



LCMS

Faith Lutheran Church & Preschool

January 28, 2024

Happenings this Week

Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:15AM Traditional Worship
9:40AM Sunday School
11:00AM Hope Worship with
Preschool Staff & Families
12:30PM DLF Class
Confirmation
1:30PM Soccer - Hacker
4:30PM Basketball - Saltsman

Monday, January 29, 2024

10:00AM Embracing - 2G
6:00PM Women's Bible Study
6:00PM Basketball - Sellers

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

6:00PM Pickleball
7:00PM Sr High Youth Night

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

10:00AM Preschool Chapel
11:00AM Mid-Week Bible Study
6:00PM Basketball - Sellers
7:00PM Praise Team Rehearsal

Thursday, February 1, 2024

10:00AM Preschool Chapel

Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:30AM Leadership Planning
Workshop

Sunday, February 4, 2024

8:15AM Traditional Worship
with Communion
9:40AM Sunday School
11:00AM Hope Worship with
Communion
12:15PM DLF Class
Confirmation

WELCOME PRESCHOOL FAMILIES AND STAFF!

We are glad you're here!!!

2023 Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements were emailed. Please let the church office know if you need a hard copy.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FLC?

Please speak with Pastor Rob or Pastor Clayton.

HAPPENINGS

National Lutheran Schools Week

January 21 - 27, 2024

National Lutheran Schools Week provides more than 1,800 preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.

Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS



RAISING UP THE NEXT GENERATION OF FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES

- Experiencing and celebrating God's lavish gifts of love, grace and mercy
- Sharing those gifts with others
- Being transformed by God's Word
- Clinging to the cross of Jesus

EARLY CHILDHOOD > 1,677
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS > 191
MIDDLE SCHOOLS > 625
HIGH SCHOOLS > 103
TOTAL > 2,594

PROVIDING EXCELLENT ACADEMIC PREPARATION

- Developing love for and excitement about learning
- Excelling at reading, writing and effective communication
- Training minds for success at the next academic level
- Creating a strong work ethic, critical thinking skills and the ability to relate well with others

LEARN MORE

888-THE LCMS (843-5267)

lcms.org/school-ministry



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WELCOME New Members To FAITH!

Mark & Debbie Eanes

Edwin & Rachel Lutz

Dennis & Sue Toland



New Members Are Joining



The Lutheran Witness

The Lutheran Witness keeps you updated with news from the Synod and teaches you how to interpret the world from a Lutheran perspective.

Last Call!!

If you currently have a subscription and would like to renew, please issue a check for \$15 made payable to FLC and either put in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

If you would like to cancel or start a new subscription, please contact Christine Acomb in the church office. Please respond **TODAY, Sunday, January 28.**



Lent is around the corner. If your group is interested in hosting Wednesday Night Dinner please contact Lori Chedville 901-301-9220 or the church office. Dates available...

February 21, 28, March 6, 20

January Collierville Food Pantry Item: Canned Soup

1. Pick up a bag today as you leave.
2. Go to the store and fill it up.
3. Return bag to church next Sunday!

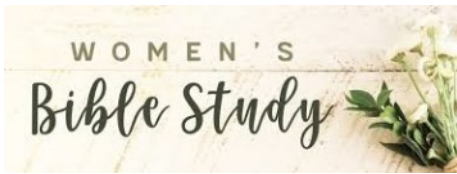


IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN! - New “Discovering the Lutheran Faith” Class at 12:15pm, lunch provided. Discovering the Lutheran Faith is a 15 week, pastor-led, new member class for those who are interested in joining FAITH LUTHERAN and want to learn more about the Lutheran Faith or for anyone who would like a refresher. This class will review some basics of the teaching of Jesus and how Martin Luther tried to remain true to the Bible.



January LWML Mission

Faith LWML Group will be providing Tote bags for participants at the LWML Mid-South District Convention in June. This month's mission is to assist with additional expenses in purchasing the tote bags and providing inserts for the bags.



MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RETURNS JANUARY 22 @ 6:00PM (New Time)

For four weeks we will dive into a different bible study taken from the LWML Quarterlies. *What does this mean?* Come any Monday, knowing you didn't miss anything, it's a new bible study. No books, no homework, no cost. Just bring your bibles. Questions, please contact Lois Hobby-Clayton 901-331-6986

New Sign-ups for Sunday Luncheons -

Please prayerfully consider hosting a Sunday Luncheon for the New Member and Confirmation classes that meet after 2nd Service. You will be responsible for setting up and providing lunch (take out: pizza, sandwiches, etc. or a homecooked meal) for these groups and cleaning up afterwards. Probably a 30 minute commitment on your chosen day and monies spent will be reimbursed. Sign up sheet located on the information desk. Questions contact Julie Cox 478-397-6965.



