

Faith Lutheran Church



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Faith News

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

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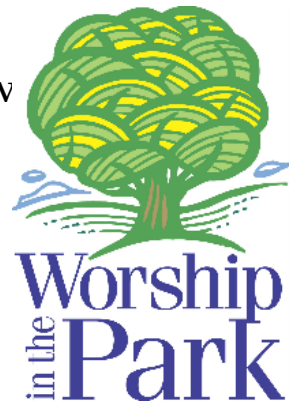
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Worship in the Park is at **10:00am on September 21st** in the ***large pavilion at Stewart Park*** with Potluck to follow immediately afterwards.

Bring your own lawn chairs (and if you have extra, bring those too!).

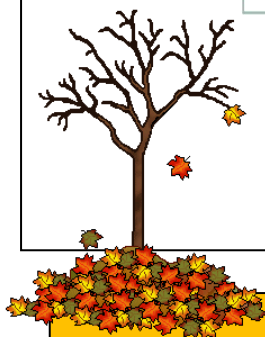
Bring a dish to share, and remember we have some folks unable to bring things, so keep that in mind! Drinks and plates and utensils will be provided.

We're looking forward to our time together sharing in God's love!



New Members

CLASS



New Member Class
September 7th

After worship in the conference room

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

In-person & live streamed at 9:30am

Livestream:

<https://streamlabs.com/faithlutheranchurchroseburg>

PASTORS LETTER

“Donuts”, they said.

When they were still small, my youngest and their friend were enjoying donuts after church one day when I was reminded by the secretary that I needed to get the newsletter article done for church that day. So I asked what they thought I should write about...and they said, “Donuts!”...and stuck their tongues out at me and laughed. I shook my head and smiled at their sticky fingers and giggles. But later, I started to wonder if maybe they were on to something.



Maybe it's time to take notice of the small things we are grateful for....like donuts. And dogs with thumping tails. And snapdragons. And dishwashers. And hammocks. And giggling children.

I worry sometimes, in a world where children are scarred by abuse and violence...in a world where communities and nations are ripped apart by war...in a world where human suffering and heartache surround us...that maybe it is petty of me to so thoroughly enjoy just sitting in my hammock on the porch with a glass of wine on a lovely summer day. I worry that I am not compassionate enough. That I am not doing enough to help others. That I am lazy.

Anybody with me? Anybody else's soul get weighed down with worry and guilt and shame?

In Psalm 42 and 43...the writer repeats a phrase that I need to hear...over and over and over.

Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God.

In the midst of a world that is full of hurt, nothing we do seems like enough. We can't “fix it”, and we often get discouraged. And so we need to be reminded ..over and over and over again...that our hope isn't in our own goodness.

But our hope is in God. We need to be reminded that God is faithful. That God is good. And that God loves this world and loves us...and nothing can change that. We don't have to prove we are "enough". God comes to us - where we are and as we are -- with gifts of grace and goodness -- with giggles and snapdragons and thumping tails. With gifts of wine and a summer breeze. May we receive the beautiful gifts God brings with gratitude...because when we do...the beauty flows through us. That's the way love works after all -- we love because God first loves us. Know that you are loved. Take time to appreciate the donuts and remember that God is good. Let God's love give you joy and peace....replacing the worry and guilt and shame. And know that the love that flows through you...is enough. You are enough.

Pr. Janine



SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER:

- 9/7 New Member Class** (after worship)
- 9/12 6:30pm Embracing Diversity presents ~ Hidden Figures
- 9/14 God's Work, Our Hands
- 9/21 10:00am Church in the Park and Potluck with St. George
- 9/25 2:00pm & 6:00pm Brewed Theology
- 9/28 12:30pm Crafts with Jenn

OCTOBER

- 10/11 10:30am Donuts for Diversity

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



COUNCIL CORNER



Council Corner

Hello from your Church Council! Here are some of the highlights from this month's meeting:

