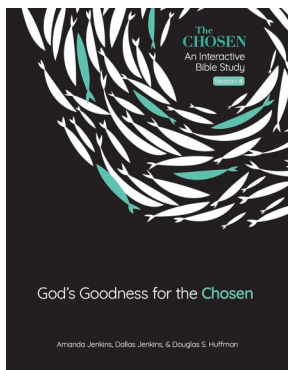


# Faith News and Notes for September 29, 2024

PLEASE Note on The Pew Attendance Card which Service you attended

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**Welcome, welcome, welcome in the name of the Lord!** We are so glad you are here with us and our prayer is always that the sweet presence of the Lord would be manifested here every time we gather together. May you be encouraged and equipped in your faith today!



## Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesdays through November 20

*The Chosen, Novel Four, is the book that we are delving into at Pastor's Mid-Week Bible Study every Wednesday, from 7PM—8:30 PM in the conference room.*

*Join us in person or by Zoom!*

This study teaches readers how to reframe their hardships and see them as fertile soil for God's goodness to grow in their lives.

We see it over and over again in the Bible: God brings good things out of bad things for the sake of His people and for His glory. But truth be told, when we personally experience suffering, we have a difficult time actually believing it. Yet, life is challenging even for the followers of Jesus, and hardship in the twenty-first century is no exception. God's Goodness for the Chosen takes readers through eight lessons which reveal how God uses suffering to bring about good things in the lives of those He loves.

You'll see: Death is eclipsed by life; Grief is eclipsed by praise; Questions are eclipsed by resolve, Confusion is eclipsed by grace; Temporary things are eclipsed by eternal things; Heartbreak is eclipsed by love; Sin is eclipsed by obedience; Pain is eclipsed by the fullness of God's plan.

*Books are available through Amazon, or we'll have some available for purchase.*



Friday, October 4  
10:00 AM—1:00 PM

and

Saturday, October 5  
9:00 AM—1:00 PM

*Donations accepted: September 15—October 2*

Rummage Sale set-up days:  
Monday—Thursday  
9 AM



“John Knox prayed, and the Queen of England said she feared the prayers of John Knox more than all the armies of Scotland. John Wesley prayed, and revival came to England, sparing that nation the horrors of the French Revolution. Jonathan Edwards prayed, and revival spread throughout the American colonies. History has been changed time after time because of prayer. I tell you, history could be changed again if people would go to their knees in believing prayer. Even when times are bleak and the world scorns God, he still works through the prayers of his people” That quote, given by a member, sums up the importance of prayer in the life of a nation.

To that end, we have scheduled prayer meetings weekly up until the election. They will be on Thursday evenings, beginning at 7 PM and will last about an hour. Here are the dates: 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31.

## **Holy Communion**

In this Sacrament, Jesus gives us Himself, His true Body and Blood as we receive the bread and wine. Jesus instituted this when he celebrated Passover with his disciples, and assures us that each time we receive it, we again remember his death and receive the full benefits of His grace and all that he offers. In keeping with the Scripture and the teachings of the Lutheran church, we ask each person to consider these questions:

\*Do I acknowledge the fact that I am indeed a sinner and that I am sorry for my sins?

\*Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from all sin?

\*Am I trusting in Jesus' promise that I receive full forgiveness and strength through this Sacrament?

\*Do I believe and agree that the body and blood of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine?

\*With the Lord's help, will I seek to amend my sinful life and live in conformity with His holy will?

If you answer yes to all these questions and are baptized, you are welcome to come and receive all that Jesus offers in Holy Communion. May the Lord bless your personal reception as well as your daily living under His power and blessing.

We offer assistance for the **hearing impaired**. Just speak to one of our ushers, who will be able to help you. Please return the hearing device to an usher as you exit. We have a **Nursery** for infants through age 3 that is available during our services for you to use. The nursery is through the hall on the right side of the sanctuary (facing the altar).

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### **First Reading: Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29**

<sup>4</sup>Now the rabble that was among [the children of Israel] had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, "Oh that we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. <sup>6</sup>But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at. . . ." <sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the LORD blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,' to the land that you swore to give their fathers? <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness." <sup>16</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. . . ." <sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. <sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!"

### **Second Reading: James 5:13-20**

<sup>13</sup>Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup>Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. <sup>19</sup>My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, <sup>20</sup>let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

## GOSPEL: St. Mark 9:38:50

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus], “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, “Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>For the one who is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward. <sup>42</sup>“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.’ <sup>49</sup>For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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### First Care Women’s Clinic Walk for Life

Saturday October 12, 2024 - 8:30 AM—10:00 AM  
Christ Fellowship Gardens, 5243 Northlake Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens  
wewalkforlife.com

Your feet take you where you want to go, but did you know they can help you save lives?

