

# Beacon of Faith

Worship God. Grow in faith. Offer hope.

Faith Lutheran Church and Preschool

April 2026



## Welcome Statement

In response to God's unconditional love and grace, the people of Faith Lutheran Church seek to follow Jesus' commandment to love God, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We express that love in our commitment to racial equity, and in our welcome of people of all ages, races, economic status, intellectual and physical abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, along with their families and friends, to join with us as we worship God, grow in faith, and offer hope.



*Holy Week began with Palm Sunday on March 29.*

### April 2 Maundy/Holy Thursday

Worship at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar

### April 3 Good Friday

Worship at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
Tenebrae Service

## CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION!!

### April 5 Easter Day

Worship at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary  
Two Identical Festival Services  
Guest Musicians and Choir  
Holy Communion

### Easter Breakfast

10-10:45 a.m.  
Welcome Center and Youth Room  
Pastries and other Delectables  
Fruit Salad  
Coffee, Tea, Juice

*The evening services and the 9 a.m. Easter service will be livestreamed.*

Please Note: the Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 6, as the celebration of Easter continues.



Turn to **page 3** for information about Volunteer Appreciation Sunday!

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## Business - Call Process Update

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As we complete the second month of Phase 2 in our transition process, I took a step back in making monthly announcements as the focus moved to the Transition Team. They have been working diligently on the congregational vitality and sustainability evaluation and will soon be preparing the historical review for us to look back at where we have been as a guide for where we may be going as a congregation. **The Story of Faith** Historical Review is planned for **Saturday, April 25 from 2 to 4 PM**. We will be looking at timelines of both Faith's and St. John/St. Paul's histories prior to our congregations combining and our shared history since 2015.

I hope you took the opportunity to complete the Congregational Assessment Survey. As part of my continuing education, one of the most valuable educational tools is taking practice tests. I always review the answer key, even when I am confident that my answer was correct – not to verify – but to see why the other answers were wrong. I often learn just as much or more from that review. Similarly, it was enlightening to me when I had to honestly answer some of the Survey questions with “disagree.” That is not to suggest that Faith is doing things “wrong” but that there are clear areas that could use our attention to strengthen our congregation for the future. This information will also be important as the Transition Team and the Call Committee put together the Ministry Site Profile and begin to consider candidates for a new called pastor that can continue to build on our successes while helping us improve in those areas where we may need more assistance.

Although I have personally not been as visible this month, I can assure you that Council has continued its work during the transition. We have interviewed an interim pastor candidate and are hopeful to have more information to provide later in April.

Please join us for Holy Week:

- **March 29, Palm Sunday:** worship at 9 and 10:30 a.m. with a palm procession and “Blessing of the Palms during both services
- **April 2, Maundy Thursday:** worship at 7 p.m., with Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar
- **April 3, Good Friday:** worship at 7 p.m., Tenebrae service
- **April 5, Easter Sunday:** celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord at 9 and 11 a.m. A continental breakfast will be hosted by the Youth between services

Please pray for the Transition Team and Pastor Krause as they continue their critical work in this process. Please pray for the Council, that we have wisdom and discernment during the search for an interim pastor. And pray for the congregation, that the Holy Spirit will provide comfort from the anxieties of this transitional period and guide us to a future focused on God's plans.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or any other Council member.

Darryl P. Anderson  
President, FLC Congregation Council

## Worship

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## INTRODUCING: THE RINGLEADERS!!!

Easter Sunday will be the premier performance of the newly formed Faith Handbell Choir - known as the RINGLEADERS! The group is made up of all ages - from 10 years old to 80+!!! The members of the choir are: Alexis Williams, Mary Jean Lyon, Marilyn Wilson, Curtis Thorkelson, Ben Bauer, Sue Harman, Nancy Bradshaw, Loralee Daily, Rebecca Williams and Art Kaufman.

The RINGLEADERS are organized and directed by Loralee Daily and Sarah Kaufman. We hope you will enjoy their anthems as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!

## Key Dates

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**Visitation Team Meeting**  
**2 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, April 8**

If you are currently assigned members to visit, this meeting is for you. This is a time for support and for you to address issues. Please contact the church office to RSVP. Contact Team Leader Darlene Weaver with any questions.



## Volunteer Appreciation Sunday is April 19!

This will be a day of celebration for anyone who has volunteered for one hour or many hours. **YOU ARE APPRECIATED!** We will celebrate with a:

- Temple Talk highlighting the importance of volunteers at Faith
- Updated Time & Talent form
- PowerPoint slide show in the Welcome Center
- Cake during Kinship Café

Come, enjoy and pat yourself on the back!

