



Faith Lutheran Church  
Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ  
Augustana District

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## Welcome to Faith Lutheran

To all who are hungry, to all who are thirsty and longing for drink, to all who are sinners looking for a Savior, and to all who will come: this church opens wide its doors in the name of Jesus Christ.



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Adult Education Opportunities  
on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m.

### *Concluding this Sunday*

**1) The Advent Words**—Join Pastor Dave in the upstairs conference room as we examine four important Advent words, as presented by The Bible Project. We will view and discuss the Bible Project videos as they deepen our understanding of the Advent concepts of hope, peace, joy, and love.

**2) The Prophesied Christ**—This four-week class will consider some of the key Old Testament prophecies that pointed to Jesus as the Savior of the world. Meeting with Pastor Scott in the Faith Center.

**Sunday,  
December 17, 2023**

### **Last Sunday Worship Attendance**

First Word - 138  
Sanctuary - 111  
Foundation - 118

### **Advent Attendance Wednesday - 141**



The radio broadcast today was sponsored by Dick Lennes in memory of his wife Sandy Lennes.

### **2024 Radio and Flower Sponsorships**

The 2024 Radio and Flower sign-up boards are available now. This year there is also a flower sign-up for the Foundation in the north hallway. Thank you for your generosity in providing these gifts.



### **Sunday School Children's Christmas Program**

**Today at 4:00 p.m., the doors will open at 3:30 p.m.**  
All are invited!

There will be Christmas cookies, water, and coffee served in the Faith Center after the program for the children and everyone who attends this special program.

## Faith Financials

Faith Family, we're on the home stretch! Thanks to your generosity, each week we are taking big steps towards our year-end goal! Here's where we are with a half-month to go:

Offering Revenue Year-to-date is	<b>\$747,696</b>
Other Ministry Revenue Year-to-date is	<b><u>\$41,188</u></b>
<b>Total received through December 10</b>	<b>\$788,884</b>
Spending estimated is	<b>\$914,159</b>
Amount needed to break even is	<b>\$125,275</b>

In other good news, we just mailed out our **Thanksgiving Hunger Appeal** checks today in the amount of **\$8,262.60**. May the Lord use that to help put food in hungry stomachs around the world!

### "Daily Texts"

A devotion booklet entitled "Daily Texts" for 2024, is available for your daily devotions. It consists of one Old Testament passage and one New Testament passage, and a prayer related to the texts. These booklets come to us from Mount Carmel Bible camp, which we support. They are free, but there is a limited supply, located in the sanctuary gathering space.

### Service Opportunities at Christmas Services



- ◆ People are needed to usher on **Christmas Eve morning** services at **8 and 10:10 a.m.**
- ◆ Many people are needed to help with the **Christmas Eve services** at 2:00, 4:00 (Sanctuary), 4:00 (Foundation), 6:00, and 11:00 p.m.
- ◆ Help is also needed for the **Christmas Day 10 a.m.** service.

Please let Marsha know when you will be here and can help.

#### 8:00 First Word

**Acolytes:** Taylor Lang and Lily Solien  
**Computer:** Kayleen Jensen  
**Music:** Ronda Eckhart  
**Reader:** Shelly Kirchoff  
**Sound:** John Olsen  
**Ushers:** Jon Wigen and Gary Bielke  
**Video:** Dick Krueger

#### 10:10 Sanctuary

**Acolytes:** Vincent Burkstrand and Ryeleigh Bening  
**Computer:** Lynn Lange  
**Music:** Ronda Eckhart  
**Reader:** LorAllen Schmeling  
**Sound:** Mark Guggemos  
**Ushers:** Roger Fimon, Brenda Sturges and Taylin Timm  
**Video:** Steve Wendlandt

#### 10:10 Foundation

**AV:** Josh Kamrath  
**Computer:** Lisa Sanders  
**Music:** Andy Dawkins, Austin Willhite, Kristen Durst, and Nathan Stowman  
**Reader:** Isabelle Dressen  
**Ushers:** Schumaci family



## *This week's events*

### **Sunday, December 17**

**8 a.m. First Word Service**  
**9 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation**  
**9:15 a.m. Digging Deeper**  
**10:10 a.m. Sanctuary Service**  
**10:10 a.m. Foundation Service with Holy Communion**  
**4 p.m. Sunday School Children's Christmas Program**

