



# FAITH TALKS

NOVEMBER 2021

WORSHIP 9:30 AM ONLINE & IN PERSON

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## Roses

For the rain that nourishes the soil.

For Pr. Bill Kees, Pr. Carl Wilfrid, and Dani Vogel for preaching in October. And for all of the pastors in our lives per pastor appreciation month in October.

For all those who provided meals to Pastor Ben and Annalisa as they bonded with their daughter.

For the ability to worship in person with one another.



## Staff Away Time

Manager Mike will be on vacation from Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> and will return on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Dani Vogel will be on vacation from Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> to Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and will return on Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Sunday Worship – In-Person and Online @ 9:30 a.m.



All are welcome to attend in-person worship! Any person above 2 years old is required to mask. Gaiters and face-shields are not permissible facewear. Please maintain social distance. If you are feeling unwell, please worship with us online.

Ben Colahan  
Pastor



**PASTOR'S ARTICLE:  
ALL SAINTS DAY**

The first Sunday in November, we celebrate All Saints' Day! So what is a saint? In Roman Catholicism, official saints are people whom the church has investigated and found to have lived holy lives, believed orthodox doctrine, and who, after death, have performed miracles in response to prayer.

But as Lutherans, we have a broader understanding of sainthood. Saints are the people whom Jesus has claimed as God's beloved children. Like our Roman Catholic siblings, we understand saints to be people who are holy, but we believe that holiness comes not from our action, but Christ's. The apostle Paul writes, "since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" (Romans 3:23-4). To put it more simply, if being a saint means being holy and working miracles, no one is perfect enough to be a saint on their own, but Jesus gives us his holiness and works miracles through each of us daily. Jesus makes us who are sinners to also be saints at the same time.

On All Saints Day, we celebrate not only the big biblical heroes that we learn about in Sunday school, we also celebrate the saints in our lives who have shown us what it means to be a beloved child of God, imperfect and yet vehicles for God's miraculous love. In 2 Timothy, a mother and a grandmother get lifted up as saints through whom the faith was passed down to Timothy (2. Tim. 1:5). On All Saints' Day, many of us will remember our ancestors who shared with us their faith and have since died. But saints can be living in our midst.

Last month my daughter Sophia was born. She has already done an incredible job of teaching me what it means to be a beloved child of God. I am continually struck by how frustrating it is to care for her, changing diapers 10 – 12 times a day, waking up several time a night to feed her; and yet I am also struck by how much I love her.

The only thing more miraculous than my daughter is my love for her at 3 in the morning. I can only imagine God feels the same way about me, looking at the messes I make each day, my inability to survive without Christ's constant care, and yet God only loves me more and more

each day. On All Saint's Day, saint Sophia will be one of the names I lift up. And so will all of your names.

These past few weeks, my wife Annalisa and I have been overwhelmed by your love and care. The meals that you have brought us daily, the gifts which with you have showered us, the offers of help that you have made: on the days in which figuring out how to be a new parent feels overwhelming, your acts of love feel like miracles that give us strength. But perhaps the greatest miracle that you have given us is paternity leave. The six weeks that you have given me to be with my wife and daughter have been profound and life changing. I have put aside all my other responsibilities and indemnities and been simply and fully a father and a husband. This time also allowed me to build a strong foundation for my future relationship with Sophia, to be confident in my fatherhood, and to know and love Annalisa in a whole new way. I also truly believe that my paternity leave has made me a better pastor; I have deeper understanding of life and love.

This paternity leave was only possible with your support, both financial and logistical. Thank you for all that you do to ensure that, with or without me present, Faith Lutheran Church is a community reflecting God's love with a place at the table for everyone. I am excited to return to leading worship regularly on November 7<sup>th</sup> for All Saints Day. On that day, I encourage you to bring photographs and reminders of the saints in your life. I will also bring pictures of my saints who cannot be here that day, but when I look out at the congregation, your faces will be my greatest reminder that I am surrounded by saints who work Christ's miraculous love in my life each and every day.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Pastor Ben Colahan



Cindy Kampf  
Council President



**ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE:  
A LETTER FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Welcome home! I hope that you have been able to attend worship with your Faith family either in person or online. I am continually impressed with the generous sharing of musical talents in our congregation. We are very fortunate.

