

Faith Lutheran Church Messenger

1000 Tates Creek Road, Lexington, KY 40502

e-mail: office@faithlutheranchurch.com

website: <http://www.faithlutheranchurch.com>

September 2014

A message from Pastor Andy...

September is a new beginning. School starts. Seasons change. Sunday School kicks off September 7 with a new curriculum. I will introduce a six-week New Members' Class that same day. BUILD, Choirs and handbells, Dinners for Six and Eight, FLY and Cool Club are starting again. Plus our new, full-time ELCA campus minister at UK, Pastor Dana Lockhart, will be preaching for us and meeting us after church September 14!

Looking to the future, the committees of the church are discerning specific ways they will work to meet the six goals which we have developed from our cottage meetings. Call Committee is reviewing the three profiles sent by the Synod, and will be interviewing candidates for the next pastor soon.

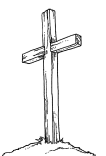
Needless to say, there is a lot going on.

Don't be surprised if you feel anxious. Don't be surprised if you feel exasperated more often than usual. This is normal. God is walking with us into the unknown, and that is always hard. Some of you also have

expressed grief to me that I will be leaving. I am deeply honored by this. I feel grief also. Faith is a wonderful parish and you all have blessed me in so many ways. At the same time, there is good energy and movement forward. I feel confident that this process involving Call Committee, Council, Synod, the Holy Spirit, and you will find a new pastor who fits this congregation differently than I do, but who will lead Faith Lutheran with courage and heart and discernment and love.

The prospect of change often creates anxiety. Let us remember that God has worked powerfully at Faith for a long time, in the midst of great difficulty as well as great joy. Let us trust God to keep working here throughout this fall as we continue our ministries, move toward our goals, complete the call process, and begin with a new pastor.

God's Blessings to you all,
Pr. Andy





*Call
Committee*

On behalf of the Call Committee, I am happy to report to you that Pastor Rudy Mueller recently forwarded the names and Rostered Leader Profiles of three candidates for our call. We have contacted each of these individuals and will be working with them to set

up initial interviews.

As we enter this next phase, we come to you today with three requests:

Our first request is directed at those of you who accumulate frequent flyer miles and may have some you could spare. The cost of bringing in three candidates for an initial interview and then one candidate for follow-up interviews is not insignificant. While we have funds available to cover transportation for our candidates, we would like to be good stewards of these funds and not use them if we don't have to. So, if you have frequent flyer miles you would be

interested in donating to the call process, please get in touch with me – we'll talk.

Our second request is actually a reminder that, until we have a candidate to introduce to all of you, this must be a confidential process for the protection of the candidates involved. So please – don't ask Call Committee members to answer questions about our candidates – we don't want to have to be rude and refuse to answer. We'll tell you everything we can - when we can. Please, also, don't assume that friends and loved ones of Call Committee members have information to share with you about the candidates – they don't.

The third request is the most important. The Call Committee requests your continued prayers – for the process, for the candidates, and for the Holy Spirit to lead us to our next pastor.

Thank you for your ongoing support,
Judy Page Judith.page@uky.edu



Stewardship as Discipleship:
Personal and Congregational
Journeys

When you hear the word "stewardship," what comes to your mind? Maybe you think, "Oh, no – the congregation is asking for money again..." or "The congregation must be short on its budget this year..." or "My money is private – it's none of the church's business..."

But what if stewardship is about more than meeting a budget or asking for money? What if stewardship is responding to God's grace in our lives, each and every day? What if stewardship is *discipleship*?

Come join us at Word of Hope Lutheran Church in Lexington, KY as we deepen our understanding of stewardship through Scripture and conversation, and as we explore how stewardship impacts our personal and congregational lives.