## Key Dates

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Friday, April 10, 2026

Faith Lutheran Church  
in the Fellowship Hall

5:30 - 8:30 pm

Bring games to play and  
an appetizer or snack to  
share.

Sponsored by the FFF Team  
Contact Debbie Gottas for further information at 330-592-4251



Thursday-  
May 7 | 5:30 p.m.

## DAUGHTERS OF FAITH BANQUET

Hawaiian theme  
in the Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m.  
Punch Bowl  
Salad Supper

Come watch  
Faith Children  
sing, dance &  
do tinikling!

Enjoy Faith's very  
own Honolulu  
Honeys sing, strum  
the ukulele, & twirl  
FIRE BATONS!!!

\$5 per person  
Free for under 5 yrs.



# ELCA Social Teaching

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Faith Lutheran Church is part of the ELCA (Evangelical Church in America), which periodically releases social statements of teaching and policy documents that provide

broad frameworks to assist us in thinking about and discussing social issues. Here are three that were recently adopted at the 2025 Churchwide Assembly:

## NEW Social Statement—Faith and Civic Life: Seeking the Well-being of All

Faith and Civic Life: Seeking the Well-being of All sets forth broad insights that address questions and challenges to the flourishing of civic life in the United States today. The social statement draws on the Scriptures and Lutheran Confessions to examine God’s call to civic participation as well as key issues, including church and state, Christian nationalism and the appropriate use of power in government. It calls for robust civic education and offers criteria relevant to questions of political violence, voter suppression, systemic racism and the use of religion to justify domination. Read the full social statement at [ELCA.org/civicsandfaith](https://elca.org/civicsandfaith).

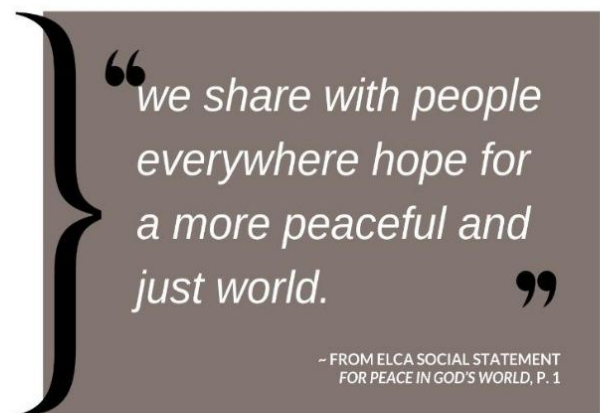
## UPDATED Social Statement—Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust

The 2025 Churchwide Assembly adopted the edited text of Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust. The edits, authorized by the 2022 Churchwide Assembly, update language while maintaining the statement’s theological vision of trust, responsibility, pastoral care and well-being. A diverse task force led the ELCA in discernment on these edits. This same task force has begun work on a second, substantive reconsideration of the social statement’s description of the coexistence of four different but valid convictions that Lutherans faithfully hold about same-gender relationships. To learn more and to read the 2025 social statement, visit [ELCA.org/reconsiderations](https://elca.org/reconsiderations).

## NEW Social Message on “Child Protection”

This new social message draws on the Scriptures, Lutheran traditions, research and the experiences of ELCA Lutherans to deepen our understanding of child maltreatment and to offer a theological vision of childhood and the church’s commitment to the dignity and well-being of children. It includes robust sections on forgiveness, confidentiality in pastoral care, trauma-informed ministry and specific policy recommendations for protecting children. Order or download “Child Protection” at [ELCA.org/ChildProtection](https://elca.org/ChildProtection).

Read and see what ELCA Lutherans are talking about!



# Outreach



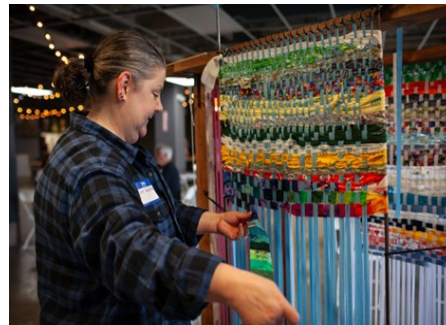
**David Simpson**  
Community Outreach Coordinator  
Outreach@faithlutheranchurch.org  
330-836-8811

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

## AKRON AREA INTERFAITH COUNCIL (AAIC)

### TAPESTRY – TO BE ON DISPLAY HERE FROM APRIL 29 TO MAY 12

Women's Interfaith Spiritual Heritage (WISH) in collaboration with **AAIC** developed the Tapestry of Unity, a weaving project of art and craft form including prayers, poetry and reflection. Many Akron based faith communities participated in creating this work. Participants wrote their prayer, wish, dream or hope on a strip of fabric which were woven onto the tapestry forming one united piece. The back of the tapestry is African fabric that was discovered by a community member during their Peace Corps service. It is hoped that it will become a symbol of our community's strength represented in the weft and warp of our unity. The tapestry has been displayed through a travelling exhibit for various congregations and organizations. It has already been on display the Akron Main Library, Bath Church UCC, Akron Art Museum, The John Brown House, St Vincent DePaul Catholic Church, Church of Our Savior and First Congregational Church and Trinity Lutheran ELCA Church of Kent. We will be hosting it here for two weeks from April 29 to May 12. The tapestry will not only present an opportunity to view the artistic piece but also to appreciate the prayers, thoughts and reflections it includes. The display will be accompanied with booklet in which you may also share your own reflections.

