



The KEY

The newsletter of Faith Lutheran Church

October 2014



Ministry Spotlight: Bagged Meal Birthday

Alexandra Lersten, who attends Faith with her family, chose to help the homeless for her birthday this year. Alexandra helps the homeless every month through Faith's bagged meal program. Says her mother, Cindy, "She's always had a special connection to Jesus and recently has said she might want to be a Pastor." With help from **Paul Wengert**, Faith's Bagged Meal Coordinator, Alexandra and a gaggle of other 8-year-old girls, including Faith members **Dominique Lounberg** and **Abby Litterst**, distributed a meal to their homeless neighbors. When asked how the recipients responded to a bunch of little girls, Cindy replied, "The crowd seemed to have smiles on their faces, but many were most excited by the cookies!" Alexandra's favorite part? Serving hot dogs and cookies.



Blessing of the Animals

**Saturday, October 4
10:00 a.m.**

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we invite all, regardless of species, to celebrate and bless the animals that are important to our lives. The pet blessing will take place in the [church's parking lot](#) on N. Jackson St. We'll have treats for the pets and coffee and donuts for their humans!

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Christian Education at Faith

Faith offers many opportunities for learning and growing in our Christian faith.

- + Children's Sunday School and occasional Adult Discussions, **Sunday mornings, 9:45 a.m.**
- + Confirmation classes for 6th-8th graders, **Sundays once a month**
- + Lydia Circle for women, **2nd Monday of the Month, 7:30 p.m.**
- + Bible Study in the Lounge, **Thursday Mornings at 10:00 a.m.** led by Pastor Yvette and lay leaders
- + Tuesday Bible Study, **Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m., starting September 16**
- + Young Adult Bible Study, **1st & 3rd Sundays, 9:30 a.m., starting September 21**

Who Was Jesus, Anyway?

Contact: Pastor Brian, [pastorbrian\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian(at)flcva.org)

Meeting Jesus Again: This is the theme of a 12-week Bible Study, meeting on twelve Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. this fall.

Marcus Borg wrote a fascinating book a few years ago entitled *Meeting Jesus Again for the Second Time*. As a Sunday School student growing up in the church (in North Dakota, by the way) he was taught a certain view of Jesus. Then, as an adult scholar, he went back to the Bible to try to look in a fresh way at what the Bible actually teaches us about Jesus.



Our Bible study this fall will do the same thing. Using curriculum from the same folks who brought us the *Living the Questions* series this past year, we will study [*Saving Jesus Redux*](#). This 12-week series is built around a 30 minute video and encourages lively discussion about who Jesus was and what he means for us today.

The class will run from September 16 to December 2. Sign up by emailing Pastor Brian.

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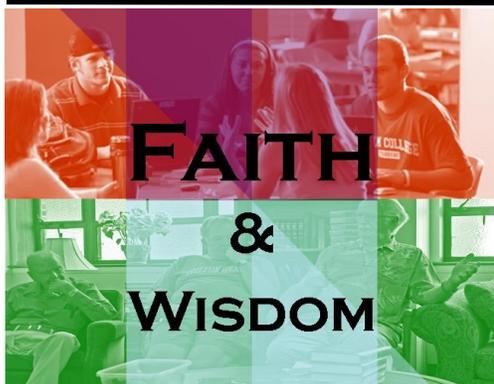
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Sex + Faith: Talking with Your Child from Birth to Adolescence

Presented by

Dr. Kate Ott

Assistant Professor of Christian Social Ethics,
Drew Theological School

Saturday, October 18, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.
Faith Lutheran Church

Watch
Dr. Ott's
video!

9 a.m.—Noon: Faith + Sex Forum

Dr. Kate Ott will lead a discussion on connecting our faith with our sexuality, and how our congregations can support the education that kids and adults alike need to build healthy relationships throughout our lives.

12:45—2:30 p.m.: Parents' Workshop

For parents of middle- and high-school youth. We will talk about how to discuss sexuality with our teens, and the challenges teens face, especially in light of today's technology.

3:00—5:00 p.m.: Youth Workshop

For youth, grades 7-12. This is not a sex education lesson--it won't even focus primarily on sex! Instead, we'll be talking about all kinds of relationships--romantic, family, friends, etc. Through games and conversation we'll explore how to build healthy relationships, and how our faith can help us.