- **A Heartfelt Thank You** – We extend our deep gratitude to **Carol Quiring**, who has stepped down from Council. Carol's leadership and commitment have benefited our congregation in many ways, especially her work on updating our HVAC system. Her contributions will continue to have a lasting impact.
- **HVAC Updates** – Work is moving forward on improving our heating and cooling systems. We are in the process of gathering bids so we can make a thoughtful and responsible decision.
- **Shared Service in the Park** – Planning has begun for a **joint service with St. George's at Stewart Park on September 21st**, followed by an outdoor picnic. This will be a wonderful opportunity to gather together and connect.
- **God's Work, Our Hands** – Cindy shared exciting ideas about how our **IN-reach and outreach efforts** can work together on service opportunities during months with a fifth Sunday, while also building stronger connections with local nonprofits...also they are making plans to observe the **ELCA God's Work, Our Hands day on September 14th**.
- **Safety First** – The Council also discussed forming a **Safety Team**. Our first "Safety Sunday" will include walker and cane checks to make sure these important tools are safe and ready for use.

Thank you for being part of our church community and for supporting the work that helps us grow together, care for one another, and reach out to our neighbors.

— **Kim Reida**
Council Member

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!!

COMMITTEE CORNER

Embracing Diversity will be sponsoring monthly movies on the **second Friday of each month**. This will start in September. Free popcorn, and water is provided. You are invited to bring your own snacks or food as well as a comfortable chair or blanket to help enjoy the movie in comfort. Our first movie was Rule Breakers, based on a true story of a robotics team of girls from Afghanistan. It was a heartwarming story of strength and courage. Our next movie will be Hidden Figures, based on a true story about three brilliant women who overcome bigotry, and sexism at NASA to become the brains behind the launch of the first American astronaut into orbit.

Our next ***Donuts for Diversity*** will be on **October 11 at 10:30**. Join us for donuts, coffee, companionship and information . Betty Simons will be our guest speaker. She is a local author and a refugee and will share her experiences with us. She will also have her books available to buy at the gathering.

Embracing Diversity has also been providing lunches for the Queer Summer Camp funded through Thrivent Action Teams. Every Friday there has been a variety of activities in the community. We are thankful to Thrivent for funding this and making our support available. Thank you to the Embracing Team for preparing and distributing the treats.

We appreciate the support of all who turn out to support these events.

“A community together working toward acceptance and grace.”

We invite anyone who would like to have input or join us to attend meetings. Our Next meeting will be on Wednesday, **September 24 at 4:30 in the Atrium**.

Your Embracing Diversity Team

From the In-Reach committee:

CALLING ALL GREETERS!!!

We are a congregation full of warm, welcoming people. Would you consider sharing some of your friendliness as a **Sunday morning** greeter? The job is EASY! All you have to do is arrive about 15 minutes before the service starts, grab the “Greeter” tag out of the basket on the Welcome Center table, stand by the door, and greet people with a smile, a few welcoming words, and perhaps a handshake, high-five, low five, fist bump, (you get the picture). It’s so much like sharing the Peace during the service, and we know how much our congregation likes to do that!

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

REBECCA ALLEN
SHARON MUCK

KEN HOFFINE,
TERRY SICKLER



The ***Women of Faith*** are changing their meeting dates. They will now meet on the **first Sundays of each month after worship** in the Atrium.

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.



UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

MOVIES WITH MEANINGS

PRESENTS

HIDDEN FIGURES

September 12TH

Doors Open at 6:00pm

Movie starts at 6:30



Bring your own chair if you like, some friends (also if you like), and let's enjoy a fantastic and uplifting story together.



Crafts with Jenn is Postponed (but worth the wait!)

This month's Crafts with Jenn is taking a little pause, but don't worry—we'll be back next month on the 4th Sunday, September 28, with not one, but two creative options!



You can join us for "Paint Your Pet" or "Morse Code Bracelets"—or go wild and do both.

All supplies will be provided for the bracelets.



If you're painting your pet, please bring a printed photo of your furry (or feathered, or scaly) friend, along with a frame with glass if you have one.

I'll have a few extras, but supplies are limited. Can't wait to get crafty with you!

Brewed Theology
in
Brix upper room

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



With all the news things spinning, it challenges how we read our media (and our Bibles), but it's a conversation worth having.

We are starting a new fall liturgy for the bulletin. Created by Ray Makeever, it is responsively read and sung. Crossroads has enjoyed practicing singing it recently and it is very popular amongst other Lutheran Churches. This will be a nice switch up for a few months.

