

The Follower

"Come, follow me." Matthew 4:19



A monthly newsletter of Faith Lutheran Church

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November 2024



Wednesday, Nov. 27
10a & 6:30p



Meeting details on p. 3



Worship Service Times

Sunday Worship Services

Traditional - 8:15 am

Contemporary - 10:30 am

Holy Communion is served on the
1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.

Livestream available at:

<https://faithlutheranlacey.online.church>

You can also dial in using your phone

1 (571) 317-3122

Access Code: 326-609-037

Thanksgiving Worship

We will hold two worship services on Wednesday,
November 27 at 10:00 am & 6:30 pm. We hope to
see you there!

3M's Fellowship

The 3Ms are a group of **More Mature Members** and
friends, ages 55+.

The group normally meets in the Community Center
weekly on Thursdays at 10 am to share in fellowship
and study God's Word, however, they will meet in
the church during the season of Lent.

For more information, contact Jim Nordness at 360-
923-0289 or leave a note in his church mailbox. You
may also call the church office at 360-491-3552.

Wiggle Church

Wiggle Church is back! Families with children 5
years and younger are welcome to join us in the
Community Center gym two Thursdays each month.

Nov. 7 & 21

The evening begins at 5:15 with a free kid friendly
dinner followed by play time and a brief but fun
worship experience concluding at 6:30.

No need to RSVP, just bring the kiddos and enjoy the
fellowship! Public is welcome so invite your friends
& neighbors!



November 3

Set up: Monica Materiale, Rachel Wilson

Refresh: Rachel Wilson

Clear: Erin Holmquist

November 17

Set up: Marie Koehler

Refresh: Robyn Hofstad

Clear: Linda Albro

Threads of Faith



Threads of Faith typically meets the *second Saturday*
monthly to work on quilts.

We'll see you Sat, Nov. 9 – 11 am!

Contact Barbara Eriksen with questions at 360- 915-
3333.

Pinochle



Join us for Pinochle the third Thursday of the month
at 11:30 am in the Cypress room. You are welcome
to bring a lunch. Join us Oct. 17!

Care Warriors on a Mission

You, as a congregation, are important to us! We want
to support you in prayer and help when needed.

Would you kindly notify your family to please
contact us when emergencies or even scheduled
surgeries, medical procedures, etc. come up so we
can be of service as an extension of God's kingdom?

Church office, 360-491-3552; Glenn Dunnam, 360-
791-4175 or SuAnn Denning, 360-790-8982.



Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024

Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Birthdays

Jim Holmquist	Nov 1
Ed Meyers	Nov 2
Linda Schuldt	Nov 6
Beth Mantegna	Nov 7
Jan Pigman	Nov 7
Luke Reynolds	Nov 7
Emma Kellnhofer	Nov 11
Isaac Bevers	Nov 12
Chuck Hresil	Nov 12
Michelle Chappel	Nov 14
Darlys Leicht	Nov 14
Robert Buchanan	Nov 17
David Carufel	Nov 18
Elijah Reynolds	Nov 21
Mike Todd	Nov 22
Larry Feldcamp	Nov 24
Sarah Mantegna	Nov 24
Anne Spurgeon	Nov 24
Rodney Olson	Nov 27
Rebekka Mantegna	Nov 28



November Anniversaries

Chuck & Sandra Hresil  Nov. 24

Don't see your name or birthday/anniversary up here? Contact the church office 360-491-3552.

Salvation Army Giving Tree

We have adopted 5 families through the Salvation Army for Christmas. Be on the lookout for a Christmas tree with tags on it the Sunday before Thanksgiving. The tags will have items you can purchase for families in need at Christmas. The needs range from clothes to toys to gift cards to food. You can take one tag or several. Gifts can be wrapped this year or you can include wrapping supplies with your presents. Everything needs to be back to the church by Friday, December 6. If you have any questions, please contact Erin Holmquist at erinhq@comcast.net. Thank you for your support!



Adventures in Advent

Please join us for the three Wednesdays in Advent as we prepare our hearts for Christmas. The dates are December 4, 11 and 18. We will start at 5:30 with a meal. There will also be time for music, devotions and crafts or games. All age groups are invited! If you have questions or would like to be a part of the planning team, please contact Erin Holmquist at erinhq@comcast.net.

New Pictorial Directory



We are putting together an updated member photo directory and need your help. We are accepting recent family photos and will have a photographer handy Sundays after worship to take your picture. We will not be using a professional business, such as Lifetouch, to avoid the hassle of sales pitches. Our goal is to have all photos received/taken by the end of October.

Please submit photos to the church office. Email digital pics to faithlutheranlacey360@gmail.com.

If you would like a membership packet or need to turn one in, please check in with Becky in the church office.

