

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 15, 2023



Lift Up Your Hearts!

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§ A Heartfelt Welcome To Our Guests §

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (FELC). We're pleased you've come to receive the blessings our Lord gives in the Divine Service. Please help us get to know you and record your attendance by signing the red record of fellowship book as it is passed down the pew and/or the guest book in the narthex. Most Sundays we host refreshments after the service. Please join us downstairs in the Parish Fellowship. This is a great way to get to know the members of the family of FELC.

Holy Communion Announcement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Faith in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

How Can We Help You? We want your visit to be a blessing to you and strive to be as user friendly as possible. Our pastor is also available for pastoral care whether you're here for a week, months, years, or permanently. Faith is a member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Those Serving October 15th at Faith

Organist	Heidi Perling	Asst.	Justin Munson
		Minister	
Acolyte		Greeters	Susan Rostad
Altar	Lee Phinney	Refreshments	
Guild			
Ushers	Craig Sachau, Dave Matthews,	Sermon Title	Hearts up!
	Paul Clark, Fred Brady		

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The order of service for today is located on page 203 of the Lutheran Service Book.

Please rise. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

The Congregation reflects silently on God's Word using the Ten Commandments to examine specific sins committed in thought, word, and deed.

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

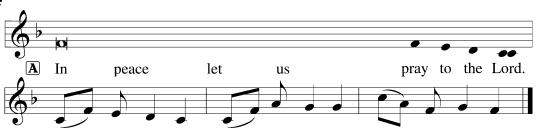




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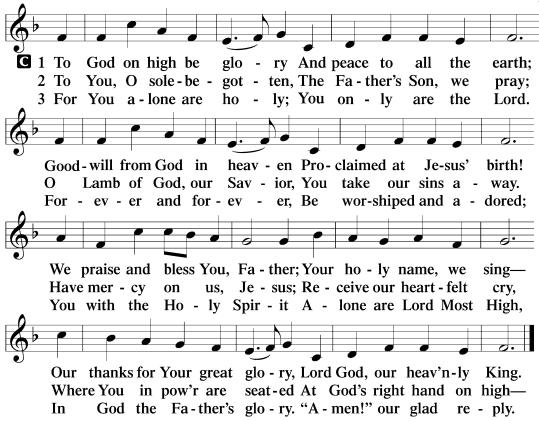
C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

(Continue Singing)

- A For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A For these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.



Luke 2:14; John 1:29



Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

A The Old Testament Reading for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah, chapter 25.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 5a



Antiphon You prepare a table be | fore me* in the presence of my | enemies;

¹The LORD is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*

He leads me beside still | waters.

³He re- | stores my soul.*

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are | with me;*

your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my | enemies;* you anoint my head with oil; my cup | overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,* and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

Antiphon You prepare a table be | fore me* in the presence of my | enemies;

A The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter 4.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

Alleluia and Verse

Revelation 22:17



The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." Let the one who hears say, "Come." Let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.



Holy Gospel Matthew 22:1–14

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

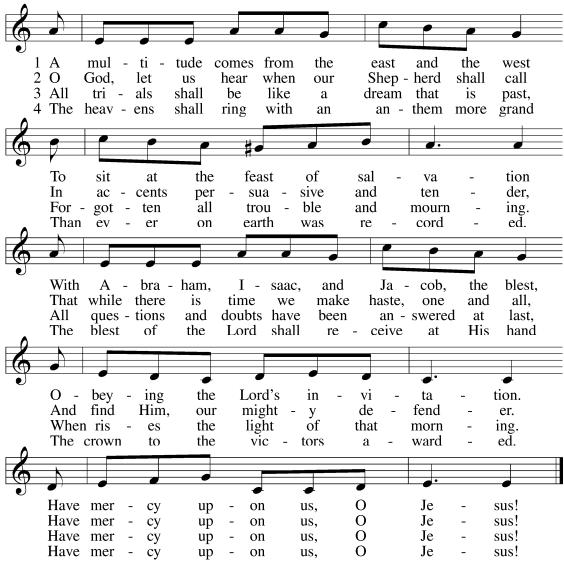
G I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West



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Sermon

Please rise.