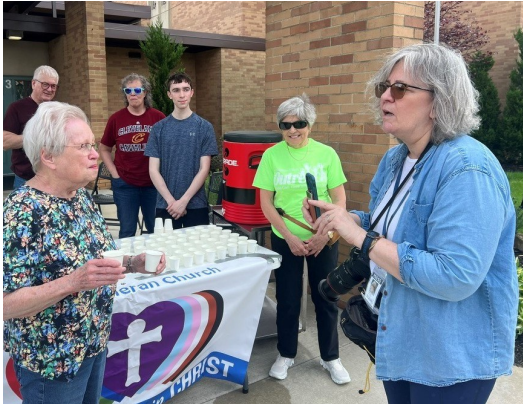


Faith member Lori Ashenfelter



# Outreach

**HUNGER WALK** - We have received registration information from the **Akron Area Interfaith Council (AAIC)** for its 17<sup>th</sup> Annual "HUNGER WALK". As in past years the turn around terminus for the walk will again be Faith Lutheran Church. With Marilyn Wilson's leadership, the RIC Team will host a water station for the walkers. This amenity has been very well received and appreciated by the walkers and even some accompanying dogs. We are also encouraging our members to donate and/or join in the walk which will start at The Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron at 3300 Morewood Road on May 3. Registration begins at 2 p.m. and the walk begins at 3 p.m. Donations may be made online at <https://donate.fundhero.io/aaic/hungerwalk> Also, **checks** payable to "AAIC Hunger Walk" may be mailed to AAIC HUNGERWALK at 3300 Morewood Road, Akron, Ohio 44333



Previous Hunger Walk Volunteers



Previous Hunger Walk Walkers

**REPRESENTATION** - As a member of **AAIC** we are offered two voting seats on their governing council. Bob Radl retired from this role last year and we are seeking Faith members to participate with this organization. AAIC holds meetings on the first Tuesday of each month usually at noon. If you would like to learn more about this opportunity, please ask David Simpson for additional information, 330-836-8811/outreach@faithlutheranchurch.org. You are also welcome to come to one of the meetings to determine if this would further interest you.

## LOADS OF FAITH (LoF)

Loads of Faith Laundry Ministry is collecting pillowcases to be used as laundry bags to give to our guests at the laundromats in North Hill and Wallhaven. Clean, spotless regular size cases would be great and king size would be even better! Bring them to the Outreach office or drop them in the basket the Welcome Center.



## FAMILY PROMISE

Our current inventory of condiments for Family Promise has been replenished thanks to our generous members. A delivery to Family Promise's Glendora House of 72 condiment items took place on March 26.

# Outreach



## INTERFAITH JUSTICE ALLIANCE

The series was very well received with much positive feedback regarding the presenters. Three Faith members have already offered ideas for continuing follow-up and meetings, for this purpose, are planned to develop possible future service opportunities.

Our joint collaborative on the March 18 session with Prince of Peace Baptist Church was the last of the sessions. Pastor Jack Streeter facilitated the meeting addressing the topics of advocacy and solutions. The key presenters were Ebony Yeboah-Amankwah (Summit Fresh Food) and Tia Turner (Metro Bus System).

Tia Turner described the **Grocery Bus** service, which runs one route each weekday between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. The bus picks up passengers at scheduled apartment building stops and delivers them to that route's designated grocery store which include:

- Walmart on Arlington Road and Hudson Road in Stow
- Giant Eagle on Waterloo Rd., Springfield, West Market and Tallmadge)
- Marc's on Howe Avenue in Cuyahoga Falls
- Acme Fresh Market on South Avenue in Tallmadge

Shoppers have 90 to 120 minutes before the Grocery Bus returns for pickup. Passengers and their groceries are delivered back to their apartment buildings.



