

# The Follower

"Come, follow me." Matthew 4:19



A monthly newsletter of Faith Lutheran Ministries

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May 2026



Thurs. May 7



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Mon. May 25



Sun. May 10

FAITH LUTHERAN  
MINISTRIES AUCTION  
MAY 2, 2026  
5:00 PM

**Live music, great food, and good times**

## Worship Service Times

Sunday Worship Services

**Traditional - 8:15 am**

**Contemporary - 10:45 am**

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

Livestream available at:

<https://faithlutheranlacey.online.church>

## Gather & Grow

### Children's Sunday School

We'd love for your children to join us for Sunday School from 9:30 – 10:30 AM starting in the sanctuary! Classes are available for Pre-School through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. For everyone's safety, please sign-in your child and provide an emergency contact before class. We're excited to learn and grow together!

### Adult Bible Study

*In the Footsteps of the Savior by Max Lucado*

April 26 – May 31

Join Jim & Cherry Pedrick at 9:30 in the Cypress room as they come alongside Max as he shares meaningful, insights on the people and places that shaped Jesus's life. In this special compilation, Max weaves together in-depth teaching from his bestsellers with poignant reflections on his time in the Holy Land, guiding you through three distinct aspects of Jesus' life:

- The arrival of the Savior
- Jesus's ministry
- The crossroads and the cross

## Busy Bags for Little Ones

We're happy to offer busy bags for young children during the service! You can find them hanging up next to the table by the bulletins. Please return bags after the service so others can enjoy them too.



### May 3

**Set up:** Robyn Hofstad

**Refresh:** Leona Carufel

**Clear:** Erin Holmquist

### May 17

**Set up:** Marie Koehler

**Refresh:** Rachel Wilson

**Clear:** Leona Carufel

### May 31

**Set up:** Robyn Hofstad

**Refresh:** Leona Carufel

**Clear:** Robyn Hofstad

## Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of the Faith Lutheran Prayer Chain, please let the church office know. Prayer requests should be sent to Holly Carr, 253.533.0022 or [teecarr5@gmail.com](mailto:teecarr5@gmail.com). Immediate prayers should be texted.

## Threads of Faith



Threads of Faith typically meets the *second Saturday* monthly to work on quilts. Contact Barbara Eriksen to inquire. 360-915-3333.

*We'll see you Sat, May 9, 9 – 11 am!*

## Care Warriors on a Mission

You are important to us! We want to support you in prayer and help when you need it.

Please ask your family to contact us when sickness, emergencies or scheduled/unscheduled surgeries and medical procedures are required. We want to be an extension of God's love to your family.

Church office, 360-491-3552

Glenn Dunnam, 360-791-4175

SuAnn Denning, 360-790-8982

## Office Reminder

As a reminder, please inform the church office anytime you have changes to your address, phone number, or email address. This way we can keep our records current and we can be sure you are getting the information we send out. Please call or email the office at 360-491-3552 or [faithlutheranlacey360@gmail.com](mailto:faithlutheranlacey360@gmail.com).

## 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.

## Pinochle



Don't forget Pinochle, monthly on the third Thursday. We are always looking for more people to come. If you have friends who play but are not members, please invite them. The more the merrier. We bring a snack to share and eat around 11:30, then we play from 12 -2 or so. Plan to come join the fun! Our next game is on **May 21** in the Community Center Cypress room.

## Music Ministry

Do you enjoy singing or playing an instrument? There's a place for you in our music ministry! Our Praise Team—made up of instrumentalists and vocalists—leads contemporary music for the 10:45am service. Our Choir meets between services at 9:30am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays and sings throughout the year for special services. We'd love to include your gifts! Reach out to our music coordinator, Gillian Haynes, at [g.haynes@flschool.org](mailto:g.haynes@flschool.org)



## Life Group

Monday night Life Group meets in the Community Center Cypress room 4:30 – 6:00 pm the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month through October, 2026. We study the previous Sunday's sermon and text.

*Please join us on Mondays, May 11 & 25.*

## Faith Lutheran Youth

**Open Gym Nights:** Students in **5th–12th grades** are invited to Open Gym on Saturday, May 9, from 6:00–8:00 PM. These evenings provide a fun, safe space for fellowship, games, and building friendships.