Many of us have been separated during this pandemic. We long for a return to normal, whatever that will be. I hope that you will consider what you want from your time at Faith Lutheran. Are you receiving or giving spiritual gifts from each other? Are you in need of a different level of connection? I encourage you to actively pursue your interests in the life of Faith Lutheran.

“Something to look forward to.” My friends and I say that occasionally. It usually comes up when we have not been feeling that great. We then make plans to do something special. It doesn’t have to be more than making plans to go get some ice cream. It could be a trip that we are looking forward to.

What are you looking forward to? Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming soon. Faith Lutheran staff and members of the congregation will work hard to make this time of year something special. You can be a part of the plans any time of the year. What can we do together to make coming to Faith something to look forward to?

Next time you attend church, please make it a time to greet each other with God’s love and peace. We all look forward to seeing you!

Luke Nicolay,  
Dir. Worship & Music



**A LETTER FROM LUKE**  
***BELLS, ARTISTRY, & VIRTUAL CHOIR***

Greetings my fellow Faithers! I hope that this little article finds you in good health and cheer as we head into this month and into the holiday season. October was a great month for all of us as we witnessed and experienced the return to in-person worship. It was a treat and a joy to see many familiar, masked faces but also to see some new ones that we hadn't seen in a while.

As we begin to think about Thanksgiving and into Advent/Christmas, I want to invite us into a constant dialogue with our great Creator. Whether we are cleaning the yard, driving to work, travelling to visit loved ones, practicing an instrument, or even cleaning our bells after bell choir rehearsal, we can always be in a dialogue with God. Talk to God about our day- what was good? What was bad? What are we thankful for? What requests do we have?

I look forward and am thankful for the month of November for many reasons. November is Thanksgiving and Advent and for the numerous arts and music events that will be taking place! These events and dates include:

- **FLC Handbell Choir Retreat-** November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM: For the first time, the FLC Handbell Choir will be having their first bell retreat to work on music, get ahead for the season, practice on theory and reading skills, and to work on ringing technique. In addition, several members of the St. John's Episcopal bell choir will be joining us to ring and practice. Breakfast and drinks will be included throughout the day, however lunch will be "bring your own."
- **Worship Leaders-** Thursdays at 5:30 PM: leaders of worship through music will continue to meet on Thursday evenings to rehearse music for each Sunday. If you are interested in leading worship, please contact me via email at [luke@chicofaithlutheran.org](mailto:luke@chicofaithlutheran.org) or by calling me at (316) 655-9364.



- **Arts and Environment Committee-** Date and time TBD: as part of enhancing our worship by creating a more immersive experience, we are forming a committee of visually creative minds to help put together art projects and experiences for worship. We will meet as soon as possible to begin planning out an art experience for Advent as we look forward to welcoming the birth of the Christ-child.
- **Sanctuary Choir-** Date and time TDB: while choir is not meeting in person, we will be planning 2 virtual choir projects—one for the first Sunday in Advent and one for Christmas Eve. I will be sending out details to the FLC Sanctuary choir members. If you are interested in joining the choir or in being a part of the virtual choir projects, please contact me via email at [luke@chicofaithlutheran.org](mailto:luke@chicofaithlutheran.org) or by calling me at (316) 655-9364.

While we are continuing to find hardships during the age of covid, we continue to find even more ways to create and to be a part of God's infinite community—what a joy that is and how thankful can we be for that? As part of the constant dialogue with God, I continue to be amazed and encouraged, strengthened and lifted-up. Blessings on this wonderful month of November.

