# Faith Lutheran Church Faith News



#### October 2025



#### Welcome

We are a church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace everyone as a whole person, with questions, doubts, complexities and all. We are moved by God's grace to welcome all who have ever felt marginalized, no matter your gender identity, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, marital status, or faith background. We welcome you as we worship, learn, and share Christ's love together.

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Scott Beery widening a door at Mark & Rebecca Allen's home.



Ken Hoffine keeping our church grounds clean and trimmed.

Stephanie Roberts, Jerry Kent, and Chad & Jackie Hill painting the food closet at one of the FARA sites.









Margaret Gilbert, Joyce Anderson, Jane Hill, Cindy Kent, Myra Bode, Cristina Schnautz, Malenna Beery, Jennifer Harrington, Jenn Reida, and Maria Schnautz. Many hands to participate with the hand tied quilt making for the Lutheran World Relief



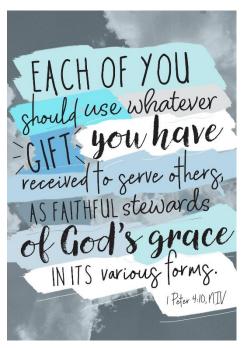






Faith Lutheran Church participates in Gods Work, Our Hands Sunday September 14, 2025

### **PASTORS LETTER**



Everybody has something to give. Everybody.

You are valuable and the church needs you and the beautiful gifts you have to offer. More importantly...the **world** needs you....and the grace of God you have to share.

And yes...that grace comes in many forms.

Grace that prays for others.

Grace that gives hugs.

Grace that notices people who are sitting alone and joins them.

Grace that changes bulbs and buys food.

Grace that welcomes boys who wander into the middle of church.

Grace that forgives people who step on toes and say the wrong things.

Grace that supports fundraisers and faithfully tithes.

Grace that sets tables and ties quilts.

Grace that listens to people's stories.

Grace that is humble and kind.

Grace that organizes and plans.

Grace that runs errands and gives rides.

Grace that delights in people who are so very different.

Grace that is willing to try new things.

Grace lived out in so many, many ways.

And every one of you has grace to offer. Everyone has something to give.

This month, pledge forms will be handed out...and they are helpful as we look ahead and plan and dream for the coming year. We budget and ask ourselves: What can we do together? What kind of ministry is possible with the resources we have?

But we need to remember that money is only one of many of the gifts of God's grace that we steward in our lives. There are so many other gifts that you offer that our church and our world need. We are better because you are here. This congregation...this world...is better because you are a part of it. So thank you, all of you, for your faithful stewardship of the gifts of grace God has given you.

Pastor Janine

## **COMMITTEE CORNER**

#### **Embracing Diversity**

October's Movie with Meanings on October 10, is "Temple Grandin"

You can bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, and snacks iif you like. We will provide popcorn and water.

Doors open at 6:00pm, movie starts at 6:30.

Our next *Donuts for Diversity* will be on <u>October 11 at 10:30.</u> Join us for donuts, coffee, companionship and information. Betty Simons

will be our guest speaker. She is a local author and a refuge and will share her experiences with us. She will also have her books available to buy at the gathering.

We invite anyone who would like to have input or join us to attend meetings. Our Next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 4:30 in the Atrium.

Your Embracing Diversity Team





# SAVE THE DATE

#### October

Wednesday 10/1: 4:30pm Embracing Diversity Mtg
Sunday 10/5: 2:00pm Pet Blessing at St. George
Friday 10/10 6:30pm Movies with Meanings

"Temple Grandin"

Saturday 10/11: 10:30am Donuts for Diversity

"A Refugee's Story"

Fri & Sat 10/17&18 Pastors at Episcopalian

**Annual Meeting** 

Mon-Wed 10/ 20-22 Pastors at Bishop's Convocation
Thursday 10/23 2pm & 6pm Brewed Theology
Sunday 10/26 Oktoberfest after Worship

#### Web & Mobile Giving

The two options for giving at Faith are Web and Mobile giving.

Both these options are powered by tithe.ly (recommended by the ELCA).

To give via the web go to:

https://faithroseburg.org/online-giving/



To give via your mobile device (phone and/or tablet), make sure location services is turned on, go to your android or iPhone App store, search for Tithe.ly Click on ELCA giving tool by tithe.ly and download (get) the App.