Winter Craft Fair

Saturday, November 2, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

The Homemade, Handmade & Made with Love Winter Craft Fair is just around the corner. For the past six years, the winter craft fair has been raising funds to support our middle school students. This year we are helping our youth group fund their trip to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering in July 2025. Together with their families, the students are helping during the event with greeting, concessions and raffle ticket sales. Please come by and say hello and check out the 37 talented vendors and their products.

Though our booths are sold out and there is an active wait list, we look forward to providing you with a fun shopping experience for a good cause!

Youth Nights

5th through 12th grade students are welcome to join us Saturday, Nov. 9, 6 – 8pm for youth night.

High School and NYG participants meet Sundays Nov. 10 & 24, 4:30 – 6 pm.

Justin & Sarah Bevers lead a lesson, provide snack, and offer a welcoming & fun evening. Contact them with questions or to volunteer at jbevers02@yahoo.com & sarsh04@yahoo.com.

National Youth Gathering '25

Every three years the LC-MS hosts a National Youth Gathering. The next gathering is scheduled for July 19 – 23, 2025 in New Orleans. Faith Lutheran and area Youth who are interested in attending should reach out to Justin Bevers at jbevers02@gmail.com. You must be 14 – 19 years old or entering your ninth-grade year (at the time of the gathering). We will begin fundraising soon.



Voters' Meeting Nov. 24

Connie Dougherty, President

The next regular congregation meeting is planned for Sunday, Nov. 24. At the time of this writing, we are planning to offer a soup luncheon at 11:30 am, followed by the meeting. Watch the church bulletin for more information.

All church members are invited to come:

- 1) Elect church leaders for 2025-2026 (the slate of candidates will be distributed soon)
- 2) Listen to a brief report from our treasurer
- 3) Hear updates on various ministry areas

Hope to see you there!

Fellowship

You may see a few changes in the Fellowship Hour. To be more efficient and allow quicker clean up after the second service we will be clearing the Tea cart service by or before 10:00. The coffee cart will be available with coffee from the large urn transferred into an air pot dispenser by 10:00 and available until 10:20.

Thank you for your understanding as I have limited assistance after the second service and I also clear communion on the second Sunday service of the month.

Thank you to all the wonderful bakers who make for you their homemade goodies to share!

Holidays are arriving quickly, please remember to think of others during these challenging times; Salvation Army, Union Gospel Mission who always serve meals on Thanksgiving.

"You are Blessed to be a Blessing"
Linda Albro Fellowship Chair
360 701-7882 laalbro@gmail.com



Veterans Day Assembly

Veterans and their families are welcome to join us Thurs. Nov. 8 for our annual Veterans Day assembly beginning at 2:30p in the church.

We will be putting together a photo slideshow that includes photos of veterans. If you were previously in the military, please send a photo to office@flschool.org.

Along with the photo, please include the Name of military member and the Branch of service.

In addition, some of our students are going to be writing letters to past military members. If you are a veteran, please send an email with your name and address to office@flschool.org.

Fred Meyer Community Rewards

Did you know that if you shop at Fred Meyer, you can link your rewards to Faith Lutheran and earn money for the school just by doing your normal shopping? Talk to the FM service desk for more info!



2024-25 Open Enrollment

New family enrollment continues. Do you know a family new to the area or looking for Christian education options? Refer them the Faith!

flschool.org or 360-491-1733

Educators Conference

Faith Lutheran School attended the Northwest District Educators Conference in Seaside, Oregon. This annual event provided an enriching experience, featuring educational workshops, keynote speakers, and roundtable discussions with fellow educators. The conference offers an invaluable opportunity for professional development, equipping our staff with the latest insights into best practices in both education and childcare.

Our team returned from the event not only refreshed but also more connected as a staff. The chance to engage with colleagues across the Lutheran education community strengthened our sense of solidarity, energizing us to continue our important work for the Faith Lutheran School community. We are grateful for the experience and excited to implement the strategies and ideas shared at the conference in service of our students and families.

Smile!

When you place orders on Amazon, you could be supporting Faith Lutheran School!

- Go to Smile.Amazon.com
- Log in to your Amazon account or create a new one
- Select a charity; Faith Lutheran School, Lacey WA (91-0869828)

It's that easy! Happy shopping and thanks for supporting Faith!

FLS Basketball Games

Come out and support our 5th-8th grade boys at their upcoming basketball games:

October 2, 3:45pm at Faith Lutheran

October 7, 3:45pm at Faith Lutheran

October 9, 3:45p at Faith Lutheran

October 23, 3:30p at St. Mikes

November News

By Matt Koehler, Campus Manager

I wanted to say thanks to everyone for their patience and understanding as we repaired the church men's bathroom, which came right after we had remodeled it. The bathroom is finished now and looks good (and doesn't smell anymore, which is always a good thing!). My thanks, again, to Trustee John Schmedake, who was here for several full days helping me with the work, along with all the other work he does around the grounds.

