



On the shoulders of
GIANTS

***God
Sends
Josiah***

Learning from Elijah, Hosea, Ezra, and Josiah

WELCOME TO FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Inviting all People to Faith ... Come and Worship – Go and Work

Pastor – Ben Unseth | Ministers – All

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November 26, 2023 | Christ the King Sunday

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer

Opening Song – “Come People of the Risen King”

*Invocation

We meet in the holy name of our God;

We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Litany

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His mercies never fail us;

We thank the Lord. He is good and worthy to be praised.

God gives and takes away. Our hearts will bless the Lord at all times;

God has given out of His abundant grace.

We turn our eyes to You, and thank You for all our blessings;

We turn to Christ, the author of our salvation.

God has provided us with homes, food, jobs, families, and friends;

God gives good gifts to His children, and cares for all people.

God fills our hearts with spiritual truth from the Holy Spirit;

We are clothed with salvation, filled with grace, peace, faith, and love.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Bless the Lord at all times!

Praise His Holy name!

Worship Christ Jesus our King;

We praise You King Jesus, the Savior of the world. Amen.

*Prayer of the Day

In this season of giving thanks, we thank the Lord for all He has given us.

Today we praise the Father for sending His Son Jesus into the world, to redeem us back to Him. Today we wait upon Christ our King. All glory be to the one and only Son of God. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Song – “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

First Lesson – 2 Kings 22:8-13, 18-20

Second Lesson – 2 Kings 23:1-3

Children's Message

Song – “Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor”

*Gospel – Luke 24:30-32

Sermon – “God Sends Josiah – Recover, Renew, Reform”

Song – “King of My Heart”

*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostle’s Creed

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

*Lord’s Prayer

*Blessing

*Closing Song – “Build Your Kingdom Here” (*Noisy band*)

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Please stand if you are able.*

Welcome to Faith Lutheran!

Live Stream: youtube.com/@flcspencer | Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Office hours: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Monday - Friday | 712-580-4316 | office@flcspencer.org

www.flcspencer.org | Facebook: Faith Lutheran Church LCMC | Instagram: @flcspencer

Watch us on SMU: Monday @ 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m.

Text your giving to Faith at 712-214-4317

First Lesson – 2 Kings 22:8-13, 18-20

⁸ Hilkiyah the high priest said to Shaphan the secretary, “I have found the Book of the Law in the temple of the LORD.” He gave it to Shaphan, who read it. ⁹ Then Shaphan the secretary went to the king and reported to him: “Your officials have paid out the money that was in the temple of the LORD and have entrusted it to the workers and supervisors at the temple.” ¹⁰ Then Shaphan the secretary informed the king, “Hilkiyah the priest has given me a book.” And Shaphan read from it in the presence of the king. ¹¹ When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his robes.

¹² He gave these orders to Hilkiyah the priest, Ahikam son of Shaphan, Akbor son of Micaiah, Shaphan the secretary and Asaiah the king’s attendant: ¹³ “Go and inquire of the LORD for me and for the people and for all Judah about what is written in this book that has been found. Great is the LORD’s anger that burns against us because

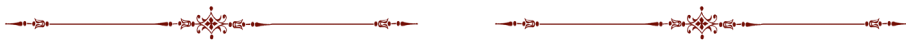
those who have gone before us have not obeyed the words of this book; they have not acted in accordance with all that is written there concerning us.” ¹⁸ Tell the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, “This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says concerning the words you heard: ¹⁹ Because your heart was responsive and you humbled yourself before the LORD when you heard what I have spoken against this place and its people – that they would become a curse and be laid waste – and because you tore your robes and wept in my presence, I also have heard you,” declares the LORD. ²⁰ “Therefore I will gather you to your ancestors, and you will be buried in peace. Your eyes will not see all the disaster I am going to bring on this place.” So they took her answer back to the king.

