

# FAITH TALKS

JANUARY 2023



WORSHIP SUNDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.

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## ROSES

**Our Christmas carolers, and those who organized caroling: Beth & Karsen Bradley, Emily Puerta, and Alyssa Manes**

**Our quilters for their holiday fair**

**Soup-bringers, setup and cleanup folks for Holden suppers**

**Those who donated their time and talent to all of our advent festivities including Reindeer Games, Hanging of the Greens, and crafts**

**Everyone who provided Advent staff meals**

**Doug De Soto for his outstanding efforts and success with social ministry**

**The audit team (Dianne Knight, Phil Rowberg, and Bill Youngstrom)**

**St. John's Episcopal Church for their collaboration with Lessons & Carols;  
Karen Avis for setting up the fellowship hall for refreshments**

**Bob Bay for making repairs to the kitchen island**



# FAITH FAMILY NEWS

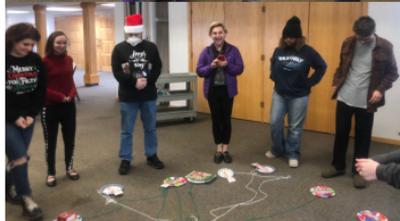
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525,600 minutes. I can still, by heart, belt this entire song from *Rent* because of the van sing-along of my college speech team, every road trip. *Seasons of Love* also speaks to the meaning of the last year of ministry spent here at Faith Lutheran Church. My biggest blessing of the past year is the time I get to spend in Christian community with you all.

What have been some highlights? Our youth group! This past year, Faith Lutheran Youth participated in service projects, art experiences, Bible Study, a trip to Rebound for a week of camp and fun. We also celebrated many occasions with ice cream, trips to school concerts and more.

Faith Lutheran's Young Adult crowd! This year was marked with 2 weddings, more events in which the Blue Jacket was won and lost, and two separate superhero experiences. Our young adult group continues to grow and thrive, and be a place where the young adults in our community are welcomed and celebrated to be their best selves.

Our littlest Lutherans here at Faith have kept us on our toes this past year. We've created art, played with our friends at summertime Preschool Playgroup, hung out together at homes, the Children's museum, celebrated our friend Logan finishing her cancer treatments, naming all of the animals that help us tell the Nativity story and bring us comfort during our Sunday school time. In December we created a new blanket using scraps from the quilters to keep Baby Jesus warm on many Christmas Eve's to come. We also were able to carol sing for a number of parishoners this year!





This past Christmas, a number of our Sunday School critters were able to participate in our Family Nativity story retelling. Our Sunday School kids are very proud of their zoo and how they manage our growing number of stuffed critters. In case you missed the list in the Christmas Eve bulletin, we'd like to take time to introduce you to our friends.

The three oldest members of the group are the elephant Jedidiah, and the camels, Mordacai and Malachai. They were joined by new friends in the fall, our rainbow llama Jebediah, our mountain goat, Queen Soft the lamb, the goat whose name isn't Tom Brady, our first lobster, Stephen King, and more. We have new llamas named Lilac and Lila (they're twins), and other animals who are awaiting their names. The kids are very proud of their zoo, and pick up the room every Sunday by returning the animals to our playhouse/barn.

But the most joy was Christmas morning, when the kids opened their new horse friend. Who is taller than a preschooler and kindergartner.





# WALKING THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

Ben Colahan, Pastor

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"Next year in Jerusalem!" It's what Jewish people say each Passover and Yom Kippur. It's a phrase that embodies the desire of a people who have been exiles for centuries to return to a home. It's said sometimes joyously, sometimes wistfully, but rarely is it spoken literally. And so it is a strange sensation to find myself saying it, not as a slogan, but as a travel plan.

January 16 - 29th, nine other members of Faith Lutheran's community and I will be traveling with three other Lutheran congregations to the Holy Land. I am so excited to see the places I have spent so much time reading about in scripture. I can't wait to walk in the literal footsteps of Jesus. I imagine myself having a profound spiritual experience as I step into the Holy Sepulcher where Christ was buried or being brought to my knees by the Spirits in Bethlehem. I'd like to believe that my biblical insights and sermon illustrations will be forever enriched by riding down the road to Jericho. But the honest truth is that I have no idea how the trip will transform me.

