



Faith
Lutheran Church
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**Faith and Our Savior's
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Pastor's View

If earthly institution or custom conflicts with God's will, it is your Christian duty to oppose it.
Martin Luther

What do Halloween, All Saints' Day and Martin Luther have in common?

This year Halloween falls on a Sunday. It is Reformation Sunday, when we will commemorate what Martin Luther did to try to reform the Catholic Church. Instead of changing the Catholic Church, Martin Luther's reformation formed the Lutheran Church. We are grateful to Martin Luther for his bold stand against church corruption.

It was on October 31, 1517, when Martin Luther nailed the 95 theses (demands for how to reform the church) to the church door. Why did he pick that date? Because the next day was All Saints' Day and he knew many people would be coming to church to remember the dead. He would have a large audience viewing his demands.

All Saints' Day comes from the pagan holiday All Hallows Eve which always fell on October 31. It was the day people believed their ancestors would be able to come out of their graves and visit them. Another name for this is Day of the Dead. The Catholic Church took this pagan celebration and turned it in to All Saints' Day when people could remember members of their families who had died. They made the date of this remembrance November 1. We will celebrate All Saints' Sunday on November 7.

Over the years All Hallows Eve evolved into Halloween, which is still celebrated on October 31, and as has happened to other church holidays, it has become commercialized and lost some of its earlier meaning. This year as you greet the "goblins" at your door and give them candy remember how this holiday began.

I invite you to come to worship on October 31 to celebrate what Martin Luther did to make the church more welcoming. Maybe we will even find a way to celebrate All Hallows Eve. Then come back on November 7 as we remember those who have died and celebrate their lives among us.

See you in worship!
Pastor Roberta

Confirmation

Confirmation classes for all 7th and 8th graders are every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at Faith.

Naomi Circle Bible Study

“The Gift of the Spirit”

by Rev. Sara Olson-Smith



Wednesday, October 6

10:00 a.m. at Marsha Witte's home

Session 2: Breath of God: Reviver and Reformer
September/October issue of *Gather* magazine

Opportunities for

Junior High and High School Students

- **Sunday School** is in the kitchen at Our Savior's every Sunday at 9:25 a.m.
- **Bible Jams** are on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at Faith. All JH/HS students are welcome to come for faith, food, fellowship, and fun.
- **ELCA Youth Gathering** will be July 24-28, 2022, in Minneapolis, MN. A meeting for current 8th – 12th graders and their parents will be Sunday, October 3, at 9:30 a.m. at Our Savior's.

Sunday School Staff for 2021-22

- Opening Music

Marsha Witte

- Preschool/Kindergarten

Eric Hoffmann, Shelley Witt-Gentile, Isabella Gentile

- First/Second/Third

Dan Burke and Rebecca Hurt

- Fourth/Fifth/Sixth

Cindy Burke and Doug Willet

- Seventh through Twelfth

Heather Grau and Pat Grau

- Adult Class

Rev. Roberta Pierce

God's Work – Our Hands

The Christian Outreach Committee will conduct an ingathering of non-perishable food items for Wheatland's Carroll Assistance Center.

You are asked to bring donations of canned goods to church on October 10 and November 14.

The center requests food items that would be used at a Thanksgiving meal. The center will put these items in the Thanksgiving baskets that they distribute.

Noisy Offering – October 17th

The Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland will be the recipient of 2021 Noisy Offerings. The offering is collected by the children during worship on the third Sunday of each month.

To contact Pastor Roberta,
please use her cell phone number:

406-478-9518



Reformation Sunday Services - October 31st

Faith 8:00 a.m. and Our Savior's 10:30 a.m.

A Service of Healing
will also be held at both churches
during worship that day.



September Council Meetings

~ Joint Council ~

God Squad:

- Meeting during Sunday School
- Bible Jams every Wednesday
- Making plans for ELCA Youth Gathering
- Planning for a youth-led worship service
- Planning a community service project

Pastor's Report:

- Pastor continues to visit people.
- Nine confirmation students are currently enrolled.