Registration Information

Faith + Sex Forum Only—\$15.00 Parents' Workshop Only—\$15.00
Both Sessions—\$25.00
Youth Workshop—Free

Registration includes lunch.

Register online at <https://sexplusfaith.eventbrite.com>, or by telephone, at 703.525.9283.



About the Presenter

Dr. Kate Ott is a feminist, Christian scholar addressing the formation of moral communities with specializations in sexuality, technology, children/youth, and professional ethics. She is Assistant Professor of Christian Social Ethics at Drew University Theological School in Madison, NJ.

Her writings include: *Sex + Faith: Talking with Your Child from Birth to Adolescence* and the co-edited volume *Faith, Feminism, and Scholarship: The Next Generation*. In addition, Kate writes curricula for adults and teens at www.TheThoughtfulChristian.com.

Prior to Drew, Kate was the Deputy Director of the Religious Institute; there she led the project and publication of *Sex and the Seminary: Preparing Ministers for Sexual Health and Justice*. She has also served as a Youth and Family Minister as well as a Sunday School Teacher.

To find out more about her work visit www.kateott.org.

Young Adult Bible Study—"Living the Questions"

Contact: Bob Francis, [bleebo77\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:bleebo77(at)gmail.com)

1st & 3rd Sundays (October 5 & 19), 9:30 a.m.

"[Living the Questions](#)" is an open-minded study that strives to create an environment where participants can interact with one another in open discussion, rather than giving participants all the answers. Featuring thirty acclaimed scholars, theologians and other experts, LtQ encourages participants to discuss "what's next" for Christianity. Each of the 21 sessions begins with a 20-minute video segment that includes conversations with leading voices of faith, stories illustrating aspects of an evolving faith, and concrete spiritual practices and disciplines.

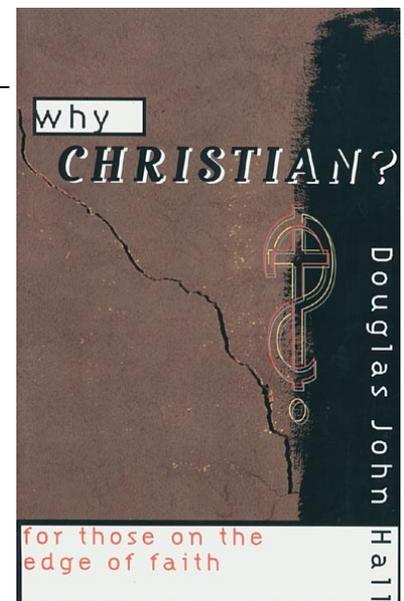
All materials will be provided—no books necessary—so come to any or all of these engaging sessions!

"Why Christian?" A Sermon Series by Pastor Brian

Contact: Pastor Brian, [pastorbrian\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian(at)flcva.org)

Canadian Professor Douglas John Hall, one of our finest Lutheran theologians, wrote a book for young adults struggling with Christianity entitled **Why Christian? For Those on the Edge of Faith**. Beginning September 14, I started preaching a 5-part sermon series on the issues and questions raised by this book. If you missed any of these sermons, you can catch them on our website, at www.flcva.org/messages.

September 14: "Why Jesus?"
September 21: "Saved from What--for What?"
October 5: "And What's this about a Holy Spirit?"
October 12: "What Difference Does it Make?"
November 2: "For All the Saints: Why Church and Why Hope?"



Confirmation

Contact: Pastor Yvette, [pastoryvette\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastoryvette(at)flcva.org)

Monthly Confirmation Class, Sunday, October 19, 3—5:30 p.m.



Confirmation Sunday
Kayla Guerch, Nicolette Lounberg, Nate Oney, Lauryn Rothaermel, and Jake Ruge have completed three years of Confirmation and are scheduled to be confirmed on Reformation Sunday, October 26. Each of them will share a reflection on their faith at all three services, then will be confirmed by the rite of Affirmation of Baptism at the 11 AM service. There will be a reception following the 11 a.m. service. **Please come help us celebrate and recognize their growth and faith!**

Thinking of Becoming a Member?

Contact: Pastor Brian, [pastorbrian\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian(at)flcva.org)



The fall New Member Sunday is November 2 (All Saints' Day). New Member Orientation sessions will take place on October 12, 19 and 26 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Lounge, located right across from the kitchen on the north side of the church building.