That's the point of pilgrimage, we go to encounter the divine. And God has a curious habit of not taking our plans into consideration. Encountering God is encountering a mystery. And so ultimately, pilgrims set out on their journey not to see their destination, but to seek God's desire. And since God is everywhere. We don't have to go to a specific place to experience the Holy; we simply have to open our heart.



Pilgrimage is not going to a place, it's going through a process. It's a process of opening ourselves to the unexpected, of stepping out beyond our comfort, of setting our intention to search for the Spirit in every step of our journey. It is a process which we can do anywhere. And in many ways, it's a perfect way to think of starting the new year.

We all have goals and desires for the new year. I hope to see the Holy Land. I plan to teach a class to prepare people of Faith to preach. I desire to deepen our congregation's direct service to our community. You have your own list of dreams and resolutions for the year.

But ultimately, we don't know what this year will bring us. So may we make our journey through 2023 a pilgrimage, a process of opening ourselves to the unexpected, of stepping out beyond our comfort, of setting our intention to search for the Spirit in every step.

Who knows how the journey this year will change and transform you? That is the point of pilgrimage. That is the joy of the journey. May we savor every step. You may not be traveling to Jerusalem, but you are traveling toward your spiritual home: Christ. Next year in Jesus!

Your brother in Christ,  
Pastor Ben Colahan

# WORSHIP + MUSIC

## Sunday Worship 9:30 AM

In person and Online

## History & Geography of the Bible & Holy Land

### Sundays at 11am in the Fellowship Hall

Come learn about Israel: the land, the people, the battles; the way in which "place" and "sacred space" made the Bible, its characters; the ministry of Jesus and the Church; and the enduring importance of Jerusalem in the modern world.

## Bell Choir Practice

Tuesdays at 5pm starting Jan. 31

## Choir Practice

Thursdays at 5pm starting Feb. 9

## Contemporary Practice

Thursdays at 6:30pm starting Jan. 12



## Theologian from El Salvador to Visit Faith Wed. Jan. 11th at 7pm

Rev. Christian Chavarría, Assistant to the Bishop of the Salvadoran Lutheran Church, will be visiting Chico in January! Join us for an evening prayer worship in which Rev. Christian will share with us how the gospel is being lived out by our siblings in Christ in El Salvador. (Pictured: Rev. Christian with the art that he creates)



# MUSIC IN THE NEW YEAR

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Greetings all! Here we are in the month of January! The New Year has arrived with joy and anticipation of new and wonderful things.

Each year my friends and family ask what my New Year's resolutions will be and as usual I always say "this year I'm going to go back to the gym, I'm going to be more proactive at pursuing my goals" and so on and so forth. It's currently 11:20 AM on December 19th and I'm not entirely sure about what my resolutions for the year will be... and while I don't know, I find peace in not knowing and that I can breath and everything will be fine. I find peace in letting the future be what it is and I find joy in thankfulness of the year and time that I've been given, especially with each and every one of you. And it's because of each of you that I can find this peace.

As we start this New Year I continue to be thankful for the year of 2022. There was so much that happened that really made me stop and breath. This year taught me that I have to take time to be thankful, even in the middle of times where it seems that we hop from one thing to another.



During this year we saw the return of choirs, finally, after two years, we resumed the tradition of lessons and carols with St. John's Episcopal, Dani had wonderful numbers of kids and youth plus the return of small groups, Pr. Ben had amazing sermons as well as his duties as Dean of this region and Michael was busy as ever managing the office as well as getting married! What a year! WOW! As we leap into the New Year there are a few reminders from the Music and Worship side of the church:

- Contemporary- This group will resume rehearsals on Thursday, January 12th at 6:30 PM.
  - Handbell Choir- This group will resume rehearsals on Tuesday, January 31st at 5:00 PM.
  - Sanctuary Choir- This group will resume rehearsals on Thursday, February 9th at 5:00 PM.
- A/V trainings- We are in need of several people who are interested in work the Audio/Visual system to help serve in worship. If you are interested, please reach out to me via email at [lukenicolay1@gmail.com](mailto:lukenicolay1@gmail.com). I will coordinate a set of trainings so that you can get ample amounts of time on the AV system.
  - Worship Trainings- I would like to hold worship trainings for all groups who serve during worship. We are always looking for more people to share their gifts in worship. Without each of you, worship would not flow smoothly. We continue to be grateful for the gifts that you share with each of us at Faith Lutheran.