**High School Youth Group:** (7th–12th grades) will continue to meet every other Wednesday night. May 6 & 20, from 6:00–7:30 PM.

Reach out to Justin Bevers at [jbevers02@gmail.com](mailto:jbevers02@gmail.com) or call/text **360-292-0353**.

## New Member Class

If you have recently completed new church member paperwork or have been considering it, we encourage you to join the New Member Class beginning Sunday, May 17, 2026, held between worship services at 9:30 am. Please contact Chuck Laguna, [Kopyjo@yahoo.com](mailto:Kopyjo@yahoo.com); 360-350-2656 or the church office to sign up.

This is a great opportunity to become familiar with the LC-MS Lutheran faith and all that Faith Lutheran has to offer.

5/17/26: Getting to know you. Leader Andy Green

5/24/26 What do Lutherans Believe, Teach and Confess? Leader Michael Kramer

6/7/26 What is Lutheran? Leader: Chuck Laguna

6/14/26 How does the LCMS work? Leader: Licensed Lay Deacon: Timothy Quindt

6/21/26 Faith Lutheran 4-part ministry and how to get involved. Leader: Pastor Greg Strand

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### May Birthdays

Megan Roberts	May 2
Thomas Schoellhorn	May 2
Cheryl Sexton	May 3
Ava Elmhorst	May 4
Jim Flaherty	May 8
Becky Kramer	May 9
DeShae Nedrow	May 11
Ted Thomas	May 11
John Zander	May 15
Juan Martinez	May 16
Evan Zander	May 17
Christa Castanon	May 18
Brent Read	May 18
Janet Howald	May 19
Sarah Bevers	May 20
Yvonne Johanson	May 21
Gil Lensegrav	May 22
Ted Hansen	May 22
Emmeline Borne	May 24
Ayden Gustafson	May 24
Amelia Stanley	May 24
Andrew Chappel	May 25
Carol Glitschka	May 25
Jared Worden	May 25
Irma Brueckner	May 26
SuAnn Denning	May 28
Jennifer Cronquist	May 29



### May Anniversaries

Andy & Suzi Green	May 3
Dan & Deb Hartley	May 12
Bill & Charli Hamaker	May 14
Alex & Crystal Bache	May 15
Jerry & Lisa Hadley	May 15
Morey & Shirley Juhlin	May 19
Dave & Leona Carufel	May 28



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

## Help ~~Wanted~~ Needed!

By Matt Koehler

The sanctuary project starts NEXT MONTH! We are excited to see it come together! We have contractors for a lot of the work, but to save money we are handling some things with volunteer labor. THIS MEANS YOU if you are able! We need all the help we can get. Work starts Monday, June 8.

Here's how you can help:

- ❖ Removing the pews out of the sanctuary, then reinstalling them at the end of the project. We are going to store them and refurbish them in the fellowship hall during construction, and are hiring a professional to reupholster them. This will take a few days at the beginning of the project, then a few more at the end of the project, probably late July or early August.
- ❖ Painting certain areas of the sanctuary walls, mainly the side walls. I'm not sure when this will occur, but we should be able to have people help in the evening or on the weekends when it's time to do it. Most likely toward the middle of July, possibly sooner.
- ❖ Setting up the gym every Sunday for worship services. This will involve putting up the stage, setting up chairs, preparing the sound and video systems, etc. I'll be looking for at least 4 people every week to help with this. Generally, this will be on Sunday mornings, probably starting around 7:30 am. After the service, we will need to take down some of our equipment. Other churches will be using the space after us, so they will put away some after their services as well.
- ❖ Little things like moving furniture and equipment out and then back in at the end of the project, cleaning up before moving back into the space, and other tasks. I'll put out information when those times come, probably in early August.

Please let me know if you are interested in helping with these very important jobs. My email is [mattkoehler@flschool.org](mailto:mattkoehler@flschool.org), and my cell is 360-951-0521. I will be reaching out to many of you personally to ask for help. I appreciate any help I can get from all of our ministries!

## VBS Registration Now Open

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is coming **June 22–26**—and you won't want to miss this unforgettable week.

This year's theme, **Rainforest Falls**, invites kids into a week of wonder as they explore the powerful nature of God. Through engaging Bible stories, fun animal buddies, and joyful worship, children will grow in their faith and discover how to stay rooted in God's love.