MINISTRY APPING

In the Narthex are conceptional drawings ready for your review. Please take time to check out the boards and complete the comment sheet as soon as possible. This will greatly assist the Campus Planning Team in

moving forward with the remodel.

Any questions please contact Jay Eubank 901-230-5963 or Mark Scott 901-232-2991.



Shrovetide, also known as the Pre-Lenten Season, is the Christian period of preparation before the beginning of the liturgical season of Lent. Comprising the days of Shrove Sunday through Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, Christians prepared their homes and their hearts for Lent. Historically they were removing sugar, flour and eggs for the period of Lent. Pancake Tuesday was born as families used the ingredients to make pancakes.

Shrove Tuesday Fellowship ++++++
Tuesday, February 13th
5:30-8:00

Join us for a pancake feed and night of games and fellowship as we prepare for Lent. Bingo with prizes, relays for adults and children, and a Valentine photo booth are in the works. If planning to attend please sign up in the preschool, in the narthex or on the cookie table so the proper amount of food can be prepared. Free will offering.

Sponsored by Lutheran Women in Mission



Financial Peace University Program Gearing Up for 2024

You shouldn't have to live paycheck to paycheck.

Have you been looking for a way to finally get on top of your money? **This. Is. Your. Time.** Consider a class that can teach you how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth.

The Mid-South District is pleased to partner with our congregations to bring Financial Peace University (FPU) to its members and guests through a special rebate program. For congregations that offer FPU **the Mid-South District will offer a rebate for the cost of the class to individuals who complete the 9-week program.** The rebate program is on a first come, first serve basis until budgeted funds have been exhausted.

Faith is reaching out to see if there is any interest in this program. This class will take place during the Sunday School hour, dates to be determined. If you are interested please sign up on the sign up sheet on the Information desk or use QR code. You don't have to be a member of Faith to participate.

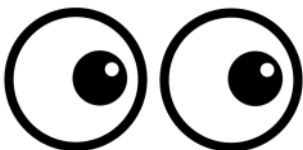
Any questions, please contact Christine in the church office 901-853-4673.

Ladies SAVE THE DATE!

Mid-South Convention is in Memphis!

LWML Mid-South District
28th Biennial Convention
June 7-9, 2024

Christ the King Lutheran Church



The church is seeking someone to change the marquee sign on a monthly basis or as need arises. Please contact Christine in the church office if interested.

2025 LCMS Youth Gathering - VOLUNTEERS

ENDURE, the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering, will bring over 1,000 loving, energetic, flexible, and faithful volunteers to New Orleans, LA. Volunteers are a highly valued and deeply needed element of the Gathering experience and its overall success. Whether you are an adult looking to serve for the full length of the Gathering (Ambassador), a young adult ready to serve in orange (Young Adult Volunteer), or someone flexibly able to serve for a day or two (Team Flex), the Gathering is thankful for your service.



Fun fact: The Gathering is not only the largest gathering of the youth of the LCMS, it's the largest Gathering of Adults and Young Adults! It's not an event to be missed!

Gathering Ambassadors

Gathering Ambassadors (formerly known as Community Life Builders or CLBs) are adult volunteers ages 26 and older (at the time of the Gathering). These volunteers serve in many different capacities for the duration of the Gathering. They are servant leaders and trusted voices, helping participants have a safe and remarkable experience. The Ambassador team is filled with pastors, church workers, and lay people. Look for these volunteers in **YELLOW** at the Gathering.

Ambassadors pay a volunteer registration fee of \$400. The Gathering uses this fee to supplement expenses such as hotel costs, travel stipend, and some meals. Ambassadors are housed in dedicated hotels with an assigned roommate.

Ambassadors must commit to attending the Gathering and serving July 16–23, 2025. (Ambassadors will need to arrive midday on the 16th for training. Details will be available before travel arrangements are made.)

Ambassadors commit to:

- Paying a \$400 volunteer registration fee
- Staying in assigned Gathering hotel accommodations covered by the Gathering
- Attending volunteer training July 16–19, 2025 in New Orleans
- Serving the Gathering July 19–23, 2025 in New Orleans

Gathering Ambassador applications are **OPEN NOW** and will remain open until **March 15, 2024**

Information on Young Adult Volunteers (19-26yrs old) and Team Flex (18+) coming soon or check out the Gathering website <https://www.lcmsgathering.com/volunteer>

Financial assistance available. Please contact Christine Acomb in the church office.