Luke Nicolay, *Director of Worship and Music*

**ALL SAINTS DAY**  
*November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

November 7th is All Saints Sunday! We invite you to bring in photographs of your loved ones, flowers, and other meaningful momentos to place on our altar. We encourage you to bring items in the week before Sunday, between Monday-Friday during the hours of 10am-4:30, so that you can take your time adding them to the altar. You may also submit your photos digitally, by mail, or in person for the staff to add to the altar. For questions, please call (530) 895-3754.



Written by Michael Nicholson  
With commentary from  
Dani Vogel and Cindy Kampf



### SPIRITUAL GIFTS PART III: DISCERNMENT

ADMINISTRATION \* ARTISTRY \* **DISCERNMENT** \* EVANGELISM \* EXHORTATION \* FAITH \*  
GIVING \* HOSPITALITY \* INTERCESSION \* KNOWLEDGE \* LEADERSHIP \* MERCY \* MUSIC-  
VOCAL \* MUSIC-INSTRUMENTAL \* PASTORING \* SERVICE \* SKILLED CRAFT \* TEACHING \*  
WISDOM \* WRITING

As part of our exploration of the spiritual gifts that God instills in each of us, this month we focus on the gift of discernment. Discernment is described by the ELCA as “the gift that motivates a believer to seek God's will and purpose and apply that understanding to individual and congregational situations.” Elements of our church council, youth & young adult groups, and social ministry endeavors involve a degree of discernment.

“Discernment and judgement are closely related,” says council president Cindy Kampf. “Discernment involves asking yourself, ‘Are the words I am speaking and the actions I am taking, making the situation or relationship better or worse?’ Judgement involves asking yourself, ‘Am I right or is the other person wrong?’ We seek to convince the other person of the correctness of our position. Discernment begins by prefacing our conversations with ‘Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.’”

But discernment, good judgment, and conflict resolution aren’t practices limited to leadership roles within the congregation or even grown-ups, for that matter. “I often ask young people who are in the middle of conflict, ‘Do you want to be right, or do you want to be happy?’” continues Cindy. “That does not mean that we fold and give in to pressure. It means that we seek to understand the other person’s point of view and value them as a fellow traveler in life’s journey. We learn when we listen. We reinforce our own position when we talk.”

Another thing reinforced in young people is to plan, plan, plan. Just ask our Director of Family Life, Dani Vogel: “One of the biggest phrases that I heard in high school, and in college, was ‘What’s your 5 year plan?’ Somehow, at 15, I was supposed to know exactly what I wanted to



have accomplished by the time I turned 20. One of the pastors that served my church I grew up in, would often use the phrase, ‘You want to make God laugh? Make plans.’ I lived in the intersection of these two thoughts when it came to figuring out who, and what I wanted to be when I eventually grew up. The outside noise and influence of what I was doing with my life grew stronger as our society changed. Jobs and opportunities are presented to our youth and young adults today that weren’t even a thought when I was 15. When these big life discussions come up with our young people in our communities, I try not to be one of those loud noisy voices trying to steer them down a path I think they should travel. I want to make sure that we encourage our youth and young adults to choose their own adventure.”

Young or old, we all seek our own adventures, and by the grace of God we can discern from them wisdom and truth to aid our actions.

*But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”— these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny. “For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ. -1 Corinthians 2:9-16, NRSV*

Where might your gifts call you? Are you called to lead, or to minister in support? To teach or to learn? To work hands-on or to contemplate and organize? This month, take some time to talk with other members of the congregation about their experience in Faith ministry. Ask your neighbor where they have been called to serve, and what wisdom they have discerned from ministering in Christ’s name.

Dani Vogel,  
Director of Family Life  
(Also pictured: Echo  
McDermott Pappani)



## FAITH FAMILY NEWS



We have had a glorious fall here at the church. Our youth and young adults continue to meet regularly to enjoy the great outdoors together. Our youth group has continued to have Bible discussions related to that week's scripture while playing games and enjoying the company of each other. We carved pumpkins in celebration of fall and the harvest. Our youth are highly creative people, and it shows through their individual pumpkins. We will be doing a service project in Early November, baking cookies for Hunger Trolley, and would love donations of

cookie baking supplies. Youth Group at Faith is open to youth in 6-12 grade. If there is a young person in your life who is interested in being involved, let us know by dropping an email to myself, or the church.

