

Walk With Faith

Faith Lutheran Church

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I am generally not a big fan of making up words. You have undoubtedly heard new words used often by combining familiar words. Examples would include "spork" (which is supposed to be a combination of a spoon and fork), guesstimate, refudiate, and this goes on and on. There is even apparently a word for this practice of combining words. It is called portmanteau, coined by Lewis Carroll in reference to a French suitcase which combines two separate sides. If portmanteau is too hard to remember, you can always make up a word to refer to made up words. We'll call them "imagiwords." Believe it or not, someone has already coined this word.

I came across one of these made up words the other day. It is actually the title of a book I'm currently reading. The word is **VISIONEERING**. This is a combination of the words "vision" and "engineering." The author intends this word to refer to the course one follows to make dreams a reality. It is the process where by ideas and convictions take on substance. In other words, it is the engineering of a vision.

What is your vision for Faith Lutheran Church? Do you have dreams for our congregation? What would you like to see us doing five years from now? These are questions that many of us were considering at our church planning retreat. If you weren't at that meeting, talk to someone who was. Give them your ideas and ask them about some of the ideas present at the meeting. Dreams are always the beginning of the process. Of course, it is important to try and talk about how at least some of these dreams may actually become a reality. This, as I understand it, is visioneering.

There is something else which is part of the process of visioneering when we do it in the church. This some-

thing else we call "faith" as in Faith Lutheran Church. We believe that the results are not really up to us in the end. God uses us as His means, He calls us to use our God given skills in the process, but in the end it is the Lord's doing. We have faith that our labor is never in vain when it is done in the Lord. This doesn't mean that all our dreams will come true, or that there won't be obstacles and barriers along the way. It does mean that God will be active in what we do. Our God, who provided His Son on the cross for us, will not forsake us as we do His work in the church. Keep us in your prayers! Keep dreaming! Keep "visioneering!"

PASTOR

LIFE South

As you remember, we had a Blood Drive a number of months ago. The turn-out was just fantastic!! THANK YOU!!

Even though we do not have a drive at this time, you may still donate blood. Call Life South at 527-3061 X 42312 (Rachel Shramek) All you have to do is tell them to put it toward Faith Lutheran Church, Lecanto's account and we will get credit for it.

If you, or a member of your family, would be in need of blood while in the hospital all you have to do is tell them to take from Faith's account.

Thanking you in advance for saving lives.



Readers for the month of October

Saturday

1st Tom Gottschalk
8th Shirley Janisko &
Kathy Walker
15th Bob Janisko
22nd Jake Gerring
29th Ellen Belfry

Sunday

2nd Linda Fick
9th Ellen Davey &
Gloria Marquis
16th Bill Fick
23 Norm Schmidt
30th Bud Riedel

Reformation Day

We, as Lutherans, thank God for Martin Luther and his tenacity to stand up to others for his belief in God. Are you ready, if you had to do that in time to come? Just a thought for your day. I am proud to be a Lutheran and an American to stand free for our **love of God.**



Position: Church Council Secretary

Duties: Attend Church Council Meetings (Monthly)
Attend Voter's Meetings (Two per Year)
(This schedule is the norm, special meetings are possible)

Prepare Minutes of the Meetings

Benefits: Many Blessings

Work with Great People

Salary: Satisfaction of Working for the Lord

Vacation: Summer time.

Apply in Person or by Mail to Church Office:

Faith Lutheran Church

352-527-3325



Don't worry you would be put on hold or wait in line to volunteer for this GREAT position. The pay and the rewards are OUT OF THIS WORLD!!

Bible Studies at Faith

Tuesday 1 p.m. Bible study resumed September 20 with eleven attending and it was great to have that many participants. We did more of the Psalms and will continue that for a bit. Next, we'll do the short study on Heaven/Hell. Then on to Ezra and Nehemiah. A nice variety and hopefully very interesting. Join us when you can. You don't need anything but a Bible and there are some of those in the Fellowship hall. Gloria

The Crystal River Bible Study group will meet Wednesday October 19th at Bill and Sylvia Moeller's house at 3PM.

and at Homes!!

The next Faith in the Woods Bible Class will be Monday, October 10th 2011, 3 PM At Judy Hill's house. It will be every 2nd Monday of the month.

Kurt Johnson

The Heralds of Faith will meet on Monday, Oct. 3 at 7:00 P.M. at the home of Anita and Dave Trout.