Calling All Men!!!



Gentlemen of all ages - we need assistance with the Men of Faith Easter Breakfast on March 31st! (All food is pre-purchased, and then prepared and served by us - along with the necessary clean-up duty...)

Opportunities to serve:

- * Week of March 25 - Shopping
- * Saturday, March 30 - Prep-work - 8am until finished
- * Easter Sunday, March 31
 - Shift 1 - 6:30am to 8:00am
 - Shift 2 - 8:00am to 9:30am
 - Shift 3 - 9:30am to 11:00am



Scan QR Code or contact the church office if interested.

Middle School News

2025 LCMS Youth Gathering

Have a child who will be 14 or in the 9th grade by July 2025? Check out the info on the next page "Planning Underway for 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering".

February Event

The middle schoolers have expressed interest in ice skating! If you are interested in helping organize this as a February event for them, please contact Molly Albonetti, Youth Board, 901-361-3249. You don't have to have a middle schooler to plan an event for them.

Elementary School - Faith In Action (FIA) Kids

On Sunday February 18th at 1 pm, students will make a visit to Hearthside Assisted Living to play Bingo with residents and spread some Valentine's day cheer! We will plan to get together after 2nd service and eat lunch at the church before heading over to Hearthside. Please RSVP to Molly Albonetti directly at mlowitz@gmail.com so we know how much car space we need and how much food to get! If your child is bringing a friend please let me know.

Thank you to Candice Baxter for helping organize this event for us!!

High School Spot Light

Youth Night - Tuesdays from 7pm to 8:30 pm. Meet in Room 106 for fun and fellowship.

LinkT Winter Retreat - February 23-25th at The Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean, AR
Linkt youth retreats began in February 2015 to link youth from congregations of the Mid-South District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and to proclaim the good news that Jesus Christ came to seek and save the lost. This year the retreat is centered around Philippians 2:1-11. Studies will be presented by The Brothers Neugebauer. Aaron Neugebauer, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lafe, Ark., and Kirk Neugebauer, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Paragould, Ark., will be the main presenters at the Link youth retreats for the 2023-2024 school year. (Both are the sons of Paster Chuck Neugebauer from Christ the King and the brothers of Drew Neugebauer from our congregation!)

Registration fee is \$110! There is enough money in the youth budget to split the cost with you, so you will only be responsible for \$55.

Contact Molly Albonetti, 901-361-3249 if interested for necessary forms. Registration submitted after January 31st will increase to \$85.

Planning Underway for 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering

The LCMS Youth Gathering (Gathering) provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity. During the 5 days of the Gathering, youth spend time together in God's Word, worship, service, and fellowship with others from across the synod. This event is organized by LCMS Youth Ministry in Saint Louis, MO. The next LCMS Youth Gathering will be **July 19–23, 2025 in New Orleans, LA.**



ENDURE
JULY 19-23, 2025; NEW ORLEANS, LA

The theme for the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering is “ENDURE” and is centered around Hebrews 12:1–3. The Gathering office has been very busy planning for the 2025 event. There is already a tremendous amount of information on the Gathering website for Adult Leaders, Volunteers, Participants, and their families. To see the latest news and information for this essential LCMS youth event, visit the Gathering website at <https://www.lcmsgathering.com/> or follow the event on Facebook at LCMS Youth Gathering.

This may seem like it's a long way away, but we are beginning to prepare and look at costs so we can gauge how much fundraising needs to happen. If interested please contact Molly Albonetti, Youth Board, 901-361-3249

Anchored in His Word...

9:40AM SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Children & Youth

Age 3 years - Grade 5th

Grade 6th - 8th

Grades 9th - 12th

Opening in the Youth Room

Room 110

Room 106

Adult

- **Women's Bible Study: *A New Song: Save Me, O My God***, the study of Psalms 3-7 and Psalm 10. This six week bible class led by Meg Lowitzer.
- ***The Next Generation* Adult Sunday School Room 107 led by Janet Sellers and Meghan Madea.**
- **Study on the Book of Romans.** A pastor led bible study in the Fellowship Hall.
- **"Discovering the Lutheran Faith" Class** at 12:15pm, lunch provided in the Fellowship Hall. This 12 week, pastor-led class is great for anyone interested in joining Faith, or if you would like a refresher.