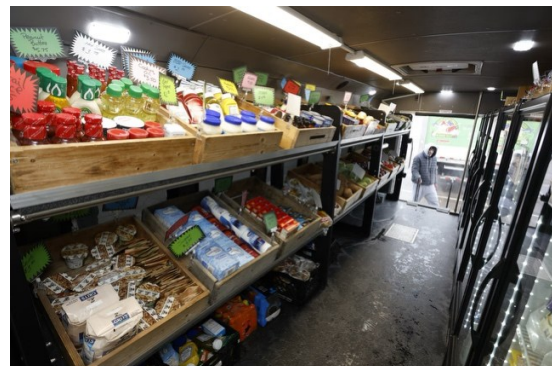
Summit Metro Grocery Bus



Ebony Yeboah-Amankwah, Executive Director of Summit Fresh Mobile Market, described the new **Summit Fresh Mobile Market's mission is to sell fresh, healthy, and affordable groceries to communities designated as food deserts, to empower every individual to access nutritious food, and to promote equity in health outcomes leading to enhanced well-being across resource restricted communities.** The mobile market is a converted truck packed with produce, dairy products, meat and shelf-stable items. Funding for the project has come from a \$175,000 grant from the American Beverage Foundation for a Healthy America and the United States Conference of Mayors. Local support was provided by the Church of Our Saviour, Open M, Crown Point Ecology Center and United Disability Services.

The early April 2026 Mobile Market Schedule includes:

- Friday, April 3 – West Hill Market
- Saturday, April 4 – Summit Lake Market
- Monday, April 6 – University of Akron Market
- Friday, April 10 – Lauer Apartment Market on N. Howard



The mobile market is packed with produce, dairy products, meat and shelf-stable items.

# Outreach

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## MITZVAH DAYS 2026 – JUNE 6 & 7

Temple Israel's planning committee has been working since December for this year's program. Several organizations and projects have already been identified including the following:

915 North Main Cleanup 2 events  
Akron-Canton Foodbank  
Asia Inc – donation room  
Battered Women's Shelter  
Brookdale Assisted Living in Bath  
Cuyahoga Falls Cancer Club  
Dressing with Love  
East Akron Neighborhood Dvlp Corp

East Akron Neighborhood Reborn  
Forest Hill Garden  
Grace House  
Habitat's Restore  
Harmony House  
Haven of Rest  
Home Repairs for Veterans  
Middlebury Commons

Middlebury Plaza  
OPEN M  
Project Linus  
Ronald McDonald House  
Safe Landing Youth Shelter  
Village of St Edwards

The closing event for the two days will be a panel of local experts addressing the topic of immigration followed with a meal at Temple Israel. The website for registration will soon be available.

## OUTREACH ADVISORY TEAM

The team met on February 26, and reviewed our current outreach ministries as well as the budget for this year. Follow-up items from the meeting include:

- Exploration of collaboration with Holy Trinity on outreach ministries
- Evaluating a possible joint project with First Serve in connection with the ELCA Day of Service
- Inviting members to serve as representatives to AAIC
- Inquiring about another Rise Against Hunger project
- Scheduling dates for the Tapestry to be on display here (see page 6 of this newsletter)

Our Outreach Advisory Team members are members Duane Daily, Lorelee Daily, Colleen Hruska, Dana Singer, Mark Watkins and Nina White.

## LOOKING AHEAD:

### AKRON AREA INTERFAITH COUNCIL (AAIC)

May 3 (17<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunger Wank)

### LOADS OF FAITH DATES FOR 2026

April 29, May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26, September 30, October 28,  
November 18, December 30

### DLM SCHEDULE FOR 2025

See schedule on the Outreach Bulletin Board.

### MITZVAH DAY

June 6 and 7

### ELCA Day of Service, "God's Work, Our Hands",

Sunday, September 13

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY

## STARK *Blessing* BOX INITIATIVE

A note from the founder:

*My name is Maiharriese Wooden, and I create and maintain several Blessing Boxes in Stark and Summit Counties. As a single parent, one of my greatest daily challenges is food insecurity. At times, it is an overwhelming worry, because I am often only able afford food that has little to no nutritional value. I have struggled many times to keep food on the table for my children. There have been many times when I wished for just a little help to get through until the next payday. Due to my own personal experiences, I feel that God has been encouraging me to take action on this problem, in order to help others. I know I am not the only one who has this struggle.*

*In order to address this need, I felt a call placed on my heart to begin the Stark Blessing Box Initiative (SBBi). A Blessing Box is an outdoor cabinet, in a public place, that is stocked with non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone in need. Items are anonymously donated, and anonymously received. A very simple rule applies: Take what you need, leave what you can. Since September 2019, SBBi has placed over 60 boxes. We have a goal of placing many, many more.*

# Outreach

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY *continued*

This box is located just south of the corner of West Talmadge Ave, and North Howard Street.