### Support VBS – Donations Needed

We are collecting donations to help make this event amazing for our 150+ kids.

You can give in two ways:

- Through the Breez app → *Give to VBS* <https://faithlutheranlacey.breezechms.com/give/online>
- Give directly to VBS Director, **Sarah Zander**

### Volunteers Needed

This is one of our biggest ministry events, bringing together our school, childcare, and church community. We would love your help.

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact: 360-870-7112 or [Sarah.zander16@gmail.com](mailto:Sarah.zander16@gmail.com)

Join us as we grow, serve, and celebrate God's love together at Rainforest Falls.



Scan QR code  
to register



## YOU'RE INVITED

Y'all better dust off those boots, because one of the wildest, most boot-scootin' nights of the year is ridin' into town! Our 2026 Auction is just around the bend, and you're invited to join us May 2nd at 5 PM for a high-spirited, "Gone Country" evening you won't forget. This is an adults-only shindig (21+), so grab your crew and get ready for a night out, country-style!

We're talkin' live music that'll get your toes tappin', a mouthwaterin' dinner, silent and live auctions full of treasures, line dancing lessons for all skill levels, and plenty of good ol' fashioned fellowship. Whether you're there to raise a paddle, spin around the dance floor, or just soak in the good vibes, it's all for a mighty fine cause. Round up your friends, throw on your favorite hat, and get ready for a night full of fun, laughter, and a little country magic.

Ready to ride? Click [HERE](#) to grab your tickets and claim your spot at this unforgettable night.

**COME FOR THE MISSION, STAY FOR THE FUN.**



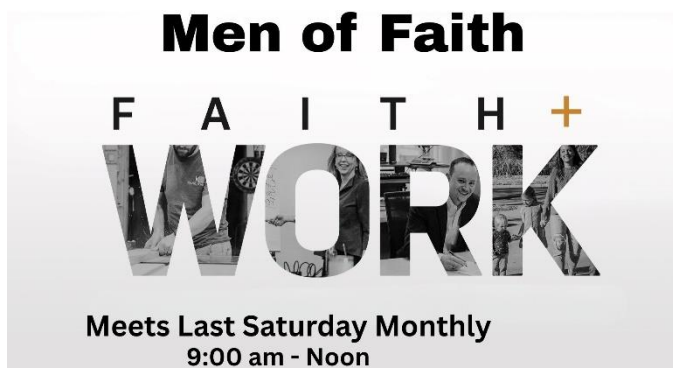
## Men of Faith Update

By Matt Koehler

We've had two months of Men of Faith, and it has been truly a blessing to restart this tradition of men from all our ministries getting together for fellowship and help with projects around the campus. We've had 9 men at each Saturday session, and have accomplished a lot. It's definitely been helpful to cross things off my never ending "To Do" list! Here's a few of the projects they've completed in the last two months.

- Installed new shades in Mrs. Suelzle's classroom to replace the old broken blinds that were in there.
- Installed the new sign in the front of the church, and it looks great!
- Serviced and checked all our tables in the FCC for damage and made repairs as needed.
- Installed rubber matting and gravel in a muddy area behind the Quad building to reduce dirt and mud being tracked into the classrooms.
- Painted a door in the gym.
- Cleaned out and repaired the "Gaga ball" pit on the playground.
- Trimmed some trees and bushes along the Pacific Avenue fence.

We welcome men from high school to retired age from all our four ministries to join us on the last Saturday morning of each month from 9-12. We have a short devotional and prayer, then we get to work. You get to meet other men from the Faith family and get a lot of helpful things done! If you have any questions, please contact me at [mattkoehler@flschool.org](mailto:mattkoehler@flschool.org).



## Egg Hunt in Review

Connie Dougherty, Hunt Coordinator

The Easter egg hunt went very well! The weather was beautiful and just under 100 children participated. It was especially fun to see school families from the past who were returning with the next generation of kids! When these things happen, it reminds me why we give of our time and treasure. Yes, we need to keep the lights on and pay our bills, but ultimately, it's to make a difference in families' lives and shine the light of Christ's love.

I want to thank everyone who donated candy, prizes, or money to the hunt. We had extra prizes for hunters this year, thanks to generous donations from Tumwater Walmart and several congregation members.