It is super simple!!

# Mutual Ministry

Our Mutual Ministry has been formed, for the health and well-being of our pastors and congregation. Here is the description and responsibility of the Mutual Ministry from our FELC Constitution is:

Shall be 2 years, with 2 new members to be appointed each successive year.

The mission of the MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE is to support strong, healthy relationships between the pastors and congregation. Their role is to care for the pastors and to help (a) facilitate open communication about expectations, attitudes, and concerns within the congregation; (b) identify early warning signs of misunderstandings; (c) provide a "listening post" for the pastors and the members; (d) serve as a group with whom the pastors can test new ideas and share confidential matters; (e) conduct annual review and affirmation of the pastors; (f) plan for continuing education and sabbaticals that benefit both the mission of the congregation and ministry of the staff; and (g) assess each year the working conditions, compensation, housing and benefits provided to the pastors.

#### **Meet our Mutual Ministry Committee**

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REBECCA ALLEN
SHARON MUCK

KEN HOFFINE, TERRY SICKLER

Some of our mailboxes are a little full. We use them for many things. We store our nametags and coffee cups in there, share notes and gifts with each other, and messages & mail are shared from the church office in there.

Advent and the holiday season is quickly approaching and more will be shared again soon.

I would like to encourage everyone to please check their mailboxes and tidy up if needed. Thank you...



The **Women of Faith** have a new meeting date. They will now meet on the **first Sundays of each month after worship** in the Atrium.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE
n-person & live streamed at 9:3

In-person & live streamed at 9:30am Livestream:

https://streamlabs.com/faithlutheranchurchroseburg

# **UPCOMING HAPPENINGS**

# MOVIES WITH MEANINGS PRESENTS

"Temple Grandin"

October 10<sup>™</sup>

Doors Open at 6:00pm

Movie starts at 6:30



#### **Poverty Simulation Event**

On **Friday, October 10**, from 8:30am – 2:00pm, the Urban Rural Action Team of Douglas County (URADC) and Bright Futures Umpqua is hosting an event that engages participants to experience some of the realities of poverty. Unless you have truly experienced poverty, it is difficult to truly understand. They will be using the Missouri Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) that will have participants role-play a month in poverty. Different scenarios will be shared to experience low income families' lives. After the simulation, you will unpack your learning and brainstorm possible calls to action.

The goal of CAPS is to shift the paradigm about poverty away from being seen as a personal failure and toward the understanding of poverty as a systemic issue that we can work together to address.

The event is free, but signing up is important for planning purposes.

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#### Crafts with Jenn

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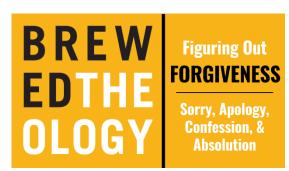


🌞 October's Crafts with Jenn: Fall Leaf Candle Lanterns 🕴 Join us **Sunday, October 26th at 1 PM** in the **Fellowship Hall** for a cozy afternoon of creativity! We'll be making Fall Leaf Candle **Lanterns** — a beautiful, seasonal craft to light up your autumn nights.

All materials are included, just bring a coffee or hot cocoa and settle in for some relaxing fun. Everyone is welcome!

Brewed Theology inBrix upper room

We gather at 2:00 and 6:00 — Conversations start at 2:30 and 6:30.



What a great subject for group discussion. Prepare your thoughts & questions and bring them with you on October 23, 2025.



We will continue to collect green food bags every Sunday throughout the end of Summer for the FISH Pantry. Please bring your donations to the Sanctuary so it can be brought to the front during worship

# FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH OKTOBERFEST

To benefit our new HVAC System.



October 26, 2025 after Worship in the Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
OCTOBER	2025		1 10:00a Morning Prayer St G 10:00a Umpqua Valley Havurah 10:30a Bible Study - St G 4:30p Embracing Diversity 6:00p Women's AA 6:30 Joint Youth Group 6:30p Alanon- Easy Doers	2 10:00a Umpqua Valley Havurah 1:00p Lydia's Ladies Quilting 6:00p Umpqua Valley Havurah 7:00p Mt Nebo AA Mtg	3	4
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