Last month we had Pioneer Fire come in and do the annual fire alarm testing and fire extinguisher inspection. Everything is working well.

I am building a small (16' x 4') shed outside the Whitney building, which will be used to create space inside the Whitney building and metal storage container. We'll keep the yard tools and cones in the new space. I repurposed the eight 8' x 4' wooden stage pieces we had been storing, but don't need anymore because we have the new stage that PIE purchased earlier this year. I also used other scrap wood from other projects, so the only cost for the new shed space was about \$150 in metal roof materials.

Sometimes I feel like cleaning out and making space in the Whitney building is my never-ending task, like the guy in mythology that had to keep pushing a rock up a hill! But it is really starting to pay off. We need a good storage space because all our ministries have storage needs for a wide variety of things, so we are blessed to have that space. I think we are starting to get over the collective "hoarding" mentality we've had for so long, where we keep things that really don't need to be kept.

Besides the normal upkeep and maintenance, I'm going to be working to create a master map of the campus, which will show the location of all the utilities, fire alarms, AED's, 1st Aid stations, etc. I'm trying to create something that shows where everything is, which right now for the most part is just living in various people's memories. If you have some institutional knowledge about where utilities are or other things we need to have documented, please let me know. (I'm talking to you Alf Howald



We've been fortunate to have a few school parents volunteer around campus recently, and I'm very thankful for them. There is always work to do around the campus, so if you are interested in helping with any job, big or small, please let me know. Thanks!

An Invitation to the Ladies of Faith

My name is Florence Jonen. Currently I am the President of the LWML at Trinity Lutheran Church. We have a very active society and would like to invite you to join us for our monthly meetings and special activities.

Our normal meetings are on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:30am. There are a few exceptions: The October meeting will be on Oct. 19, because of the Rainier Zone Rally on Oct. 12. Also there is no regular meeting in November and December. In November we have our LWML Craft and Bake Sale for Missions on the 2nd Saturday. In December there is the LWML Ladies Christmas Party on the 1st Saturday. On the 2nd Saturday of December, we have our LWML Craft and Bake Sale for Missions II. During the year we have Craft Days on Thursdays 10:00—2:30. On the 3rd Thursday each month we do a 1/2-hour devotion at Brookdale West Retirement Home at 1:00.

Please feel free to join us at any or all of our meetings and activities. A couple annual activities are the Ladies Luncheon in May and a Summer Picnic in July.

One of our 3 Mission Fair recipients this year is "Faith Lutheran School Scholarship Fund". Feel free to call me with any questions (360) 561-4510.

I would be happy to put you on our email list for updates. Looking forward to seeing you!



Giving is a *Breeze*

The Church uses a software program that deals with social needs of the Church. This software is called Breeze. It allows for an easier way of getting information out to the Church members as a whole as well as small groups.

One aspect of this software is it has a modular that we can track church contribution.

To establish your on-line giving using the Breeze on-line giving program, follow the link:

<https://faithlutheranlacey.breezechms.com/give/online>

Please be aware the Breeze on-line giving bank transfer feature does include a processing fee of 1%. The processing fee for credit cards is 2.9% plus a small transaction fee. Faith will absorb these fees but you have the option to give back both the transfer and credit card processing fees by simply checking the box. Upon doing so, the fees will be added to your donation.

If you have any questions, please contact either Veronika Dunnam, financial secretary at financialsecretary@faithcampus.org or Becky in the church office.

Texting is a *Breeze*

With this software, we have an extended opportunity to communicate with you through text messaging. We are able to generate messages through the app directly to your phone. These messages are legitimate and not spam or fraudulent. Please make sure your information is up to date with the church office so you don't miss important notifications.



Text to Give

To donate by text, a donor simply:

1. Text the amount they'd like to give to **(360) 732-8020** (e.g. \$50). Remember to include a space between your dollar amount and your keyword. If a user submits \$50Missions, they will receive a "Sorry, not sure what you meant" error message. The proper format must be \$50 Missions in order for the command to be received properly.
2. If a person has donated by text before, they'll receive a text in response confirming that their gift has been received successfully and they're done.
3. If it's the first time a person is donating by text, they'll be sent a message that says, "It looks like you are a new giver; to begin: (link provided). It will be a link to the church's online giving page. Clicking on the link they will be asked to supply their payment method (credit card, debit card, or bank account). This payment source will then be linked with their phone number so that, in the future, all they will need to do is text in the amount. (They will not need to re-enter their payment information.)"
4. If the donor didn't specify a fund by keyword, donations will automatically go to the default fund in Breeze. **Example giving by keyword: \$50 missions** Note: *Donors can only give to one fund at a time.*

We've made giving easier! Scan the QR code with your mobile device for instant access to Breeze Online Giving.