I also want to thank those who gave their time before or at the hunt: Karen Smith, Cheryl Sexton, Mark Dougherty, Matt and Marie Koehler, Gaye Todd, Pastor Greg, Chris Jenkins, Shelly and William Bramham, Chuck and Jolene Laguna, Barb Eriksen, Troy and Yoshiko Schulz, Lisa Hadley, Judy Freed, and the many youth group members (and their friends) who helped hide eggs. I surely hope I didn't leave anyone out. It takes a team of volunteers willing to serve the community and you are all appreciated!

## Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you are a Thrivent account holder, likely you are aware that you can have impact through Choice Dollars. Depending on the type and number of accounts you have, you can regularly direct Choice dollars to any of several thousand approved charitable organizations. Faith Lutheran Church and Faith Lutheran School are two of those. While the amount may not be great, the impact of your giving always is. Visit [Thrivent.com](http://Thrivent.com) for additional information.

Also, Thrivent members are eligible to join Thrivent Action Teams which can get seed money towards fund-raising for any number of projects, including scholarships, silent auctions (like Faith's annual auction), or raising money for school supplies. If you are a Thrivent member and are interested, contact Michael Kramer ([michael\\_kramer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michael_kramer@sbcglobal.net)).

## Reaching Young Families Through Wiggle Church

By Matt Koehler

We are nearing the end of our second-year hosting Wiggle Church, an outreach worship service and family time designed for kids five and under and their families. God has blessed us with regular attendance of more than a dozen kids, sometimes more than 20! Every other Thursday during the school year, we open the gym at 5:15 for families to join us for dinner, playtime, and worship in a service just for the little ones. We have singing and dancing, a hands-on message from Pastor Greg, and time built in for parents and kids to hear and share God's Word. Sometimes it gets a little crazy with kids running around having fun, but that's why it's called Wiggle Church!

A big thank you is due for those involved in making Wiggle Church happen! The House and Bramham families have faithfully brought and served dinner, Marie Koehler and Emmalee Rockey help with leading the kids in song and worship, and Pastor Greg provides music and a fun message.

You don't have to be a member of Faith to be a part of Wiggle Church. We have families from the church, school and childcare that attend, as well as friends and community members. Feel free to invite anyone you know with kids five and under for an evening of free food, play, music and worship. Siblings are welcome too! Even if you don't have kids that age, you're welcome to join us to see what's happening!



## Finances Explained

Connie Dougherty, Congregation President

Faith Family,

Here is a short explanation of how our **operating budget** works:

- ❖ Our fiscal year is Aug. 1-July 31.
- ❖ You approve the operating budget at a meeting each July.
- ❖ The operating budget includes what we anticipate needing to support the annual costs to operate the ministries of the church and FCC which is accomplished by regular giving toward expected expenses.
- ❖ We update you every few weeks, using the yellow bulletin insert, about how regular giving compares to what was approved in the budget.
- ❖ For this fiscal year, regular giving is running well under what we anticipated needing. Luckily, expenses are running a bit low, too.

I also want to address **special gifts**:

- ❖ Periodically the church receives larger one-time gifts from generous people who have a heart for our ministries.
- ❖ Some one-time gifts are earmarked by the donor for something specific (like the sanctuary remodel) and that is always honored.
- ❖ Some one-time gifts are not ear-marked by the donor. We place them in savings or a money market account to be used at the Council's discretion for emergencies, sudden needs, or unforecasted ministry opportunities.
- ❖ All gifts are carefully tracked by our financial secretary and our bookkeeper.
- ❖ We don't include large one-time gifts in our calculation of regular giving. We know they are not typical and don't want to count on them to meet the budget, unless we have to.
- ❖ Council does have the authority to use non-ear-marked one-time gifts for unexpected expenses or payroll emergencies.

If you have questions, please reach out to Rodney Olson, Veronika Dunnam, or me.



## 2025-26 Enrollment

Enrollment for the 2025–2026 academic year continues. We look forward to welcoming new students and their families and appreciate your prayers. [flschool.org](http://flschool.org) or 360-491-1733

## Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher appreciation week is May 4 – 8. Each day we do something special, from coffee & snacks to a chair massage and a delicious luncheon, to let our teachers & staff know just how much they are loved. If you would like to share the love, please reach out to the school office.

