdays. If received later than that, you will be asked to make your announcement at the Sunday worship service. Each announcement should take no more than 4 lines of type.

Prayer Requests – Any prayer requests to be posted in the bulletin will be added and will stay on the list for a period of 30 days, unless you request the name(s) be kept on longer. Each will remain an additional 30 days. Please note that all the names on our prayer list are included in the Sunday Worship Prayer of the Church, with only those names on blue cards turned in that day read aloud.

Electronic Announcements – any event or item you wish to have included on the electronic announcements must be submitted no later than 10:00 Thursdays. The content should be clearly provided, with both words and any graphics you might like to use.

Newsletter Articles – All newsletter articles must be submitted, preferably by email, to Peg by no later than the 21st of each month. This is to allow Peg time to gather articles, place them in the newsletter form, print and publish each newsletter. All committees are technically required to have a report each month so the congregation can see what is happening on their behalf. There are no size limitations on the articles. It is very much appreciated when these procedures are followed. It makes their jobs a little easier and helps provide all members of the congregation with the most accurate, current information available.

Web Site/Internet Use

Anyone interested in receiving one-on-one or group training on how to utilize the church’s Web site or the Internet in general can contact the church office. Classes will be set up provided there is enough interest. Basic computer skills, such as email and Facebook for example, are being taught as well. You can get an idea of how much to spend on a computer for your needs. Contact the church office if interested.

In Our Prayers

Home: Jan Ellenberger, Pat Finnegan, Randy Collier, Keith Flick, Lois Manning, Jan Leonard, Julie & Rick Hagg, Phyllis Neeley, Judy & Al Schaarschmidt, Char Bowlus, John Bailiff, Sandy Drake, Larry & Sandy Matzinger, Terry Belcik, Gloria DeMerritt, Lori Knouse, Les Johnson, Janice Blazey, Erica Foster, Rick DeLeonardis, Christina Loyd, Jim Lang, Jennifer and Steve Kern, Pattie Webber, Barbara McClintock, Jeff Decker, Joanna Raney, William McDermott, Marie Gillen, Betsy Jaynes, Kristie Massie, Morgan Hickerson, the Billops and McClellan Families, Colleen Krebsler, Ruth Stadler; Colleen Krebsler.

Hospitals/Care Centers: Pastor & Sandy Mays (Elizabeth Scott); Shirley Kennedy (Rosary Care Center); Michael Morrin; Elsie Johnson (The Waterford at Levis Commons).

Family and Friends: Julie Hipple; Nicole Erdman; Chris, Paula Sanner, Gina Glover, Margaret Schonter, Tom Schonter, Jack Schonter, Reed Francis; Violet Liest; Jeff Snow; Connie & Brandon Sondergeld & Katie Holtgrieve; Clay Wilson; Eli Titkemeier; Frankie Edinger, Jim Ansted; Cara, Bob & son of Jennifer Pruefer; Mike Jorris; Regina, Kim; Sharon; Heather; Wendy & Neal; Greg Horton; family of Dave Caig; Maggie & Britany; Gerry Finnegan & Shirley Skeldon; Keith Rabie; Karen Sauppe & Tim Cummings; Greg & Kristy, Elizabeth Kopzoski; Andy & Mary Okapal; Betty & Vicky, Don Fall, Nathan, & Lou & Barbie; Jaime Wetherald; Chuck Skeldon; Karen Bernadino; Family of Steve Kern; Noah Asher, Bob Molina & Adeline Masters; Karen Dewitz; Tony & Pam Zglinski.

In death: Terry Kutzly

In the military: Bill Myers, Ashley and Jason Weatherly, Kyle Dietrich, Kyle Mikolajczyk, Kayla Fowler, Sean Ray, Logan Hillesheim, Tyler Coulter.

