



# Faith Friends & Family Announcements and News for November 10-November 23

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## NEXT TWO WEEK'S CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

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### **Sunday, November 10**

- 9:00 a.m. Book Study  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class Packs College Care Packages  
6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group

### **Monday, November 11**

### **Tuesday, November 12**

No Noon Study

### **Wednesday, November 13**

All Day Large Fellowship Hall Facility Rental

- 9:30 a.m. Quilters  
6:30 p.m. Faith Bells  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, November 14**

All Day Large Fellowship Hall Facility Rental

### **Friday, November 15**

- 5:30 p.m. Large Fellowship Hall Rental

### **Saturday, November 16**

## **Sunday, November 17**

- 9:00 a.m. Book Study  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

## **Monday, November 18**

## **Tuesday, November 19**

- 10:00 a.m. Meridian Township Playgroup  
12:00 p.m. Study in Pastor's office

## **Wednesday, November 20**

- 9:30 a.m. Quilters  
1:00 p.m. 60 +/- Popcorn & a Movie  
4:00 p.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Faith Bells  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

## **Thursday, November 21**

- 11:00 a.m. Dobie Road Service

## **Friday, November 22**

## **Saturday, November 23**



**When Okemos Public Schools are closed for weather, the offices and meetings at Faith Lutheran are also closed/cancelled.**

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**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

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**October 27, 2019**

|                 |                   | Year to Date as of 9/30/2019 |                  |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| Loose Cash      | \$ 72.00          | Income                       | \$192,971        |
| Loose Checks    | \$ 0.00           | <u>Expenses</u>              | <u>\$228,597</u> |
| World Hunger    | \$ 20.00          | Net                          | \$ (35,626)      |
| Book Study      | \$ 59.00          |                              |                  |
| Facility Rental | \$ 100.00         |                              |                  |
| Parish House    | \$ 50.00          |                              |                  |
| General Fund    | \$2,300.00        |                              |                  |
| Subtotal        | \$2,601.00        |                              |                  |
| Simply Giving   |                   |                              |                  |
| General         | \$ 100.00         |                              |                  |
| Building        | \$                |                              |                  |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>\$2,701.00</b> |                              |                  |

**November 3, 2019**

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| Loose Cash           | \$ 65.00          |
| World Hunger         | \$ 10.00          |
| Book Study           | \$ 33.00          |
| Youth                |                   |
| Gathering            | \$ 190.00         |
| General Fund         | \$2,545.00        |
| Green Team           | \$ 100.00         |
| Parish House Project | \$ 627.52         |
| Subtotal             | \$3,570.52        |
| Simply Giving        |                   |
| General              | \$3,780.00        |
| <u>Building</u>      | <u>\$ 25.00</u>   |
|                      | <b>\$7,375.52</b> |

**Office  
Hours**

**As of 11/1/19 the church office hours  
will be 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

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**Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.**

Due to a late Thanksgiving calendar date this year, the NOVEMBER get-together will be **one week earlier (3rd Wednesday) this month.**

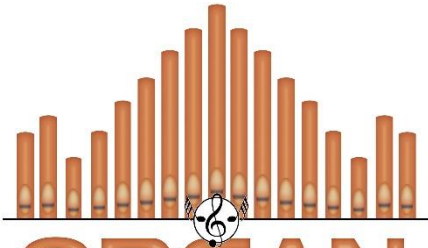
An excellent movie will be shown in the Fellowship Hall with its large screen! **THE BUCKET LIST**, starring Morgan Freeman and Jack Nicholson will take us with them on an entertaining and thoughtful trip or two, from their hospital beds to a mountain top. This movie has humor and pathos, and appeal to all ages. Don't miss it, and feel free to bring a friend or family member. Of course, popcorn and beverages will be close at hand! Signups not necessary this time!! Rides available, just call the office.

### Beer & Hymns



The next Beer & Hymns will take place on **Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** at Gordon and Judy Tuthills home. 1609 Downing Street in Haslett. Gordon and Judy will be providing sloppy joe

sandwiches. Please bring a Christmas treat to share and your beverage of choice.



