

## BELOIT CULVER'S SCOOPIE NIGHT

*Monday, November 20th AND  
Monday, February 12th 4pm to 8pm  
Volunteers needed - 2 shifts: 4-6pm, 6-8pm*

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN HALLWAY!**

### OCTOBER 22 - NOVEMBER 19

Please be generous in donating canned and boxed food for Thanksgiving dinners.

Sharing is caring! Thank you all  
Social Ministry Co-Chairs  
Karen Murr and Patti Dunaway

YOU GUYS!  
FOOD  
DIVE TIME!

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**November 10** - The out to dinner group will meet Friday, 6:00 PM at the Golden Chopsticks corner of Alpine and 1st Park. Sign up on board by Sunday, November 5th

**November 12, following worship** - The members of Faith Lutheran Church are hereby convened for the annual meeting and election on Sunday, November 12, following the service. Pastor Bitner to preside. **Please remember to bring your Annual Report!**

**November 19th** - Stewardship Sunday - Please fill out your yellow Pledge Card; Pastor Bitner to preside.

**November 20th** - Have dinner at Culver's and support Faith Lutheran Church's campaign to purchase a defibrillator!

**November 21st** - Church Council Meeting at 5:30pm

**November 21st** - Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7pm

**Today's altar flowers are donated by:  
Nicole and Curtis Blakeman  
In honor of their 14th Anniversary**



## Faith Lutheran Church

*Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through*

All Saints Sunday, November 5, 2017 ~

### PRELUDE VIDEO

*"Shall We Gather At the River?"*

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Martin Luther video from Reformation Day

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the  $\mp$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Grant us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of life in Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(A brief silence.)* Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought and deed, by what we have done and by what we have not done. We have not loved you with our whole hearts, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, O God, of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy Father. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. I, your pastor and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and in the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\mp$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

**HYMN**

**For All the Saints**

all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who  
 wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,  
 then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the  
 earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through  
 by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
 tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the  
 of pearl streams in the count - less host,  
 O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest,  
 in the dark - ness drear, their one - er true light.  
 of glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
 ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
 n of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**to the day**

celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead,  
 ne body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the  
 in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call  
 ember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is  
 At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every  
 place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled  
 All tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

**THE DAY**

y. (A brief silence.)

**God, you have knit your people together in one  
 ion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ  
 Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in  
 Faith and commitment, and to know the  
 sible joys you have prepared for those who love  
 ough Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives  
 s with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
 Amen.**



**On this All Saints Sunday, we especial  
 Joyce Hatch, Don Banker,  
 Eunice Marks, and Dennis Pr  
 who died this year and now rest wit**

**Worship**

**Welcome to Faith Lutheran Church.** We are happy  
 worship with us today! **Communion** is by intinction. C  
 by rows to receive the bread with an open hand then d  
 wine (dark) or juice (light). **WE OFFER GLUTEN-FRE  
 AS AN OPTION FOR COMMUNION.** Just indicate to  
**when it's your turn.** If you eat the bread before dipping  
 please ask for another piece. You don't have to be a n  
 Faith or be Lutheran to take Communion. Christ is the  
 meal - ALL baptized believers are welcome!

***This year's stewardship theme is "Because of God  
 Mercy." On Commitment Sunday, Nov. 19th, each  
 Faith Lutheran Church is going to be asked to incre  
 by at least 1/2 of 1% of your household income. W  
 you a very easy way to figure this out in next week***

**Today's Worship Leaders**

- Altar Guild - Carol & Roger Frey**
- Computer Technician - Helen Meier**
- Offering Video - Mike Banker**
- Counters - Roger and Carol Frey**
- Fellowship - George and Sue Brunson**
- Greeters - Don & Sandy Dittmer**
- Musician - Betty Comins**
- Reader - Sue Brunson**
- Ushers - Doug Congdon and Ray Wendell**
- Pastor - Rev. Dr. Richard J. Meier**

**Financials for Sunday, October 29, 2017 - We**

	<b>Attendance: 122</b>
<b>Weekly Offering Actual</b>	<b>\$2,261</b>
<b>Weekly Offering Budget</b>	<b>\$2,111</b>
<b>2017 YTD Actual Offering</b>	<b>\$90,147</b>
<b>2017 YTD Offering Needed</b>	<b>\$92,884</b>
<b>Offerings YTD Toward Roof Loan</b>	<b>\$9,617</b>

HYMN For All Your Saints, O Lord



all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,  
all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,  
all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,  
this, your name we bless and hum - bly pray a - new  
God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, ev - er blest,



fol - lowed you, o - beyed, a - dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.  
count - ed you their great re - ward, ac - cept our thank - ful cry.  
ed from your Ho - ly Spir - it's breath to suf - fer and to do.  
we like them in ho - li - ness may live and die in you.  
One in Three, the Three in One, be end - less praise ad - dressed.

ice. Share the good news.  
e to God.