These sessions are for Lutherans who wish to transfer their membership, and also for non-Lutherans who are interested in possibly joining our congregation. Please contact Pastor Brian if you wish to participate, or if you have any questions.

Synod-Wide Young Adult Monastic Retreat: Sharpen the Axe

Contact: Pastor Wendy Moen, [WMoen\(at\)FirstTrinityDC.org](mailto:WMoen(at)FirstTrinityDC.org), 202.737.4859 x605

Ever feel like there's always more you should be doing? Like no matter how many emails you reply to, there are always three new ones in your inbox? Like no matter how many hours you spend at the office, the pile always seems higher the next day? Like no matter how often you try to set aside "me" time, you never seem to get to it?

Well sometimes the more we work, the less productive we become. Stephen Covey describes this as a woodcutter who works for days without taking the time to sharpen the saw. The more he does, the less productive he becomes.

Don't you think it's time to sharpen your axe?

If so, please join other [DC Metro Synod young adults](#) as we collectively sharpen our axes: through prayer, conversation, reading, and enjoying nature in the beautiful and secluded Benedictine Sisters of Erie Monastery.

Where: At the Benedictine Sisters of Erie Monastery in Erie, PA.

Check it out: <https://www.eriebenedictines.org/>

When: November 6-9, 2014 (Thursday-Sunday)

Cost: \$225 (Includes rental vehicle for travel if needed)



Contact Pastor Wendy Moen by September 30 to RSVP and reserve your spot on the retreat.

Thank You!

You may have noticed that the grounds around Faith Lutheran Church are looking especially well-kept these days. The fresh landscaping was a gift from Helen Barrow, long-time member of Faith Lutheran Church. Thank you, Helen!

Mission of the Month: Offender Aid and Restoration

Contact: Mary Hibbits, [mohibbits\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:mohibbits(at)comcast.net)

Come on **Sunday, October 19** to hear about the work of OAR in our community. OAR has been working with men and women coming out of jail and prison in Arlington since 1974. Our church has been among those who have supported their work over the years. The following story gives you a glimpse of the tangible results of their work:

"OAR was the first place that Sam turned to when looking for a job and he was very determined to find gainful employment. Living in a shelter with limited resources and a felony charge it was going to be a struggle, but Sam had a very positive and determined attitude. He possessed all the skills necessary for a maintenance position. For two and a half months he had been unsuccessful. He had put in numerous applications and had been on three interviews. OAR had helped Sam obtain his ID and provided him with new clothes for his interviews, numerous job leads, and transportation, Sam continued to put forth a great effort by meeting with employers and going to employment centers on a regular basis with no luck.



Sam came to us very down and looked like he was ready to give up. We did our best to raise his spirits with a pep-talk about how persistence pays off and that he was sure to get a break soon. Sam left the office still feeling defeated, but he promised that he would keep at it. The following week we received a phone call from Sam letting us know that he found a job with an Alexandria Hotel where he had applied when he first began his search. When we asked Sam why the manager had changed his mind, he told us that the manager had observed him getting off the metro every day looking for a job, and he was impressed with his persistence. Sam is ecstatic about his new job and not only does he have a job, but he has a job he can turn into a career."



OAR volunteer working with a client on his GED.

We often want to think of former offenders as somehow different than we are, but they are not. They want to contribute and to belong, just like we do. With your help, OAR is giving men and women a second chance to reach their personal goals and become productive citizens. Their success is our success!

Gail Arnall, Executive Director of OAR, along with a client, will be speaking at the 9:30 and 11:00 services on October 19. Come learn more and find out

how you might get involved. Check them out at

www.oaronline.org.

Fall Clean-Up Day

Contact: Greg Blatt, [gpb113\(at\)yahoo.com](mailto:gpb113(at)yahoo.com)

Fall Clean Up Day has been scheduled for **Saturday, October 25**, at 9:00 a.m. Bring your rake and a go-to attitude as we get Faith ready for the winter months.

Youth Ministry

Contact: Pastor Yvette, [pastoryvette\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastoryvette(at)flcva.org)

Faith Youth (6th-12th grade) Hike

Sunday, October 5, 1:15-4:30 p.m.

We'll leave Faith at 1:15 PM to head to [Bull Run Natural Conservancy](#) for a moderate, 3.5-mile hike with a nice view at the end of the trail! Bring water and lunch (we'll eat at the trailhead before we hike), and wear appropriate footwear and sun protection (sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, long sleeves).