As we head into this New Year, I'm thankful for each of you. For the reminders to stop and breath, to take care of myself, and especially for the gifts that you share not only with me but with the church and the community as a whole. I continue to be amazed and humbled by the experiences that I share will all of you. I truly look forward to another wonderful year with all of you.

Blessings as you navigate this New Year,  
 Luke Nicolay, Director of Worship & Music

STAFF AWAY TIME

**Luke will be visiting his family in Kansas from Monday, December 26th to Sunday, January 8th and will return on Monday the 9th.**



**Pastor Ben will journey to the Holy Land with other members of Faith this month! He will be gone starting Monday, January 16th and will return on Monday, January 30th.**

# POINSETTIAS



Julio & Caryl Quinones ~ In celebration of our family; in memory of our parents Frank & Betty Schott, and Julio & Esther Quinones.

Donna Garland ~ In memory of my husband, Tiny.

Carl & Faye Johnson ~ In celebration of family.

Dave & Molly Barnum ~ In celebration of the Barnum family.

Carol Grandy ~ In memory of John Coutts and for the love of his wife and my friend Ruth; in memory of my mother Doris.

Ted & Charlaine Sandberg ~ For Fay Sandberg and Verna Carden.

Dax, Karen and Dustin Kimmelshue ~ In memory of Ed & Ruby Kimmelshue; in memory of Keith & Anneliese Williams.

Mereleen Brown ~ In celebration of my loved ones.

Char Miller ~ For parents Gladys & Carl Check; Annette & Earl Miller.

Sharon & Gary Prindle ~ In memory of Matthew & Veronica Zajackowski; Winifred & Ernest Prindle.

Nola Dosch ~ In memory of my husband Craig.

Vickie James ~ In memory of parents Sam & Dorothy Alburn, and parents-in-law Cal & Margie James

The Bailey Family ~ In memory of Kathy & Lou Himmelhoch; Emma & Bob Bailey

Wendy & Bruce Pine ~ In celebration of Laurel Pine's heart transplant at Stanford

Marge Troester ~ In memory of Steve Troester



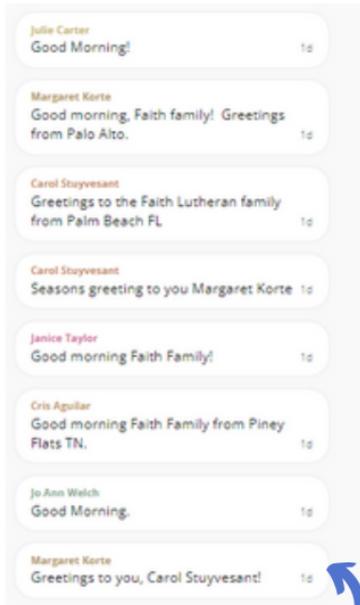
# ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE

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Happy New Year! We all say it. Will it truly be a NEW year? What will make it new? What part of the old year will we want to leave behind or bring with us to 2023?

Many of you have been able to worship in person. Some are still worshipping from home for various reasons, both personal and medical. Please know that you are missed. We are so glad that you have been able to participate in the online streaming service. We hear from people in other states that they are so glad to have this opportunity. Those of you who travel have been able to stay connected through the online service.

There have been many small group options this past year. Some will continue and some will not. Some new opportunities will develop in the coming months. Will you be a part of a new group? Would you want to lead a small group in your area of interest?



Let's take a moment to reflect on what we have done this past year. What do you want the new year to look like? Please feel free to send me an email with your ideas, hopes, and concerns. Your email will remain confidential between you and me. Send your email to ckampf@aol.com.

- What do you want Faith Lutheran Church to continue doing?
- What do you think that we need to stop doing?
- I wish . . .
- I suggest that . . .
- I value . . .
- I hope . . .

Thank you for your input and ideas. I look forward to this last six months as your president. 2023 will be a Happy NEW Year, with the best of the Happy OLD Year.

Cindy



# SOCIAL MINISTRY: A YEAR END REVIEW

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As we turn the calendar to a new year, I will be completing my time as Chair of the Social Ministry Team. Over the next few months, the Social Ministry Team will be planning how to handle the leadership and administrative aspects of Social Ministry for the coming year. We encourage anyone interested in taking part in Social Ministry or one or more of the ministries supported by Faith Lutheran to contact any member of the Social Ministry Team or the office for more information. Here is a recap of some of the events we sponsored, supported, or advocated for in the 2022 calendar year.