Our young adult group has continued in their quests for the coveted Blue Jacket. We gathered at Country Pumpkins in our Mario finery, and raced through the corn maze. Kai was determined to be the winner, and proudly wore the jacket to worship in celebration of Victory. Our November main event is going to be focused on cooking, and we'll be competing in a glorious mashup of some amazing cooking competitions. May the best cook win!

Our Sunday School program continues to adapt. With our shortened service, our Children's Sermon and activity is being posted online around noon on Sundays. Children are welcome to join us for our outdoor Sunday School at the beginning of each service, where we hang out and learn through interactive activities. We are also continuing to offer Kid's Call weekly, and may begin rolling out some additional options.





Activities you can do from the comfort of your own living room! This month's faith formation activity is a movie Bible study on "*The Princess Bride*." (Rated PG for Violence, Language, Being Nearly Dead.) Have fun storming some imaginary castles!

**Question: Prince Humperdinck tries repeatedly to commit acts of violence to be continually thwarted. What frustrates him the most about this?**

**Question: How does Westley overcome and beat Humperdinck?**

**Scripture: Matthew 10:26**

**Question: Who has the most fear in the movie? How do they overcome or fall victim to their fear?**

**Question: Jesus instructs us to turn the other cheek and love our neighbors. Where can we see this happen in the movie?**

**Scripture: Mark 12: 30-31**

**Prayer: Dear God, help us to love our neighbors. Amen**





## **THE PARKING LOT FOOD BANK: SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED**



Everyday hundreds of people in our local community struggle to meet their basic nutritional needs. Children, adults, and seniors are suffering from hunger. The Contra Costa Solano County Food Bank, part of the Feeding America network, the country's largest domestic hunger-relief organization, operating out of the parking lot at Faith Lutheran Church (FLC) is working to connect people with food and end hunger.

Lisa Roehling, manager of the food bank program for the Northern California region, stated that the food assistance program expanded from the Bay Area into Butte, Glenn, Colusa, and Tehama Counties in 2017 as part of Feeding America's goal to end hunger. In 2018, the focus on assistance in Butte County shifted to providing food to survivors of the Camp Fire.

From 2018 to the end of 2020, the food bank operated out of the parking lot at the Butte College-Chico Campus parking lot. Lisa said that when the contract to operate out of the college parking lot ended, they were having difficulty finding another site in Chico until a volunteer with FLC, picking up groceries for homebound members of the church, suggested they contact the church to see if the parking lot was available; it was, and the food bank began operations out of the FLC parking lot in January 2021.

The current mission of the food bank is to aid disaster victims and others in need of food. Lisa said that there are 56 partner agencies who provide the food that the food bank distributes in Chico. Raley's Food for Families program is one of the agencies funding the food bank. Money donated at the Raley's in Chico goes directly to purchase groceries that are distributed out of the FLC parking lot. Lisa added, "When you give to Raley's Food for Families program, 100 percent of your donation goes to feeding Butte County residents in need. Every donation, even if just a dollar, is a huge help."





The food bank operates out of the FLC parking lot on the first and third Friday of each month. Operating hours are from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. The food bank offers drive-thru style distribution, and each household is provided a box of nonperishable food and a bag of produce. Approximately 350 households are being assisted each month.

Lisa stated, “No one should have to choose between making ends meet or a meal. Your support matters to our neighbors in need, who face impossible choices every day. The use of the FLC parking lot has been a life-saver!”

If you are interested in volunteering with the food bank, either on an on-going basis or just once or twice a year, duties include but are not limited to helping unload the pallets of food from the truck, sorting and bagging the groceries, and loading the food and produce into vehicles as they drive-thru. Volunteer hours are from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. For more information, please contact Doug De Soto at 530-354-1453.



