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2025 Church Council

<p><u>President:</u> Dave Kocsis</p> <p><u>Secretary:</u> Laurie Krynock</p> <p><u>Elders:</u> Carol Trick, Amy Wagner</p> <p><u>Trustee:</u> A.J. Green</p> <p><u>Deacon:</u> Mike Fought</p> <p><u>Endowment:</u> Randy Koch, Larry Leow, Debra Clark, Mike Schneider, Roy Burgoon, Marie Reiselt, Pastor Tim Miller</p>	<p><u>Vice-President:</u> Marie Reiselt</p> <p><u>Treasurer:</u> Ann Waggoner</p>
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The Messenger

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From the Pastor's Desk...

Greetings children of God.

October is one of my favorite months. It could be because of all the colors, or because hunting season is here, or because of the “candy festival” at the end of the month, or because of the commemoration of the Reformation, or maybe it’s because winter is closer than before. So many things, festivals, memories, beauty, change, and God’s continuing care through it all.

Big surprise, I’m going to focus on the Reformation. Freedom is a concept our country was built on. That’s why we broke away from England, so that we’d be free to make our own rules and plans. Ever since then, people have come, and continue to come, to our shores because we represent political and economic freedom, safety, and a different way of life. Freedom was a big part of Luther’s protests and actions. He felt that the Roman Catholic Church of his day was regulating religious life in such a way as to take us away from Jesus by buying our forgiveness and salvation through the purchasing of indulgences. I’ll let y’all in on a little secret, we can’t be saved by good works or by good offerings. We’re only saved by the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus.

In Luther’s concept of freedom, all people, not just those religiously educated, are able to read the Bible, pray for others, serve those in need, and live as disciples. All people are blessed by the Holy Spirit to live in the freedom of the Gospel, a freedom that’s deeply connected to service, not just doing what you want. We see this as Luther reminds each disciple of the need to care for the neighbor, for each disciple to know that he or she has full connection with God, that each disciple is given the fullness of God’s love, grace, mercy, and forgiveness as they are washed in the Holy Trinity in the waters of Holy Baptism, and fed with the body and blood of Jesus in the meal of Holy Communion, and that

each disciple receives the Holy Spirit who comes to them in their learning, reading of scripture, receiving the Sacraments, and helping the neighbor.

Luther teaches us the truth of freedom that he learned from Jesus, that freedom is found in our giving, in our serving and in our loving, in other words, in being a disciple. So, children of God, I encourage you to live free into Jesus as you strive to become the best disciple you can be, so, that all may see God's presence in you, and always give thanks to our awesome God, who's grace, mercy, and love knows no bounds and has no limits.

God's blessings,
Pastor Tim

OUR CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to vote for council and endowment committee members and to approve the spending plan for 2026 is going to be on **Sunday, October 19 at 9:15 a.m. in the fellowship hall** in between services. Please plan to attend.



CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – SEPT. 16, 2025

- Five Baptisms to be celebrated 9-21-25.
- Discussion and approval of proposed Spending Plan for 2026 – will be presented at congregational meeting 10-19-25.
- Discussed nominees for open Council positions – more candidates being approached.
- Clean-up day scheduled for 10-4-25 starting at 9 a.m.
- Concrete has been poured for the courts. Due to curing time needed, further work will be resumed in the spring.

CHECK IN AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH! Faith has Wi-Fi for everyone to use – find Faith (guest) and the password is: welcometofaith Be sure to like the Facebook **Faith Lutheran Church - Fremont, Ohio** page and keep up to date with all of the latest happenings.

2025: THE YEAR OF LISTENING MEMORY VERSE: ISAIAH 55:3A

“Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live...”



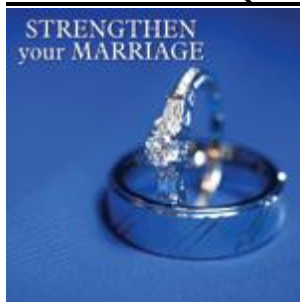
**WE WELCOMED THE FOLLOWING
THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY
BAPTISM ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2025** into
the family of God and Faith Lutheran
Church:
Shelly Miller, Brittany Miller, Baily
Root, Nolan Root, and Lainee Root

CLEAN UP DAY is scheduled for **Saturday, October 4th starting at 9
a.m.** and should be done by 11 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the
hallway.