## January-June 2022

Faith Lutheran Church hosted the Safe Space Winter Shelter January 16th through January 30th. In true Christmas tradition, Faith provided room "in the inn" by housing 35 people in the Parish Hall. Faith members also provided dinners for shelter participants. The Social Ministry Team sponsored a Random Act of Kindness Day activity called the



"Clothes and More" donation drive in February for the North State Shelter Team's Mobile Shower Program. In addition to the towels, underwear, clothing, and hygiene products donated by FLC members, we collected \$1,000.00 in financial donations to support the on-going cost related to operating the shower trailer.

In March, Red Cross Month, the Social Ministry Team hosted a tabling event providing material and information on the American Red Cross. The Social Ministry Team invited FLC members to join the Red Cross mission by volunteering, giving blood, learning lifesaving skills, or making a financial donation. The Social Ministry Team, committed to raising awareness about health-related ministries in our local community, voted to formally support the work of the Shalom Free Clinic by allowing the group to use one of the church's classrooms for counseling purposes and through an ongoing financial commitment starting in July. In May we got on our state legislator's agenda to talk policy and justice for Lutheran Lobby Day! We virtually gathered with our neighbors from across the state for a day of advocacy, worship, and prayer. We met with different legislative offices, conducted 6 workshops with ELCA leaders, and supported bills for social, racial, and environmental justice in California.

Faith Lutheran participated in the Chico Pride 2022 event in June reaffirming our commitment to supporting the California North State LGBTQ+ community.



### July-September 2022

Faith Lutheran Church and Safe Space teamed up to host a free, easy-to-access cooling center from our very own Parish Hall in August. We were blessed to be able to minister to those seeking relief and safety from the unusually extreme temperatures we experienced in 2022. The annual collection and distribution of backpacks and school supplies for students occurred in August. The 2022 drive benefited Fair View High School. 80 backpacks

filled with school supplies and \$600.00 donated for the establishment of a school library was distributed to Fair View High School.

Faith observed the ELCA's annual God's Work, Our Hands Sunday on September 11th this year. Members of Faith marked the annual day of service by teaming up with the City of Chico and the North State Shelter Team to restore hiking trails and remove trash from Teichert Ponds as well as getting to know our unhoused neighbors in the area. In September the Social Ministry Team and Church Council advocated for support of the North State Shelter Team's Managed Campground Proposal, a plan to provide additional shelter space to house the Chico areas homeless.

### October-December 2022

The Annual Steve Troester Memorial Blood Drive took place in October. Members of Faith Lutheran signed up to give blood in the Parish Hall and over 25 units of life-saving blood were collected. Trans Day of Remembrance occurs annually in November. This year, in honor of the lives lost worldwide to acts of violence against Trans People, Stonewall Alliance teamed up with Faith Lutheran and planted flags in the church's front yard and hosted an outdoor candlelight vigil in the Faith Lutheran courtyard.



Faith Lutheran Church of Chico, California (ELCA)

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This week you'll see 386 flags on Faith's lawn, one for each trans person's life that was ended by violence this year. On Sunday at 5pm in our courtyard, the Stonewall Alliance will hold a vigil in remembrance of these lives.



The Social Ministry Team hosted the second annual "Give the Gift of Pie" event during the month of November. This year's beneficiary was the Esplanade House. Thirty-five pies were collected and distributed to families living in the Esplanade House's transitional housing units.

In line with the Social Ministry Team's on-going goal of supporting efforts related to reducing homelessness and hunger, members of Faith continued to donate the food items needed to prepare one of the Hunger Trolley's Helper Group monthly dinners on a quarterly basis over the past year. The Social Ministry team hosted FLC's second annual holiday sock drive for our unshoused neighbors in December. Members of Faith donated socks that were gift wrapped and distributed on Christmas Eve to those living in homeless encampments in the Chico area.



In December, the Social Ministry Team sponsored Faith's Global Giving Tree that graced the entry way to the Sanctuary. The tree was adorned with ornaments, each a service opportunity in which members of Faith could support the ELCA on a global level. In addition to the events listed above, the Social Ministry Team remained active in the community through our on-going ministries involving the Mercy House, the Torres Shelter Dinner's, Blue Bags, the Hunger Trolley, the Parking Lot Food Bank, and the Shalom Clinic. The Social Ministry Team also provided support to other local service providers who work with those in need. During the first six-months of 2022, we offered financial support and other donations to Safe Space, the Jesus Center, the Torres Shelter, CHAT, and the Hunger Trolley.