Join us for our annual Walk for Life and Kids Fun Run event, which helps us empower women facing crisis pregnancies to choose life for their unborn children—all while sharing the love and good news of Jesus Christ. All ages are welcome! Earn great prizes and receive free Jupiter donuts, coffee, water, and more, all while supporting First Care’s life-saving work.

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**A Life Quote for Sunday, September 29:** “When we engage in the political process, we as Christians rightfully assert these rights, knowing that in doing so we are defending not only or even primarily ourselves, but our neighbors ... By asserting the right to life, and to other natural rights, we are in fact confessing God’s given order.” *Rev. Dr. Peter Scaer, Concordia Theological Seminary*

**A Life Thought in the Church Year for September 29 – Pentecost XIX (Proper 21B):** The God of the Gospel leaves no one alone. So the Christian fellowship does not ignore or avoid its members in distress. We fetch cups of cold water for each other (Mark 9:41). We absolve and intercede for one another (James 5:14-16). We assist in preserving surprise pregnancies instead of abandoning them to abortion. And we serve in terminal diagnoses instead of dismissing them to assisted suicide.

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### PLEASE INCLUDE OUR FAITH FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK



**Our Homebound:** Sandy Aiken, Alma Coates, Dennis Litzenberg, Carla Sesola, Paul and Donna Van Bommel

**Other Requests:** Faith Lutheran Teachers, Students and their families; Gail Bolognese, Barbara Cahill,

Jan Cunningham, Judith Gonnerman, Gordon Lerner, Kathy McCoy, Ernie Munter, Carole Satterthwaite, Tricia Shankin, Sally Schwartz, Bob and Laura Tegart, Sharon Wiley, and Ron Woita.



Ben Schuemann  
 Talia Waugh  
 Debra Weier  
 Lois Ruppert



Bob & Laura Tegart



### 2024 Flower Chart

The 2024 Flower Chart calendar is in the Narthex, with open spaces to sign-up for your meaningful dates (*In Memory of / In Honor of / To the Glory of God.*) The Altar flowers are \$25 per Sunday. Please make your checks payable to Faith Lutheran Church and put "Altar Flowers" in the memo line. Open dates in October 13, 20, 27



### This week's Altar Flowers

*To the Glory of God*

*by Dave & June Johnson*



Service dogs are becoming a more common occurrence in society. We have a service dog on this campus often. But a lot of people don't know how to react to service dogs. A true service dog is a working dog. When you see a service dog in action (and you'll know because somewhere the words "Service Dog" should appear, either on a vest or on a collar), please don't approach it. It is working to provide its owner whatever is needed at the moment, and approaching it or trying to pet it or greet it is not appropriate. When you see a service dog you should 1) give the dog space to do its job, and 2) give the owner space. Service dogs are not guard dogs and you don't need to be afraid of them, but they are working dogs and need to be able to focus on their job, not the person or people trying to pet them.

We are in need of the following items for our Food Pantry:



**Pasta**  
**Pasta Sauce**

*Your generosity is appreciated by our weekly Food Pantry clients*

### Van Bommel Food Delivery

If you feel led to prepare or purchase a meal for the Paul and Donna Van Bommel, please indicate so on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Meals should be dropped off at the church by 3PM on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Thank you for caring.



### Volunteer needed to clean kitchen

The church is seeking a volunteer(s) to step forward to clean the kitchen in the Michel Building. Tasks needed to be tackled include wiping down the countertops, pitching outdated food in fridge, putting away any dishes and sweeping and mopping of the floor. If you have some time to devote, please call Jen in the church office at 561-848-4737.

## Right Now Media

RightNow Media's mission is to work with the global church to inspire people to love others before self and Christ above all.



Here are three different ways to sign-up for "Right Now Media"

- (1) Custom Link: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/faithlutheranchurchnp>
- (2) Text the code **FAITHNPB** to **49775** and you will receive a text back, welcoming you to "RightNow Media" and provides you with the invite link to register.
- (3) Use this QR code: hover your phone's camera over the code and it will prompt you to open a mobile browser, select that prompt and the registration page will appear for you to sign up.



### Study Revelation at Faith!

For centuries, people have attempted to unlock the mysteries of Revelation. In *Revelation: The Hope*, we will discover that Jesus Christ is central to every prophecy, promise, and passage. Revelation gives us hope of a world made new by the redemption and restoration that Jesus offers today and for eternity.

To join BSF for this study visit: <https://www.bsfinternational.org/>

At Faith, BSF will be meeting Mondays mornings from 10:00-11:15, and Monday evenings 6:55-8:15. The evening program will also offer the study of Revelation to school-aged children (5-18 years) at levels appropriate for their age-group.



Faith is looking for lay assistants to read our week's scripture at the first service. If interested, please send an email to [church@faithnpb.com](mailto:church@faithnpb.com). Thank you!