Everyone who wants to hike must sign a Waiver of Liability from Bull Run and a permission slip for Faith Lutheran Youth Group.

To RSVP and receive the required permission forms, send an email to Allison Baker, [allison.baker10\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:allison.baker10(at)gmail.com).

Sex + Faith Youth Workshop

Saturday, October 18, 3–5:00 p.m.

For youth, grades 7–12. This is not a sex education lesson—it won't even focus primarily on sex! Instead, we'll be talking about all kinds of relationships—romantic, family, friends, etc. Through games and conversation we'll explore how to build healthy relations, and how our faith can help us. See the [announcement on page 3](#) for sign-up information.

XYZ News

"eXtra Years of Zest" - a social group for Faith's active seniors.

Contact: Carolyn Baker, 703-671-0312

On **Tuesday, October 7**, we will travel to the [Catoctin Orchard](#) in Maryland for apples and assorted goodies, plus a visit to the [Shamrock restaurant](#) for lunch. We also plan to pick up Frank Andrews at the Lutheran Home. The van will leave at 11:00 a.m.

Then, on **Tuesday, October 28th at noon**, it is time for our annual Oktoberfest at Pastor Brian's home. He will prepare the brats. Please bring a dish or beverage to share. Yes, single men, it's ok to bring potato chips and a six-pack of beer (but try to make it German beer, if possible).

Still don't understand what O.A.R. does, or just want to learn more?

Take a one-hour tour of the organization's offices near the Arlington Courthouse. Tours are offered before or after work or even at lunch time; you'll certainly find a time to fit your schedule. Upcoming tours: October 16, 8am; October 22 Noon; November 6, Noon; November 18, 6:30pm. Sign up at oaronline.org/oar-tours.

Men of Faith

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Men's Breakfast, Saturday, October 25, 8 a.m.

We will again view a video and discuss how Lutherans understand and interpret the Bible.

2015 Men's Retreat

Get **March 14–15, 2015** on your calendars, men! That's when we'll have our **Second Annual Men's Retreat at Mar-Lu-Ridge**. It will be led by Pastor Brian and his good friend, Pastor Steve Holm, from Tempe, Arizona.



Upcoming Young Adult Events

Contact: Pastor Brian, [pastorbrian\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:pastorbrian@flcva.org)

Young Adult Oktoberfest—Saturday, October 25, 5:00 p.m.

Come over to the Parsonage (3313 1st St N), where Pastor Brian will be grilling the brats. Bring a side dish or beverage to share, if you like, although it is not necessary to bring anything!

Young Adult Bible Study—1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m.

[See the article on page 4](#) entitled, "Living the Questions." This Bible Study encourages the asking of questions and discussion, built around a 20-minute video segment featuring well-known theologians and pastors.

Young Adult Hike—Saturday, October 18

Lauren Syring and Greg Mantell are planning an autumn hike on Saturday, October 18. This hiking adventure will allow two different approaches to the same generously sized "[Mary's Rock](#)" summit. Leaders will guide each group to the top, where we'll have a Lutheran party! Email [greg\(at\)sharptel.com](mailto:greg@sharptel.com) for more information or to sign up.

Congratulations!

Anne Forney
and
David Colman

will be joined in marriage on

Saturday, October 11, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

Members and friends are invited to the service, and to join the family for coffee and cake between the 9:45 and 11:00 services on Sunday, October 12.

Fall Needs for the Homeless

Marilyn Haugen, [mb_haugen26\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:mb_haugen26@comcast.net); Mary Hibbits, [mohibbits\(at\)comcast.net](mailto:mohibbits@comcast.net)



As we transition into fall, the Arlington homeless have continuing and new needs for the changing weather. Given that we had nearly 50 clients on our last outing, we have almost depleted our supplies of the following:

(1) men's new underwear, sizes medium and large, preferably boxers; (2) men's new socks, preferably white; and (3) disposable razors (double-edge preferred). Any donation of any one of these items will be put to immediate use.

In addition, as the weather starts to cool, we are in need of the items that follow to supplement the bare essentials above: New, or clean and gently used (in all sizes): (1) men's long-sleeved t-shirts and shirts; (2) men's jeans or sweatpants; (3) men's sweatshirts, light sweaters and jackets; and (4) men's wearable shoes and sneakers. At our most recent outing, we were able to find a "home" for nearly every pair of jeans we had with us, thanks to all of your donations. As you finish transitioning out your summer clothes and going through your closets, please feel free to bring in any of the items above or set aside any of your heavier winter clothes, blankets, etc. that you don't expect to use again, as we will be able to put those latter items to extremely good use in the months to come.