The Social Ministry Team thanks the congregation for being a generous and caring body reflecting God's love to those we served over the past year! Happy New Year!



**We thank Doug for the love and hard work he has poured into Social Ministry, and for the mercy he shows those among us who need help the most.**



# SAFE SPACE WINTER SHELTER

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When we have recurring events like God's Work Our Hands or supply drives, I often hear our ministers ask, "What did we do well? What could we improve moving forward?" Cindy's article on page 10 is a great example of the introspective questioning I'm talking about. This kind of questioning equips us to improve with each event we host. One such event is Safe Space Winter Shelter, which we'll be hosting in the fellowship hall from Sunday, January 29th to Sunday, February 11th.

A lot goes into executing the winter shelter, and Faith and Safe Space are excellent collaborators, continuing to make improvements with each and every shelter we host. For example, Safe Space's staff and volunteers change often. This means that we get to make new, meaningful connections each year; this also means that we must make sure that all of Safe Space's new staff and volunteers are familiar with our facility, like how to take care of our kitchen or what to do in case of emergencies. Sometimes we rearrange things in the fellowship hall or sanctuary, and need to set new physical boundaries for them to work with. Sometimes the guest capacity or intake methods change. But at the end of the day it works, because we as a church are enthusiastic about goodness and mercy-inspired outreach.



As you know, Doug is stepping down as chair of social ministry (page 11). This doesn't mean Doug is leaving altogether - - what this means is that Faith Lutheran needs to work together to do God's work. Rather than have one person oversee the goings-on of Safe Space in its entirety, we seek 2 people to commit to communicating with Hilary, our fabulous contact with Safe Space. These 2 people and I will work together to make sure she and her staff have everything they need - - that they have spaces for cots and storage, that the facility use agreement and M.O.U. are drafted, etc. These 2 people ideally will be available as emergency contacts during the duration of the shelter, and would be willing to organize walkthroughs of the facility to make sure our campus is kept in good, usable condition. After the Winter Shelter is over, then these 2 people will have completed their point-people-ing! At our next Social Ministry meeting, we'll discuss the above: what went well, and what could we improve upon.



This model of sorts was created together by Social Ministry, the Equipping Team, and Dani Vogel who is our Small Group coordinator. The "model" consists of appointing roughly 2 point people on an event-by-event basis. In February, we plan find 2 different people willing to be point-people for February's National Acts of Kindness Day. Our goals here are to:

- ~ Promote collaboration.
- ~ Get people involved whose unique interests match the events taking place.
- ~ Prevent burnout by having one individual take on responsibility for all Social Ministry events.
- ~ Get diverse sets of hands involved in doing God's work!

Keep an eye out for the social ministry article in February's *Faith Talks*. We will be having an open discussion (and snack bar because snacks are life) next month. Everyone is welcome to come hang out at the snack circle as we talk about the ministry we'd like to see happen at Faith, in Chico, and globally.

Please consider being a point-person for Safe Space. Give me a call at the office or send me an email and let me know you're interested. Blessings of strength and fortitude be with you all this new year. I leave you with an unrelated yet adorable picture of our carolers.



# SMALL GROUPS



## **ANNUAL INTERGENERATIONAL SNOWSHOE TRIP**

**Saturday, January 7th at 10am**

Kids and adults of all ages are welcome to attend our annual snowshoe event! We will meet at 10am in Faith's back parking lot to carpool to Jonesville, or wherever there is snow. No prior snowshoe experience is necessary. Bring warm clothing in layers, water, and a lunch. If you would like snowshoes provided, please RSVP by Wednesday, January 4th by contacting Dani Vogel, Director of Family Life at [dani@chicofaithlutheran.org](mailto:dani@chicofaithlutheran.org) or 530-895-3754.



## **TIME OUT FOR ART**

**Monday, January 23rd from 1-4pm**

Come and try out "Time Out for Art," where you can take a little time out from day to day stresses and relax with art. Join us on Monday from 1-4pm. Bring a notebook and a pen if you can, and if you can't, we have some spare paper in the office for you. Also bring an art project that you'd like to work on in any medium that you can transport to a classroom. Contact Sherrill Heinz at (530) 518-0433 if you have any questions. See you there!