# ORGAN DEDICATION

On November 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 there will be an organ concert dedicating the new pipes and other enhancements to our pipe organ. These additions to our organ are a gift in memory of Lois Sollenberger and Carol Towl. Various organ works will be performed by Bruce, Kathy Richardson and Pastor Ellen. The concert will also be a benefit to raise funds for to send to Tula Ngasala's parents' church in Tanzania. That congregation will be using this money to purchase hymnals and Bibles for their mission work in Tanzania. We invite you to join us as we not only remember Lois and Carol, but also celebrate the music of the church. Following the recital, you are invited to stay for cookies, cider and coffee.

## ORGAN DEDICATION RECITAL



**Wednesday evening**  
**Advent Prayer Services** will

be held at 7:15 PM, beginning on Wednesday, December 4. We will be using **Holden Evening Prayer** in these services in which we will also pray for the healing of the nations of the world. The season of Advent dares us to hold out the hope that the new world God is bringing about in Jesus Christ is indeed coming – and coming soon! On the evenings of Dec. 4, 11, and 18, we will prayerfully spend time preparing our hearts and minds for the coming of the Christ child in our midst. You are invited to join us at 7:15 PM on Wednesdays for this time of prayer.



**Advent Calendars and ELCA World Hunger Barns** – On Sunday, December 1, every family will receive an ELCA Advent Calendar and a “barn” to take home. This “barn” will be used to collect money for ELCA World Hunger throughout the season of Advent. The Barn Advent offering will then be used to provide for ELCA ministries that are taking place in the home countries of the young men in our Parish House. (Felicien is from Rwanda, Gabriel is from Guatemala, and Jose is from El Salvador.) We are asking that the “Barn Advent Banks” be returned during worship on Sunday, December 22, the fourth Sunday in Advent.



## Decorating the Church for the Holidays-

November 30<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m.- Please join us to set up the Trees at Faith. On Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> following worship we invite all who are able to decorate the trees.

## Poinsettia Orders-

Poinsettia order forms are available on the counter in the Narthex. Orders are due by Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please place your order in Katie Love's mailbox or on her desk in the office.



Poinsettia Sign-Up

## **CARDS FOR MILITARY**

We will be sending Christmas Greetings to members of the military with connections to Faith Church. If you would like to make a card to send please place it in the box in the Narthex by Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Confirmation Students will be packing them at their meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>.



## **STUFF THE STOCKING FOOD COLLECTION**

The Caring Committee has begun collecting food for Stuff the Stockings. We will be providing food for 20 Meridian Township families once again. This helps the families while their children are home over the school break where they usually get breakfast and lunch provided to them. Please look for the grocery cart in the narthex which you can put the donations in. We will also collect money to help with the cost of the milk, eggs and break we will add to the bags.



### **Needed items:**

Peanut butter, jelly, snack bars, pop tarts, muffin mix, pancake mix, syrup, canned fruits, boxed cereals, oatmeal, macaroni and cheese, boxed meals like Hamburger Helper, soup, boxed crackers, rice, pasta, spaghetti sauce.

We will be packing food on Wednesday, Dec. 11th and will need drivers to help on Sunday, Dec. 15th. Thanks so much for your help with this project,



**If you have any additions or updates, please contact the church office. [klove@faithlutheranokemos.org](mailto:klove@faithlutheranokemos.org)**

- Phyllis Shorman
- Connie Nelson
- Dale Halverson
- Brenda Kopf
- Walter Kopf
- Ruthie Gardner
- Alisyn & Devin
- Jeanne Hicks
- Todd Holle
- Rita Barry
- Ellen Milne
- Ken Whitmyer
- Sifa Ngasala
- Todd
- Kathy
- Todd Barriklow
- Carol Coyer
- Loretta Milne
- Scott & Lisa Seeley
- Bob (Brenda Zynda's nephew in hospice)
- Bob Shorman's niece Lyndsey in hospital.

-Our mission partner congregation

- Lansing Redeemer Church of Lansing

-Those in military service

- Jon Schoepf, Lani Yearicks, Landon Belanger, Melody and Adam Wright, Tracy Tuthill, Joe Morre and Joe Galvin.

-Samaritas Children who seek adoption. Pray for each to be adopted and for Jesus to be their lifelong friend.

-Northwest Lower Michigan Synod Prayer Partners

- Rev. Nicole Smith and the congregation of Lutheran Church of the Savior of Kalamazoo, Mi.
- Rev. Ken Johnson and the congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church of Kalamazoo, Mi.