We pray for: Adam, Alston & Jarrett, Andi, Angie,  
Anna Marie, Aunt Pat, Barry & Shelby, Betty, Bev,  
Bill, Bob, Boyd, Brad, Brayton, Brett, Brian, Cindy,  
Claudine, Connie, Dawn, Debi, Denise, Devin,  
Dianne, Don, Donna, Florence, Fran, Gary, Gavin,  
e, Haley, Harriet, Heidi, Inez, Irene, Jackie,  
nes, Janet, Janice, Janie, Jeff Wolfram Family, Jen,  
n, John, John Laursen Family, Joyce, Kelli, Ken,  
n, Larry, Linda, Louise, Lyla, Marion, Mary, Matt,  
ke, Nancy, Nikko, Rich, Robin, Roger, Ron, Sam,  
Sharon, Shelly, Shirley, Stephanie, Steve, Sue,  
eresa, Tim, Todd, Tom, Trisha, Vicki, Victor, Viola,  
n, Zoey, all of our service men and women, those  
ely, homeless or unemployed, our college students,  
t-ins.



LIGHTING OF CANDLES IN MEMORY OF LOVE

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from Revelation, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that  
count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and  
standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed  
palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud  
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne  
the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne  
the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on  
before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen!  
glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the  
addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white?  
have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one  
knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have  
the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made  
white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are  
throne of God, and worship him day and night within his  
the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They  
hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike  
any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne  
their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

### **Scripture Reading From Psalm 34**

praise the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be  
truth.

**Confess your sins to the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Rejoice with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's  
name in heaven.

**Search for the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from  
all my troubles.**

Do not be silent in the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces  
be ashamed.

**For the LORD heard my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved  
me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the  
LORD and delivers them.

**Do not be afraid, and you will see that the LORD is good; happy are they who  
fear the LORD and find refuge in God!**

Do not be afraid, O LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the  
LORD lack nothing.

**For the righteous are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek  
the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

For you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put  
their trust in you will not be punished.

### **Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1-3**

From 1<sup>st</sup> John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

For what the Father has given us, that we should be called  
children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does  
not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's  
children, but what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we  
will be like is: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will  
see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify  
themselves just as he is pure.

God, word of life.

**Glory to God.**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. Through Jesus, your Word made flesh,  
send your Spirit to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the  
cross to those entombed by death, the way of your self-  
sacrifice. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: we give you thanks and praise.**

### **DIALOGUE**

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 and praise to the Lord our God

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*~ WORDS OF INSTITUTION ~*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as  
in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin  
against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us  
from the evil one.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are  
yours now and forever. Amen.**

*~ COMMUNION ~*

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us  
yourself in bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast  
on your love. Filled again by these signs of your grace,  
our hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your  
peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

**C: Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

P: Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless  
us and all your people  
now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

our will for your creation, mighty God. Renew waters,  
d skies that are threatened by our carelessness.  
to honor and care for the works of your hands.  
our mercy,  
**prayer.**

he hearts of all who participate in upcoming elections.  
rage, generosity, and vision to candidates and voters  
ide elected officials to answer the call of those who cry  
ir and just policies. Lord, in your mercy,  
**prayer.**

ne pain of those who suffer (*especially*). Comfort those  
rn through the ministry of nurses, those who provide  
care, visitation ministers, chaplains, and caregivers.  
our mercy,  
**prayer.**

lost, those who hunger and thirst with questions of  
l those absent from our worship today. Make us ready  
e newcomers you send to our congregation.  
our mercy,  
**prayer.**

mber with thanksgiving the blessed saints whom you  
eived into your glory, especially (*those who have died  
e past year may be named*). Guide us with them to the  
f the water of life. Lord, in your mercy,  
**prayer.**

these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our  
o God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ce of Christ be with you always.  
**o with you.**

### VIDEO DURING THE OFFERING “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

#### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

ee but thine own,  
he gifts may be.  
have is thine alone,  
Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus,  
as stewards true receive,  
And gladly as though blessed us,  
to thee our first fruits give.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav  
Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hear  
Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news tha

### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> cha  
**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mounta  
he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he bega  
and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingd  
heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be com

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righte  
for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive merc

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be call  
children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteou  
sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and perse  
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on m

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heav  
same way they persecuted the prophets who were be

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### SERMON “Both Sides of the Altar”

# THE DAY

## Blest Are They

they, the poor in spir - it; theirs is the  
 they, the low - ly ones; . . . they shall in -  
 they . . . who show mer - cy; mer - cy  
 they . . . who seek peace; . . . they are the  
 you who suf - fer hate, . . . all . . . be -

of God. Blest are they,  
 the earth. Blest are they who  
 be theirs. Blest are they, the  
 of God. Blest are they, who  
 of me. Re - joice, be glad,

of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.  
 and thirst; they shall have their fill.  
 of heart; they . . . shall see God.  
 in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.  
 the king - dom; shine for all to see.

oice and be glad!

are you, ho - ly are you!

oice and be glad!

the king - dom of God!

## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,  
 the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
 the only Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father,  
 God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 of one Being with the Father;  
 through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
 and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
 he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
 in accordance with the scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
 the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
 glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**P:** Welcoming God's reign of righteousness and mercy  
 with people of every time and place. *(A brief silence)*  
 your church from every nation, tribe, people, and language,  
 proclaim your salvation. Defend and preserve those who are  
 persecuted because of their faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.