Workshop I: Friday, September 12th, 7-9pm: *The Personal Journey*

Workshop II: Saturday, September 13th, 9:30am-12pm: *The Congregational Journey*

We look forward to seeing you there!
Pastor Jerry O'Neal, Interim Director of Stewardship, I-K Synod, ELCA



DINNER FOR EIGHT OR SIX GROUPS
FALL 2014

There's still time to sign up for Dinner for Eight! Please contact Carol Buchanan at 277-2586 or carolbuchanan@twc.com or fill out the form below. Deadline is September 7. Please return form to the church office or send to Carol Buchanan, 1053 Lane Allen Rd., Lexington, 40504.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

_____ GROUP OF 6 AT RESTAURANTS

_____ GROUP OF 8 AT HOMES



Greetings! I hope everyone's summer was great. Here are a couple COOL Club events to put in your calendars for September and October:

September Flyer



Saturday 9/6: 1:00-2:15:
lunch and games at the Lau residence.



9/7 – 6:30-8:15 – FLY game night - come enjoy board games, Pictionary, Sardines, etc. Feel free to bring your favorite along!

Sunday 10/12: 2:00-3:15 -
Champs skating and laser tag



9/28 - Deposit due for 2015 National Youth Gathering.

Let me know if you can help with supervision at either of these two events and if you have ideas for future COOL Club events. Thanks!

Kevin Lentz
lentz.kevin@gmail.com

9/28 – 6:00—8:00 p.m. FLY movie night: UHF - Weird Al's funniest movie. Also his only movie. Come enjoy one of the goofiest comedies of the 1980s. Rated PG.



LECTIONARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

RALLY DAY September 7—9:45 a.m.

the Whirl Story Bible or Whirl NRSV Bible together, respond to the scripture lesson with creative leaflet activities, and circle up to review the lesson and pray before being sent out.

Grades 6—12 will also begin, alternating each week with either Wired Word and the Simpson Series.

Good things are happening...look forward to seeing you on Rally Sunday.

Bryna Reed, Coordinator of Educational Ministries

Bring kids into the life of the church with a lectionary-centered curriculum for pre-K through grade 5.

Every Whirl lesson follows a four-part sequence: Welcome, Hear, Respond, and Launch ...**WHRL!** Each week, kids and leaders start their time together by identifying where they are in the church year and watching an animated video to set up the lesson. Next, they dive into

New Members' Class: Pastor Andy will teach a new member's class Sept. 7-Oct. 12. Anyone interested in joining Faith Lutheran Church, or who would like a brief refresher course in Lutheran thought and life, is invited to attend. We will meet at Faith House and review the following topics:

- **Wild Truth:** How Lutherans interpret the Bible.
- **Beyond Fire Insurance:** Redemption as the root of hope
- **Now What?** Baptism, Holy Communion, and Christian life
- **Neither Tip nor Bill:** Giving as a way of the cross
- **Who We Are:** Diversity, connection, and the witnessing community
- **About Faith:** An introduction to the congregation

For questions about becoming a member of Faith, please contact Pastor Andy, 266-7621, pastorandy@faithlutheranchurch.com



On September 14, September 21 and September 28, the Community Ministry Committee will again be sponsoring a used book sale.

Please bring any books that you wish to contribute to the church and place them in the hallway outside of the church office under the coat rack.

This year the proceeds will be used to support Pastor's Discretionary Fund that is used for immediate needs for members and others. It is in need of replenishment.



Restorative Justice, a topic of interest to many here at Faith Lutheran, Kentucky, & elsewhere, is the 2014 theme for the 67th Annual Assembly of the Kentucky Council of Churches on Oct. 24th and 25th.

Keynote speakers are the Rev. Dr. Carl Stauffer, Co-Director of the Zehr Institute for Restorative Justice at Eastern Mennonite University who works for restorative justice in the U.S. and internationally and Ms. Nontombi Naomi TuTu, who lived the end of apartheid and speaks on issues of truth and reconciliation, gender and race. She is the daughter of Bishop Desmond Tutu. Special guests include Sister Helen Prejean, spiritual advisor to death row inmates and author of *Dead Man Walking* and *The Death of the Innocents*, and Rev. Dr. T. C. Thomas, pastor of the Metropolitan Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Cin-

Mesi from Haiti

Mesi which is **thank you** in Creole to everyone who donated items for the girls of Chez Moi-Grace Orphanage located in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. We collected vitamins, pain relievers, feminine hygiene needs, school supplies, Vaseline, lotion, powder, mosquito repellent, anti itch cream, peanut butter, and money. These items are so appreciated and make the daily lives so much easier for the girls of Grace Orphanage.

The Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Faith donated **many, many** bottles of vitamins and their offering was dedicated to Grace Orphanage. The kids of VBS brought so many bottles of vitamins that we were able to share some of their generous donations with the free clinic that took place in St. Michel during the week that we visited Haiti. Sherri Greer talked to the VBS kids at their closing and everyone seemed thirsty to learn about God's children in Haiti.

You are generous people here at Faith Lutheran Church. You open your heart and you open your pocket book to take care of those in need. You do God's work here on earth!

Mesi! Mesi! Mesi!
Sherri Greer and Pat Mundt



cinnati. Workshop topics include Reaching At Risk Adolescents with Restorative Justice, Discrimination in the Criminal Justice System, United We Stand: A Christian's Thoughts on Religious Diversity in Kentucky, and others. The assembly is at Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Lakeside Park, KY on Friday and Saturday, October 24th and 25th. Online registration is encouraged by going to the KCC website, <http://www.kycouncilofchurches.org>. or call 859-269-7715 to have registration forms mailed or e-mailed.

The fee is \$125 for both days or \$85 for Friday only (includes lunch & banquet) or \$65 for Saturday only (includes breakfast and snack). Registration is required by October 2, 2014.

Please see the poster and brochures posted in the Narthex.

Thank you,
Kathryn Abernathy



Over the last year, the pastoral care team has heard concerns from a number of folks that they know only the first names of persons for whom we

pray in worship, and that sometimes they do not know who they are or the concern for which we are praying. In order to balance these concerns with considerations of privacy, we have asked everyone on the prayer list whether or not they would like their full name and prayer request listed in the Messenger. Some have said they would like to be listed, and some have said they would not.

The following is the list of persons who have said they would like to be listed. Please keep them in your prayers. In the future, when putting people on the prayer list, please inform the church office if you would like their names and concerns to be shared in this way.

Elizabeth Bowers, daughter of Ned and Diana Shappley, finishing chemotherapy.

Steve Carter, complications with his transplant.

Wayne Schedler, recovering from back surgery.

George Johnson (Wayne Schedler's neighbor), cancer.

Rick Rieffer, pulmonary testing.

Sydney, and Adeline Taber, daughters of Leslie Taber, continued growth as premature infants.

Misty Hess, healing from surgery.

Randy Will, son of Eileen Will, spinal cord injury.

Ignite-Lutheran Campus Ministry at UK has entered into a two year interim call with Pastor Dana Lockhart. He is a graduate of UK and has been serving congregations in South Dakota for three years. We are excited about his energy and interest in ministry at UK. We welcome Pastor Lockhart, his wife, Rebecca, and daughter, Beatrice, back to Lexington! Pastor Lockhart will be preaching for us on September 14.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH Financial Secretary's Report July 1-31, 2014		
<u>INCOME TOWARD BUDGET</u>		
<u>General Fund</u>		
Offering Envelopes		\$ 28,815.00
Loose Offering		<u>432.38</u>
		29,247.38
<u>Other Income</u>		
CC Reimb - Workman's Comp		125.00
CC Reimb - Custodial		370.00
CC Reimb - Loan		<u>611.08</u>
		1,106.08
Total Income Toward Budget		30,353.46
<u>DESIGNATED MONEY</u>		
Pastor's Discretionary Fund		100.00
World Hunger		87.00
LWR-Fair Trade Sales		276.00
God's Pantry		20.00
Grace Orphanage		120.00
Taste of Grace		525.00
Memorial - Clark Gross		175.00
Use of Building		60.00
Confirmation Camp		1,400.00
Youth Fund		451.94
Vacation Bible School		257.28
Legends Game Tickets		224.00
Mission Endowment Fund		520.89
Blessings in a Backpack		<u>50.00</u>
Total Designated Money		4,267.11
TOTAL JULY 2014 RECEIPTS		34,620.57
<u>Comparison to Budget</u>		
	<u>July</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Contributions	29,247.38	246,688.81
Budget	34,716.75	243,017.25
Percent of Budget	84.25%	101.51%
Mary S. Hemken, Financial Secretary, 859-272-5053, hemken1@windstream.net		

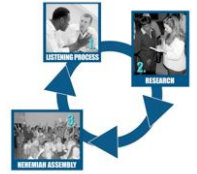
A New Season of Music Ministry....
is starting soon, with opportunities for everyone!