Linda Fick



MARTIN LUTHER

Leader of the Reformation



Luther was born in 1483 just; 9 years before Columbus discovered America. He studied law at the age of 21 and became a Priest at 23 and a Doctor of Theology at age 28. He took a stand for reformation at 33. Luther was excommunicated and became a fugitive at 38. **In April 1521 Luther stood before the Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire. And stated "Unless I am convicted by Scripture or by right reason....I neither can nor will recant anything, since it is neither right nor safe to act against conscience. Here I stand; I cannot do otherwise, God help. Amen."** He translated the Bible into German at age 40 and he died at age 63, an internationally admired leader.

The teachings he stressed were: **Justification by Faith** **Universal Priesthood of Believers** **Supremacy of Scripture**..form the cornerstone of Protestantism! **JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH** soon came to form the BASIS of Luther's religious thought. **SALVATION** is not "earned" by works—it is a **DIVINE GIFT** of God. People can **RECEIVE** through **FAITH** God's divine gift of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Then sins are forgiven by the **SHEER MERCY** of God.

October 31, 1517, Luther nailed a critique of indulgences, known as the **95 Theses**, to the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg. *Martin Luther* LIVED what he BELIEVED...and his life became a turning point in history!



Message From

The President's Corner:



Hello to All: Last month

I wrote about running a race and the words for starting that race. Remember, the words were "Ready, Set, Go"! We at Faith are now in a race called a "Planning Retreat" to lay-out a path that will move Faith forward and give direction for the next five years. As of this writing, last Saturday and next Saturday will be busy days. A group of your fellow Church members are giving up their normal Saturday activities to participate in the "Planning Retreat". This is not a typical church type meeting, but rather more like planning a party. The outcome of this get together is as I said earlier, to set goals that would be reached in a five year period and a path to achieve those goals. After this is all thought through and finalized, it will be presented to the Congregation for your participation.

I want to thank all those who are participating in this adventure for their time and effort. Also, to thank Pat Keller for doing such a great job as a facilitator.

Thanks Again, Bill Moeller



THRIVENT FINANCIAL **for LUTHERANS CHAPTER** **NEWS**

Saturday, October 22nd St. Paul's Lutheran Church School on Hwy. 491, is hosting a Veterans Day Recognition and Appreciation event. The guest speaker will be State Senator Mike Fasano and a catered lunch. A face painter for the chil-

dren, patriot song fest and signing cards to send to our servicemen, and much more. This was a very successful event last year and enjoyed by all who attended. Citrus County Chapter took second place (\$750) in a national contest for the uniqueness of the event. Also tables will be set up for the six Lutheran Churches in Citrus County Chapter to vote for Chapter Officers. Election will start as soon as the doors open at 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be at 12:00 p.m. , following with the Veterans Program. Please RSVP Richard Wagner at 489-4649 by October 8th if you plan to attend.



\$\$\$\$\$\$ CHOICE DOLLARS \$\$\$\$\$

At the end of August, so far this year, Thrivent Financial members have given their Choice Dollars in the amount of \$5,413.00 to Faith Lutheran Church. Thank you to all of those who have given their CHOICE DOLLARS to Faith Lutheran for various projects . Choice Dollars was set up last year by Thrivent to take the place of "Care in Congregation" funding. This has proven to be very successful for Faith Lutheran when you compare the \$1300 we were given each year for various hands- on and fund raising events . Not to mention all the work that went into those events. And ---- the year isn't over yet!!!!

VOTE VOTE VOTE



After the October 22nd Saturday evening service, a Thrivent Advocate will be in the Narthex to give each Thrivent member a ballot to vote their choice for Chapter officers. After the October 23, Sunday morning service, in the Fellowship Hall, Thrivent Advocates will have a table set up for voting Chapter officers.

Again, thank you from your Thrivent Advocates: Marlene Griffin ,Marlene Nordquist and Anita Trout

Dear Friends,

We are excited to announce that we are going to create a new pictorial directory of our church family. The directory will help us connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach out-reach tool and will capture the history of our church congregation.

Please participate! All we ask is that you have your picture taken by the professional Photographer and meet with a Portrait Consultant at the church. For the next several weeks, we will be making appointments before and after services. Please sign up as soon as possible to get the appointment to fit your schedule.

- * Every participating family/household that selects a pose for the directory will receive a free directory and a \$25. Portrait Gift Certificate. No purchase necessary.
- * You will come to the church only once for photography and for portrait viewing.
- * You will have the opportunity to order additional portraits during your scheduled appointment time.
- * Whether you decide to dress formally or casually, you will want to make the most of this opportunity.

THE SIGN-UP SCHEDULING DATES

WILL ALL BE DONE IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH.

Saturday

September 24

October 1

October 8

Sunday

September 25

October 2

October 9

SCHEDULING DATES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY AND PORTRAIT VIEWING ARE:

Monday October 24

Tuesday October 25

Thursday December 8

Friday December 9

Saturday December 10

If you have questions, please contact Sylvia Moeller at 527-7461.