Prayer of the Church

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the Church purchased with Christ's precious blood, that God would preserve her in the pure teaching of His Word, in the right use of His Sacraments and in the unity of the faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the proclamation of the Gospel, that by it God would gather many, however evil they may be, to repent and believe in Christ, and so take their seat at His eternal feast, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- A For the homes in which our people dwell; for husbands and wives, that they may fulfill their vocations to one another; for children; and for all who teach and learn the faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace that passes understanding and a constant readiness for the coming of Christ, that under the fleeting powers of this world, we may live in continual godliness for His sake, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For those listed in our bulletin, and all who weep here, that the Lord of hosts, who at last will wipe away all tears, would comfort them as they await full restoration at His heavenly banquet, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For all who commune this day, that in the midst of a world that refuses Christ's gracious invitation, the Church may remain unstained by the world and not fail to partake of His Supper worthily, clothed in His baptismal grace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Heavenly King, give us such joy in pursuing what is true, just, pure and worthy of praise that, spurning the temptations of this world, we would suffer no anxiety. Let our trust be placed fully in Christ and let our hope rest in the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

Offering

Service of the Sacrament

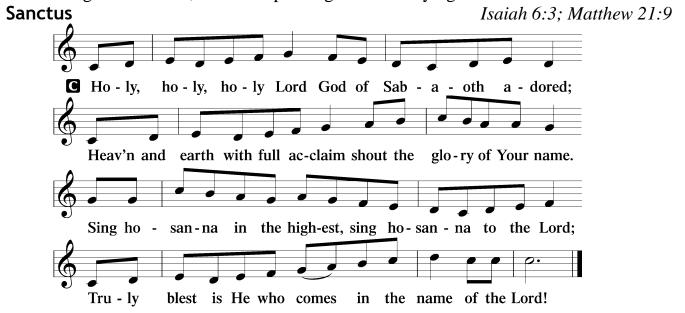
Please rise.

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

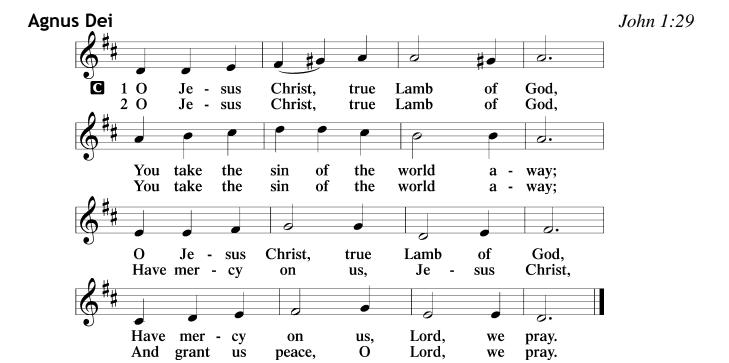
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



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Please be seated.

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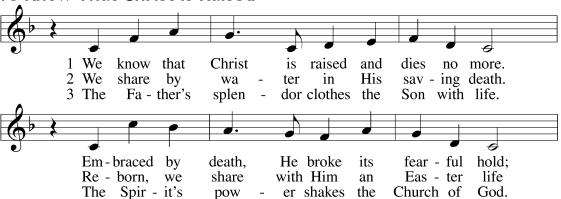
652 Father, We Thank Thee