## Fun Run Fundraiser

All FLCS students will participate in a Fun Run Fundraiser May 19 – 27 where they will be collecting donations. The actual run will take place on May 27 in the afternoon. Funds raised will be distributed by PIE and will go toward the Teacher Wish Lists and any other classroom needs. If you would like to make a donation, contact the school office. [office@flschool.org](mailto:office@flschool.org) or 360-491-1733

## You're Invited

Please join us Friday, May 29, 2:30 pm in the gym for a special showcase of student learning. Students in 3/4 will be presenting their animal reports; 5/6, country reports & 7/8, US historical figure reports.

This is a great opportunity to see their hard work, creativity, and growth in action. We hope you can come support and celebrate their achievements!

## Vote For Us!

We're excited to announce that Faith Lutheran Christian School has been nominated in the Education category for Best of South Sound!

This recognition is a reflection of our dedicated teachers, supportive families, and Christ-centered mission. Now we have the opportunity to share that story with our wider community—and we need your help.

Voting is open from April 20 through May 8, and you can vote once per day, every day. Each vote takes just a moment, but together they make a big impact. We encourage all families and friends of Faith Lutheran to participate daily and spread the word. Let's come together to celebrate what makes our school so special!

<http://votesouthsound.com/>

Thank you for your continued support of Faith Lutheran Christian School.

## Niche.com Reviews

Faith Lutheran Christian School has partnered with Niche.com to help showcase our wonderful school to families in our community and beyond. We are seeking positive reviews from families and alumni to highlight what makes FLCS special.

Your reviews help:

- ❖ Boost our school's reputation
- ❖ Attract new families
- ❖ Increase visibility in searches
- ❖ Provide authentic social proof for prospective families

Leave a review here:

<https://www.niche.com/k12/faith-lutheran-christian-school-lacey-wa/>





# STATE OF THE SCHOOL 2025-2026

**“RAISING UP FAMILIES AND FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST”**

At Faith, our work is grounded in our mission of raising up families and followers of Jesus Christ. Guided by our vision to nurture every child in a Christ-centered environment where *faith is lived, learning is joyful, and grace abounds*, we continue to grow as a community rooted in purpose and hope. This year reflects the strength of our partnerships, the dedication of our faithful faculty, and the growth of our students—academically, spiritually, and personally. Here is an overall snapshot of the “State of the School” as we wrap up the 2025-2026 School Year.



## ENROLLMENT

School Year	Pre School 3 yr olds	PK / Jr K 4 yr olds	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
2022-23	21	28	15	18	12	16	11	7	6	1	5	<b>140</b>
2023-24	16	41	7	11	10	10	12	10	10	6	2	<b>135</b>
2024-25	21	35	10	6	8	10	10	10	8	9	5	<b>132</b>
<b>2025-26</b>	25	37	15	10	4	9	10	11	7	4	8	<b>140</b>

## DEMOGRAPHICS

- Student-Teacher Ratio: 16 to 1
- New Families This Year: 47
  - Preschool - Jr K = 40
  - Kinder - 8th grade = 7
- Graduates / Class of 2026: 8
- Racial/Ethnic Distribution:
  - White: 54%
  - Multiracial: 24%
  - Hispanic/Latino: 8%
  - Black: 6%
  - Asian: 4%
  - Pacific Islander: 3%
  - Native American: 1%

## FACULTY & STAFF

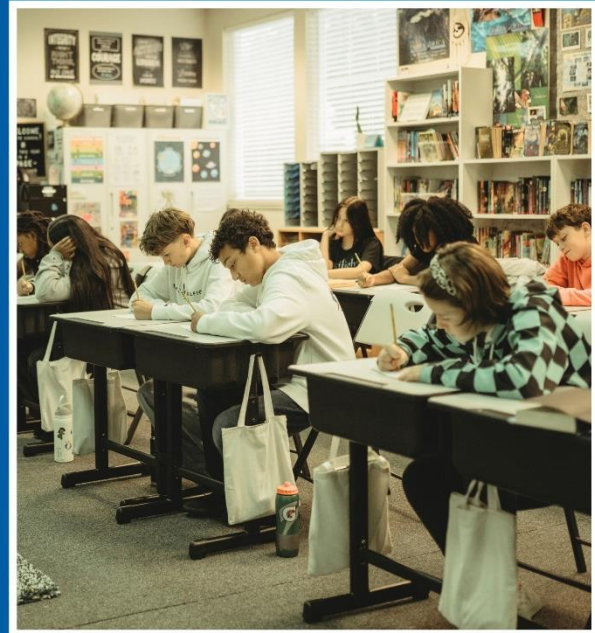
- 11 teachers [8 full time and 3 part time]
- 9 teachers are WA State Certified
- 153 Years of combined teaching experience