We look forward to seeing everyone in the directory. Our new pictorial directory just won't be complete without you!

Sincerely, Your Directory Committee



ALTAR GUILD

OCT - Ellen Belfry & Gloria Marquis

NOV - Shirley Janisko & Marilyn Richards

DEC - Jane VanOrden & Joan Feasley



LADIES OF FAITH AND LWML NEWS

WELCOME BACK LOF LADIES! The 9/07 first meeting of the year was well-attended (22...we missed YOU), a light lunch was served, much planning and discussion for the coming year, letters of THANKS from our two seminarians (each received \$500.00)...Dan Haugen, a second career man at Concordia, St. Louis and Phillip Stohlman from Green Bay, WI, AND - a most fun and entertaining skit of "Changing our ATTITUDE and ENVELOPING ourselves with the SPIRIT of JOY IN THE LORD." Lois Stern, Marjorie Lane (Pastor's mom) and Gerry Peterson kept us "in stitches".



FL-GA DISTRICT LWML 2011 RETREAT 9/30 - 10/02 at Lake Yale, Leesburg FL. THEME: CLOTHE YOURSELF WITH LOVE. Four from LOF will attend..C. Clayton, E. Davey, G. Marquis and G. Peterson will report at a later date.

LWML SUNDAY 10/09 .. THEME: " BEING WITH JESUS...LIVING ON THE EDGE "

All ushers and readers support for the 6P and 9:30A services will be done by the LOF members.

LWML cake and coffee after the service in the Fellowship Hall...PLEASE help us celebrate this yearly devotion.

LWML FALL ZONE RALLY.....Sat, Oct 15. THEME: "PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD" at Faith Lutheran from 9A to 3PM. 75 LWML attendees are expected. Preparations are in order for:

- 1) Table Decorations
- 2) Registration Forms (FEE \$8.00 includes continental Breakfast plus Lunch)
- 3) Prayer Service 9AM
- 4) Gifts From The Heart (a mission donation project for KIDS BACKPACK)
- 5) Food prep and kitchen help..all lookin good! If you have never attended a Zone Rally Service, "try it on"...you may enjoy, get interested and energized...see what others are doing for missions. See you there!

And, lastly, **Our Nov 11 and Nov 12 from 9AM until 3PM SUPER SALE COMBO....Fall Bazaar Trash N Treasure Bake Sale. (NO CLOTHES FOR THE TnT...that's in February)** Posters are here and there around the church, just look for ... read...inform yourself.

1) If you are a craft, art, clever person, and have items for our sale, tell us, bring to us, let us see! 2) For TnT slightly or never used items...used items no longer needed or wanted, BRING TO THE FELLOWSHIP HALL Wed. 11 /09 and Thurs. 11/10...a LOF Lady will be there from 10AM to 2PM to accommodate you. WE ARE ALWAYS GRATEFUL FOR YOUR HELP! 3) BAKE SALE-----A "YES, I will bake something" sheet ..in the narthex of the church,,,under the large POSTER BOARD. Got a favorite recipe. DO IT! BRING IT !....Men Bakers are most welcome to also bring their specialties. Help us support our seminarians and missions. [This a Thrivent Financial for Lutherans supported activity.](#)



???'s, Call our Co-Chair persons .. Ellen Davey (382-1526) Anita Trout (527-1485). Our Bake Sale, Chair...Marlene Nordquist (382-4505) THANKS MUCH!

Bazaar & Crafts SALE

A surprise on Monday, a box of crafts, very attractive items, all marked and priced. Very welcome things, but no name. It would be really nice to know who brought them to the craft room. Please let one of us know if you have things to contribute. The Bazaar has been changed to Bazaar and Trash & Treasure, which will be on November 11 and November 12. We have a project to finish (Turkeys). The Chairperson for Bazaar visited this Monday and we cataloged items for sale.



Gerry Peterson tel. # 352-503-2125



I AM SO VERY PROUD!!!

What a sense of pride I feel when I see our church! I am sure that all of you have noticed how beautiful our church grounds are kept, and the inside too. I need to say thanks to the volunteers that do this never-ending work with the Spirit of the Lord. And to EVERYONE that donates their time and talents to Faith. I am sure the Trustees and others would appreciate a thanks from YOU TOO!

Gerry Peterson



Life Line Screening

Faith will have the Life Line Screening at the church on Monday, October 24th in the Fellowship Hall. A must is to pre-register. Call 1-800-324-1851 or on line at: lifelinescreening.com/community-partners use Priority Code HSC4322. If you want more information please go to their web-site.



