

**Reformation Sunday
October 27, 2024**

RED LETTER

CHALLENGE

Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church!

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

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CHURCH STAFF

OFFICE HOURS 8:00AM – 4:00 PM

Rev. Richard Steensma, Senior Pastor **(M-Th)**

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Will Otten, Music Director

Shannen Dollar, Nursery Attendant (Sunday, 9:00-11:30 a.m.)

Our Mission Statement

“We live Christ’s love and proclaim His salvation to our community and world through Word and Sacraments.”

Announcements and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

Opening Hymn

A Mighty Fortress is Our God – LSB 656

Invocation

Sunday School Pre-School – 5th Grade **(10:30)**

Confession and Absolution

Scripture Readings

Psalm 46:1-11 [ESV] — Pew Bible p. 557

1 John 2:1-6 — Pew Bible p 1210

John 8:1-11 [ESV] — Pew Bible p.1062

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

Thy Strong Word – LSB 578

Sermon

"Forgiving"

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Sacrament of the Altar

(Please bring offerings forward)

(Children are invited upstairs to sing; everyone is welcome to sing along!)

Children's Choir

Lord, Be Glorified – AGPS 165 (vs. 1-3)

Distribution Hymns

Today, Your Mercy Calls Us – LSB 915

Father Welcomes – AGPS 95

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence – LSB 621

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Hymn

The Church's One Foundation – LSB 644

Postlude

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Organist:	Will Otten
Faithful Ringers Director:	Joanne Scheperle
Altar Guild:	Diane Fischer & Linda Hardwick
Greeters:	8:00 Hazel & Bob Dorge 10:30 Doug & Megan Welch
Acolytes:	8:00 Harrison West & TBD 10:30 Owen Byrum & TBD
Audio/Visual:	8:00 TBD 10:30 TBD
Readers:	8:00 Anna Schatte 10:30 Steve Schumacher
Ushers:	8:00 Team 4 10:30 Team 5
Assisting Elders:	8:00 Keith Monson 10:30 Steve Erhart
Counters:	Karen & Mike Boeger, Sara & Phil Hartman

Welcome to Faith Lutheran

We are glad that you are here to worship with us! Guests wishing to commune with us for the first time are asked to refer to the *Who Are We?* card in the pew racks. We offer both alcoholic (red) and non-alcoholic (white) wine, and gluten-free host is available upon request.

Tithes and offerings may be placed in the collection plate prior to communion or handed to an usher after service.

Families with Infants and Toddlers: Thank you for bringing your little ones to church! We're glad you're here! We offer a nursery on the lower level by the elevator, staffed during the Sunday School/Bible Class hour and late morning service. We also have a Cry Room located on the main level by the elevator.

Help for Hurricane Victims

In the weeks and months ahead, please continue to pray for all who have been impacted by these terrible storms. Help spread the word by sharing updates on the response. And prayerfully consider how you might take part in the recovery effort, which will take many months, by volunteering your time or offering your financial support. Learn more at [lcms.org/hurricane-response](https://www.lcms.org/hurricane-response).

THIS WEEK at FAITH



Today	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service*
	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship
	9:30 a.m.	SS/Bible Class
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	2:00 p.m.	Faith Trick or Treat in the Gym
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (C)
	1:15 p.m.	Artists Helping Artists
	6:00 p.m.	Faithful Ringers
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	RLC Small Group
	5:00 p.m.	Pickleball (R/C)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Hand Quilters
	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (C)
	9:00 a.m.	Chronicle Team
	11:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Meeting
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Men's Coffee
	10:30 a.m.	RLC Small Group
	5:30 p.m.	Faith Choir Practice
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Pickleball (C)
	9:30 a.m.	Ladies' Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.	Pickleball (R/C)
Saturday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study @ Dunn Bros. Coffee
Next Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service*
	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship
	9:30 a.m.	SS/Bible Class
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

To our Faith Family:

Thank you so much for the overwhelming show of appreciation! The cake reception, the numerous cards and gifts are so appreciated. What a joy it is to serve the Lord and His church. We are so thankful to be part of the Faith family of believers.

Pastor Rich & Kate Steensma

PATCH Sunday, November 3rd.

The leaves have been FALL-ing and now it's time to help clean up some yards. We will get together with Senior Youth and Junior High Youth for a leaf raking event. Meet after late church in the fellowship hall. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Bring rakes, gloves, tarps, and leaf blowers if you have them.

HYGIENE SUPPLIES NEEDED:

The missions board is collecting hygiene supplies such as Toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, shampoo, bar soap, deodorant sticks, hair combs, and fingernail clippers to be distributed in future missions' activities. Supplies can be donated on Sunday, Nov. 3 and Nov. 10, in the labeled box in the church entryway. Hygiene supplies will be assembled as kits during Faith Lutheran's Day of Service on Saturday, Nov. 16th.



Altar flowers are given today by Crystal & Mark Lueckenhoff in celebration of their 34th Wedding Anniversary.

Faith's 5th Annual Trick-or-Treat event is today from 2-4PM.

Last year we served 400 of our neighborhood and community members. We have several ways for you to volunteer if you choose. You can volunteer to decorate and host an 8ft table (or two) in the gym. Or you can donate bags of candy by leaving them in the purple tote in the front entrance. You can also volunteer to help greet at the door or serve hot dogs and drinks.

A table is located in the front entrance to sign up.