Donations can be placed in bins near the Jackson Street doors. Your gifts are much appreciated by all we serve in Christ's name. Thank you.

P.S. We're always looking for additional volunteers to help distribute the clothing and personal care items (as well as the food). Please contact one of us if you'd like more details.

Christmas in October??

Seeing Christmas items in stores already often makes most people grumble. Not even Halloween yet, what ARE retailers thinking? But this year Offender Aid and Restoration supporters (usually referred to as "O.A.R.") are indeed thinking "Christmas" this October. We hope you will as well.



OAR has moved up their annual collection of toys and gifts to October. Items you donate will be given to children of incarcerated parents. Based on actual suggestions from these mothers and fathers, children will receive special Christmas gifts that send a message of love and connection from absent parents.

Please start your holiday shopping early this year. Select a tag or tags from near the collection boxes in the Fellowship Hall and choose gifts to brighten the holiday for these children. Items must be new and should be left unwrapped. Deposit toys or gift cards in the provided boxes all during the month of October. The annual wrapping party will still be held in December.

Though the collection month has changed, nothing else has. As you have so generously done in past years, we hope you and other Faith members will continue to support this worthy program.

Can You Hear Me Now?

Live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.—1 Peter 3:8



Most of us know the frustration of making a cell phone call and not knowing whether your friend on the other end of the call can hear what you are saying. It can be upsetting when you pour your heart out on the phone, and find the call has dropped, and your friend hasn't heard a thing you've said. But the phone lines are not always to blame for such poor communications between us.

Listening is a skill. A caring listener puts the speaker first, showing humility and respect. If you are caring for someone who is troubled, whether by a small annoyance or perhaps by a life changing event, the first way to express your concern for him or her, is to provide a sympathetic ear. Try it out. When speaking with a friend or family member this week, ask your question and pause a bit longer than

usual before replying, and see where the conversation goes.

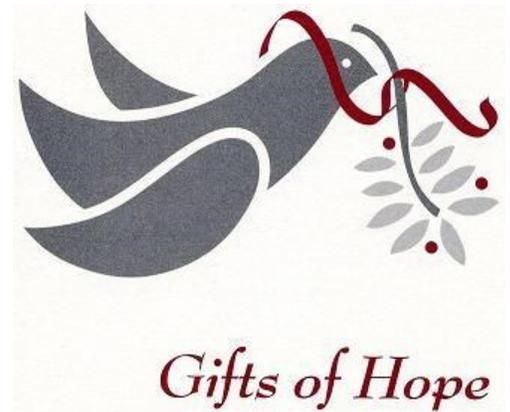
Stephen Ministers are trained in reflective listening and uniquely serve our congregation members with quiet care. If you would like to join Faith's Stephen Ministry training program, which will start next September 2015, contact Pastor Brian or Pastor Yvette, or email Terry Mallett at teresa.mallett.verizon.net.

Want to learn more about Stephen Ministry? Join us for Stephen Ministry Sunday on October 5 to hear from Faith's Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers about what this ministry is all about and how you can be involved.

Gifts of Hope Benefit Concert

Come and enjoy the music of George and Ira Gershwin, Cole Porter, Duke Ellington and more!

On **Sunday, October 12**, at 3:00 p.m., Gifts of Hope will have its second annual Benefit Concert. This year's concert will be at the [Lutheran Church of the Redeemer](#), 1545 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA, and will feature the music from the Great American Songbook performed by Lizabeth Flood, a professional singer, composer, and pianist. In lieu of admission there will be a free-will offering. The Fairfax Chapter of Thrivent Financial will match donations (\$1 for each \$3 donated; maximum \$1000). All proceeds will support Gifts of Hope agencies. More information at <http://giftsofhopemetrod.org>.



The Village at Rockville Fall Festival

It's time again for crafts, gift shop sales, baked good, lunch, a silent auction and more for The Village at Rockville's annual fundraising Fall Festival. Activities will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 8, at The Village at Rockville (9701 Veirs Drive, Rockville, MD). Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets will be sold for \$10 or lighter fare for \$5. Thrivent will be assisting with matching funds. All proceeds benefit the Residents.