BIBLE STUDY AT FAITH

- **Men of Faith Bible Study** meets the first and third Saturday at 8:00am. Contact Warren Nevill 901-647-5546
- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study: *Prophecies of the Passion*.** Pastor led bible study begins at 11am in the Sanctuary.
- **Women's Monday Night Bible Study at 6pm.** For four weeks we will dive into a different bible study taken from the LWML Quarterlies.

IN-HOME MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY

- **Full Nesters** Contact Pastor Clayton at 901-401-0604 or Janet Sellers at 901-230-4824.
- **The "Empty Nester's"** meets at the home of Jon & Maria Bauer 9617 Hampstead Lane, Germantown. Contact Warren Nevill at 901-647-5546, or nevillwc@gmail.com.

Attention Small Group Leaders....if your small group is currently meeting, please email the church office details of your group: Name, day/time meeting, current topic, contact information.



Shaped by His Service...

January

Elders (will be at either services): Jeff Shumate, Ron Shaw

Altar Guild:

8:15am

Tracie Abel
Helen Rodgers

11:00am

Marianne Hooper
Susan John

January 28, 2024

Acolytes:

Counters:

Lector:

Musicians:

Ushers:

Warren Nevill
Alan Lang
Celia Brugge
Alan Lang
Lynne Lang
Don Clayton
Lois Hobby-Clayton

Chris Arena
Marci Ostrander
Praise Team
Jay Chedville
Wes Cox

February

Elders (will be at either services):
Elder Assistants

Phil Regalado
Jason Kosewick

Frank Granger, Jay Eubank

Altar Guild:

8:15am

Donna Myers
Vicki McColpin

11:00am

Nancy Piretti
Judith Schoeberlein

February 4, 2024

Acolytes:

Counters:

Lector:

Musicians:

Ushers:

Jason Kosewick
Seth Frazer
Jenny Whitely
Billy Ray Johnson
Phil Mahnken
Warren Nevill
Jeff Harper

Ardith Morgan
Ardith Morgan
Praise Team
Chris Arena
Jeff Lauer
Connor Albonetti
Molly Albonetti

2023 - 2024 Church Offerings Summary						
Month	Actual	Budget	Over Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Over Budget
July	\$47,763.37	\$54,000.00	(\$6,236.63)			
August	\$40,619.00	\$46,000.00	(\$5,381.00)			
September	\$38,934.50	\$46,000.00	(\$7,065.50)			
October	\$46,775.00	\$50,000.00	(\$3,225.00)			
November	\$50,678.11	\$48,000.00	\$2,678.11			
December	\$60,538.88	\$70,000.00	(\$9,461.12)	\$285,308.86	\$314,000.00	(\$28,691.14)

Please prayerfully consider how you can help us catch up.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Sunday, December 31, 2023

10:00AM: 117

Live Stream: 10

Offerings: \$ 6,489.00

Sunday, January 7, 2024

8:15AM: 78

11:00AM: 85

Live Stream: 22

Offerings: \$ 18,781.00

Sunday, January 14, 2024

8:15AM: 82

11:00AM: 87

Live Stream: 18

Offerings: \$ 14,300.00

Sunday, January 21, 2024

10:00AM: 101

Live Stream: 45

Offerings: \$ 5,494.00

Connect

Rev. Rob Harbin, *Senior Pastor*, Pastor.flc@comcast.net

Rev. Clayton Sellers, *Associate Pastor*, pastorclayton@faithcollierville.com

Jenny Whitely, *Worship Leader & Missional Minister*, flcmusic.jenny@faithcollierville.com

Dina Foshee, *Preschool Director*, flpfaithcollierville@gmail.com

Krista Kosewick, *Preschool Associate Director*, flpfaithcollierville@gmail.com

Christine Acomb, *Ministry Coordinator & Church Office Manager*,
office@faithcollierville.com

Bruce Acomb, *Church Council President*

Warren Nevill, *Head Elder*

Alan Lang, *Treasurer*

Open, *Property Trustee*

*Announcements and/or Articles for Happenings (due on Tuesday) please email
office@faithcollierville.com*

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Church Office Hours:

Monday–Thursday 9:00AM – 3:00PM

Friday Closed

Website: Faithcollierville.com

*Embracing Our Community –
Connecting as Christ's Family*

**If there is a Pastoral Emergency, please contact Pastor Rob Harbin at 901-286-7702 or
Pastor Clayton Sellers at 901-401-0604.**