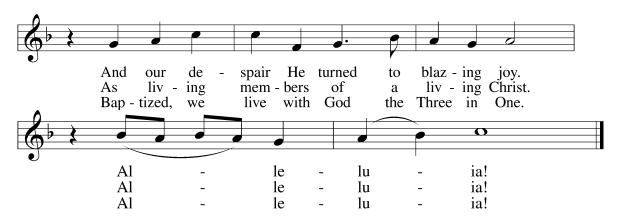


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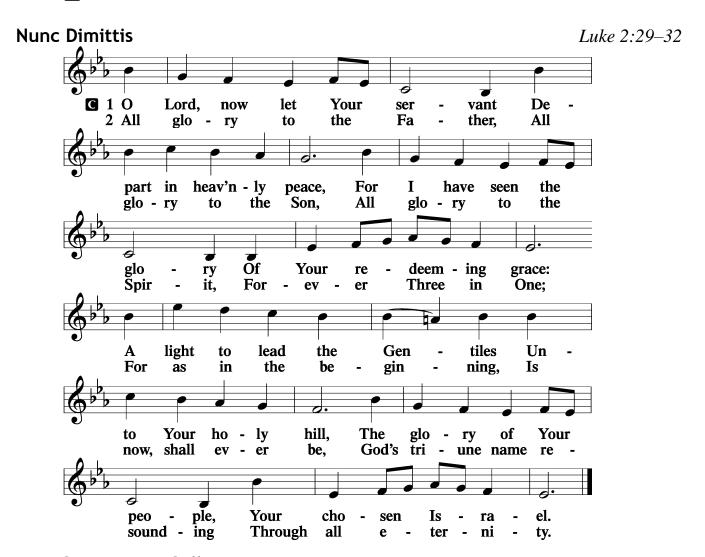


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Please rise.

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 → in peace.
- C Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

Please be seated.

941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

- 1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,
- 2 The band of the a pos tles in glo ry sing Your praise;
- 3 You, Christ, are King of glo ry, the ev er last ing Son, 4 You sit in splen did glo ry, en-throned at God's right hand,

The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored. The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death-less voic - es raise. Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res - cue ev - 'ry - one: Up - hold - ing earth and heav - en by forc - es You com-mand.



To You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav-ens sing, The mar - tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no - ble throng, You laid a - side Your glo - ry, were born of vir-gin's womb, We know that You will come as our Judge that fi - nal day,



The cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring: Sing with the ho - ly Church through-out all the world this song: Were cru - ci - fied for us and were placed in - to a tomb; So help Your ser-vants You have re - deemed by blood, we pray;



"O all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your true and on - ly Son,
Then by Your res - ur - rec - tion You won for us re-prieve—
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev - er end,



Your maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"

And Ho - ly Spir - it, Com-fort-er— for - ev - er Three in One!"

You o - pened heav-en's king - dom to all who would be - lieve.

In glo - ry ev - er - last - ing. A - men, O Lord, a - men!

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FELC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK IN PERSON AND THROUGH ZOOM

Sunday	9:00 AM	Christian Education - Sunday School / The Revelation	
-	10:30 AM	Divine Service	
Monday	10:00AM-	PieceMakers	
•	2:00PM	Gospel of Matthew	
	3:30 PM		
Tuesday	1:00 PM	Study with Pastor Ben	
-	6:30 PM	Ladies of Faith	
Wednesday		Faith Skills @ FLW Main Chapel	
-	5:30 PM	Dinner	
	6:15 PM	Classes	
Thursday	9:00 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study – 1&2 Kings	
	10:30AM	Ladies Aid Workday	
	1:00 PM	Birthday Lunch @ The Hub	
Friday	12:00 PM	Beginning Greek	
Saturday		Men's Club	
	8:00 AM	Breakfast	
	9:00 AM	Bible Study	
Pledge	9:00 AM	Christian Education - Sunday School / The Revelation	
Sunday	10:30 AM	Divine Service	
-		Octoberfest	
		PPC Meeting	

HONEY SUNDAY In conjunction with our LWML Rolla Zone Fall Rally yesterday we are hosting '*Honey Sunday*' today. Angela Kargbo from the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch is here to talk about the mission work being done at the ranch and how they put their grant money to work. Honey from the ranch is available to order.