REGULAR WEEKLY BUILDING USE AS OF 10/01/2019		
SUNDAY	9:00-9:45	SUNDAY SCHOOL
	10:00-11:00	MORNING WORSHIP/COMMUNION
MONDAY	12:00-1:00	OPEN MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
	7:00-10:00	VOLLEYBALL - LUTHER HALL
TUESDAY	12:00-1:00	OPEN-MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
WEDNESDAY	12:00-1:00	OPEN-MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
	8:30-9:30	PRIVATE MEETING – LOWER EDUCATION WING
THURSDAY	12:30-2:00	WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
	12:00-1:00	OPEN-MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
	6:00-7:00	BASKETBALL - LUTHER HALL
	7:00-9:00	BASKETBALL - LUTHER HALL
	7:30-9:00	CHOIR REHEARSAL - SANCTUARY
FRIDAY	12:00-1:00	OPEN-MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
SATURDAY	12:00-1:00	OPEN-MINDED AA – LOWER EDUCATION WING
	2:00-3:00	DRAGONRAID – OLD CHOIR ROOM
	4:00-4:30	SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP – FAITH CHAPEL

*******THIS IS THE SCHEDULE FOR “REGULAR WEEKLY” ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH. ANY OTHER EVENTS, COMMITTEE MEETINGS, PRIVATE EVENTS, ETC., ARE NOTED ON THE CALENDAR ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX. PLEASE USE ONLY THAT CALENDAR TO PLAN YOUR ACTIVITIES.*******

Each Month

- 1st Sunday** - Haugen service with Sending of Communion
- 1st Friday** - Feed Your Neighbor
- 1st Thursday** - WELCA/Rebekah Circle 7:00
- 2nd Monday** – Congregational Council 7:00
- 2nd Tuesday** – Worship Committee 7:00
- Last Tuesday** – Men’s night out
- Last Sunday** – Healing Service

SPECIAL BUILDING USE – OCTOBER 2019

Tuesday	10/01/2019	2:30-5:00	Teachers Pantry	Room 208
Saturday	10/05/2019	3:00-6:00	Private Party	Luther Hall
Saturday	10/12/2019	1:00-7:00	Private Party	Luther Hall
Sunday	10/13/2019	2:00-6:00	Private Party	Luther Hall
Sunday	10/20/2019	1:00-7:00	Private Party	Luther Hall
Sunday	10/27/2019	5:30-6:30	Trunk or Treat	Wernert School

Birthdays and Anniversaries

We are certainly missing some of your birthdays and anniversaries. Please email Peg Hinds or call the church to add yours to the list!

October Birthdays

- 3 Gloria DeMeritt, Randy Davis
- 7 Mike Link
- 8 Char Bowlus, Cindy Bartley, Greg Kiger
- 9 David Anton
- 10 Karen Schaeffer, Ricky Brown
- 11 Brenda Michaelis
- 14 Becky Stygles, Lucy Young
- 18 Lois Manning
- 19 Robin Kiger
- 24 John Kusz
- 25 Mary Ray
- 28 Roger Stygles

October Anniversaries

- 2 Larry and Mary Ray
- 6 Tom & Janet Titkemeier

October Bible Readings

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| 1 James 5:1-6 | 17 Acts 17:22-34 |
| 2 Matthew 19:16-22 | 18 2 Timothy 2:14-26 |
| 3 Revelation 2:8-11 | 19 Mark 10:46-52 |
| 4 Revelation 2:12-29 | 20 Luke 18:1-8 |
| 5 Matthew 20:29-34 | 21 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 |
| 6 Luke 17:5-10 | 22 James 5:7-12 |
| 7 James 1:2-11 | 23 Luke 22:39-46 |
| 8 1 John 5:1-5, 13-21 | 24 2 Timothy 3:1-9 |
| 9 Mark 11:12-14, 20-24 | 25 2 Timothy 3:10-15 |
| 10 2 Timothy 1:13-18 | 26 Luke 1:46-55 |
| 11 2 Timothy 2:1-7 | 27 John 8:31-36 |
| 12 Luke 5:12-16 | 28 1 Peter 4:12-19 |
| 13 Luke 17:11-19 | 29 1 Peter 5:5:1-11 |
| 14 Acts 26:24-29 | 30 Matthew 21:28-32 |
| 15 Ephesians 6:10-20 | 31 2 Corinthians 1:1-11 |
| 16 Matthew 10:5-15 | |

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