The same bulletin will be used each week with an insert to accompany. The ushers will hand out 2 items each Sunday. One is the bulletin (which is the same each week), and the other is the insert. It will contain the readings, hymns, and current announcements. The hymns will still be displayed on the large screen and ex-large prints will also still be available.

We hope everyone enjoys the joyous music.





God's work. Our hands.

Join us for a day of service!

Our congregation will soon engage in service work right here in our community.

We are one of over 8,500 congregations participating in “**God’s work. Our hands.**” day of service. Across the country, thousands of members will work to make a positive change in our communities, build and deepen relationships and share God’s love. Join us as we do God’s work with our hands! Contact us for more information:

Watch for sign-up sheets in the entryway.

September 14, 2025

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <u>10:00p Watercolor Fellowship</u>	2 <u>Noon Alanon – Brown Baggers</u>	3 <u>10:00a Morning Prayer St G</u> <u>10:30a Bible Study - St G</u> <u>6:00p Women's AA</u> <u>6:30p Alanon – Easy Doers</u> <u>7:00p NA Meeting</u>	4 <u>1:00p Lydia's Ladies Quilting</u> <u>7:00p Mt Nebo AA Mtg</u>	5	6
7 <u>8:15a Crossroads</u> <u>9:30a Worship Service</u> <u>10:30 WOF Meeting</u> <u>10:30a Birthdays & Anniversaries Celebration</u> <u>7:00p Mt. Nebo AA Mtg</u>	8 <u>10:00a Watercolor Fellowship</u>	9 <u>Noon Alanon – Brown Baggers</u> <u>6:00p U.V. N.P.S. Mtg</u>	10 <u>10:00a Morning Prayer St G</u> <u>10:30a Bible Study - St G</u> <u>6:00p Women's AA</u> <u>6:30p Alanon – Easy Doers</u> <u>7:00p NA Meeting</u>	11 <u>1:00p Lydia's Ladies Quilting</u> <u>7:00p Mt Nebo AA Mtg</u>	12 <u>6:00p Movies with Meanings ~ "Hidden Figures"</u>	13
14 <u>8:15a Crossroads</u> <u>9:30a Worship Service</u> <u>Noon God's Work, Our Hands</u> <u>7:00p Mt. Nebo AA Mtg</u>	15 <u>10:00a Watercolor Fellowship</u>	16 <u>Noon Alanon – Brown Baggers</u>	17 <u>10:00a Morning Prayer St G</u> <u>10:30a Bible Study – St G</u> <u>6:00p Women's AA</u> <u>6:30p Alanon – Easy Doers</u> <u>7:00p NA Meeting</u>	18 <u>1:00p Lydia's Ladies Quilting</u> <u>5:00p Council Mtg</u> <u>7:00p Mt Nebo AA Mtg</u>	19	20
21 <u>8:15a Crossroads</u> <u>10:00a Worship and Potluck in the Park w/St. George</u> <u>7:00p Mt. Nebo AA Mtg</u>	22 <u>10:00a Watercolor Fellowship</u> <u>4:30p In-Reach Meeting</u>	23 <u>10:00a Unique Valley Harvest</u> <u>Noon Alanon – Brown Baggers</u>	24 <u>10:00a Morning Prayer St G</u> <u>10:30a Bible Study – St G</u> <u>4:30p Embracing Diversity Meeting</u> <u>6:00p Women's AA</u> <u>6:30p Alanon – Easy Doers</u> <u>7:00p NA Meeting</u>	25 <u>1:00p Lydia's Ladies Quilting</u> <u>2:00p Brewed Theology</u> <u>6:00p Brewed Theology</u> <u>7:00p Mt Nebo AA Mtg</u>	26	27
28 <u>8:15a Crossroads</u> <u>9:30a Worship Service</u> <u>10:30a Chicken Sunday</u> <u>12:30p Crafting with Jenn</u> <u>7:00p Mt. Nebo AA Mtg</u>	29 <u>10:00a Watercolor Fellowship</u>	30 <u>Noon Alanon – Brown Baggers</u>	SEPTMBER 2025			
						