Faith Parish Choir



is open to all singers, from high school on up.
No auditions—just come!
Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Season begins **August 28** with a
Back-to-Choir
Potluck in Faith's Fellowship Hall at 6:30 pm!
Bring a dish to share; entrée and drinks
provided.

Faith's Justice Ministry
Moving Ahead for Justice
... by Listening



Listening - Research - Action, These are the steps each year in the BUILD Justice Ministry program.

- Listen to peoples' concerns,
- Research the problems to find solutions, and
- Act to get commitments to solve the problem.

The Listening Process Part 1:
House Meetings

The first step of the Listening Process is listening to concerns in House Meetings and one on one discussions. House Meetings are organized by Justice Ministry Team Members in each congregation. At the House Meetings we will be asked to suggest justice issues in the community that we personally feel concerned about. These issues become the focus of BUILD's work for justice in the coming months.

The Listening Process Part 2:
The Community Problems Assembly -
October 27

At the community Problems Assembly BUILD members from 26 congregations gather to hear the findings from the House Meetings. Then they select the justice issues to work on for the rest of the year. More about the Community Problems Assembly in next month's Messenger.

Your Team Members at Faith want to listen to you. Please see Bryna Reed, Gail Swanson, Joe Swanson, Jim McGrath, Shane Hadden or Jim Larson with your justice concerns.

J.O.Y Choir
(Jesus. Others. You.)
Grades K-5
begins Wednesday, Sept. 10
6:15-7:00 p.m.
Follow the balloon trail to the
choir room!

J.O.Y Choir
(Jesus. Others. You.)
Grades K-5
begins Wednesday, Sept. 10
6:15-7:00 p.m.
Follow the balloon trail to the
choir room!

Please note that
3rd-5th grade children can
choose either
J.O.Y. or B.L.I.S.S.

Grace Notes

(Faith's 3-octave handbell choir)

Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m.,
in the choir room.

Season begins **September 2** with a Back-to-Bells
Potluck at 6:30 pm!

Please contact Associate in Ministry Bonnie
Harstad if you are interested in playing.
The ability to read music is required.



OKTOBERFEST—2014
September 27— 4:30 p.m. — ???
Fun and games for all. Ironworks music 6:30—9:00. Meal at 6:30 p.m.
Invite your family and friends.
Watch for more details in the bulletin, Faith Notes and posters.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Alex Luckey
- 2 Shane Hadden
Kyla Hanley
- 4 Beverly Drake
- 5 Cealle Zimmerman
- 6 Cole Guthrie
- 9 George Heersche
Adam Luckey
Emily Lundborg
Chris Tudor
- 10 Sierra Curtis
Drew Filchak
- 11 Diane Nelson
Pat Vaughan
- 12 Anna Davis
Moe Dugger
Kathy Jones
- 13 Melody Kazee
Sharron Schedler
- 14 Lauren Hudson
Aaliyah Joseph
- 15 Donald Dalton
Lore Pierce
Betty Sheffer
- 17 Jim Thorstad
Gary Zimmerman
- 18 Carol Buchanan
Audrey Nyland
- 19 Ursel Boyd
Jerry Klim
- 20 Grant Weherley
- 21 Elleonore Patrick
Darryl Terry
- 23 Gerald McKinney
- 24 Campbell Arnold
Penni Black
Ruth Lundborg
- 25 Brian Lundborg
Sandra Palmer
- 26 Richard Matter
Carole Seibert
- 28 Renee Boyd
Peter Michel
- 29 Shirley Lewis
Nina Van Wyckhouse
- 30 Vicky Noble
Jane Workman

