## Faith News and Notes for October 19, 2025

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**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!

#### **October is Pastor Appreciation month**



As October is Pastor Appreciation month, let Pastor Mark know how much you appreciate him.

## Men's Breakfast / Bible Study Meets Saturday, October 25th

The next meeting of the Men's Saturday Breakfast Bible Study series will be held on October 25th from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM. This video study, titled, *The Truth in True Crime*, by J. Warner Wallace is available through Right Now Media. There is a Guidebook for this study, appropriately titled, The Truth in True Crime Investigator's Guide. It is available on Amazon for \$14.99, or you may purchase a copy through the church while supplies last. A sign-up list is up in the Narthex.

#### Thank you!

A big thank you to those who assisted with Fran's reception, including those who set-up, cleaned up, served, baked, tore down and did laundry. Without all your help it wouldn't have been the celebration that it was. Fran is very proud of us!





Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who assisted with the October Rummage Sale.

Your efforts helped in raising nearly \$6,000.

The next sale will be held January 9th and 10th.

#### **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 Genesis 32:22-30

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. <sup>24</sup>And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

#### Epistle 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

<sup>14</sup>As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. <sup>1</sup>I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"



A Life Quote for Sunday, October 19: "You and I are made for life, abundant and everlasting. And this Gospel is made for all our neighbors, every genetic member of humanity." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life

A Life Thought in the Church Year for October 19 – (Proper 24): The world has always been filled with people who have turned away from the truth of God's Word and are not willing to endure sound doctrine (2 Timothy 4:3-4), especially regarding the sanctity of human life. Knowing that we can't force people to believe God's Word and value God's precious gift of life, we "lift up our eyes to the hills," trusting that "... our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Psalm 121:1-2). For we trust that God alone has the power to change hearts, and He does so through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is able to make us wise unto salvation (2 Timothy 3:15).

#### **Prayer Requests**



<u>Our Homebound</u>: Sandy Aiken (now living at Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter), Alma Coates, Carla Sesola (now living in Missouri), Donna Van Bommel (now living at Palm Beach Memory Care, NPB)

<u>Other Requests</u>: Faith Lutheran Teachers, Students and their families; Gail Bolognese, Andrea Emde, Judith Gonnerman, The family of Fran Hickman, 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, Lynn Wilke, and Ron Woita.

#### Welcome, Angie!



We are so pleased to announce that Angie Pendas has joined Faith as our new bookkeeper. Angie, a nearly lifelong resident of Florida, previously traveled throughout the country in her role as an administrator/bookkeeper for a developer of health care facilities and clinics. Angie lives just a few miles from the church with her husband, two dogs, and six cats. In her spare time Angie enjoys spending time with family, which includes five children and seven grand-children. Please join us in welcoming Angie!

Note: Our interim bookkeeper (and Director of our Praise Band), Janet Cunningham will continue supporting Faith's finances in her new role as Director of Accounting. We thank Janet for all of her work on behalf of the Church, School and New Day these past few years.

## Volunteers needed for Friday morning Coffee & Donuts November 7th and December 5th



The first Friday of each month, we welcome our school parents during drop off time (7:00—9:15 AM) with a fresh cup of coffee, a donut, and/or fruit. Volunteers are asked to man the entrance to our 555 (Pre-school) and 301 (Toddler Program). 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. You could be part of this fun event by volunteering on Friday, November 7th and/or December 5th. Sign-up in the Narthex today!

#### **Bible Study Fellowship Monday mornings and evenings**



Faith is excited to once again be hosting Bible Study Fellowship. This year's study, *Exile and Return*, invites you on a powerful journey through the Old Testament, where God's people were called to build His kingdom in a foreign land. Their story is our story—we, too, are strangers in a broken world, called to build for His glory. As we explore how God equips and positions His people, we're challenged to ask: Am I building my life for Christ? *Exile and Return* reminds us that our time to build is now. Books included in this year's study: Ezekiel, Daniel, Ezra, Esther, Haggai, Zechariah, Nehemiah, and Malachi.