THE NORTHWESTERN OHIO SYNOD ANNUAL FUND is a way for us to
live out our shared mission. Together, we are *“Sent by the crucified and
risen Jesus to make disciples, equip leaders, strengthen parishes, and
nurture new communities, for the renewal of Northwestern Ohio and
the world”*. Each gift to the **Annual Fund** is dedicated to local mission
and ministry and remains right here in Northwestern Ohio, providing
resources to strengthen parishes and equip new leaders. Please
prayerfully consider joining Bishop Daniel, the Synod Staff, Synod
Council, and Conference Deans in supporting this important work.
Please give today through this link: <https://nwos-elca.church> by mailing
a check to: **Northwestern Ohio Synod, 1701 Tiffin Ave, Findlay, OH
45840**, or by using this QR code:



FALL COMES SO QUICKLY AFTER SUMMER. Perhaps it's time to



FALL IN LOVE with your spouse all over
again. Commit time to growing your marriage,
November 7-9, at the Fairfield Inn & Suites,
Streetsboro OH. Go to GodLovesMarriage.org
for more information about the benefits, costs,
and details, and then get it on your calendars
ASAP because *drifting* will never get your
marriage to where you want it to be.



FALL INTO GIVING: HELP FILL THE PANTRY WAS A HUGE SUCCESS

I would personally like to thank the members of our Faith congregation who donated money or items to the Mission and Outreach food drive to benefit the local Sandusky County Food Pantry. I would especially like to thank Noelle and Bill Leutenegger for acquiring a Thrivent Action team grant to help in our effort to support this worthy cause. In all, we collected well over 700 food items which were delivered to the pantry at the end of September. You are awesome. Faith is truly a caring and giving family. Thanks again.

Randy J. Brown Committee Chairperson

FAITH FAMILY: A note of thanks for all the cards and Prayers. A special thanks to Women of the Church for the flowers! A big thank you to Pastor Tim for his visits and words of encouragement. Until you are at a Health Care facility, you do not realize the value of Tea Time with Faith! Thank you, ladies, for your time and dedication! Sandie Reed



CANTATA TIME!!! The Senior Choir is inviting all interested persons to join in singing Celebrate the Child Who Is the Light, a Christmas musical created and arranged by Tom Fettke, which combines well-known carols and narration of the Nativity with contemporary songs filled with seasonal praises. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, October 15th, from 8:05-9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. A few Saturday morning rehearsals may be scheduled closer to the performance date. We will share this

musical celebration on Sunday, December 14th, at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Please contact Darla Brown at 419.680.6717 if you have any questions and would like more information.



SOUPER SOUP COOKOFF AND SILENT AUCTION:

WHAT: Any kind of soup – No Peppers please

WHEN: Saturday, October 4, 2025 at 5 pm

WHERE: Faith Fellowship Hall

COST: \$10.00 for adults and
\$5.00 for kids 10 and under

Tickets sold at door only

UP TO 12 ENTRANTS: Sign-up between July 27th and September 14th.
We request that you be present to win.

RESTRICTIONS: **MUST NOT USE PEPPERS IN SOUP - Except**
Black Ground – due to some who are allergic to
them.

SOUP HERE BY: 4:00 P.M. in a crock pot with no names or
identifying marks on it.

SERVING: Women's Board Members will serve Soup in
Styrofoam bowls with entrant's number on it.

TO ATTEND, EAT AND VOTE: Sign up by Sunday, September 28th –
not required – simply to give us an
idea of how many to expect.

VOTING: Each person attending will be given 1 ticket to write
their number one choice on and drop into a box.
Only one ticket will be issued per person.

PROVIDED: Hot Dogs, Buns, Condiments, Crackers, Tableservice
Drinks: Lemonade, Iced Tea (Sweetened &
Unsweetened), Hawaiian Punch, Water, Ice

PROCEEDS: To Flag City Honor Flight (For veterans to view
monuments in Washington, D.C.) Free to Veterans, 1 Guardian can fly
with them at a cost of \$400. They do 4 flights per year at a cost of
\$150,000 per flight to take 80 Vets and their Guardians.

WANTED: Salads and Desserts to add to meal.

Sign-up sheet will be out closer to the time.

PRIZE: \$50.00 Visa Gift Card, Framed Certificate and
Apron to sign to be displayed at the church AND
“All year bragging rights”

SILENT AUCTION: **Wanted** – Groups or members to help donate
Baskets/Items, Craft items, or Services you
could provide someone to be included in
auction. Sign up between July 27th – Sept. 28th

BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN WITH IT!



ALTAR GUILD:

A Big Thank You to Marg Schwartz, Laurie Krynock & Ann Waggoner for your service on the Altar Guild during the month of September – You are appreciated!

October's Altar Guild Members are Sarah Quaintance and Nicole Weiker.

Ginger Walker - Altar Guild Chair

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, December 9th, beginning at 7 p.m. we will hear about Christmas in the Trenches from Mike Gilbert. He will include several of the wars, including the Civil War and World War I & II. It's sure to be very interesting! We will also have our December General Meeting of the women this night beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Lounge. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Please plan to join us. Light refreshments will be provided.