### Akron Emergency Overnight Shelter

Here are statistics from this winters services:  
Nights open - 61  
Guests - 4,229 or 541 Different Individuals  
Gender - Women 20.5%, Men 79.5%

### **Kent nonprofit hosted a quilt sale to benefit agencies battling hunger**

**The Socially Responsible Sweatshop of Kent** hosted its first Quilted for Community fundraiser in March, at the Christ Episcopal Church. The event, coincided with National Quilt Day. Funds raised were donated to agencies serving food-insecure community members. The organization has 70 volunteers and has given Kent Social Services over \$135,000 since 2021.



# **FAITHKIDS & JR YOUTH GROUP**

**April 2026**



## **WALK THROUGH HOLY WEEK Good Friday Retreat 2026**

**For FaithKids and Junior Youth  
Friday, April 3**

**10 a.m. – 12 NOON**

**Preschool 4s/5s through 5th Graders**

**Come walk with Jesus through his final week. Wave the palm branches, cleanse the temple, sit at the last supper and witness his death in preparation of the joyful Resurrection on Easter morning! We will have activities, games, crafts and more!  
RSVP to Sarah or Dineen.**

***Kids are presumably off school.***

***Why not hang out at church and grow in our faith as we prepare for Easter and welcoming the Risen Christ into our lives?***

## **JOIN US FOR THIS YEAR'S FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT APRIL 26, 12-2 p.m.**

**in the Fellowship Hall**

**All children in who are 7 to 10 year's old, as well as those who are older who have not yet participated, are invited to this year's First Communion class. An adult should participate in the class with each child. **First Communion Sunday, when the children are introduced at the beginning of the worship service, will be on MAY 3at both services.****

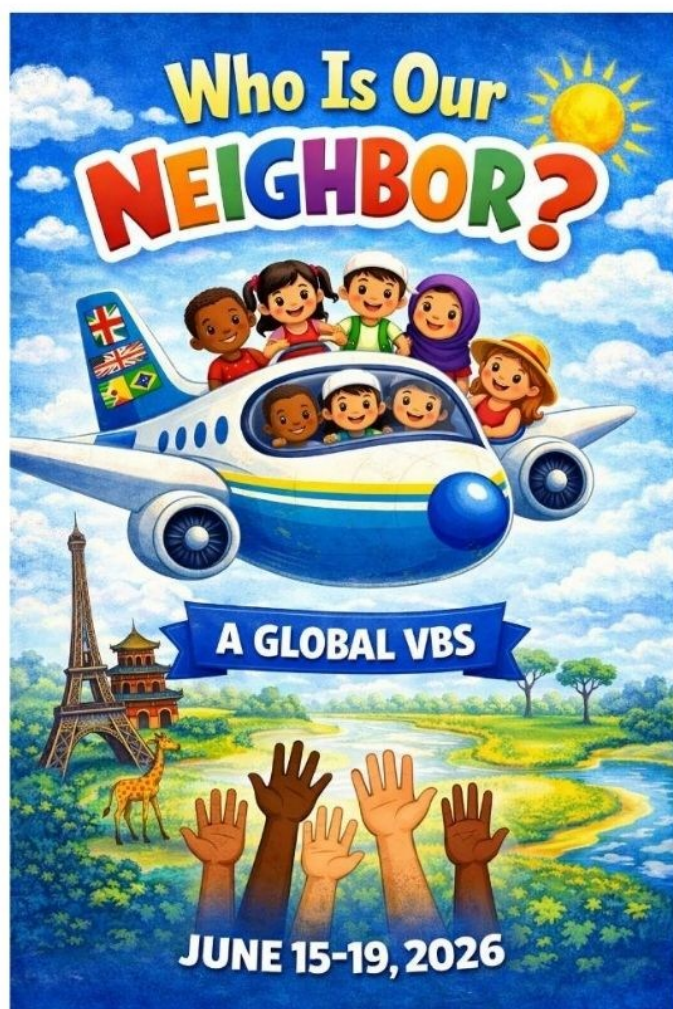


**GIRL'S RETREAT**  
**"BRAVE AND BELOVED"**  
Sunday, April 19, 2-4 p.m.  
Location Northampton United  
Methodist Church  
852 W Bath Rd, Cuyahoga Falls, OH  
44223

We are excited to invite all girls  
in grades 3rd through 8th to join  
us for a fun and faith-filled  
retreat!

We look forward to creating close  
friendships among our young, female  
church members and growing closer to  
God together!

Please contact Pastor Sarah  
if you are interested!  
[faithkids@faithlutheranchurch.org](mailto:faithkids@faithlutheranchurch.org)  
or (330) 836-8811



# Growth & Learning



## FAITH PRESCHOOL

### Thank you

- + To all who ordered Malley's Candy for Easter! We appreciate your support!
- + To **Busy Fingers sewers** who always repair the toys, doll clothes, and dress up clothes/costumes that get ripped. We are so blessed to have you at the ready!
- + To **Nicole Vincent** and her Souper Soups! We enjoyed sharing this delicious fundraiser with our families.