Creation Care

Contact: Greg Blatt, gpb113(at)yahoo.com

There's a vampire in your home, and it's feeding off of the energy from your electronics (i.e. your cell phone or laptop). The average American home has about 40 appliances constantly sucking power—a whopping 10% of all electricity is wasted on vampire power. Any appliance that is powered with a remote or has a clock on it is constantly using power. Here is a list of the top five energy wasting products in your house as well as things you can do to fight these vampires.



Caption Contest!

How would you caption this illustration? Send your best captions to office(at)flcva.org. We'll publish our favorites in next month's Key.

1. **The TV** - Plasma TVs can suck up over 1,400 kilowatt hours annually, which can cost over \$150. Not only do energy vampires waste electricity, but they end up wasting your money too. The simplest way to save energy with your TV is to unplug it when you leave the house. You may only watch 3 or 4 hours of TV a day, but it keeps sucking away like a hungry animal for the other 20 hours. LCD screens still waste energy too, though substantially less.
2. **Video games** - Game consoles like PlayStation, Xbox, and Wii can waste around 230 kilowatt hours a year, which is around \$25. If you don't want to unplug your box, appliances often have a second "off" switch hidden on the back. The first off-switch puts the device into standby mode--that's why there's still a little green light illuminated--but when you press the other off-switch, it actually kills the power.
3. **Laptop** - Your laptop is another energy-sucking culprit, costing about \$15 in wasted energy. While you may love charging it while you're gone all day, it's far more energy conscious to unplug it, and wait until you get home to charge the battery. Even if your laptop is fully charged, if it's plugged into the wall, it's still using energy.
4. **DVD player** - This appliance you only use a few times a week, when left plugged in, still uses energy 24/7. It'll eventually waste 78 kilowatts a year—that's around \$8. Unplug it and can plug it back in when you want to watch Frozen for the 100th time.
5. **Cell Phone chargers** - The amount of energy sucked out by cell phone chargers while not plugged into your phone isn't huge on its own, but add that to your DVD player, laptop, TV, and video game console, and it's a lot of vampire energy down the drain. Cell phone chargers are the easiest items to unplug and they're useless without your phone.

This article can be found on www.dosomething.org along with many other tips to save energy and money at home.

If you would like to know more about or be involved with Creation Care at Faith Lutheran Church, please contact Greg Blatt at gpb113(at)yahoo.com.

Worship Participants for October

	8:00 a.m.			11:00 a.m.		
	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR	ACOLYTE	A. MIN.	LECTOR
Oct. 5	Sarah Shaw	Open	Anne Johnson	Henry Olson	Allison Baker	Lori Oney
Oct. 12	Kelsey Wengert	Corey Holmes	Paul Wengert	Alyssa Herbst	Rachel Bleich	Burt Wagner
Oct. 19	Terry Flannery	Jonathan Bertsch	Mary Hibbits	Nikolas Lersten	Greg Mantell	Carl Hoffman
Oct. 26	John Brandt	Open	Paul Wengert	Youssef Guerch	Katie Brewer	Brenda Wallestad

Coffee Fellowship Team

	Set-Up	Between Services	Clean-Up
Oct. 5	Johnson		Lounberg
Oct. 12	Baker/Kosutic		Hoffmans
Oct. 19	Manning		Sandene
Oct. 26	Landry		Nesons

*Contact these people to **get involved** in worship ministries!*

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 A/V Ministry: Pastor Brian, pastorbrian(at)flcva.org

Dedicating Altar Flowers

Each week, flowers adorn the chancel in the sanctuary. You are invited to dedicate one or both vases in celebration of a special occasion, in thanks, in memory of loved ones, or simply to give glory to God. The cost for each vase is \$22.50. Dates can be reserved by writing your name on the flower chart, located in the breezeway between the sanctuary and fellowship hall, filling out a dedication form, and placing the form with payment in the offering plate or Finance Team's mailbox.