#### <u>September 8 — May 4</u>

Monday morning sessions: 10:00 — 11:15, Michel Building, 2nd floor Monday evening sessions: 6:55 —8: 45, Campus –wide

#### For more information call:

Martha Parker: 561-801-5786 (Women's morning and evening sessions)

Jeff Fisher: 561-371-0871 (Men's evening session)



#### **Food Pantry Needs This Week**



Thanks for all of your donations to the food pantry! We can't do it without you.

The food pantry distributes canned beans, spaghetti sauce, meat, fruit, vegetables, soup and pasta every week.

This week's needs are canned or plastic jars of spaghetti sauce, soup and packages of spaghetti or pasta.

(No glass containers please).



Faith will be hosting Life Line Screenings on Tuesday, October 28th, in the Michel Building. Screenings identify your risk level for Caroitid Artery Disease, Peripheral Arterial Disease, Abdominal Aortic Anerurysm, and Atrial Fibrillation. Faith Lutheran members receive a discount. To schedule your appointment, call 800-324-9458.

#### Sharon Hess Book Nook—Featured Book of the Week



This week's featured read in the Sharon Hess Book Nook is, *The Purpose-Driven Life*, by R. Warren in the non-fiction section as 248.4 WAR The Book Nook is located on the 2nd floor of the Michel Building above the kitchen.

Come visit!

#### 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.

This week's flowers:

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## In Memory of David Cano by Lauree Cano

#### **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 Club — October selection



# The Martha's Vineyard and Book Club by Marha Hall Kelly

**Date:** Monday, October 20th / **Dinner:** 5:30 PM @ Taco Dive, (Promenade Plaza), Palm Beach Gardens **Book Discussion:** 7:00 in church office

2024. Mari lands on the storied shores of Martha's Vineyard, fresh off the heels of her mother's funeral, with plans to meet the famous painter, Elizabeth Devereux. She is there to paint, but few understand why the notoriously reclusive Ms. Devereux would agree to take Mari on. It soon becomes clear that her teacher brought Mari there for a She holds the key to Mari's past and among this magical island's sandy beaches and the shimmering ocean, the history of her family and their fateful connection to this place becomes clear.

1942. The Smith sisters, still reeling from the explosion of war and their brother's enlistment, are left to care for their family's Martha's Vineyard property—alone. Briar, the rambunctious younger of the two, begins to suspect that a German U-boat lurks on the horizon, spying on a neighbouring Army base. Ginny, the eldest, dreams of being a writer in New York and falls headlong into a passionate romance with a British Navy Officer. When they start up a book club that pores over Armed Service Editions, what begins as an attempt to bolster the war effort by getting books into the hands of soldiers becomes a powerful means of connection for the women who have been left behind to fend for themselves. But when a German soldier washes ashore, one who claims to have knowledge of their brother's whereabouts, paranoia seeps Who can they trust? And who among them is telling the truth?

Traversing time to tell a remarkable story of the power of literature to unite communities, acclaimed author Martha Hall Kelly's epic novel explores one of America's most renowned locales and its role at the forefront of the greatest war humankind has ever known.

## THIS WEEK AT FAITH

### **Sunday, October 19**

Via de Cristo (Campus-wide)

8:45 AM Traditional Service

10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-7: Classroom 3. Ages 8-12: Conference Rm.)

10:45 AM Contemporary Service

12:00 PM Contemporary Worship Practice

## Monday, October 20

10:00 AM—11:15 AM Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Michel Building, classrooms)

5:30 PM Book Club dinner (Taco Dive, Palm Beach Gardens)

6:55 PM—8:45 PM Men's & Women's Bible Study Fellowship (campus-wide)

7:00 PM Book Club (Church office)

7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

## **Tuesday, October 21**

## Wednesday, October 22

10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry

6:00 PM—8:00 PM Village Garden Condo Assn. (Multi-purpose Room)

## Thursday, October 23

9:00 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A, B, C)

10:30 AM Canasta Club (Upper Room)

6:00 PM New Day Support Group (New Day)

## Friday, October 24

9:30 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A, B, C)

## Saturday, October 25

8:00 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building/Classrooms A, B, C)

8:30 AM—10:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Bible Study (Conference Room)

2:00 AM—4:00 PM Kristine Pernsteiner's Baby Shower (Seitz residence)

## Sunday, October 26

8:45 AM Traditional Service and baptism of Yvette Beisel

10:00 AM Sunday 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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8:45 AM 10:45 AM

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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.