### Want to Substitute Teach?

Do you enjoy helping children ages 2-5 learn and grow? Are you available mornings or afternoons? Faith Preschool is looking to grow our substitute teacher roster for next school year. There are very specific requirements that need met in order to serve in this way, including completing a CPR/First Aid class, Background Check, etc. Speak to Dineen if you want to know more!



### Painting Help Needed

Dineen is looking for someone to sand and paint Rustoleum bright yellow the bouncy on the playground this summer. State requires no peeling paint on the playground.



### Kindergarten Readiness

Director Dineen Dowling and PreK Teachers Katie Frank and Sara Molnar (pictured below) worked the Copley-Fairlawn School district's "Kindergarten Readiness Night" at Arrowhead Elementary School on March 18. This event shows parents what skills are needed to successfully prepare their child for a smooth transition to kindergarten.

There were sixteen stations, each offering an interactive activity to work on skills. Children who display confidence in these skills are ready for success in kindergarten!

Faith Preschool worked the station that talked about **Properties/Qualities** of objects - descriptive words like smooth, rough, salty, sweet, etc. Several of our preschool families who will be attending Copley-Fairlawn Schools stopped by our table!

We love representing Faith Preschool in the community!



## WANTED.... Summer Babysitters!

Are you available for Babysitting Jobs this summer?

Every year, Preschool parents ask Dineen for recommendations of responsible and reliable babysitters. Dineen is ready to compile that list for summer 2026! If you are a youth, college student, or adult who is available to babysit, let her know!

If YOU are interested (or if your college age child will be home this summer and may want babysitting work), please forward to Dineen the following information: *Name, Age, Grade, School, Best way to Contact (phone/text/email), Do you Drive?* If you are interested or have questions, contact Dineen at 330-836-8827 or [preschool@faithlutheranchurch.org](mailto:preschool@faithlutheranchurch.org)

## Growth & Learning

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**Eric & Abby Jezewski**  
Youth Leader & Co-leader  
330-836-8811/  
[faithlcyouth@gmail.com](mailto:faithlcyouth@gmail.com)



Thank you to all of the youth who assisted congregation members with the Vitality Assessment on March 15 and 22! You really helped to streamline the process as we continue to move forward with the call process!

Easter Breakfast is nearly here! Setup and prep will happen on Saturday, April 4 in the morning at the church beginning at 9 a.m. Easter Sunday, all youth in grades 6-12 will have jobs preassigned so that everything can be taken care of efficiently. We know that Easter is a busy day for everyone, so the more hands to help, the quicker we can all get to where we need to go! We are again planning to serve mini-quiche and assorted pastries, as well as mixed fruit, grab-and-go style Easter morning.

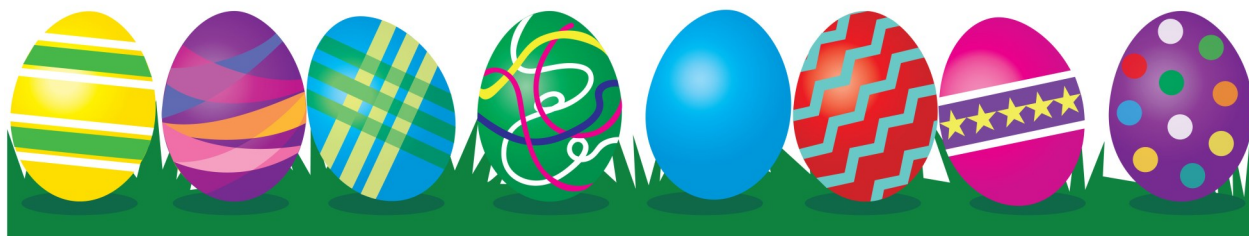


The Confirmation Learning Retreat wrap is on Sunday, April 26, immediately following second service. As has been the case since we overhauled the program in recent years, all 6-8th grade youth and parents are asked to attend. Lunch will be provided. We use this session to cover a last topic and get feedback from the year to be used for the following year.

Do you have a youth group member who will be in 9th grade the summer of 2027, and is interested in attending the 2027 National Gathering in Minneapolis? We will hold an information session this May to talk about the upcoming Gathering, our budget, fundraising, and commitments. Please let Eric and Abby know if you are interested!



We have had a couple of no-shows for assigned acolyte and communion assistant duties, but have adjusted on the fly. We are asking parents of the youth who are assigned as communion assistants, to have your youth fill in as acolyte, if the acolyte is a no-show. This way we are at least covered for candles/offering/communion, and can have another youth or adult fill in as communion assistant. Thank you for your help with this!



