

"Together in Christ's love, we joyfully serve, actively witness, and dedicate ourselves to caring, teaching, and growing through the Word."

Faith Lutheran Abilene

October 2022

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Psalm 100:3

If you have been around church, you have seen our "Every life has value and dignity" sign. The sign was produced by God's Word and what He teaches us therein. The teaching is timeless. God values every life. Likewise, we value every life. This becomes the work of the Church.

A body of believers band together and work at different levels to confess, that is to proclaim and teach, who God is and what His will is.

The above Scripture lesson is one of many different places God's word teaches the value of every life. I purposely chose one that is not exclusive to speaking one facet of valuing life over the rest. The unborn, children, adults, the aged, the healthy, the infirmed, the terminal—no matter the stage of life nor its complexity God affirms that All life has value and dignity. All of the scriptures that speak to valuing life point to the one life that has determined the value of every life—Jesus.



Magnetitic bumper stickers of our sign are available. The bumper stickers are of no cost to you. We do ask for you to prayerfully consider giving a donation. Every donation will then be given to the Pregnancy Service Center in Salina. We unfortunately were not able to have baby bottle campaign for them this year. I pray that you take one. I pray that you are moved charitably to help one of the several areas we help support and uphold every life. I pray that you your thoughts, words, and actions support every life.

The sign and bumper sticker have a picture of Mary, Joseph, and the child Jesus. It has many meanings attached to this teaching. The first is marriage. Marriage is a gift of God—one man and one woman. They are committed, cleaving, to each other and share the fruit of marriage—children. This is God's design, and it is a good one. It is a design that is to be a benefit and blessing of God to us. Secondly, look at the three people, they are from different ages—a child, a young mother, and an older male. God finds value in everyone. This is not so commonplace today sadly in many ways. Our world has learned to pit one life against another life. We have accepted ways to devalue life and marginalize life as the norm of the day.

I am here to encourage you to not give in or give up. Let's roll up our sleeves and work to make common the teaching of God—Every life has value and dignity.

To God be the glory, Amen!

Pastor Barlau

Sunday School Young Adult Bible Study [Go and Be Reconciled: What Does This Mean] -



Everyone faces sin and the conflict it creates between them and others. Christians have been given the tools and the ability, by God, to meet conflict in a Christ-centered way. Reconciliation between two people is possible, but only through Jesus. Join us for Sunday School hour, your faith, your life, and your relationships with others depend on it.



**Men of Faith - Sat, October 1st, 8am, church basement for breakfast/fellowship.

Life Chain Sunday — Sunday, October 2nd at Faith Lutheran Church from 2 - 3 pm. The Life Chain is the largest prayerful, pro-life, public witness in the world. Please join us today to stand up for Life! Let us all do our part to defend preborn babies.





Rodgers Organ Moving Project — will are asking for any help to get the organ into the church on Saturday, October 8st. We are hoping to get it delivered in the afternoon and could use some strong arms for the transfer. There is a sign up on the back cabinet. If anyone has questions, please reach out to Becky Schwab at 785-810-8208.

Faith & Blue — **Saturday, Oct. 8**th from 5 to 9 pm at the bandshell Eisenhower Park. Join your local law enforcement and members of your community for a weekend of resolution and reconciliation. National Faith & Blue Weekend is a collaborative effort to build bridges and break biases. All are welcome to join.





<u>Sunday, October 9th</u> after bible study. We will have a salad potluck. Husbands and children are invited as well as anyone who would like to check out LWML. Pastor will lead us also in a short bible study.

*Fellowship Breakfast - Joe Snuffy's, Thurs, October 13th, 8:30 am. sign-up on the parament cabinet.





<u>Women's Book Club</u> - will meet <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 23rd</u>, <u>at 3pm</u> in the church basement. They will be discussing, The Story Keeper, by Kate Wingate. Please contact Karen Schoenbeck (785-479-7013) if you would like more information. All ladies are invited to participate!

Life Magnetic Bumper Stickers — The message that "Every Life has Value and Dignity" can travel with you wherever you go. The bumper stickers are available in the narthex. All donations will go to the Salina Pregnancy Service Center.



Faith Lutheran has a "prayer chain". If you would like to be added as a caller to the prayer chain, please speak with Kathy. To begin a prayer request call Kathy Minneman (785-819-2167) or Pastor Barlau (785-263-1842).

October Anniversaries

Joshua & Brittney Chaput Rein & Katie Jenne Travis & Devyn Love 10-8-2016 10-16-2010 10-17-2015



Rick & Lana Fischer
Dave & Joyce Graves
Bryan & Monika Corn

10-21-1976 10-21-1978 10-30-2004

1 - Dylan Capsey

4 - Inarie Rippert

5 - Reeve Banks Eric Sulanka

8 - Naomi Barlau

11 - Marilyn Backhus Vickie Gill Donna Cook Deserae Meade

13 - Elizabeth Wischer

14 - Gerri Bucher

17 - Elisabeth Kijowski

19 - Allie Schmersey

20 - Reagan Bowers

23 - Kevin Stout Martha Barlau



24 - Tisha Fischer

25 - Henry Corn Joyce Graves Sarah Minneman

27 - Serenity Medlock Jane Schenck

28 - Laird Riffel Norman Helmke

29 - Casen Depew Calen Depew Rev. Justin Panzer

30 - Marshall Hageman Benjamin Minson

31 - Justin Kuntz Donna Riffel Karen Schoenbeck



FAITHful SERVANTS for the month of October 2022



Elder: G. Minson **Organist:** B. Schwab **Altar Guild:** J. Hayes & L. Eaton

Church Service	Acolytes	Lectors	Ushers	
Sunday, Oct 2 - 9:00am	Rebekah	B. Zwibel	C. Bielefeld & M. Aufdemberge	
Sunday, Oct 9 - 9:00am	Aiden	C. Ascher	K. Bowers & R. Sanders	
Sunday, Oct 16 - 9:00am	Henry	L. Brake	K. Bowers & C. Bielefeld	
Sunday, Oct 23 - 9:00am	Joshua	M. Aufdemberge	R. Sanders & R. Hayes	
Sunday, Oct 30 - 9:00am	Bradley & Anthony	C. Eaton	K. Horsfall & M. Aufdemberge	

NOTE: A master assignment list reflecting any changes will be posted in the upstairs office/cry room.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						8am Men of Faith
2 17 th Sunday after Pentecost 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper	3 Kansas Fall Pastoral Conference	4 Kansas Fall Pastoral Conference	5 5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday	6	7	Rodgers Organ Moving Project TBA 5 – 9 pm Faith &
10:15am Sunday School /Adult Bible Study Life Chain Sunday @ 2 pm			Worship Service			Blue @ Eisenhower bandshell
	10	11	5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	8:30am Fellowship Breakfast 6:30pm Boards/ 7pm Council	14	15
	17	18	5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	20	21	22
23 St. James of Jerusalem 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Annual Voter's meeting 3pm Women's Book Club	24	25	5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	27	28	29
30 Reformation Day 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Sunday School /Adult Bible Study	31					

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