FLC Women's Thank Offering Sunday will be November 9th, 2025. Cheryl Paeth will share the sermon. Please pick up your Thank Offering envelopes in the Narthex or enclosed here.

The next FLCW Board meeting will be October 6, 2025 at 7 p.m.

FAITH FILLED TRAVELERS TRIPS UPDATE

We have one trip planned yet this year and it is going.

America's River Roots – October 8 – 10 (Wednesday – Friday) It cannot take more passengers unless there is a cancelation. I need you to call me if you are interested in that possibility. Deposits are **\$300 per person**. Please check as soon as possible.

COMING IN 2026

Days on the St. Lawrence River – Remember, the first trip for this year which was canceled, **will take place in August of 2026**. It is a very beautiful area near the Thousand Islands, New York. Information will be forthcoming and will be sent out, so please begin saving. Blessings to all, Yvonne Vogel, 419-307-1774.



FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE SEW DAY

Come out and join the fun. We meet the first and third Thursdays of the month and begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. but come and leave whenever you wish. We work on quilts, health kits and sewing kits. Greeting cards are made and are available for purchase in the Fellowship Hall for a donation. Come join the fun!



PRAYER CHAIN IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU!

Please remember that we have a working prayer chain ready and waiting to pray for you or your loved ones in whatever way you would like. Our prayer warriors will lift you up in

prayer to receive God's Blessings. To request prayer or to be a prayer warrior, please contact Barb Kocsis at 567-219-2603 or e-mail her at dbkocsis@gmail.com. Thanks.



**REQUESTS
— FOR —
PRAYER**

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please contact the Church Office to include or continue an individual prayer request. Each prayer request will remain in the bulletin for 4 Sundays. At that time, you may contact the Office to continue. Thank you for your assistance.



NOISY OFFERING UPDATE –

“Change for Change” The Noisy Offering was collected on September 21st and will be listed in a future newsletter. The Noisy Offering is given so Children from our Companion Parish of Bumila Lutheran Church have the opportunity to attend school in the Mpwapwa Region. Thank you for your support of the children of our sister congregation in Bumila, Tanzania.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS - 2025

- 1-Margie Roach
- 2-Sarah Wilson, Leah Wasserman, Gilbert Wagner, Jr.
- 3-Marcia Clink
- 5-Nick Dymond
- 6-Hallie Northrup
- 8-Donna Leow, David Ring
- 10-Sharon Shaul
- 11-Chris Schneider
- 13-Carol Wattley, Brooklynn Quaintance
- 16-Luis Peña, Laurie Krynock
- 17-Teri Hineline, John Gormley
- 18-Brian Quaintance, Jessica Clark, Marilyn Siefke
- 19-Cheryl Durnwald, Heidi Tooman
- 20-Linda Woessner
- 21-Kenna Tooman
- 22-Parm Boyer
- 25-Alexis Brickner, Reese Smith
- 26-Roy Burgoon
- 27-Marie Reiselt
- 29-Joan Bolen, Noelle Leutenegger, Trent Fahle, Sarah Quaintance
- 31-Keaton Northrup



Happy Anniversary!

Oct. 2, 2005	Brent & Kelly Fahle	20 years
Oct. 2, 2004	Christine & Benjamin Krugh	21 years
Oct. 2, 2001	Sarah Wilson & Paul Hirt	24 years
Oct. 3, 2020	Marissa & Colton Northrup	5 years
Oct. 5, 1985	Randy & Darla Brown	40 years
Oct. 11, 2003	Matthew & Miranda Garlock	22 years
Oct. 15, 1977	David & Marilyn Ring	48 years
Oct. 19, 2013	Christopher & Lilly Riehl	12 years
Oct. 22, 2005	John & Barb Gormley	20 years
Oct. 25, 2008	Michael & Candice Fought	17 years
Oct. 26, 2024	Justin & Madison Reed	1 year
Oct. 27, 1978	Randy & Betsy Copley	47 years
Oct. 27, 1984	Ginger & Ken Walker, Jr.	41 years
Oct. 29, 2005	Nicole & Kevin Wasserman	20 years

The "50" and Over Club - Happy Anniversary!

Oct. 18, 1975	Margie & Michael Roach, Sr.	50 years
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Office Hours:

Pastor's schedule – Monday thru Thursday

Secretary's schedule – Tuesday thru Thursday

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.

9:15 a.m. Fellowship Time and

Sunday School

Holy Communion Celebrated: Every Sunday

Newsletter Articles Due: 3rd Sunday of the Month

Core Values –

F aithful fellowship

A ffirming worship

I ntentional service

T ransformative growth

H onoring tradition