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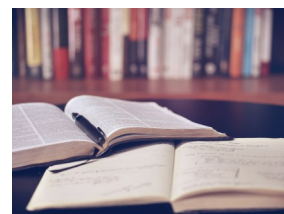
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### **Third Thursday Women's Bible Study Thursday, April 16 10 a.m. Youth Room**

"Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord" Ephesians 5:22. Discussion will ensue about Paul's directive. **Third Thursday Bible Study will meet on Thursday, April 16, at 10 a.m. in the Youth Room.** Women of Faith, join us! For more information contact Bonnie at 330.606.3230.

### **Men of Faith Bible Study and Discussion Group 9 a.m. - April 18 Youth Room**



Men of Faith, a Bible study and discussion group meets the third Saturday of each month in the Youth Room. For more information contact Geoff Whidden, [geoffrey.whidden@gmail.com](mailto:geoffrey.whidden@gmail.com) or Karl Demuth, [karldemuth@hotmail.com](mailto:karldemuth@hotmail.com).



### **Faith Book Club Tuesday, April 21, at 2 p.m. In the Youth Room**

#### **A Brother, A Sister, Their Bond, And An Exile From Their Home**

On **April 21**, Faith's book club will meet to discuss **The Dutch House** by Ann Patchett. It's a richly moving story that explores the indelible bond between two siblings, the house of their childhood, and a past that will not let them go. Join leaders Marilyn and Steve and our merry readers in the Youth Room at 2 p.m. to discuss this powerful novel. We have a chair waiting for you! Below is the "tease" to whet your literary appetite!

At the end of the Second World War, Cyril Conroy combines luck and a single canny investment to begin an enormous real estate empire, propelling his family from poverty to enormous wealth. His first order of business is to buy the Dutch House, a lavish estate in the suburbs outside of Philadelphia. Meant as a surprise for his wife, the house sets in motion the undoing of everyone he loves.

The story is told by Cyril's son Danny, as he and his older sister, the brilliantly acerbic and self-assured Maeve, are exiled from the house where they grew up by their stepmother. The two wealthy siblings are thrown back into the poverty their parents had escaped from and find that all they have to count on is one another. It is this unshakeable bond between them that both saves their lives and thwarts their futures.

Set over the course of five decades, *The Dutch House* is a dark fairy tale about two smart people who cannot overcome their past. Despite every outward sign of success, Danny and Maeve are only truly comfortable when they're together. Throughout their lives they return to the well-worn story of what they've lost with humor and rage. But when at last they're forced to confront the people who left them behind, the relationship between an indulged brother and his ever-protective sister is finally tested



## In Our Prayers:

### Health Concerns:

Faith member Lin Bryant  
Faith member Annabelle Courtney  
Tommy Gorman  
Faith member Pastor Tim Keeler  
Faith member Linda Lewis  
Cooper Unk  
Faith member Terry Vernon

For Faith members Marian, Liane, Shirley, JoAnn, Ann, Don, Heather, and Vee who are in assisted living facilities, or receiving nursing care.

### In Times of Loss:

For the family and friends of Will Knops upon his death, especially his mother Kathryn and brother John, that they may be comforted.

For the family and friends of Kevin Mueller upon his death, that they may be comforted. He is a friend of Faith member Corie Miller.

For the family and friends of William 'Skip' Schweikert upon his death, that they may be comforted. He is the brother of Faith member Sue Harman.

For the family and friends of Beverly Craig upon her death, that they may be comforted. Beverly was a former member of St. John/St. Paul and Faith Lutheran Churches. Beverly's Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 4, at St. Stephen Martyr Lutheran Church, Canton, with visitation beginning at 10 a.m.

### Special Prayers




For all Christians during Holy Week, that their faith would be strengthened as they remember the last days of Jesus' earthly life and prepare to celebrate his resurrection.

### With Thanksgiving:

For the support of this Faith family as its members face challenges, and for the revealing of God's grace in each word and kind act.