By all means, exercise the faith that moves mountains, but know that it is still God Who moves the mountains.

When everything seems to go wrong.....**Just P.U.S.H.**

When the job gets you down.....**Just P.U.S.H.**

When people don't do as you think they should.....**Just P.U.S.H.**

When your money is "gone" and the bills are due.....**Just P.U.S.H.**

When people just don't understand you.....**Just P.U.S.H.**

P = Pray
U = Until
S = Something
H = Happens

For Elder and Tech. schedule for October please contact Bud Riedel.

OCTOBER 9:30 SERVICE USHERS

CHUCK DAVEY
 BOB HERMANSON
 KURT JOHNSON
 JACK RYAN
 TOM WOOD

On LWML Sunday 10/09, Ladies will Usher and Read.

Faith Lutheran Church October, 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sept. 25 9:30AM Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday School Schedule date for photos	26 1PM Crafts	27 1PM Bible Study	28 6:30PM Choir Practice	29 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day You can work ANY DAY you like!!	30 9AM Stitch & Tie	1 Schedule date for photos 6PM Service
2 9:30AM Holy Communion Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday School Schedule date for photos	3 1PM Crafts 7PM Heralds of Faith @ The Trout's home	4 1PM Bible Study	5 1PM Ladies of Faith Meeting 6:30PM Choir Practice	6 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day 	7 9AM Stitch & Tie	8 6PM Holy Communion Service Schedule date for photos
9 9:30AM Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday School Schedule date for photos 2:30PM Life Care Life Care	10 9AM Men's Breakfast 1PM Crafts 3PM Faith In The Woods Bible Study @ Judy Hill's house	11 1PM Church Bible Study	12 1PM Fellowship & Games 6:30PM Choir Practice	13 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day 7PM Elders Meeting You can work ANY DAY you like!!ing	14 9AM Stitch & Tie	15 6PM Service
10 9:30AM Holy Communion Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday School	17 8:30AM Ladies Breakfast 1PM Crafts	18 1PM Bible Study 	19 Crystal River Bible Study 3PM at Moeller's home 6:30PM Choir Practice	20 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day 7PM Council Meeting	21 9AM Stitch & Tie 	22 Thrivent for Vets. Noon Lunch 1PM Program @ St. Paul's School 6PM Holy Communion Service
23 9:30AM Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday School	24 Photos taking in Church 1PM Crafts Life Line Screening in Fellowship hall	25 Photos taken in Church 1PM Bible Study	26 1PM Fellowship & Games 6:30PM Choir Practice	27 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day	28 9AM Stitch & Tie	29 6PM Service
30 9:30AM Holy Communion Service 11AM Bible Study & Sunday	31 1PM Crafts REFORMATION CELEBRATION	November 1 1PM Bible Study	2 1PM Ladies of Faith Meeting 6:30PM Choir Practice	3 8:30/9AM Regular Work Day	4 9AM Stitch & Tie	5 6PM Service

November Newsletter Articles are due October 23rd. Please send to: TheMonthlyNL@centurylink.net **ALSO NOTE THE DECEMBER NL ARTICLES ARE DUE NOVEMBER 13TH AS I WILL BE OUT OF THE AREA ON THE 20TH.**

Happy October



- 2nd Pete and Nancy Loe
- 8th Bud and Judy Riedel
- 10th Philip and Wanda Malphurs
- 17th Bob and Sandy Niever
- 20th Chuck and Ellen Davey
- 20th Jack and Jan Ryan
- 25th Les and Beverly Seidell

Happy Birthday

- 1st Judy Grosze
- 6th Jerry Sullivan
- 7th Maxine Croggle
- 11th Larry Weaver
- 12th Beverly Seidell
- 12th Trinity Strout
- 14th Ginger Jeffrey
- 15th Samantha Strout

- 15th Norlene Trice
- 16th Sandy Niver
- 20th Merle Snook
- 20th Kathy Walker
- 29th Gerry Peterson

Fellowship and Games

At 1PM on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month we have a wonderful time of fellowship. When we started it was just one game of cards. Now we have dominos, 2 card games and have a number of more people. Everyone brings a dish to pass, as we do in our Pot Lucks (in a smaller fashion, of course.)

These games have broken off to playing at homes and going to Military Card games as a group.

Won't you join us, even if you don't know how to play, we will teach you. Or bring something you will teach us.

It is a great time of Christian fellowship. (It's not only women in the group!)



A very special thanks to Mike and Pat Keller for all that they have done in the Name of our Lord for Faith Lutheran Church. They soon will be leaving us for a new venture in Texas. As you both leave know that you will be missed and are loved very much by all of us. We thank God for sending you to Faith.
Thank you and God's blessings.