

Faith News and Notes for August 3, 2025

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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!

Faith's Congregational Breakfast



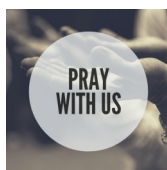
TODAY @ 10:00 AM
The Michel Building*

*We warmly welcome our visitors. The Michel Building is to your right as you leave the sanctuary.



New Member Class! We will have a new member class on Friday, August 22 at 7 PM in the church conference room. At this class you'll have an opportunity to meet the staff leaders and each other, learn a little about the history of Faith, as well as some of the doctrines and teachings of our denomination, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. A sign-up list is up in the Narthex, or you may email Pastor Mark at mstillman@faithnpb.com.

Open Prayer Meeting



A congregational prayer meeting will be held at 7PM on Wednesday, August 13th in the sanctuary.
The focus of the prayer meeting will be on church finances. We hope to see you there.

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." Matthew 7:7

Faith School News



Our school open house will be held from 8AM—12PM on Saturday, August 9.
The first day of school is Monday, August 11.

*"Lord, We pray for your favor to rest upon the school and all who work there.
May it be a place where children thrive and grow in faith."*

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 of our services for you to use. The nursery is through the hall on the right side of the sanctuary (facing the altar).

Old Testament *Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26*

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. . . .¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. . . .¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity. ²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

Epistle *Colossians 3:1–11*

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Gospel *Luke 12:13–21*

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."



A Life Quote for Sunday, August 3: “God isn’t a page in your book, you’re part of His. And He’s delighted to have you in the family.” *Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, The Lutheran Hour*

A Life Thought in the Church Year for August 3 – Pentecost VIII (Proper 13C): The Lord our God has made human lives His business (Psalm 100:3; Luke 13:20). That makes the sanctity of every human life the Church’s business. Crucified and ascended Jesus Christ invites us to press even death into service – never the death of the neighbor’s body, but rather the death of the sinful and selfish desires (Colossians 3:5) that lie behind abortion and assisted suicide.

PLEASE INCLUDE OUR FAITH FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Our Homebound: **Sandy** Aiken (now living at Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter), **Alma** Coates, **Carla** Sesola (now living in Missouri), **Donna** Van Bommel (now living at Gardens Court Nursing Home, PBG)

Other Requests: **Faith Lutheran Teachers, Students and their families;** **Gail** Bolognese, **Barbara** Cahill, **Andrea** Emde, **Judith** Gonnerman, **Dave** Johnson, **Rick** Knudtson, **Istvan** Krisko, **Gordon** Lerner, **Kathy** McCoy, **Nancy** Meyer, **Ernie** Munter, **Carole** Satterthwaite, **Tricia** Shankin, **Sally** Schwartz, **Bob and Laura** Tegart, **Sharon** Wiley, and **Ron** Woita.

Sunday School

10:00—10:30



Reminder — No Sunday
School today due to the
Congregational Breakfast.

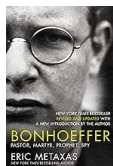
Ages 3-7 meet across the courtyard in room 3,
while 8-12 year olds meet in the Conference Room.

Friday Morning Coffee and Donuts with Faith Pre-School and Toddler Program



Interested in taking a turn in greeting our school families the first Friday of every month during drop off time? The morning (7:00—9:15 AM) consists of welcoming our families with a fresh cup of coffee, water, a donut, and/or fruit. We are in need of volunteers to man the entrance to our 555 (Pre-school) and 301 (Toddlers). The morning also includes picking up coffee and donuts at Dunkin Donuts (pre-ordered and paid for), and arriving at the school at 7:00 AM to set up and welcome our school families. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Book Study—*Bonhoeffer*



The book study, *Bonhoeffer*, hosted by Mark and Carri Leininger continues every Thursday from 7-8:30 PM at the Leininger Residence, 11923 Lake Shore Place, North Palm Beach (Hidden Key Development).

The book is available at Barnes & Noble, Amazon, etc.

If you plan to attend, please text so we can get a head count: 561-722-4988

2025 Flower Chart



The 2025 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 Altar Flower dates:
Sept. 21 & 28...October 26
November 23, 30...December 7 & 28

In Honor of
Mary Jo Petterson's birthday
by Chris Petterson



Mary Jo Petterson
Sue Litzenberg
Ron Woita



Diane & Kevin Flood
Dan & Barb Specksgoor
John & Eileen Frerking
Mark & Tracey Stillman
Tom & Sue Weber

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.

Faith's Book Nook—Featured Book of the Week



This week's featured read in Faith's Book Nook is, *Hold me up a Little Longer, Lord*, by M. Holmes in the non-fiction section as 242 HOL. The Book Nook is located on the 2nd floor of the Michel Building above the kitchen. Come visit!



Faith's Book Club — August Book of the Month

The Briar Club
by Kate Quinn



Meeting Date: Wednesday, August 20th / Dinner: 5:30 @Allora / Book Discussion: 7:00 in Church Conference Room
Join us!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

Sunday, August 3

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Congregational Breakfast (Gym) *No Sunday School today.*
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

Monday, August 4

- 6:30 PM—9:30 PM Via de Cristo (Michel Building classrooms)
- 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

Tuesday, August 5

Wednesday, August 6

- 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry

Thursday, August 7

- 9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B/Michel Building)
- 10:30 AM Canasta Club (The Upper Room)
- 7:00 PM Bonhoeffer Book Study (Leininger residence)

Friday, August 8

- 9:30 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B/Michel Building)

Saturday, August 9

- 7:30 AM Weight Watchers (Classrooms A & B/Michel Building)
- 8:00 AM—12PM Open House for Faith Pre-School and Toddler Program

Sunday, August 10

- 8:45 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Sunday School School (Ages 3-7: Classroom 3. Ages 8-12: Conference Rm.)
- 10:45 AM Contemporary Service
- 12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

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Lisandria Slavin: Director — Evelyn Lawrence: Assistant/After School Director

NEW DAY ADULT CARE CENTER — 561-844-0012

Julie Tombari: Administrator

	8:45 AM	10:45 AM
Altar Guild	Mary Jo Petterson	Laura Hess
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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.