Sunday Lectionary

October 5

17th Sunday after Pentecost
 Isaiah 5:1—7
 Psalm 80:7—15
 Philippians 3:4b—14
 Matthew 21:33—46

October 12

18th Sunday after Pentecost
 Isaiah 25:1—9
 Psalm 23
 Philippians 4:1—9
 Matthew 22:1—14

October 19

19th Sunday after Pentecost
 Isaiah 45:1—7
 Psalm 96:1—13
 1 Thessalonians 1:1—10
 Matthew 22:15—22

October 26

Reformation Sunday
 Jeremiah 31:31—34
 Psalm 46
 Romans 3:19—28
 John 8:31—36

Faith Family Updates

October Birthdays

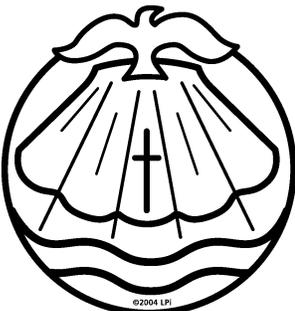
1	Karen Phillips Lindsay Rosti Michelle Lounberg	8	Debbie Pfaff	21	Jeen-Marie Belson Cam Seip Destiny Boyd
2	Michelle Williams John Brandt Kieren Upadhyaya	10	Carolyn Landry Patrick Crowley		Ethan Kramer
3	Julia Wilfang Jonathan Seipp Leora Lihach Drew Wright Evan Meyer	11	Norma Musselman Nate Howder	22	Carl Hoffman Denise Hart
5	Kirbie Petersen Lindsay Parsons	12	Luke Sotos Mary Niebuhr	23	Nick Ruge
7	Vicky Flynt David Brink Eli Briede	13	Joseph Shaw	25	Laura Ours Quinn Baker
		14	Iris Nelson Kasey Songster	26	Juel Parker
		17	Frank Andrews	27	Carolyn Mauck
		18	Cindy Lersten	29	Carter Lytle
		18	Gina Brumback Julie Seipp	30	Andy Ruge Lisa MacVittie
		20	Scarlett Miller		

October Wedding Anniversaries

1	Laura & Stephen Ours	16	Sarah & Leonard Bixby
4	Jen & Noah Moore		Dorothy & Jason Frye
6	Alise Troester & Reg Leichty	18	Rebecca & Paul Strano
8	Amy & Tom Sareeram	20	Carrie & Alexander Dennis
10	Jennifer & Rob Briede	24	Michelle & Jonathan Link
12	Rob & Suzanne Wheeler	29	Lisa MacVittie & Andy Ruge
15	Jamison & Brian Perkins	30	Kelly & Jon Discount
16	Leslie & Howard Herman		

October Baptism Anniversaries

Lindsay Parsons	12	Madison Curlin	22	Calvin Knisely
1 Mark Sylvester		Gianna Storelli		Lawson Knisely
Corey Holmes	13	Leena Pankaj	24	Delia Dresser
2 Erik Bokil	16	Nathan Herman		Dax Foust
5 Carrie Dennis	19	Dominique Lounberg		Amelia MacIvor
Rebecca Higman	20	David Brink	25	Laura Ours
Christian Bumgardner	20	Patrick Jordan		
10 Joshua Litterst	21	Erik Iversen		



Celebrating the baptismal anniversary can be especially meaningful for young children who were baptized as infants, and offers an opportunity for parents and other adult role models to share their faith stories with the youngsters in their lives. Re-lighting the baptismal candle, reading the Bible or singing hymns are just some ideas for celebrating.

If you would like a copy of the ELCA Anniversary of Baptism service, please email [office\(at\)flcva.org](mailto:office(at)flcva.org).

Stewardship Bouquets

This month we say "Thank you" to

... Sally Arason, Gina & Ian Brumback, Erin Kimsey, Gerald, Mary, & Dayana Hubbard, Tiffani Blexrud, Ann Felker, Tom & Cindy Lersten, Alexandra Lersten (and friends), Marilyn Haugen, Mary Hibbits, and others, for helping with the **homeless ministry of bagged meals and clothing in September.**

... Joslyn Osten, for volunteering to serve as the **Cradle Roll Coordinator** for Faith Lutheran Church; Anne Johnson, who is volunteering to **schedule Assisting Ministers and Lectors**; and Annette Hocker, who is volunteering to **schedule the Contemporary Worship assistants.**

... Greg Blatt, who is now serving as Faith's newest **Property Trustee.**



Faith's Photo Wallet



Left: Last month, Liz Talley introduced [Village of Hope Lazarus Project](#), our Mission of the Month for September.

Right: Faith's music program is up and running. If you're interested in sharing your musical gifts, contact [Darrell Partin](#).





BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP

*Receive information and emotional support for
grieving the loss of a loved one.*

*This free six-week workshop/support group is
facilitated by a Palliative Care licensed professional
counselor.*

**Thursdays, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 12/4, 12/11 and
12/18, 2014
6:30-8 pm**

Cancer Resource Center Library

**(Park in Green Parking and enter through the Rose Bente
Lee Ostapenko Outpatient Oncology Center)**

**To register, call 703-558-0901 or e-mail
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Regular Sunday Schedule

8am Worship with Holy Communion—S
9:30am Worship with Holy Communion—S
9:45am Learning for All Ages
11am Worship with Holy Communion—S
2pm Korean Worship—P

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ABBREVIATIONS:

- BP - Bride's Parlor
- CR - Choir Room
- FC - Fabric Crafters
- FH - Fellowship Hall
- K - Kitchen
- L - Lounge
- VR - Nursery
- P - Preschool
- S - Sanctuary
- SM - Stephen Ministry
- U - Undercroft
- XYZ - eXtra Years of Zest (seniors)
- YACC - Young Adult Coffee and Conversation
- YAG - Young Adult Gathering
- MAG—Middle Adult Group

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 16th Sunday after Pentecost Traditional worship at 8 & 11 Contemporary worship at 9:30 Acolyte 8am—J. Brandt Acolyte 11am—H. Olson	29	30 9:30 —FLP Parents Yoga—FH	1 <i>FLP Picture Day 1</i> 6:30pm—Praise Team Rehearsal 7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	2 <i>FLP Picture Day 2</i> 10am—Bible Study/ Discussion—L	3 <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i>	4 10am— Blessing of the Animals
5 17th Sunday after Pentecost Stephen Ministry Sunday Traditional worship at 8 & 11 Contemporary worship at 9:30 <i>Part Three of the "Why Christian?" Sermon Series</i> 9:30am—Young Adult Bible Study 1:15pm—Youth Hike	6 <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i> 7:30pm—Stephen Ministry	7 9:30am—FLP Yoga—FH 11am— XYZ to Catocin Orchard 7pm—Saving Jesus Bible Study	8 6:30pm—Praise Team Rehearsal 7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	9 10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L 10:30am—MONA	10 6pm—Wedding Rehearsal	11 1pm—Bagged Meal Preparation 2pm—Forney-Colman Wedding 5:30pm—Bagged Meal/Clothing Distribution
12 18th Sunday after Pentecost Traditional worship at 8 & 11 Contemporary worship at 9:30 <i>Part Four of the "Why Christian?" Sermon Series</i> 9:30am—New Member Orientation Noon— Baptism Reception	13 <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i> 7:30pm—Lydia Circle	14 9:30 —FLP Yoga—FH 7pm—Saving Jesus Bible Study	15 6:30pm—Praise Team Rehearsal 7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	16 10am—Bible Study / Discussion—L 7pm—FLC Council	17 <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i> NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	18 9am—5pm Sex + Faith Forum Time TBA—Young Adult Hike 5:30pm—Middle Adult Gathering
19 19th Sunday after Pentecost OAR Sunday Traditional worship at 8 & 11 Contemporary worship at 9:30 9:30am—Young Adult Bible Study 9:30am—New Member Orientation 12:30pm—9th Grade Confirmation 3pm—Confirmation	20 <i>Pastor Yvette's Day Off</i> 7:30pm—Stephen Ministry	21 9:30 —FLP Yoga—FH 7pm—Saving Jesus Bible Study	22 6:30pm—Praise Team Rehearsal 7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	23 10am—Bible Study/ Discussion—L 1:30pm—Newsletter Sorting	24 <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i>	25 8am—Men's Breakfast—FH 9am—Fall Clean-Up Day 5pm—Young Adult Oktoberfest—Parsonage
26 Reformation Sunday Confirmation Sunday <i>Newsletters Available</i> Traditional worship at 8 & 11 Contemporary worship at 9:30 9:30am—New Member Orientation	27 11am— Meals on Wheels	28 9:30 —FLP Yoga—FH Noon— XYZ Oktoberfest 7pm—Saving Jesus Bible Study	29 9:45am—FLP Halloween Parade 6:30pm—Praise Team Rehearsal 7:45pm—Choir Rehearsal	30 10am—Bible Study/ Discussion—L	31 <i>Pastor Brian's Day Off</i>	1