LWML - Crafts & Bake Sale for Missions

9am –3pm Saturday November 9, 2024

9am –3pm Saturday December 14, 2024

Gifts for every age!

100% of the Proceeds will be divided
between the 3 Listed Missions

Faith Lutheran Church, Lacey



Scholarship Fund

Orphan Grain Train +



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Dcs. Ruth Ann Shimoi



Handmade Gifts,
Fall, Christmas
& Winter, Crafts,
Baked Goods, Pet Gifts
Canned Goods, Cookies
Kids Holiday Shopping Area

Held at: Trinity Lutheran Church



2020 Franklin St. SE Olympia, WA 98501



November 2024

Community Center



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 9a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo Vive 12:45 Lacey Outreach 4p Roller Derby</p>	<p>4 3:15p FLS BB 6p TCYFL Banquet</p>	<p>5 5:30p Roller Derby</p>	<p>6 3:15p FLS BB 6p TCYFL Banquet</p>	<p>7 3:15p FLS BB 5:15p Wiggle Church 7p Poly Dance FH 7p Staley BB</p>	<p>1 5:00p Craft Fair Setup</p>	<p>2 9a Craft Fair 6p TCYFL Banquet</p> 
<p>10 9a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo Vive 12:45 Lacey Outreach 4p Roller Derby 6:30p TCYFL Banquet</p>	<p>11 8a Oly Learning Center Training  VETERANS DAY <small>HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED</small></p>	<p>12 3:15p FLS BB 5:30p Roller Derby 7p Panthers Faspitch</p>	<p>13 3:15p FLS BB 5p PJP II BB 7p Staley BB</p>	<p>14 5p PJP II BB 7p SS Metal Detect 7p Reign Faspitch 7p Poly Dance FH</p>	<p>15 3:15p FLS BB 5:30p Roller Derby</p>	<p>16 9:30a Reign Faspitch 1p 1st Birthday party</p>
<p>17 9a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo Vive 12:45 Lacey Outreach 4p Roller Derby</p>	<p>18 3:15p FLS BB 5p PJP II BB</p>	<p>19 5:30p Roller Derby</p>	<p>20 3:15p FLS BB 5p PJP II BB</p>	<p>21 3:15p FLS BB 5:15p Wiggle Church 7p Poly Dance FH</p>	<p>22 5:30p Roller Derby 7p Reign Faspitch</p>	<p>23 1p Penitusi Family Bingo Night</p>
<p>24 9a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo Vive 12:45 Lacey Outreach 4p Roller Derby</p>	<p>25 3:30p PJP II BB</p>	<p>26 5:30p Roller Derby 7p Panthers Faspitch</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>HAPPY THANKSGIVING </p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>



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Faith Lutheran Church & School

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 8:15a Traditional w/HC 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:30a Contemp w/HC Confirmation Registration Begins</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 6:30p Praise Team</p>	<p>6 8:45a Chapel</p>	<p>7 10a 3M's Bible Study 5:15p wagsle Church 6p School Board</p>	<p>1 Popcorn Friday 5:00p Craft Fair Setup </p>	<p>2 9a Craft Fair </p>
<p>10 8:15a Traditional 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:30a Contemp 4:30p FLC HS Youth</p>	<p>11 </p>	<p>12 6p Confirmation Parent Night 6:30p Elders 6:30p Praise Team</p>	<p>13 8:45a Chapel 5p Auction Meeting 6p PIE</p>	<p>14 10a 3M's Bible Study</p>	<p>15 2:30p Veterans Day Assembly</p>	<p>16 9a Threads of Faith 6p All FLC Youth</p>
<p>17 8:15a Traditional w/HC 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:30a Contemp w/HC</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 6:30p Praise Team</p>	<p>20 2:30p Chapel 6p Council</p>	<p>21 10a 3M's Bible Study 11:30a Pinochle 12p 3M's Luncheon 5:15p wagsle Church</p>	<p>22 11:30a FLS Early Out</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 8:15a Traditional 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:30a Contemp 12:15p Voters' Meeting 4:30p FLC HS Youth</p>	<p>25 NO FLS Conferences</p>	<p>26 NO FLS Conferences</p>	<p>27 10:00 am & 6:30 pm Thanksgiving Workshop NO FLS Conferences </p>	<p>28  Campus Closed</p>	<p>29 FLS & CC Closed</p>	<p>30</p>

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