# **Mission Statement**

June 2022

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Guided by the Power of the Holy Spirit, we at FELC experience God through Worship, Learning, Service, and Fellowship.

# A Message from Pastor Lily

At church on Tuesday for our "Open Door" meeting, where anyone and everyone is more than welcome to join the staff at church I opened us up with a prayer.

However this time I shared a prayer from a beloved friend. She was a volunteer with me for a year of mission abroad through the larger Evangelical Lutheran Church. She died horrifically last weekend from a drunk driver. She wrote this prayer during the time of George Floyd's murder in 2020. (with the second anniversary this week Wednesday.) None of us had a clue how awfully fitting this prayer would be this week, let alone this Tuesday as our nation went into crisis once more after another mass shooting took place at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas.

## Let us pray:

Loving God,
The ability to hold pain is a gift
Let me not shy away from feeling—
Don't let me sink into comfort
And complacency
Let me use your gift of pain
To act for justice.
Amen.

I feel gutted. This is enough. Change is needed. We call on God to be present and as we move forward with action, these mass shootings need to end, lives deserve to be lived.

We pray for all teachers, faculty, students, and parents/guardians as some return to the ending of their school years in fear. We pray for those families and friends who have lost their loved ones in this tragedy, and won't be returning to

school. Lord in your mercy...

Love and Peace, Pastor Lily Brellenthin

If you want to reach me by the pastor phone, call or text at 262-812-3064, or email me at pastor@felcwalworth.com





Wear red for Pentecost Sunday, June 5th.



~ Join us on Pentecost Sunday, June 5th ~

We will be recognizing our graduates during the 9:00 am worship service, with a breakfast reception to follow.



# FEED THE BEAST

We are on our way to our fund raising goal of \$24,000, having raised over \$10,500, so we still have about \$13,500 to go.

If you haven't yet made a pledge or donation, or even if you have already, please prayerfully consider whatever amount (or additional) you may be able to contribute, to help reach our goal. Any amount makes a significant difference!

As we will always accept donations towards deferring this cost, the work is in progress, so please send in your pledge or donation!



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Thank you!	
Please mail to PO Box 128, Walworth, WI 53184, or leave in the church offering plate.  I pledge to contribute	
I have enclosed my donation of	
To defray the cost of the furnace and air conditioning unit	
Name	





Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am

# **Scripture readings for June:**

June 5: Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 Filled with the Spirit to tell God's deeds

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)

Romans 8:14-17 The Spirit makes us children of God

John 14:8-17 [25-27] The Father will give you another Advocate, the Spirit of truth

June 12: First Sunday After Pentecost

<u>Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31</u> Wisdom rejoices in the creation

Psalm 8 Your glory is chanted above the heavens. (Ps. 8:2)

Romans 5:1-5 God's love poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit

John 16:12-15 The Spirit will guide you into the truth

June 19: Second Sunday After Pentecost

<u>Isaiah 65:1-9</u> The prophet sent to a rebellious people

Psalm 22:19-28 In the midst of the assembly I will praise you. (Ps. 22:22)

Galatians 3:23-29 In baptism, clothed with Christ; no longer Jew or Greek

Luke 8:26-39 Jesus casts out demons possessing a man of the Gerasenes

June 26: Third Sunday After Pentecost

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Elijah says to Elisha, Follow me and do not continue plowing

Psalm 16 I have set the LORD always before me. (Ps. 16:8)

Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Love is the whole law, gift of the Spirit

Luke 9:51-62 Jesus says, Follow me and do not look back

If you have a vacation planned, please inform the church office of which dates you are unavailable to assist for worship, so you will not be scheduled.

Phone: 262-275-3445 or

Email: office@felcwalworth.com

June 5	9:00 am
Reader	Brent T.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Brent T.
Projector	Barb W.
June 12	9:00 am
Reader	Penny Gruetzmacher
Ushers	John S. & Rick L.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Tracey S.
June 19	9:00 am
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July 3	9:00 am
Reader	Penny Gruetzmacher
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	N/A
Projector	Tracey S.
July 10	9:00 am
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Barb W.
July 17	9:00 am
Reader	Brent T.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Brent T.
Projector	Liz H.
July 24	9:00 am
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Kristi R.
July 31	9:00 am
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	Bruce & Lisa V.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.

If you are unable to serve on your schedule date, please try to switch with someone or find a replacement. If you are unable to do so, please contact the church office. Thank you!

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# Adult Opportunities

#### **5'More Time with Christ**

Join us on Wednesday, June 1st & 15th at 7:00 pm for firepit worship & s'mores.



Gardeners and landscape helpers are needed for the church property. Please contact John Schwenn 262-215-3288 for details. Thank you!



Lunch Bunch is Back!!
Our next lunch will be Tuesday
June 21 at noon. EVERYONE
is welcome. No need to bring
anything, all food is provided.