## The Social Ministry Team Presents FLC Service Opportunities

**The Blue Bags** project collects non-perishable food items that go to local area food banks where they are distributed to needy families. In line with scripture, “For I was hungry, and you gave me food,” individuals can donate food items to the Blue Bags project **which are collected every two-months**. FLC members can leave their donations in the church office or request the donations be picked up by Blue Bags volunteers.



**Comanche Creek Clean-Up** event occurs **every Sunday from 1:20 to 2:40 pm**. This is an opportunity to meet and get to know the campers living at Comanche Creek while helping them with trash pick-up. Volunteers connect with the North State Shelter Team (NSST) truck & service trailer at the Comanche Creek parking lot off of Park Avenue (volunteer parking is available in the Salvation Army parking lot across from the park entrance). NSST

provides trash bags and long stick pickers. Join us. Pick up some trash. Help address a crisis. Feel good. No long-term commitment required; volunteer as your schedule allows!

**Food Bank Volunteer:** No one should have to choose between making ends meet or a meal. If you are interested in volunteering with the food bank operating out of the FLC parking lot **the first and third Friday of every month**, either on an on-going basis or just as a one-time event, duties include but are not limited to helping unload the pallets of food from the truck, sorting and bagging the groceries, and loading the food and produce into vehicles as they drive-thru. Volunteer hours are from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.

**Hunger Trolley Helper's Group** mission is to provide lifesaving meals and essential supplies to anyone in need. The Hunger Trolley operates out of the FLC kitchen **every Friday** from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm preparing, packaging, and delivering food to homeless encampments in the Chico area. If you are interested in volunteering duties include assisting with cooking and preparing snack bags as needed, assisting with packing hot meals to-go, driving to the delivery location, distributing meals, and cleaning-up the church kitchen. Volunteers welcome on a one-time basis or as often as your situation allows!



**The Mercy House** is a collaboration between the Chico Housing Action Team (CHAT) and FLC to provide housing and support to medically fragile, homeless women. Mercy House volunteers from FLC provide friendship and oversee weekly “House” meetings with the residents of the Mercy House to support them in their journey to stability and security. The volunteer team **meets weekly for one hour** with the residents at the Mercy House. Volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of 6 months of service. Volunteers are screened through the CHAT office.



**Random Acts of Kindness Day** occurs **annually on February 17<sup>th</sup>**. The holiday was started by the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation, which was founded in 1995. On this day the Social Ministry Team encourages you to spend the day doing random acts of kindness. Acts of kindness you might consider doing: Compliment at least 5 people; Let the person in line behind you go ahead of you; Leave happy notes around town; Babysit for a single mom for free; Help an elderly neighbor take out the trash or mow their lawn.

**Red Cross Month** occurs **annually every March**. During Red Cross Month, the Social Ministry Team encourages everyone to celebrate the volunteer heroes who help families overcome life’s emergencies every day. During this month we ask you to consider: **Giving blood:** Make an appointment to donate lifesaving blood or platelets. **Making a financial donation:** donate at [redcross.org/giving day](https://www.redcross.org/giving-day). **Volunteer:** Visit the volunteer information site on [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org).

**Torres Shelter Dinner** is a program where teams of volunteers from FLC use the church budget to purchase ingredients for, prepare, and serve the dinner meal at the Torres Shelter the first Tuesday of each month. The time frame for prepping and serving **each meal usually lasts from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm**. **Each team typically serves two to three meals over the course of the year**. As one team leader stated, “Volunteering at the Torres Shelter is not as intimidating as people might think; it is fun and rewarding.”