## OUR FAITHFUL EDUCATORS

- Mrs. Humble
- Mrs. Koehler
- Miss Miller
- Miss Kravitz
- Mrs. Lever
- Mrs. Grubb
- Mr. Bunnell
- Mrs. Suelzle
- Mrs. Strand
- Mr. Milnes
- Mrs. Green

## ACADEMIC LEARNING

- Faith students continue to perform at or above national averages on both the Iowa Assessments (academic achievement) and the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT), which measures how students learn
- Implemented the *Top Score Writing* program in elementary grades to strengthen student writing and communication skills
- Earned 1st place in the Northwest (LEST) Lutheran Elementary Schools Tournament Science Competition
- Provided five days of professional development for faculty, focusing on:
  - Supporting neurodivergent learners
  - Emotional intelligence strategies
  - Trauma-informed teaching and learning
- Middle school students participated in a “Shark Tank”-style project-based learning experience, applying interdisciplinary skills to real-world problem solving and presentations



## STUDENT LIFE & COMMUNITY

### Fieldtrips

- The Children’s Museum, Olympia
- Outdoor School (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade)
- All School Bowling, Lacey
- Washington Center for the Performing Arts Theatre Experience, Olympia
- Point Defiance Zoo, Tacoma
- Schilter’s Farm, Lacey
- African American History Museum, Lacey
- Bonaventure Senior Center, Lacey (Service)
- Food Bank Warehouse, Tumwater (Service)
- Northwest Trek, Eatonville
- Mt. Saint Helen’s Education Center, Toutle
- Author’s Visits

### Extracurricular Experiences

- Clubs – Crochet, Chess and Robotics
- 3 Christian High School Choir Performances
- Athletics (basketball, volleyball, track & field)

### Community Events or Traditions

- Harvest Carnival
- Holiday House
- National Lutheran Schools Week
- LEST Northwest (5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Family Fun Night
- Art Student Showcase

## FINANCIAL

- The school has operated with a balanced budget for this school year
- Tuition assistance provided: \$64,000
- Fundraising total: \$10,000
- Major investments:
  - Purchased a new Smart Vibe Board for the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom
  - Renovation of the Early Learning Library



## FAITH

- Theme for 25-26 School Year: “Make a Joyful Noise for the Lord” Psalm 101
- Students Pre K - 8th grade experienced 33 Chapel Services this year
- Chapel Giving Projects included:
  - Thanksgiving Baskets for Local Families
  - Options Pregnancy Clinic
  - Missionary to Ethiopia, Tim Kramer, sharing the gospel through soccer
  - 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> graders received new, developmentally appropriate Bibles thanks to a generous donor

**WE SINCERELY THANK OUR PARENTS, DONORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND STAFF FOR THEIR CONTINUED GENEROUS AND LOVING SUPPORT.**

*Dear Faith Community,*

*I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the “joyful noise” of Spring. As we look ahead with anticipation, I want to share an update on our planning and preparations for the upcoming school year.*

*School Vision: We are a Lutheran Christian school dedicated to nurturing every child in a Christ-centered learning environment where faith is lived, learning is joyful, and grace abounds. We are committed to nurturing a growth-mindset, and walking alongside families to develop young people who live out God’s purpose for their lives in the world.*

*God has blessed us with a year of learning together and many moments of lived faith, joyful learning and much grace. While next year’s enrollment is projected to be slightly lower than this year, we remain strong and look forward to serving our community with excellence.*