Second Lesson – 2 Kings 23:1-3

¹ Then the king called together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem. ² He went up to the temple of the LORD with the people of Judah, the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the priests and the prophets – all the people from the least to the greatest. He read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant, which had been found in the temple of the LORD. ³ The king stood by the pillar and renewed the covenant in the presence of the LORD – to follow the LORD and keep His commands, statutes and decrees with all his heart and all his soul, thus confirming the words of the covenant written in this book. Then all the people pledged themselves to the covenant.

Gospel – Luke 24:30-32

³⁰ When He was at the table with them, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and He disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”



2nd Annual Reverse Advent Calendar!

Welcome to Faith's 2nd Annual Reverse Advent Calendar! It's a fun and caring project where anyone who wishes can take part. It is called a Reverse Advent Calendar because we are "giving" rather than "receiving." Each day from December 1-24, each person, group, or family that decides to participate will set aside a non-perishable food item, for 24 items all together. *No home canned products, please, due to health and safety concerns.* You may choose to collect the food items day by day and bring them to church each week. Or, you may choose to collect all 24 items before bringing them to church – whatever works best for you. **There will be a special area for the food items on the east side of the worship area by a Christmas tree. If you have any questions, please call Alice Nielsen at 712-363-1380.** Suggested items are:

December 1 - Cereal; December 2 - Peanut butter; December 3 - Jelly

Kitchen Clean-out!

Faith has accumulated several extra kitchen items – if one of them is yours, or if you might be able to use one of them at home, feel free to take it with you! Items will be donated to Many Hands after Wednesday, Nov. 29.

On the other hand, we seem to be missing a roaster. If you borrowed it or may know more information about its location, please let the church office know.



The Caring Ministry Team will have a meeting tomorrow night, Monday, Nov. 27, at 6:30 p.m.

The Worship Team will be meeting Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 5:30 p.m. to plan the worship leaders for January-March, 2024.

If you have not returned your Time & Talent sheet to the church, please do so soon! *Only those who have turned in their Time & Talent sheet will be scheduled for the next quarter. Thank you for helping make our services happen!*



Item of the Month ~ Bath-sized Bars of Soap

Personal care kits are specifically designed to help people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict and more.

Upper Des Moines Opportunity (UDMO)

Food Pantry is in need of peanut butter and jelly.

Bars of soap & UDMO food items can be put in the yellow Missions box near the front doors.



Hat and Mitten Christmas Tree

The Missions Team will be setting up their hat and mitten Christmas tree near the tech booth. You are asked to help out those in need by bring either a pair of mittens or a hat, or both!

All hats and mittens will go to Grand Avenue Community Outreach and Upper Des Moines Opportunity.

**The youth are selling
2024 God's Creation wall
calendars in the back of the
church for only \$10.00!**



Make checks payable to Faith Lutheran and earmark them "Youth Calendars."

Birthday blessings to ...

Nov. 26	Leo Wigen
Nov. 27	Kevin Skadeland
Nov. 30	Colton Vreeman
Dec. 2	Emily Hoppe

Anniversary wishes to ...

Nov. 25	Chad & Donna Johnson
Nov. 26	Eldren & Janell Holstad

Thank you to today's worship partners ...

Altar Prep: Shirley Nelson,
Susie Brinkley

Children's Message: Donna Johnson

Counters: Shanna Kooker,
Becky Simons

Fellowship & Set up: Cindy Essick,
Larry Peterson

Greeters/Ushers:
Rod & Cryss Quanbeck

Instrumentalists: Carolyn Dundas,
Gloria McKenney, Evan Storley,
Anna Quanbeck

Message: Eric Patten

Prayers of the Church: Brett Eilts

Scripture Reader: Bill Kersting

Camera: Paul Wire

Computer: Kent Heazlett

Sound: Brett Eilts

Lead Tech: Jacob Weeks

Vocalists: Lisa Buchan,
Emily Quanbeck,
Brittany & Ellie Spieker

Worship Leader: Jalyce Storley

Worship partners for Sunday, December 3 (1st Sunday in Advent) ...