We invite all Faith women to attend our next LWML get together on Sunday, November 10th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. We will be creating "goody bags" for our shut-ins. Please bring snacks, homemade cookies (6 to a bag), note cards, tea bags or anything you think they'd enjoy to put in their bags. Hope to see you there. Don't forget your mites.

Christmas Poinsettias: If you would like to donate a poinsettia to place in the sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas Celebrations, please fill out a form located on the usher table and give it along with the payment to Donna in the church office. There are only three weeks to order. Please don't delay. If you have any questions, please call Kelly Hart (573)619-4950. **All orders and payments are due to the office by Sunday November 3.**

"There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood. A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that runs rapidly to evil, A false witness who utters lies, and one who spreads strife among brothers." Proverbs 6:16-19

It should be noted first of all that the law of God makes provisions for the execution of the murderer -Gen. 9:6, Rom. 13:4 - and yet the Old Testament attempted to prevent rash executions in which the innocent might be put to death. The death of one guilty of a capital crime, however, was not the shedding of innocent blood.

There is perhaps no practice today that illustrates the shedding of innocent blood more than the bloody phenomenon of abortion. More than one million innocent babies are slaughtered yearly in their mothers' bodies in America.

The unborn child is not merely a mass of tissues. It is:

- living
- human
- Innocent

Abortion is, therefore, the shedding of innocent human blood, God will hold accountable those who engage in, assist, or endorse this vile practice. Underline the expression in your Bible "hands that shed innocent blood," in

Proverbs 6:17, and in your margin record this comment: Abortion - a modern example.

Prayer Service for the Sanctity of Life

On Wednesday, October 30th, at 6:30pm, Trinity Lutheran Church in Jefferson City will be hosting a pro-life prayer service. Please join us as we petition God to guard us and all children from evil, especially the evil at work in Amendment 3. Our guest preacher will be Rev. Chris Heaton of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fulton, Missouri. At the conclusion of the service there will be a special door offering to support the Pregnancy Help Center of Jefferson City. As children of the Heavenly Father, we entrust our cause to God knowing that He will care for us. The Scriptures tell us, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6).

HOMEBOUND Ministry is the newest member service project from Faithful Friends (part of Faith's Human Care Board). We hope to team up Faith members with a homebound member and share God's love with them through prayers, phone calls, visits, etc.

For more information or to sign up, call Melody Bonar at 573-301-2131 or Jodi Bates, our Parish Nurse, at 573-632-7734 or by email at nurse@faithinjeffcity.org.

Thank You



EXPANDING EXCELLENCE – Calvary is growing! Calvary’s enrollment jumped over 20% this year. Your faithfulness as a congregation and endorsement of a distinctly Lutheran high school education has positioned us for impact in our community and mid-Missouri region. We are daily:

- Affirming Teenagers In Their Identity, Built In Christ and Christian Community
- Engaging Students In Their Own Education and Growth
- Equipping Young Christians to Embrace Their Kingdom Calling



Exciting days are also ahead at Calvary! The Board of Directors has set a strategic target to break ground on the next addition to Calvary in summer of 2025! As we enter into a Capital Campaign, we are seeking your input. Click on the QR code to learn more about *Why Calvary Students Need You*. After you read through the Case Statement, we welcome your feedback through our Planning Study found on the *How You Can Help* page. Hard copies are available through your church office or the Calvary office. 573-638-0228

HELP CALVARY REACH MORE – Calvary is seeking candidates for its Outreach Coordinator position. The part-time position is 20 hours that can largely happen during the school day, though some nights are required. Applications can be submitted to John Christman at administrator@calvarylhs.org or 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101

FALL OPEN HOUSE – Do you know someone who would benefit from knowing about Calvary? The family of a teenager? (Grades 7-12) Invite them to Open House! Calvary will be hosting an Open House tomorrow **Monday, October 28** at 7 pm. Current Calvary parents and/or current students will share their Calvary story that night -- so that guest hear authentic reviews from people that are here daily. Contact the office to RSVP.



CARE PACKAGES FOR OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

Our 7th grade students will be creating care packages for our first responders in Jefferson City in recognition of their service to our community. The 7th grade class would love your donations of candy bars, gum, bottled soda, or other small snacks to be included in these care packages. We will be collecting items through November 1, 2024. The packages will then be distributed throughout the fire stations, EMS, police and sheriff’s departments. The 7th grade thanks you in advance for your support!

Prayer Requests

Jenny Custard, Susan Stark, Mervin & Carol Seidel, Linda Ruland,
Sherrill Hackett, Stephen Hopkins, LC Stalcup, Gene & Minnie Kirwan, Anna Schull,
Debbie Park, Winston Rutledge, Madi Brandes, Sally Hartman, Janice Williams,
Mark Boeschen, Jim Quinn

Celebrating Birthdays This Week

Brenda Rathmann, Sam Rathmann, Steve Schumacher, SuEllen Bax, Dan Pavely,
Luke Jerozal, Clay Jensen, Dylan Dyer, Gary Sonnenberg, Lindsay Williams,
Ron Scott, Kathleen Collins

Last Weeks' Attendance & Weekly Offering

Sunday Service Attendance: 8:00 – 162 / 10:30 – 157 / **Total – 319**

Sunday School & Bible Class - 152

Offering: Regular & Building - \$28,103.79/ Special – \$10,001.59

Year-to-Date Contributions through September 2024

Actual Contributions \$703,592

Budgeted Contributions \$705,917

Over / (Under) (\$ 2,325)

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