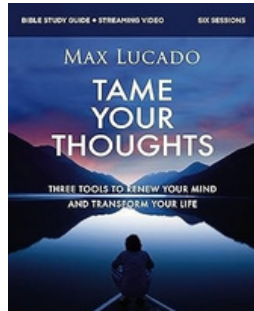


Faith News and Notes for October 4, 2026

PLEASE Note on The Pew Attendance Card which Service you attended

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 FLAME and FAITH NEWS AND NOTES are online at faithlutheran-npb.com



New Bible Study with Pastor Mark

A new Bible study from Max Lucado through Right Now Media will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room and via Zoom. Join Pastor Mark for this six-session study.

The description: Have you been feeling weighed down by worry? Or caught up in a web of self-critical thoughts? The good news is that with God's help, you can learn to renew your mind, break free from negative patterns, and become a little more like Jesus every day. This six-session Bible study (video access included) explores three scripture-based tools for managing your thoughts.

These three tools will help you take every thought captive and test the messages that replay in your mind against the truth of God's Word. You will also learn to overcome common thought traps like anxiety, guilt, rejection, dissatisfaction, and more. No matter who you are or where you come from, progress is possible.

Ten Study Guides have been purchased from Amazon and will be available for purchase (\$10). Of course, individual purchases of the Guide from Amazon is also an option. Sign up in the Narthex.

Fridays • October 2–November 20, 7:00–9:00 PM Faith Lutheran Church Gymnasium



Together, we'll explore how the Holy Spirit forms us through **Power, Love, and Self-Control**—learning to overcome fear, serve others through our gifts, grow in Christlike love, and live with the sound-mindedness and discipline Paul calls us to.

The final week brings it all together: **Power provides momentum, Love supplies motive, and Self-Control provides guardrails** for a life of faithful Christian living.

Dinner is provided; however, you're welcome to bring a salad, side dish, dessert, or beverage to share.

Sign up using the QR code above or in the Narthex

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 Reading *Lamentations 3:22–33*

²²The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust— there may yet be hope; ³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

Epistle *James 5:7–11*

⁷Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door. ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. ¹¹Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

Holy Gospel 18:23–35

²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



October 4 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 22 A – The master sent servants to harvest, and the tenants beat them and treated them harshly. Even worse, they killed the son. We too can treat the messengers of the Gospel harshly, especially when they speak the truth of God's Law to us. And yet, the Son of God went to the cross for us who are wicked and sinful (Matthew 21), and the vineyard of the Lord will yield good grapes on the last day (Isaiah 5). So, we press on toward that goal of everlasting life and share the Gospel with others, knowing that it is only by the grace of God that we are counted as perfect (Philippians 3).

October 4 "Your life is valuable, and your life has purpose. It was not an accident; it was planned from the beginning. But that doesn't mean it will be easy. You will experience hardship and suffering. As you age, your body will wear out. Your mind will dull. Your abilities will lessen. And yet, it is in your body with all of its brokenness that the Holy Spirit resides. It is this, your body, that God the Father formed by hand, and it is this, your body, that Jesus, God's Son, redeemed. And your body, a unique and miraculous gift, will be raised from the dead and made new." Michelle Bauman, former Director of Y4Life – A Life
Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Prayer Requests



Our Homebound: **Sandy** Aiken (Courtyard Gardens of Jupiter); **Alma** Coates; **Carla** Sesola (now living in Missouri); **Donna** Van Bommel (Palm Beach Memory Care, NPB); **Gordon** Lerner (Luxe Rehabilitation in Jupiter).

Other Requests: **Faith Lutheran Teachers, students and their families;** **Jessica** Dillahunt; **Dave** Johnson, **Rick** Knudtson, **Istvan** Krisko, **Kathy** McCoy, **Nancy** Meyer, **Carole** Satterthwaite, **Tricia** Shankin, **Sally** Schwartz, **Bob and Laura** Tegart, **Walt & Sharon** Wiley, **Lynn** Wilke, and **Ron** Woita.



Want to Grow in Sharing the Gospel?

Join us for a weekly study through the Book of Acts, where we explore one chapter at a time and learn how to confidently share the Gospel and our personal testimonies in everyday life.

Saturdays (cancelled this Saturday due to the Rummage Sale)

Breakfast: 9:00–10:00 AM (provided by Justin Gaynor); **Study:** 10:00–11:00 AM

Location: School Activity Room (look for signage)

How to Join: Register in the Narthex OR Scan the QR code

If you're looking for supplemental reading to accompany Acts 2 and dive deeper into the themes of Pentecost and the Holy Spirit, *Life in the Spirit* by A.W. Tozer is an excellent choice.



Questions? Contact Justin Gaynor at 561-777-5016.



Thank you for contributing food for the food pantry! We can always use our top 8 items. Check Publix for BOGOs, shop Aldi, or shop Trader Joe's for great pasta for only 99 cents!

