



Faith Lutheran Abilene

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

September 2022

"Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised." Psalm 96:2-4a

Four-hundred-ninety-eight years ago, Martin Luther wrote—"That it is good and God-pleasing to sing hymns is, I think, known to every Christian; for everyone is aware not only of the example of the prophets and kings in the Old Testament who praised God with song and sound, with poetry and psaltery, but also of the common and ancient custom of the Christian church to sing Psalms."

But why is it good and God-pleasing? Luther shares the vital answer to that very question...

"So God's Word and Christian teaching might be instilled and implanted in many ways."

Since almost two years ago, when my family traveled seven hundred miles west to visit Faith Lutheran and deliberate the Divine Call to serve as pastor, we have been in awe, and our hearts have been full of your love in making a joyful noise to God in song. For over twenty months, your love for singing hymns and the liturgy, both treasured and new, has been a breathtaking experience.

Every hymn and part of the liturgy is measured and weighed by the Holy Scriptures because that is who are at the very core as Christians—tirelessly and relentlessly devoted to God's Word. We treasure God's Word because it teaches us 1. who we are, 2. who God is, and 3. all that God does for us.

On August 14th, we held a special voters' meeting regarding a pipe/electric organ gifted to our Church. The Church voted yes to receiving this gift! I am excited and anxious to see how this new-to-us-organ will aid and refine our worship with music and song. I pray for the success of this gift because of how important it is to teach the faith with song.

Please keep a close ear regarding a plan to move the organ to Faith Lutheran. There is a committee working on that plan. Our Faith Family will need to serve by wrapping pipes, loading the heavy pieces into trailers, and then unloading the organ at the Church. Please prayerfully consider serving in this undertaking by reaching out to the committee when the timeline for the move is set.

God bless you and all that is done to provide a joyful noise unto the Lord,

Pastor Barlau

MidWeek

Midweek will continue Wednesday's. This year, students in 4th-5th grade are invited to attend a pre-confirmation class from 5:15-6:30 p.m., led by Amanda Barlau. Pastor Barlau will lead 6th-8th grade students in confirmation class from 5:15-6:25 p.m. There will be a meal on Wednesday's. All classes will be held in the basement of the church!

Faith LWML will meet Sunday September 11 at 3:00 at the church for a Bible Study "Lord, Teach Us To Pray" led by Pastor Barlau. A short meeting will be held to elect a new President and Treasurer of the group. All ladies are asked to bring a snack to share. All ladies of the church are invited and encouraged to attend.



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 really 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, Sept 10th, 8am**, church basement for breakfast/fellowship.



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

Faith Lutheran Brauthaus—September 17th at 2-10:30 p.m.—Faith Family will be having a food booth for the Oktoberfest downtown Abilene. Thank you to all that have sign-up to serve. We are still needing a few spots filled and items donated. Check out the sign-up pages on the back cabinet.



LYF—September 18th at 1-3p.m.—Come out to the Barlaus for hotdogs on the grill and yard games! We have a few yard games, but if you have a favorite one please bring it. Pastor is going to talk about how we have the victory over what life gives us at times! All families with youth are welcome! Youth bring a bag of chips to share! Our address is 2394 Eden Road

Women's Book Club - will meet Sunday, September 25th, at 3pm in the church basement. They will be discussing, *The Prayer Box*, by Lisa Wingate. Please contact Karen Schoenbeck (785-479-7013) if you would like more information. All ladies are invited to participate!



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).

September Anniversaries

Steve & Kelly Backhus	9-2-1989		Justin & Jamie Rogge	9-20-2008
Jeff & LaShon Turner	9-3-2016		Gary & Teresa Stuart	9-23-1995
Larry & Cindy Brake	9-7-1979			

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| <p>2 - Barb Bauer
Ember Minneman
Katie Medlock</p> <p>3 - Ethan Backhus</p> <p>4 - Heather Bohannon
Haileigh Pursell
Kaiden Kuntz</p> <p>5 - Meagan Smith</p> <p>10 - Steven Kiggans
Myranda Patrick
Rebekah Flanick</p> <p>11 - Ethan Juhl</p> <p>15 - Gladys Herpich
Andrew Minson</p> |  | <p>16 - RW Cook</p> <p>17 - Emily Minneman</p> <p>18 - Michell Foster</p> <p>19 - Bryan Corn</p> <p>20 - Hunter Capsey</p> <p>21 - Carolyn Herra</p> <p>22 - Wade Hageman</p> <p>23 - Kyle Bowers
Mason Kuntz</p> <p>24 - Sharon Anderson</p> <p>25 - Seth Bielefeld</p> <p>27 - Jay Leusman</p> <p>28 - Christina Krause</p> <p>30 - Ellen Basso</p> |
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FAITHful SERVANTS for the month of September 2022



Elder: B. Hageman

Organist: K. Gilchrist

Altar Guild: M. Rippert & H. Rippert

Church Service	Acolytes	Lectors	Ushers
Sunday, Sept 4 - 9:00am	Jackson	Tim Rahe	G. Rahe & Tim Rahe
Sunday, Sept 11 - 9:00am	Rebekah	Tom Rahe	J. Kuntz & B. Zwiebel
Sunday, Sept 18 - 9:00am	Gabriel	G. Taplin	J. Rogge & Tom Rahe
Sunday, Sept 25 - 9:00am	Maddi	C. West	B. Zwiebel & Tim Rahe

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

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 13th Sunday after Pentecost 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	5 5pm Elders	6	7 5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	8 8:30am Fellowship Breakfast 6:30pm Boards/ 7pm Council	9	10 8am Men of Faith
11 14th Sunday after Pentecost 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 3 pm LWML Meets	12	13	14 5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	15	16	17 Faith Lutheran Brauthaus from 2 – 10:30 pm
18 15th Sunday after Pentecost 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study **LYF Meets** From 1-3 at Pastor B's house	19 <i>October Calendar items due</i>	20	21 5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	22	23	24
25 St. Michael & All Angels 9 am Worship w/Lord's Supper 10:15am Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 3pm Women's Book Club	26	27	28 5:15pm Midweek 4 th -5 th grade & 6 th -7 th grade 6:30pm Wednesday Worship Service	29	30	