Altar Prep: Linda Conlon, Lora Johnson

Advent Wreath Lighting & Prayer:
Adam, Leah, Owen & Ross Kreutner

Children's Message: Bill Kersting

Communion Servers:
LaVonne Clark, Kirby Fueston

Counters: Greg Lear, Becky Simons

Fellowship & Set-up:
Trisha Rohmiller, Kevin Swancutt

Greeters/Ushers: Greg & Ann Lear

Instrumentalists: Leah Kreutner,
Gloria McKenney, Jared Hansen,
Anna Quanbeck

Prayer Intercessors: Justin Spieker,
Joe Simington, Steve Quattlebaum,
Dennis Larson

Message: Pastor Ben Unseth

Prayers of the Church:

Bill Neiderheiser

Scripture Reader: Donna Johnson

Camera: Cindy Tigges

Computer: Becky Simons

Sound: Cheryl Stueven

Lead Tech: Jacob Weeks

Vocalists: Kaitlin Sirovy, Lauren Lee,
Joy Kelsch, Troy Rosendahl

Worship Leader: Barb Solberg

Prayer Chain

**Please send your prayer request to
Linda & Dave Susie**

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or to

Doreen Scribner at 712-262-3488 or
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**To be placed on the Sunday morning
Prayers of the Church,** please contact
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meet **our** STAFF

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Guest Connection Card

Dear visitors, we are glad you are worshiping with us today! We'd love to connect with you. Please share your contact information, and a member of Faith will be in touch with you soon.

Please put this form in the offering kiosk at the back of the church. – Thank you!

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

I'd like to ...

- ☐ Visit with the Pastor.
- ☐ Learn about becoming a member.
- ☐ Hear more about opportunities at Faith.
- ☐ Hear about joining a small group.

Thanks for worshiping with us!

2023 GENERAL OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE BUDGET: \$413,959.25

To meet our 2023 budget and fulfill our financial commitments, Faith needs to receive \$111,843.93 by the end of the year, which amounts to \$18,640.66 each week.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

2023	Attendance	Live Stream Computers	General Giving	Year to Date	Needed to Make Budget
October	158	21	\$25,025.00	\$282,486.33	\$131,472.92
Nov. 1-5	186	24	\$ 7,211.00	\$289,420.32	\$124,538.93
Nov. 6-12	175	24	\$ 5,646.00	\$295,464.32	\$118,494.93
Nov. 13-19	148	19	\$ 6,620.00	\$302,115.32	\$111,843.93



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This Week at Faith!

Today – November 26

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Musician Rehearsal
- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:20 a.m. Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Monday, November 27

- 3:30-5:30 p.m. LifeKids

Tuesday, November 28

- 3:30-5:30 p.m. LifeKids
- 5:00-8:00 p.m. Team Restoration Christian Counseling

Wednesday, November 29

- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:30-5:30 p.m. LifeKids
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Vocalist Rehearsal
Confirmation Kids Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation
- 7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group

Thursday, November 30

- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Team Restoration Christian Counseling – 515-238-9010
- 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Coffee Fellowship
- 3:30-5:30 p.m. LifeKids

Friday, December 1

- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Team Restoration Christian Counseling – 515-238-9010
- 3:30-5:30 p.m. LifeKids

Saturday, December 2

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Upcoming Events!

- December 6** 5:30 p.m. Advent potluck supper
6:30 p.m. Advent worship with Josh & Whitney Smith

- December 9** 1:45-4:00 p.m. Christmas program dress rehearsal with
snacks to follow ***(please note time change!)***

- December 10** 9:00 a.m. Children's Christmas program presentation
4:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling (for all ages) with pizza to follow

Please contact the church office (712-580-4316) for a current calendar of events.

Or, check the online calendar at www.flcspencer.org/our-calendar/