# FINANCIAL REPORT

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## General Fund Finances as of 11/30/2022

	Budget	Actual	Percent
	To Date	To Date	Of
			Budget
TOTAL INCOME	\$202,766.73	\$158,113.97	77.98%
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>\$221,885.42</u>	<u>\$202,727.01</u>	91.37%
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	(\$19,118.69)	(\$44,613.04)	
Beginning General Fund Balance as of 7/1/2022		\$56,320.95	
Net Revenue through 10/31/22		<u>(\$44,613.04)</u>	
Ending General Fund Balance		<u>\$11,707.91</u>	

Income continues to fall short of expenses. Year end giving has made up for this deficit in past years and has provided a buffer for the second half of the fiscal year. However, the current deficit is larger than in the past and will require a larger amount of giving in November and December to maintain the level of programs that Faith Lutheran is currently able to offer. Please consider this as you make your year end giving plans.

The Church Council continues to address this issue, but the Council can't solve the problem without increased giving from each of you. Please prayerfully consider an increase in your General Fund giving.

Thank You All for your continued support.

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## SPIRITUAL GIFTS PART XVII: SKILLED CRAFT



Skilled crafting, a gift that each and every one of us possesses in a unique way! The ELCA describes skilled crafting as, "the gift that enables a believer to create, build, maintain or repair items used within the church."

So many crafters can be read about in the Bible, each skilled in their own way. Take Noah for example, who built an arc, or even Jesus who was a carpenter. Fortunately, we haven't needed an entire arc built at Faith Lutheran Church! But there is so much that we have needed, and somebody has always been there to graciously provide.

During the pandemic, our Quilters worked tirelessly to craft face masks not just for Faith, but for the entire Chico community. We're talking hundreds and hundreds of masks that were given away to anybody who needed them, including the fire department, police department, grocery stores, medical personnel, and the worshippers who returned to worship once we were out of quarantine. Each mask was unique. They all had different colors and patterns, and everybody found one that fit their style. Masking was (and still is) hard for everyone, but there is something special about wearing masks hand-made by the quilters.

Our youngest members of Faith use their skills each and every Sunday in the nursery, creating art for us to use during worship or to decorate the campus with. The mediums they use are wild and fun. Ask Dani Vogel, director of family life, to see what our little members create!

Linn Brownmiller and Glenn Pulliam stepped in recently to help us hang curtain rods and curtains in all of our classrooms. After a campus safety inspection, it was recommended we block the view from the Mangrove parking lot. Because Linn and Glenn helped out, the classrooms are less likely to be broken into. Without the curtains, anybody can see into the classrooms and it draws attention, so with blackout curtains in place, the rooms appear less interesting. There have been no break-ins since the curtains have been hung.



Chico Police Department

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We are grateful for these two kind ladies from the Faith Lutheran Quilters Club who stopped by today to bring 130 handmade masks for our staff. Thank you for helping us stay safe ladies. We appreciate you too!



And what would Faith be without its handy-men? Ralph Godwin is an insanely talented carpenter. His hands are the ones that built the nametag kiosk. He has a workshop at home, and has built some incredible things with it. Bob Bay is another name you should know. He recently came out to make repairs to the island in the kitchen which is both a cutting board and a storage space. The state of the island was a little dubious, so Bob stepped in to make sure it was in safe, usable condition for all those who use the



kitchen. But Bob's help goes way beyond that; he and his wife, Wei Wei, have been at Faith a long time, and Bob was one of the contractors for the building we all worship from today. And let's not forget Leo Weiss! When he isn't sailing, he's working on building projects in communities that need the help. He worked hands-on with C.H.A.T.'s pallet shelter, and has done plenty for Faith as well from carpentry to installing alarm systems to power-washing.

Have you met Jenny James yet? Jenny has been spreading joy throughout the congregation with her crafts and treats. A talented baker, she makes everything from brownies to peppermint bark to home made candy. Jenny also painted these rocks that show pictures like the cross, communion, and children praying. They're used by the Welcome Table when it's



windy outside to make sure that our brochures and sign up sheets don't fly away!

If you have a craft you'd like to share with us, let us know what your gift is! It is always helpful to be able to call on each other for help and share in ministry together. The church runs as well as it does because its parishioners take care of it together. Thank you to all of you who have used your awesome skills to help take care of our church!

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