Worship Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, June 21 at 6:00pm Learning Committee: Next meeting Wednesday, July 13 at 6:00pm

# Women ELCA



# Wednesdays at 9:15am

Join us in the Gathering Space for conversation and Christian fellowship.



# Tuesday, May 31 at 7:00pm

We will be discussing the end of *Anxious for Nothing* by Max Lucado.

**All women are welcome** to join us! Feel free to invite your friends. It is okay if you did not get a chance to read the book you



Next Month's Meeting will be on July 5. We will discuss The Boy, The Mole, The Fox, and the Horse by Charlie Mackesy

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information, or just come on May 31.

# Faith Sew-ers

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

In the lower level of the church

Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship

We are working on some special projects and could use your help!





# Children & Youth Opportunities

# VBS June 13-17 9am-noon daily



Join us this year at St. Benedict Parish in Fontana for a fun-filled week of Vacation Bible School focused around The Lord's Prayer. Preschool, School-age, and Middle School programs are available.

Register by May 31st to receive the early bird discount.

Registration information is available on our website: www.felcwalworth.com. Forms can be returned to St. Benedicts or Faith Ev. Lutheran. Make all checks payable to St. Benedict Parish.

## Camp Scholarships Available

If your child(ren) would like to attend Lutherdale Bible Camp, or another Christian based camp this summer, and you could use some financial assistance, please fill out the scholarship application form found on our website www.felcwalworth.com.

# **Faith Formation**

A huge thank you to all the volunteers this year especially:

- Amanda Bender
- Tanya Butke
- Barb Nordmeyer
- Rochelle Freymiller

Join us this summer!

July 12

August 16

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All children ages 3-8th grade are welcome for games, service projects, lunch, and fun. Food, Fun, and Friends is a free event for all children and their friends.

# Graduation Celebration Sunday, June 5 at 9am service

Join us as we celebrate our high school graduates: Amanda Bender, Adalynn Quackenbush, and Matt Tuchscherer.

You are invited for breakfast after the worship service. All are welcome for this time of fellowship and celebration.

A freewill offering will be collected to support youth attending the mission trip to Logan, WV this July.

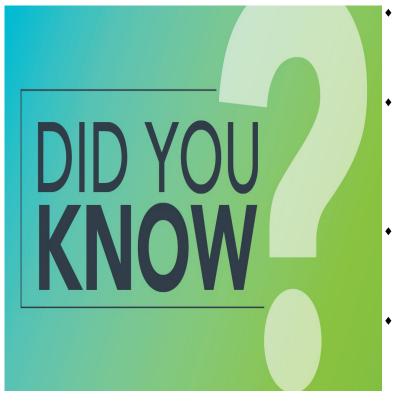
**High School Youth Group** 

Next meeting Sunday, July 10. More details to come!

CHAOS is for all high school students.

If you would like to be added to our group text, contact Rebecca at (608) 728-2798

Follow CHAOS on Instagram. @chaos\_felc



# Thank You

- Penny Gruetzmacher for representing FELC at they synod assembly on May 6-7. We appreciate your time and commitment!
- To the Faith Formation and Confirmation volunteers and families for another great year!
- To Tracey Scott, John Schwenn, Rick Lottig, Kristi Reierson and Pastor Lily for your participation in Spring Clean-up Day.

## Spiritual Reflection

Sugar Creek Lutheran Church 4:00 pm on June 16th

Please join us for a church service with communion. Fellowship with refreshments following the service.

- The bulletin board on the closet doors in the Gathering Space has information about opportunities for you and available programs through out our community. Please take a moment to check it out.
- The colors in the sanctuary, on the altar and other places, change with the changing seasons of the church. White was the color for the Easter season. Pentecost Sunday will be red, Holy Trinity Sunday is white, and the time after Pentecost (until Advent) is green.
- The shelf and bulletin board in the Gathering Space near the east entrance has resources available for you to take and contact information for local agencies that can help in a variety of situations.
- The image of Jesus on display on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space for June is: Rainbow Christ-Sophia the Liberator by Jeremy Whitner. Please take a look at this image and learn about the artist's intent. You can view our Images of Jesus Gallery with all pervious featured images hanging in the coat nook.
- On our Facebook page,
   @FaithEvangelicalLutheranWalworth, you can find
   recorded worship services. This is a public page, you
   do not need to have a Facebook account to access our
   page.
- The church office has a master calendar. If you are having a meeting at the church, please inform Jennifer and she will add it to the calendar. For many reasons it is important to know who is meeting at the church, and when.
- ◆ If you'd like to meet with Pastor Lily, please reach out to schedule a time. Otherwise, the best time to just stop in is usually Tuesdays from about 10 am 1 pm.
- Articles for the July newsletter should be turned into the church office by June 20th.
- Please keep the church office updated. If you have an new address, phone number, or email.
- secretary@felcwalworth.com is no longer in use.
   Please contact the church office email at: office@felcwalworth.com

If you are receiving this newsletter in paper form and would prefer to receive it electronically, please contact the church office at (262) 275-3445 Also, please let us know if you would like to receive emails from FELC, or if you would no longer wish to receive communication from the church.