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Bill & Pam Silvia
- 7 Jim & Mary McCormick
- 10 Jim & Carol Buchanan
Gerald & Lore Pierce
Doug & Sandra Palmer
Greg & Shiraz Phipps
- 16 Marc & Robin Wilson
- 17 Wes & Amanda Konkle
- 19 Chris & Debbie Augsburg
Kris & Danielle Kelley
- 20 Miles & Robin Johnson
- 22 Donald & Trude Dalton
Don DeLuca & Scott Gralheer
- 23 Loren & Laura Zink
- 26 Randy Young & Mary Ann Patrick
- 28 Karl & Nancy Krause
Robert & Pat Vaughan
- 30 Ralph & Betty Stasiak



**The OWLs will meet on
September 18th
at 12:30 p.m.
At Sutton's Restaurant**

The Older, Wiser
Lutherans meet on the 3rd Thursday of
each month for lunch and fellowship.

Attendance	Worship
July 27	158
August 3	190
August 10	198
August 17	207



**Narthex Cleanup for
September:
Long-Range Planning and
Pastoral Staff Support**

Birth

Ryan Felice, son of Mario and Whitney Felice, born on August 5.

Baptism

Adeline Marie and Sydney Alvena Taber, daughters of Christian and Lesley Taber, were baptized August 17th.

Death



Eugene Wöehler, father of Susan Hamilton, died August 18th, in Evansville, IN.

Farewell and God Speed

Kris Johnson has accepted a job with Chrysler and is moving to Detroit, MI.

The Daytime Sophia group will meet at the home of Jan Keinath, 2805 Phoenix Rd. on Thursday, September 11th at 1:00 p.m. The group is reading, Zealot, the life and times of Jesus of Nazareth, by Reza Aslan. Everyone welcome.

The Evening Sophia group will meet at the home of Kathy Heersche, 418 Plymouth Dr., on September 17 at 7:00 PM. We will be revisiting The Curiosity by Stephen B. Kiernan because our February Sophia was canceled due to illness. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Come join us even if you haven't read the book. Call Kathy with questions—(859)806-2433.

Service Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM
 (Nursery provided during the 8:30 and 11:00 AM services)

Sunday School (Sept. through May) 9:45 AM

Staff

Andy Rutrough, Interim Pastor 266-7621 or 859-314-1945
 pastorandy@faithlutheranchurch.com
 Day off-Friday

Bonnie Harstad, AIM for Worship 858-4898 or 494-0934
 bharstad@faithlutheranchurch.com
 Day off-Friday

Ruth Lundborg, Parish Administrator 266-7621
 office@faithlutheranchurch.com
 Monday—Thursday 8:00—4:00, Friday 8:00—1:00

Bryna Reed, Coordinator of Educational Ministries 489-8128
 blreed@twc.com

Kevin Lentz, Coordinator of Youth Ministries 948-5159
 lentz.kevin@gmail.com

Brian Lundborg, Sexton 327-2326

H. Gene Templar, Pastor Emeritus 268-0108

Charla Heersche, Child Care Director 559-3784

Marian Lundborg, Messenger Editor mclundborg@gmail.com

2014 Congregational Council

President Ray Hughes
 Vice President Steve Knudsen
 Treasurer Debbie Rosenberg
 Secretary Pat Mundt

Committee Liaisons

Audit Steve Knudsen
 Child Care Nick Veil
 Christian Education Bront Davis
 Community Ministry Penni Black
 Evangelism Mary Ann Patrick
 Finance Debbie Rosenberg
 Global Mission Sharon Fegley
 Long-Range Planning Pat Mundt
 Mission Endowment Steve Knudsen
 Nominating Steve Knudsen
 Parish Life Elaine Billington
 Personnel Ray Hughes
 Property Jim McGrath
 Pastoral Staff Support Penni Black
 Stewardship Tim Sorenson
 Worship Wayne Schedler
 Youth Ministry Jeremy Martinez
 Call Committee Ray Hughes

(859) 266-7621 or (859) 266-9600

e-mail: office@faithlutheranchurch.com

website: <http://www.faihlutheranchurch.com>