The top 8:

Canned beans

Spaghetti Sauce in cans or plastic jars

Canned meat (tuna, chicken)

Canned fruit

Canned vegetables

Canned Soup

Pasta (1 lb packages)

Peanut butter

Please no glass, single serve items, or expired food.

Thanks for thinking of the food pantry and for your continued generosity!

Women of Faith's
RUMMAGE SALE



DONATIONS ACCEPTED NOW

Friday, October 9

10 AM — 1 PM

and

Saturday, October 10

9 AM — 1 PM



We're looking for church members who would enjoy volunteering for our **Friday Morning Coffee & Donuts Ministry!** This welcoming outreach takes place on the **first Friday of each month**, (except the month of August—when the event will be held the second Friday of the month), during the school year and is a wonderful way to start the day by sharing hospitality with our school families.

Whether you can help **once during the year or several Fridays**, we'd love to have you join us!

Volunteer Responsibilities:

- Arrive at school by 7:00 AM to set up.
- Welcome families during morning drop-off by offering coffee, water, donuts, and fruit at the entrances of our 555 (Preschool) and 301 (Toddler) buildings.
- Serve from 7:15–9:00 AM.

This is a simple and meaningful opportunity to extend Christ's love through hospitality and help create a warm, welcoming start to the school day. Please sign up on the volunteer sheet available in the Narthex .



New Day celebrates 27 years!

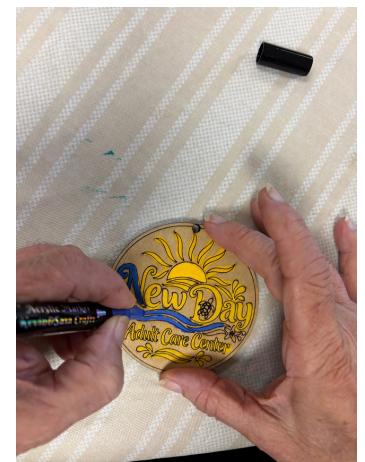


What a fun-filled celebration we had last week at New Day Adult Care Center as we celebrated our 27th anniversary!

Along with live entertainment and delicious festive food, our clients and their family members came together to create a special keepsake for New Day.

The result is a beautiful, one-of-a-kind art piece featuring the New Day logo surrounded by colorful marine life—all created with love by our wonderful clients and their families.

Come visit us and see this spectacular new artwork on display! We're so proud to have it as a lasting reminder of our special celebration and the amazing New Day community.





Faith is excited to once again host Bible Study Fellowship! This year's study, Romans: From Guilt to Grace, offers a deep and compelling examination of Christ's sacrificial work on behalf of sinners. Paul's letter to the Romans unpacks the high cost of sin and God's gracious solution, revealing His heart and the eternal hope available to humanity.

When believed and applied, the truths of Romans can revolutionize how we view sin, failure, judgment, and one another in this fallen world. This study has the potential to transform our thinking, anchor our faith, and reorder our priorities as we seek to live for Christ.

September 14 - May 3

Men and Women's Monday evening sessions:
6:55 —8: 45 pm (Campus –wide)

Women's Monday morning sessions:
10:00 — 11:15 am (Michel Building, 2nd floor)

For more information call:

Martha Parker: 561-801-5786 (Women's morning and evening sessions)
Jeff Fischer: 561-371-0871 (Men's evening session)

Bring a friend to church

Not everyone grows up in a family that brings them to church. For those who haven't, you could be the one person who leads them to the Lord.

What a blessing it is to invite a friend to church—to be the person who helps them take that first step toward knowing Jesus.

Bring a friend. Share your faith. Be a light. You never know how God may use you to change a life.



Our Book Nook includes many books about Jesus for children and adults.
The Sharon Hess Book Nook Library is located in the Michel Building on the second floor above the Kitchen.

Featured Book of the Week:

Love Must Be Tough, by James Dobson found in 646.78 DOB

Join us for Canasta

The Canasta Club continues to meet every Thursday (except December 25th and January 1st), from 10:30 until mid-afternoon in the Michel Building's Upper Room. There is no cost and we will teach you how to play. The group breaks around noon for a brown bag lunch brought by the attendees. It is a great time for fun and fellowship.

If you would like more information, call June Johnson 561-329-7521 or Arline Reilly 561-281-3438.



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

This year marks a milestone, as Pastor Mark has been with us for 10 years!! What a momentous occasion! Please join us in thanking Pastor for ministering to us this past decade.

“Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.” 1

Thessalonians 5:12-13



2026 Flower Chart



Open spaces are available on the Altar Flower Chart to sign up for your meaningful dates— (In Memory of / In Honor of / To the Glory of God.) The Altar flowers are \$35 per Sunday. Please make your checks payable to Faith Lutheran Church and put “Altar Flowers” in the memo line.