PPC MEETING will be held after worship on Sunday **October 22nd**. This meeting is for officers and heads of boards. Please make every effort to attend so that we can properly plan for the **Voter's Meeting on November 5th**.

FELC'S ANNUAL OCTOBERFEST will be Oct 22nd after worship.

This event is a 'Thank You' to our local and federal civil servants; Military, First Responders, Teachers, etc. The Men's Club has asked Gene Newkirk to provide the delicious BBQ again. Please sign up to bring a salad, side, or dessert to share.

REFORMATION POTLUCK will be Sunday October 29th after worship. Join us for food and fellowship! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

THE LADIES AID asks for donations of crafts, baked goods, and new/gently used household items to sell at their Bazaar on November 4th. Speak with Liz Joyce if you have any questions.

VOTER'S MEETING will be held November 5th after worship.

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE	2023 AT A GLANCE
Budget for September: \$15,204.00	Year to Date Budget: \$148,239.00
Amount Received: \$11,277.24	Year to Date Received: \$140, 116.96
Amount Short: -\$3,926.76	Difference: -\$8,124.04

Requesting Prayers

Pray for Our Servicemen and Missionaries we support

†Devin Houser†Franklin LaLonde†Chris MacMurray†Jacob Gan†Anthony Isaac

†Laramie Yancey †Geoff Gronewold†

†Nathaniel & Emma Jensen (Kaiserslauten)†

†Michael Parris (China) †Rev. Dr. David Preus & family (Romania)

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†Pray that we and the nations put away false gods, but know, trust, love, and follow Jesus

†Natural disasters recovery

†Prayers for Peace and Justice

†Prayer for Nation's Leaders and illness; prayer for the Lord to do His will through local, state, and

national elections

†Health Workers

†Educators & Students

†All new military visitors and

families

Thanksgivings

†Ethyn & Hanna Boorom – Graham Alexander born July 22

†Dylan & Angie Cleeton – twins

born in March

 ${\bf +Geoff\ \&\ Brittany\ Gronewold\ -}$

Benjamin born Aug 17

†Anthony & Nicki Isaac – Twins

born in April

†Nathan & Rebekah Pauls –

Eden born May 15

†Samantha

†Shelby

†Colin & Christine Strange –

Clark born August 1

†Free Women's Center

COVID-19 Thanksgivings

†Thankfulness for Vaccine

Immediate Needs

†Kenneth Drees

†Marcia Euren

†George Garber

†Peggy Gregor

†Mary Jones

†Judy Keeth

†Dawn Kubinski

†Irene Leitgeb

†Tim Matthews

†JD Mattison

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†Ingrid Ozee †Karl Sutterfield

†Roberta Thornsberry

†Chaya Velasquez

†Dave Wainio

†Timothy Wolf

Long Term Needs

†Kristine

†Sheri

†Ann Marie Boerner (Capps)

†The Boettger Family

†Barb BonGiovanni

†Dan Boorom

†Ray Crosby

†Madison Ford

†Duane Green

†Finnigan Heine

†Mary Jones

†Liz Joyce

†Marge Kohl

†Marie Matthews

†Ken Merrill

†Sydney Merrill

†Jenny Miessler

†Marion Munson

†Judy Neff

†Lili Osorio

†Dwayne Richard

†Susan Rostad

TSusan Rostad

†Helen Rostad

†Melvin Rust

†Pastor Ben Schumacher

†Ben Paul Schumacher

†Mary Smith

†Donna Thomas

†Becky Vogel

†Ron Weaver

†Jerome Welliver

†Lisa Weinhold

Comfort Facing Death

†The Family of Allan Brown

†The Family of Karen Garber

†The Family of Sharon Greene

†The Family of Herb Houser

The failing of field flouse.

†The Krueger Family

†The Family of Marian Kubinski

†The Family of Clark Mullins

†The Family of Steven Munsie

†The Family of Velda Myers

†The Family of Renate Phillips

†The Family of Gisela Sundell

†The Family of Donna Wogan