**Mary Lou Schaffer**

Our beloved, long-term bookkeeper, Mary Lou Schaffer, has passed after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Visitation: October 4 from 4 PM-7PM, Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, Jupiter

Memorial Service: October 5 at 10:30 AM, at St. Christopher Catholic Church, Hobe Sound

## New Day 25th Anniversary Celebration

As a result of the downed powerlines caused by last week's storm, we unfortunately had to cancel New Day Adult Care's much anticipated 25th Anniversary Celebration. The good news, however, is that a new date has been selected.

Tuesday, October 15, 4:00 PM—6:30 PM  
New Day's Sunshine Room, 301 Ebbtide

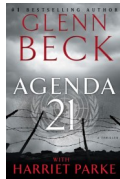
Join us for music, appetizers and fun!  
Celebrate with everyone who made these 25 years possible.  
A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

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### Faith's Book Nook



Faith's Book Nook's featured book this week is *Down to Earth* by M. Hollis in the non-fiction section as R242 HOL. The Book Nook is on the second floor of the Fellowship Hall, above the kitchen. Everyone is welcome to visit.



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### Faith's Book Club

October book of the month:  
*Agenda 21*  
by Glenn Beck



Faith's Book Club selection for the month of October is *Agenda 21* by Glenn Beck. The Club will meet on Thursday, October 17, starting with dinner at 5:30 PM at Guadalajara, followed by Book Club at 7PM in the church office.

#### About *Agenda 21*...

"I was just a baby when we were relocated and I don't remember much. Everybody has that black hole at the beginning of their life. That time you can't remember. Your first step. Your first taste of table food. My real memories begin in our assigned living area in Compound 14."

Just a generation ago, this place was called America. Now, after the worldwide implementation of a UN-led program called Agenda 21, it's simply known as "the Republic." There is no president. No Congress. No Supreme Court. No freedom. There are only the Authorities.

Citizens have two primary goals in the new Republic: to create clean energy and to create new human life. Those who cannot do either are of no use to society. This bleak and barren existence is all that eighteen-year-old Emmeline has ever known. She dutifully walks her energy board daily and accepts all male pairings assigned to her by the Authorities. Like most citizens, she keeps her head down and her eyes closed. Until they come for her mother. "You save what you think you're going to lose."

Woken up to the harsh reality of her life and her family's future inside the Republic, Emmeline begins to search for the truth. Why are all citizens confined to ubiquitous concrete living spaces? Why are Compounds guarded by Gatekeepers who track all movements? Why are food, water and energy rationed so strictly? And, most important, why are babies taken from their mothers at birth? As Emmeline begins to understand the true objectives of Agenda 21 she realizes that she is up against far more than she ever thought. With the Authorities closing in, and nowhere to run, Emmeline embarks on an audacious plan to save her family and expose the Republic—but is she already too late?

# THIS WEEK AT FAITH

## **Sunday, September 29**

8:45 AM Traditional Worship

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship

12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

*Rummage Sale set up begins*

## **Monday, September 30**

9:30 AM—11:30 AM Bible Study Fellowship (MB—Classroom C)

7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

7:00 PM—9:00 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Campus-wide)

*Rummage Sale set-up*

## **Tuesday, October 1**

6:00 PM Lay Leader's Meeting (Conference room)

*Rummage Sale set-up*

## **Wednesday, October 2**

10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry

*Rummage Sale set-up*

## **Thursday, October 3**

9:00 AM—11:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B)

10:30 AM Canasta Club (The Upper Room)

6:00 PM—9:00 PM Kairos Meeting (Location TBA)

7:00 PM—8:00 PM Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

*Rummage Sale set-up*

## **Friday, October 4**

9:30 AM—11:00 PM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B)

10:00 AM—1:00 PM Rummage Sale

## **Saturday, October 5**

7:30 AM—11:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B)

9:00 AM—1:00 PM Rummage Sale

## **Sunday, October 6**

8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

10:00 AM Congregational Breakfast (Michel Building—Gym)

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service

12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

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**NEW DAY ADULT CARE CENTER — 844-0012**

Julie Tombari: Administrator

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	<u><b>8:45 AM</b></u>	<u><b>10:45 AM</b></u>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Lou Raffa	Christine Kamikazi
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Gordon Lerner	Karen Hernandez
<b>Greeters</b>	Jim Beermann	Linda Seitz
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**OUR VISION**

**We believe God calls us to engage, encourage and equip our church,  
community and world with His unfailing love.**

We will **engage** all people in meaningful relationships with God’s unfailing love as the foundation.

We will **encourage** all people to a closer relationship with Jesus.

We will **equip** all people to live a loving, powerful, Spirit-filled life.