*One significant change for next year is the retirement of Mrs. Jessica Lever, current 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, who will be moving with her husband to Florida. Mrs. Lever has been a beloved teacher at Faith for many years and will be truly missed. She is a master teacher whose skill and dedication have inspired both students and colleagues alike. We are profoundly grateful for her vocation and years of service to this community, and we wish her great joy and blessing in her retirement.*

*Looking ahead, we are being intentional about how we structure our classrooms and offer personalized support for every student. The School Board has approved a tentative staffing plan for next year, that is subject to change in response to ongoing enrollment and our strong commitment to small class sizes.*

*As always, we design our class structures thoughtfully, guided by educational pedagogy, student numbers, and teacher placement. Our goal remains the same: to provide a learning environment where each child is known, supported, and challenged to grow in a Christ-centered learning environment.*

#### *Tentative Plan for School Year 2026-2027*

- *Kindergarten – Miss Heather Kravitz*
- *1<sup>st</sup> Grade – New Hire*
- *2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Mrs. Amy Suelzle*
- *4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade – Mr. Eric Bunnell AM / Mrs. Jodi Grubb PM*
- *6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Diana Strand / Mr. David Milnes*

*Additional staffing details will be shared as they are finalized.*

*Thank you for your continued partnership, trust, and support. There is much to be joyful and hopeful about as we prepare for another meaningful year together. Faith remains a school for Christ-centered, joyful learning and a place where grace abounds and it is possible because of this strong and caring community.*

*With gratitude and anticipation,*

*Ann Ashe | Principal*



*administrator@flschool.org*

## 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](mailto: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
4. 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.)
5. 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.*

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# “GONE WITH THE COUNTRY”

## May


## 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					9a Auction Setup	4:30p FLM Auction 
3 8:15a Traditional w/HC 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:45a <b>Contemp</b> w/HC	4  9a FLM Leadership 6:30p Praise Team	5 9a FLM Leadership 6:30p Praise Team	6 2:45p Chapel 6p HS Youth Group	7 10a 3M's Bible Study 	8 9a Auction Setup	9 9a Threads of Faith 6p Youth Open Gym
10  8:15a Traditional 9:30a Festival Choir 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:45a Contemporary	11 4:30p Life Group	12 9a FLM Leadership 6:30p Elders 6:30p Praise Team	13 2:45p Chapel	14 10a 3M's Bible Study 5:15p Wiggle Church	15	16
17 8:15a Traditional w/HC 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:45a <b>Contemp</b> w/HC	18 <b>Achievement</b>	19 9a FLM Leadership 6:30p Praise Team	20 2:45p Chapel 6p Council 6p HS Youth Group 6p PIE	21 10a 3M's Bible Study 11:30a Pinochle	22	23 9a Men of Faith
24 8:15a Traditional 9:30a Festival Choir 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:45a Contemporary	25 4:30p Life Group  <b>No School or CC</b>	26 9a FLM Leadership 5p Athletic Banquet 6:30p Praise Team <b>Mileage</b>	27 2:45p Chapel <b>Club</b>	28 10a 3M's Bible Study 5:15p Wiggle Church <b>Fun</b>	29 2:30p 3rd - 8th Showcase <b>Run</b>	30
31 8:15a Traditional w/HC 9:30a Gather & Grow 10:45a <b>Contemp</b> w/HC				<b>Church &amp; School</b>		

# May

## Community Center

# 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					9a Auction Setup 1	4:30p FLM Auction 2
9:30p Gather & Grow 11a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo <i>Vive</i> , 12:45p Samoan AOG 3:30p SS Roller Derby 4p JA1 Church	5:30p Pocheco BB 6:30p EJVBC	5:30p SS Roller Derby	6p FLM HS Youth 6:30p EJVBC	10a 3M's Bible Study 6:30p EJVBC	10a Teacher Lunch 5:30p SS Roller Derby	1:30p TCI 6p FLM Youth Open Gym
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:30p Gather & Grow 11a Casa de Alabanza 12p Cristo <i>Vive</i> , 12:45p Samoan AOG 3:30p SS Roller Derby 4p JA1 Church	3:30p FLS VB 4:30p Life Group 6:30p EJVBC	5:30p SS Roller Derby	6:30p EJVBC	10a 3M's Bible Study 5:15p Wiggle Church 6:30p EJVBC 7p SS Metal Detecting	5:30p SS Roller Derby	
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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