This week's flowers in Honor of Donna and Van Kent's 17th anniversary, by Arline Reilly



**Lois Ruppert
Matt Henshaw
Diane Flood**



Matt & Erica Eggerman

RIGHTNOW MEDIA

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



Getting started is easy! Choose one of these three ways to sign up:

- Sign up using our custom link: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/faithlutheranchurchnp>
- Text to join: Text FAITHNPB to 49775. You'll receive a welcome message with a link to register.
- Scan the QR code: Open your phone's camera and hover over the QR code. Tap the prompt that appears to open the registration page and sign up.

Rummage Sale Volunteers Needed

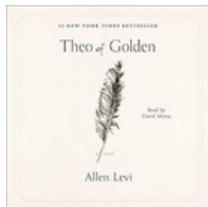
The Women of Faith are asking for Rummage sale volunteers to help with set-up during the week and to work the day of the Sale.

Volunteer hours (drop in anytime and stay as long as you like)

Monday - Thursday, October 5-8 from 9am to 2pm

Friday, October 9 from 9am to 1pm

Saturday, October 10 from 8:30am to 2pm



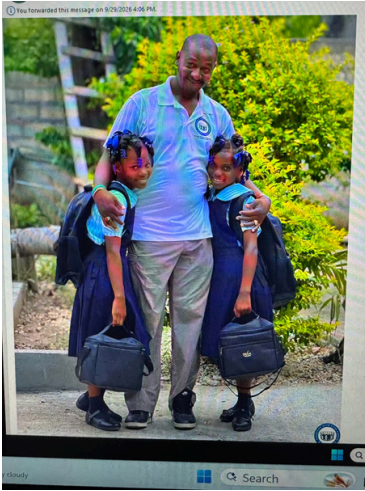
**Faith's Book Club
October Book of the Month
Theo of Golden
by Allen Levin**



Date: Monday, October 19 @ 5:30 pm / **Dinner:** Allora's, North Palm Beach / **Book Discussion:** Church office @ 7pm

One spring morning, a stranger named Theo arrives in the small Southern city of Golden. He doesn't explain much about where he came from or why he's there—but when he visits the local coffeehouse, where pencil portraits of the people of Golden hang on the walls, he begins purchasing them, one at a time, and giving each portrait to the person depicted. In exchange, he asks only for the person's story. And so portrait by portrait, person by person, secrets are revealed, regrets are shared, and ordinary lives are profoundly altered.

Endowment Donation Appreciations



A huge thank you to the Endowment Fund and the members of Faith Lutheran Church for their generous donation to **Habitat for Children's Ministries in Haiti**. Meschac St. Amour, president of this wonderful organization visited us this past Sunday.

Dear Members of Faith Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to replace our water fountains in the school cafeteria at **Hope Rural School**. It was a pleasure to have Benjamin visit our school campus in Indiantown. Your generosity is truly appreciated by our students.

Since opening our doors in 1980, countless families have received HOPE through our quality programs. Children and their families have been inspired to achieve a future filled with opportunity and accomplishment. Hope Rural School believes that every child has a right to receive an education in an environment that promotes dignity and respect for heritage and cultural diversity, nourishes multiple learning styles, and inspires strong character traits while maintaining high expectations to meet our accreditation standards.

Miguel Gaspar
Principal

Community Donation to our church

Faith Lutheran sincerely thanks **Best Lighting Supply in Lake Park** for its recent donation of several replacement lights for our church.

This Week at Faith



Sunday, October 4

Rummage Sale Set-up starts

8:45 AM Traditional Service
8:45 AM — 12:00 PM Prayer Team in Chapel (drop in anytime)
10:00 AM Congregational Breakfast (No Sunday School)
10:45 AM Contemporary Service
12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice

Monday, October 5

Rummage Sale Set-up
10:00 AM Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Michel Building –2nd floor)
6:55 PM—8:45 PM Bible Study Fellowship (Campus-wide)
7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous (Chapel)

Tuesday, October 6

Rummage Sale Set-up
10:30 AM—2:30 PM Lifewise (Michel Building—classroom C)

Wednesday, October 7

Rummage Sale Set-up
10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Pastor's Mid-Week Bible Study (Conference Room)

Thursday, October 8

Rummage Sale Set-up
9:00 AM—10:30 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building classrooms)
10:30 AM Canasta Club (Michel Building classroom C)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Via de Cristo (Michel Building - Classroom C)

Friday, October 9

9:30 AM—11:00 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building classrooms)
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Rummage Sale (Gym)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Supper with St. Paul Bible Study

Saturday, October 10

8:00 AM—9:30 AM Weight Watchers (Michel Building classrooms)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Kairos Meeting (Chapel)
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Rummage Sale (Gym)

Sunday, October 11

8:45 AM Traditional Service
8:45 AM — 12:00 PM Prayer Team in Chapel (drop in anytime)
10:00 AM Sunday School (Ages 3-6 in Classroom 3 / Ages 7-12 in Conference Room)
10:45 AM Contemporary Service
12:00 PM Contemporary Music Practice



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Julie Tombari: Administrator

	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.