Worship Committee:

- Same bulletin format will be used at both churches.
- Reformation services will be held Sunday, October 31, at both churches. Service of Healing will also be held during this service.
- Thanksgiving service discussion was tabled.

Christian Outreach Committee:

- Food items will be collected for Carroll Assistance Center through November 14. There are boxes at both churches for donations.

Education Committee:

- First day of Sunday School attendance: 22 children, 6 teachers, and 14 adults
- Christmas program was discussed.
- Meetings will be held at Faith each month so Pastor Roberta can attend easier.

Feeding the Children:

- 15 students at Cal-Wheat are provided with weekend meals. \$178.60 was spent last month.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

~ Our Savior's Council ~

Old Business:

- Gutters have been completed and paid for. Painting has started.

New Business:

- Discussed disparity in mask use between Sunday School (no masks required) and church policy (masks required if unvaccinated). Motion to make masks optional. Motion carried by hand vote 5-1.

~ Faith Council ~

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Grau will arrange repair of kitchen sink.
- Vacant parsonage was discussed. Tabled until later.
- Custodial service shows no progress in cleaning duties and no communication with council. Service will be terminated. Boussetot will contact two prospective experienced cleaning services for bids.
- AED battery has been replaced.
- Orkin pest control shows no progress in reducing/eliminating pest. Witte will terminate contract with Orkin and contact Meyer Pest Control for a bid.
- Motion by Boussetot to donate \$100 to ELCA World Hunger. Motion carried.

Next Meetings:

Thursday, October 14, at Our Savior's

Please submit November newsletter items to the church office by Monday, October 18.
Thanks for your cooperation!

November NOTES:

Pastor Roberta will offer **First Communion classes** at 5:00 p.m. on two Wednesdays: November 3rd & 10th at Faith.

First Communion for those attending classes will be Sunday, November 14.

Contact the church office or Pastor Roberta for more information.

All Saints' Sunday is November 7th.

There is a sheet of paper at the back of each sanctuary for listing the names of loved ones who have died this past year.

MINISTERS for October 2021

If you cannot do your task on the day assigned, it is your responsibility to trade with someone or to find your own substitute and notify the church office of the change.

FAITH CHURCH

Ushers:

David Boussetot
Terri Boussetot

Acolyte:

Carter Henning

Altar Ministry:

Terri and David Boussetot

Communion Assistant:

Terri Boussetot

Lectors:

October 3: Terri Boussetot
October 10: Sharyl Banowetz
October 17: Alan Lee
October 24: Ruth Braet
October 31: Andrea Shelton

OUR SAVIOR'S CHURCH

Usher:

Dan Burke

Acolyte:

Macailah Jacobsen

Communion Assistant:

Brian Boussetot

Lectors:

October 3: Mark Olson
October 10: Amy Glover
October 17: Joyce McCutcheon
October 24: Dan Burke
October 31: Cindy Burke

Cleaners:

Deb and Ray Detlefs

October 2021

NOTE: Sunday worship is also online at www.clpark.org

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| F = Faith Church OS = Our Savior's Church | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 9:30 Informational Meeting about ELCA Youth Gathering 10:30 Worship – OS | 4 | 5 | 6 Naomi Circle 10:00 am at Marsha Witte's Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 Bring Canned Goods 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS | 11 | 12 | 13 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith Education Committee 7:00 pm at Faith | 14 Worship Committee 6:00 pm at Our Savior's Joint Council 7:00 pm at Our Savior's | 15 | 16 |
| 17 Noisy Offering 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS | 18 Newsletter items due in the church office. | 19 | 20 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS | 25 | 26 | 27 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm at Faith Bible Jam 7:00 pm at Faith | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 Reformation Sunday Service of Healing 8:00 Worship – F 9:25 Sunday School – OS 10:30 Worship – OS | | | | | | |