### QR Code Prayer Requests:




## Schedule to Serve

Date	Service	Altar	Communion	Lay Reader	Flowers	Ushers	Youth
<b>2</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b>	7 p.m. 	Linda Weigand	Kit Scheetz - SE John Weisend - SE Melissa Mollard - SP Fedearia Sweval - B	Judy Harrison		Duane Daily Dana Singer David Nelson	<b>Acolyte:</b> Cayden Cloninger <b>Assistant:</b> Katie Archbold
<b>3</b> <b>Good Friday</b>	7 p.m. 	Linda Weigand		Melissa Johnson Sandy Selby		Ed Pleasant John Knops	
<b>5</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b>	9 a.m.  11 a.m.	Linda Weigand Kit Scheetz  Linda Weigand Kit Scheetz	Dana Singer - SE - SE -SP Kit Scheetz - SP Melissa Johnson - B  Nancy Hooper - SE Deb Allen - SE Loralee Daily -SP John Weisend - SP Judy Harrison - B	Melissa Johnson  Judy Harrison		Seth Solberg Mason Solberg Hayden Solberg Lincoln Solberg  Cathy Medlen Ed Pleasant John Knops Geoff Whidden	<b>Acolyte:</b> Elyse Vincent <b>Assistant:</b> Crosby Jezewski  <b>Acolyte:</b>  <b>Assistant:</b>
<b>12</b>	9 a.m.  10:30 a.m.	Linda Weigand  Nancy Hooper	  Nancy Hooper	Jerry Allen	Eugenia Sefton	Seth Solberg Mason Solberg Hayden Solberg Lincoln Solberg  Nancy Tobar	
<b>19</b>	9 a.m.  10:30 a.m.	Linda Weigand  Bonnie Janelle	John Weisend - SE Loralee Daily - SE Corie Miller - SP Sandy Selby - B  Chris Fritzen	Carole Lintner		Seth Solberg Mason Solberg Hayden Solberg Lincoln Solberg  Kim Kennedy	<b>Acolyte:</b> Katie Archbold <b>Assistant:</b>
<b>26</b>	9 a.m.  10:30 a.m.	Linda Weigand  Chris Fritzen		Martha Keeler	Eli Cooper	Seth Solberg Mason Solberg Hayden Solberg Lincoln Solberg  Nancy Hooper	

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B - Bread



## Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			<b>1</b> 7:30 p.m. AA	<b>2</b>  10 a.m. Prayer Shawl 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service	<b>3</b>  10 a.m. - noon Good Friday Retreat 7 p.m. Good Friday	<b>4</b> 8 a.m. Easter Breakfast Prep. 10 a.m. Easter Choir Rehearsal
<b>5</b>  9 & 11 Sanctuary Worship Services 10 - 10:45 a.m. Easter Breakfast 7:30 AA	<b>6</b> Office Closed 6 p.m. Girl Scouts 8 p.m. AA	<b>7</b> 9:30 a.m. Busy Fingers Yoga 7 p.m. Scouts Al-Anon	<b>8</b> 2 p.m. Visitation Team Meeting 5 p.m. Outreach Advisory Team 7:30 p.m. AA	<b>9</b> 10 a.m. Prayer Shawl 12:15 p.m. Faith Family Fellowship Team 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>10</b> 5:30 p.m. Game Night	<b>11</b> 10:30 a.m. DLM at Holy Trinity
<b>12</b> 9 Traditional Svc. 9:50 Christian Edu- cation 10 Kinship Café 10:30 Informal Service 11:30 Bound 7:30 AA	<b>13</b> 10 a.m. St. Cecelia 8 p.m. AA	<b>14</b> 9:30 a.m. Busy Fingers Yoga 7 p.m. Scouts Al-Anon	<b>15</b> 5 p.m. RIC Meeting 7 p.m. Transition Team 7:30 p.m. AA	<b>16</b> 10 a.m. Prayer Shawl 3rd Thursday Wom- en's Bible Study	<b>17</b> 6 p.m. Preschool PJ Party	<b>18</b> 9 a.m. Men of Faith 2 p.m. Kozee
<b>19 Newsletter            Deadline</b> 9 Traditional Svc. 9:50 Christian Edu- cation 10 Kinship Café 10:30 Informal Service 11:30 Bound Youth Meal & More 2 Girl's Retreat 4 Scouts 7:30 AA	<b>20</b> 6 p.m. Girl Scouts 7 p.m. Council 8 p.m. AA	<b>21</b> 9:30 a.m. Busy Fingers Yoga 2 p.m. Faith Book Club 7 p.m. Scouts Al-Anon	<b>22</b> 7:30 p.m. AA	<b>23</b> 10 a.m. Prayer Shawl 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Preschool Family Portraits 2 - 4 p.m. The Story of Us (SJSP & Faith)
<b>26</b> 9 Traditional Svc. 9:50 Christian Edu- cation 10 Kinship Café 10:30 Informal Service 11:30 Bound 11:45 Confirmation Learning Retreat 12 First Commu- nion Retreat 2 Scouts 7:30 AA	<b>27</b> 10 a.m. St. Cecelia 7 p.m. Gardeners of Greater Akron 8 p.m. AA	<b>28</b> 9:30 a.m. Busy Fingers Yoga 7 p.m. Scouts Al-Anon	<b>29</b> 5 p.m. Laundry Ministry	<b>30</b> 10 a.m. Prayer Shawl		



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