



Faith Friends & Family Announcements and News for October 7-October 20

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please lift up in prayer this week:

- † Members—Sally Knoll, Ellen Milne, Darrell Neves, Janice Taschner & Ken Whitmyer.
- † Friends and family—
Harriet, Michael Bennett, Todd Barriklow, Bill Baker, Carol Coyer, Kay Coker, Chris Cotter, Terrie Becker, Brian Fent, Allyson, Heather, Erin, Al, Sai, Jeanne Hicks, Emily, Rod Kaschner, Eshwar Lingamgunta, Jenn Leitch, Brian Johnson, Meredith, Jeanne and Leonard, Johnathon Manitta family, Kiersten, Loretta Milne, Patricia Rinehart, Bethany Robison, Karen Smiley, Jean Smith, Scott & Lisa Seeley, the White family and Max Whitmyer.
- † Our mission partner congregation—Lansing Redeemer Lutheran Church
- † Those in military service—Jon Schoepf, Lani Yearicks, Landon Belanger Melody and Adam Wright and Joe Galvin.
- † Samaritas children who seek adoption. Pray for each to be adopted and for Jesus to be their lifelong friends

NORTH/WEST LOWER MICHIGAN SYNOD PRAYER PARTNER

October 7: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include Rev. Joan Oleson and the congregation of Saron Lutheran Church of St. Joseph, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

October 14: As Jesus calls us to be one, even as he and the Father are one, please include Rev. Jonathan Reid and the congregation of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Suttons Bay, Michigan in your prayers of intercession this week.

NEXT TWO WEEK'S CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 7

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School PK-5th grade
9:00 a.m. Book Study
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Worship Committee Meeting
5:30 p.m. Beer & Hymns at Williamston Pub & Grill

Monday, October 8

- 10:00 a.m. Meridian Township Playgroup

Tuesday, October 9

Noon Study in Pastor Ellen's office

- 7:30 p.m. Session 1: Film Series on Faith & Race at St. Paul's
Lutheran Church

Wednesday, October 10

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study
9:30 a.m. Quilters
5:30 p.m. Joyful Noise
5:45 p.m. Dinner is served
6:30 p.m. Faith Bells Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Pre-K-2, Trinity and Confirmation classes
7:00 p.m. *Breathing Underwater* Book Study
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, October 11

Friday, October 12

Saturday, October 13

Fellowship Hall Rented

- 3:00 p.m. High School Youth Group Fall Fest at Love's
House

Sunday, October 14

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. "Love Without Limits" Book Study
10:00 a.m. Worship/Joyful Noise Sings/Stewardship Sunday
3:00 p.m. Worship at the Willows
Fellowship Hall Rented 11:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Monday, October 15th

10:00 a.m. Meridian Township Playgroup

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 16th

Noon Study in Pastor's office

Wednesday, October 17th

7:30 a.m. Men's Study

9:30 a.m. Quilters

5:30 p.m. Joyful Noise

5:45 p.m. Dinner is served

6:30 p.m. Faith Bells Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. *Breathing Underwater* Book study

6:30 p.m. Pre-K-2, Trinity and Confirmation classes

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, October 18th

7:00 p.m. RIC Meeting

Friday, October 19th

Saturday, October 20th

Fellowship Hall Rented

FINANCIAL UPDATE

September 23, 2018

Year to Date as of 8/31/2018

Loose Cash \$ 5.00

Loose Checks \$ 30.00

Youth Retreat \$ 25.00

Curr. Refund \$ 219.98

Flowers \$ 25.00

Book Study \$ 37.00

Out of Order Doc. \$ 200.00

9/26 Choir Dinner \$ 88.00

Building Fund \$ 25.00

General Fund \$2605.00

Parish House \$ 442.65

Subtotal \$3752.63

Simply Giving

General \$3002.00

Building Fund \$ 25.00

Total \$6779.63

Income \$185,684

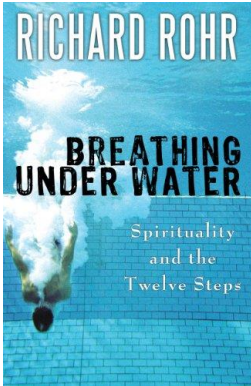
Expenses \$199,318

Net \$ (13,634)

Sept 30, 2018 Deposit N/A

MEETINGS AND STUDIES

New Book Study going on Now!



Join Harold Sollenberger for a book study of Richard Rohr's book "Breathing Underwater." Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex or email the church office if you need a copy of the book. The cost is \$12.00 if a book is needed.

Parish House Updates/News

Parish House Needs

We will continue to collect Meijer gift cards and cash donation for the youth for groceries. Donations can be given at the regular offering time or in a separate envelope marked "groceries". Thank you for your amazing generosity, it is greatly appreciated!!

Contact Kim O'Brien at corey_and_kim@yahoo.com with any questions.