### **Monday, December 18**

Church offices are open

### **Tuesday, December 19**

**6 a.m. High School A.P. Theology**  
**9 a.m. Matins**  
**9:15 a.m. Exercise**  
**12 p.m. Lectionary**  
**5:30 p.m. Ringers of Faith**  
**6 p.m. Ministry Teams meet**  
**7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting**

### **Wednesday, December 20**

**7 a.m. Morning Prayer on Facebook**  
**9 a.m. Matins**  
**2:30 p.m. 56er's**  
**3:30 p.m. Kid's Music Club**  
**3:45 p.m. Confirmation**  
**5:30 p.m. Faith Singers**  
**6:30 p.m. Advent Service**  
**7 p.m. FLYouth night**

### **Thursday, December 21**

**6:30 a.m. Men's Bible study**  
**9 a.m. Matins**

### **Friday, December 22**

**12:30 p.m. Bulletin Assembly**

### **Saturday, December 23**

Church offices are closed

### **Sunday, December 24**

#### **Christmas Eve**

**8 a.m. First Word Service**  
**10:10 a.m. Combined Foundation and Sanctuary Service**  
**2 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service**  
**4 p.m. Simultaneous Sanctuary and Foundation services**  
**6 p.m. Christmas Eve Service**  
**11 p.m. Christmas Eve Service with Holy Communion**

### **Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day**

**10 a.m. Christmas Morning Service with Holy Communion**



### **Please Pray**

The Augustana District Council encourages you, and all district congregations, to continue to join in prayer for specific sister congregations and their leaders each month. This week you are invited to pray for Zion Lutheran in Caroline, WI and Zion Lutheran in Skanee, MI.



### **Weekly Lectionary Study**

Lectionary is a weekly study of the upcoming sermon texts that is open to everyone. This study meets on Tuesdays from 12-1 p.m. The texts for next week are: II Samuel 7:1-11, 16, Romans 16:25-27, and Luke 1:26-38.

***These texts will also be used for the Matins services.***

**Please remember all those from Faith who are serving our country through active duty:**

**Mason Rutledge (Navy, New Orleans, LA - son of Lenny Rutledge and Patti Rutledge)**

**LT Brett Stadsklev (Navy, Yokosuka, Japan, son-in-law of Judy and Tom Felber)**

**Please contact the church office to make any changes or additions to this list.**



## **Pastors and Staff**

Pastor Scott Gorud  
Pastor Dave Wollan  
Pastor Paul Knudson, Missions  
Pastor Paulus Pilgrim, Visitation Pastor  
Pastoral Associate Jeff Amundson  
Rev. K.K. Alavi and Abdul Messiah ~ Missionaries in India  
Marsha Schmit, Director of Pastoral Care and Evangelism  
Kristen Durst, Director of Youth and Family Ministry  
Laura Stowman, Director of Children and Family Ministry  
Austin Willhite, Director of Music and Worship  
Wendy Magruder, Administrative Assistant  
Sara Wegner, Finance Coordinator  
Owen Weikle, Custodial Services Coordinator  
Erika Smith, Nursery Attendant



Staff can be reached  
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### **TV Broadcast**

**Live: Channel 7 Sundays at 8 a.m.**

**Pre-Recorded:**

**Nuvera Ch. 10 and Mediacom Ch. 8**

**Sundays at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.**

**Tuesdays at 5 p.m.**

**Thursdays at 10 p.m.**

### **Radio Broadcast**

**Pre-Recorded:**

**KDUZ 1260 AM**

**Sundays at 8 a.m.**



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- ♦ ***Please sign the welcome pads*** located at the end of the pew in the sanctuary or the clipboards as they are passed around in the foundation. Please include your address and phone number if you are a visitor.
  - ♦ If you are interested in becoming a member of Faith Lutheran, please call Marsha Schmit at 587-2093.
  - ♦ Thank you for turning off your **cell phones** during worship.
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## **Holy Communion**

Holy Communion is served at the First Word and Sanctuary services the first and second Sunday of each month and in the Foundation services on the third and fourth Sundays.

We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Children who have completed communion instruction are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. All other children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

If you are unable to receive wine, please let the wine server know and grape juice will be provided. Gluten-free communion wafers are also available. Please let the server know and they will be provided.