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Prayers for Continued Healing: Karla Tildahl, and Kristy Schwartz

Prayers for the World: Community and surrounding areas of Uvalde, Texas and the war in Ukraine

Since it's been a while, we are in the process of updating the prayer list. If you would like anyone to be included, please call the church office 262-275-3445 or email office@felcwalworth.com. Thank you!





Join us on Sunday, July 24th for a special Christmas in July worship service.

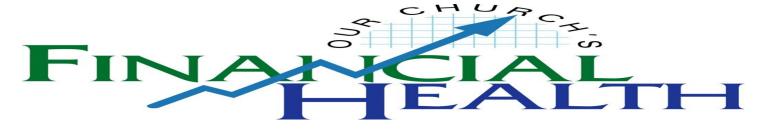


This fall we will have a Sunday service that will include the recognition and welcoming of our newest members. Watch for details to be announced.



Synod Assembly Update:

Penny Gruetzmacher and Pastor Lily attended the Synod Assembly in the Wisconsin Dells May 6th-7th. They represented our congregation while learning, voting and taking time to be one in Christ with our siblings in the ELCA in south central Wisconsin. They will be sharing more about their experience in the coming weeks!



# Monthly Financial Report April 30, 2022

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From Envelopes, Special Contributions, and Others \$12,668
From Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred) 9,800
Total Cash Received

\$22,468

Cash Paid:

Operating Expenses\* \$12,709
Synod Benevolence 863
Committees (2,102)
For Memorials/Dedicated (or transferred) \_\_\_\_\_0

Total Cash Paid 11,470

Monthly Change in Cash (Cash Rec'd – Cash Paid) 10,998

Checking Account Balance, April 1, 2022 11,593

Checking Account Balance, April 30, 2022 22,591

#### **Unrestricted Cash Balance**

Checking Account	22,591
Mission Investment Fund***	102,704
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	275,619
Subtotal	400,914

Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash
Unrestricted Cash Balance
385,290

#### **Year to Date Information**

	<u>Budget</u>	Actual
From Members to General Fund (Through Apr 30, 2022) **	35,281	38,150
Total Expenses	51,081	49,865

## Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance, April 1, 2022	10,132
New Dedicated	
Lutheran World Relief	346
WELCA	40
Youth Group	389
Furnace Fund	9,025
Youth Group	(635)
Schaid Memorial - Moved to Evangelism & Faith Formation	(1,473)
Schivey Memorial – Moved to Evangelism	(500)
Lottig Memorial (Des) – Moved to Grounds and Worship	(1,300)
Lottig Memorial (Undes) – Moved to Landscaping	(400)

<sup>\*</sup> Includes changes in non-cash assets, current liabilities, and restricted transfers

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes monthly and specific donations



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# Church Office Hours:

Tuesday 9 am - 1 pm Wednesday 9 am - 11 am Friday 9 am - 1 pm

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Jennifer Vaun, Administrative Assistant *Email*: office@felcwalworth.com

# Congregation Council 2022

## Executive Team

Rick Lottig- President Kristi Reierson - Vice President Penny Gruetzmacher - Secretary Bill Clark - Treasurer Congregation Council meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

All are welcome to attend.

# Council Members

Laurie Collins
Gail Connelly
Liz Hemmerich
Karen Martinez
Susie Schaid
Karlie and Kelsie Kroening, Co-Youth Representatives



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:15 am Together Time 10 am Faith Sew-ers 7 pm S'more Time with Christ	2	3	4
Graduation & 5 Pentecost Sunday 9 am Worship Service	9	7 9 am Staff Meeting No Wine & Word	8 9:15 am Together Time 10 am Faith Sew-ers	6	10	11
12 9 am Worship Service	13 9 am - noon VBS at St. Benedict	14 9 am - noon VBS at St. Benedict No Staff Meeting	9 am - noon VBS 15 at St. Benedict 9:15 am Together Time 10 am Faith Sew-ers 7 pm S'more Time with Christ	9 am - noon VBS at St. Benedict 4 pm Spiritual Reflections at Sugar Creek	17 9 am - noon VBS at St. Benedict	18
19 9 am Worship Service	20 7:30 pm Council Mtg	21 9 am Staff Meeting 10 am Worship Committee Noon: Lunch Bunch	22 9:15 am Together Time 10 am Faith Sew-ers	23	24	25
<b>26</b> 9 am Worship Service	27	28 9 am Staff Meeting	29	30		