Quarterly Meeting



The next Quarterly Meeting will be Sunday, October 28th following morning worship.

Property Clean Up

The property team is having our annual Fall Cleanup on Sunday, November 4th. Any helper is welcome as we will be trimming trees and bushes, mulching, etc. Also, thanks to everyone who helped support the paving of the parking lot. It looks great.

October

3rd: 6:30 p.m. Classes for Pk-2nd, Trinity (3-5th grade) and confirmation (6-8th grade)

7th: 9 a.m. Sunday School PK-5th grade

10th: 6:30 p.m. Classes for Pk-2nd, Trinity (3-5th grade) and confirmation (6-8th grade)

13th: 3:00 p.m. High School Youth Group Fall Fest/Tailgate/Corn Maze: Starts at Love's House

14th: 9 a.m. Sunday School PK-5th grade, No 9-12th Youth Group tonight

17th: 6:30 p.m. Classes for Pk-2nd, Trinity (3-5th grade) and confirmation (6-8th grade)

21st: 9 a.m. Sunday School PK-5th grade, 3:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group (6-8th grade) ****Don't forget your T-shirt design****

24th: 6:30 p.m. Classes for Pk-2nd, Trinity (3-5th grade) and confirmation (6-8th grade)

28th: 9 a.m. Sunday School PK-5th grade, High School Youth Group (9-12th grade)

31st: NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIES



Calling all 9-12th Graders!!

Fall Fest-October 13th

3:00 p.m.-??

Football, Games, Pumpkin Carving, Dinner, Corn Maze etc... Bring your friends and come ready for FUN! @ Love's house

**Special Sunday Event –
October 21
Special Morning
Worship Service
An Afternoon Nature
Walk to enjoy the fall
colors and feast on cider
& donuts**

On Sunday morning, October 21, the Green Team will be leading worship. This service will focus on the theme “*Who Is My Neighbor in a Climate Threatened World?*” As Christians, we are called to care for creation and care for the poor. And, as we look at



the progression of climate change, these two areas of focus are intimately intertwined. When we look at the ecological changes taking place around the world, climate change is already displacing the most vulnerable in this world. In all major religious traditions, the message we are given is to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Our neighbors are those next to us. They are those who are economically challenged, they are refugees and immigrants who are already being affected by climate change, and they are our children and future generations. And, caring for creation includes caring about all the elements, caring for all creatures on earth and all plants and vegetation. ***Join us for this special worship experience and then gather with us at Harris Nature Center at 1:30 for a Nature Walk where we can experience the fall colors and feast on cider & donuts.***

UPCOMING EVENTS



Covenantal Restoration: A 12 session film series on faith and race
Faith Lutheran Church's RIC Team and St. Paul's Lutheran Church
join forces to learn about and address issues of race within our
culture.

Racism and oppression have a long and painful past and present, it is an open, aching human wound that reflects a fracture in our relationship with God. Understanding how it was promoted and is still alive and acting out in the construct of our beliefs and systems and structures is the beginning of caring for this wound.

In this series on faith and race we pray God would bring you hope, renew your mind, enliven your spirit, and gift you with the virtues of the Divine's own heart. May God strengthen your stand, inspire your movement towards God's dream for humanity, and increase Kingdom square footage with each step you make in Love.

We will be presenting this 12 session film series throughout this coming year, beginning in October. Beginning at 7:30 on the 2nd Tuesday evening of each month, a film will be shown at St. Paul's, and on the 4th Tuesday evening of each month, another film will be shown at Faith Lutheran.

This is a listing of the first 2 scheduled showings:

10/9 – at St. Paul's - SESSION 1 //A Beloved Community with Rene August

10/23 – at Faith Lutheran – SESSION 2 //Restoration of Relationship with Reggie Williams

Stewardship Sunday will be October 14, and, on that day, we will ask you to bring your 2019 pledges forward.

If you need a pledge card for 2019 extras are available in the narthex. Time and Talent sheets are also available.



We have 3 convenient ways to Give to Faith Lutheran.
Please contact [Tom Schrote](#) if you have any questions.

1. **Offering Plate/envelopes** on Sunday mornings. Envelopes are available to use for Sunday morning offering. Please contact [Tom](#) if you would like them ordered for your family.
2. **Simply Giving**, your contributions are debited automatically from your checking or savings account on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. It works the same convenient way as your mortgage, utility, cell phone, or any other reoccurring bills you pay electronically from your bank account. Please contact [Tom](#) or [Katie](#) in the church office for an enrollment form.
3. **Newest Way to Pay: GIVE+ App.**: Supporting your church's mission is as easy as 1-2-3. With GivePlus Mobile your members and guests can express their generosity in the moment — right from the palm of their hand.

1. **Download the app**
2. **Find your church: Faith Lutheran Church, Meridian Township**
3. **Give!**