"Dear friends, this year marks the 9th year of [my husband] Steve's passing. Hosting a blood drive is such a meaningful way to remember Steve as he had a vitality about him to the very end that was only possible because of the many transfusions he received. Covid-19 once again

precludes a blood drive at Faith Lutheran Church this year. Instead we have set up a Virtual Blood Drive for **November 1 – 14**. Donors do not need to live in our area to donate, so please help get the word out both near and far! With the recent COVID spike, donations have been way down and all blood types are in urgent demand. We would like to encourage you to donate blood if you are feeling well and healthy. To participate please go to [facebook.com/Faithlutheranchico](https://facebook.com/Faithlutheranchico), scroll down to find the link to the blood drive, and register. You can also call me at (530) 680-5287 if you have any questions. Thanks to those of you who can donate, and to those who would like to but who are unable. With Deep Gratitude, Marge, Jacob and Quin Troester"

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**Stonewall Alliance Center** and **Faith Lutheran Church** will be teaming up again to provide a safe space to hold **Transgender Day of Remembrance**, a vigil honoring the lives lost due to acts of anti-transgender violence.

#### **Flag Planting: Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> after service at 11am**

Each year we plant white flags in the front lawn to honor lives lost. All FLC and Chico Community members are welcome to help us plant flags.



*Stonewall Alliance & Faith Lutheran Church*  
**TRANSGENDER DAY  
 OF REMEMBRANCE**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20 AT 7PM

#### **Community Altar: Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>**

A community altar will be available in Room 5 from 10am-4:30pm throughout the week where you can come and bring offerings, decorate (supplies will be available) and pray or meditate.

#### **Vigil: Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**

Join us for the candlelight vigil in the courtyard on Saturday evening as we read the names of those lost. All are welcome to attend in support. If you are able to bake and bring comfort snacks like cookies, please call Michael at (530) 895-3754. Snacks will be distributed after the vigil in safe to-go boxes to comfort those in mourning.

# Women's Ministry *boutique*

**Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**After Service**

The Women's Ministry is back with their fabulous fall boutique and bake sale! Come see what our wonderful ladies have created this time around. All money raised goes to purchase paratransit tickets to help members of Faith get to church, as well as toward scholarships for graduating seniors and those entering college.

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**Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**At Bidwell Park at 9am**

The Jesus Center 5k Run for Food takes place on Thanksgiving morning, rain or shine! Registration fees go to support the Jesus Center who now houses 60 men and women in the newly built Sabbath House. You can register online at [runforfood.com](http://runforfood.com).



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## **Cookies and Cookie Supplies for November**



We need your help! Faith Lutheran Church is helping provide food, specifically sweet treats for both the **Hunger Trolley** and **Transgender Day of Remembrance**. Our youth group is going to help make this happen by doing some baking! We could use your help too with supplies or cookies. Supplies needed are: flour, sugar, eggs, vanilla, chocolate chips, cinnamon, and other cookie-related baking supplies. If you enjoy pastry and want to flex your

British-bakeoff skills, you can donate cookies and other premade items to these activities as well. If you're interested, please contact Dani Vogel or Michael Nicholson at (530) 895-3754.

Mark Kimmselshue  
Council Treasurer



## FINANCIAL REPORT

Faith Lutheran Church  
General Fund Finances as of 9/30/2021

	Budget To Date	Actual To Date	Percent Of Budget
TOTAL INCOME	\$96,989.54	\$89,522.87	92.30%
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$124,648.67	\$111,335.51	89.32%
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	(\$27,659.13)	(\$21,812.64)	
Beginning General Fund Balance as of 7/1/2021		\$39,699.83	
Net Revenue through 9/30/21		(\$21,812.64)	
Ending General Fund Balance		\$17,887.19	

In an effort to be transparent and keep the Faith Lutheran Community up to speed and in touch with the finances of the Church, this report will be posted in Faith Talks on a monthly basis.

At the end of 3 months both income and expenses are tracking slightly below budget. The General fund balance continues to decline which is not unusual for this time of year. However, it would be helpful if we all could give a little more to help strengthen the General Fund in support of the programs at the Church.

Thank You All for your continued support.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact:

Mark Kimmselshue  
530-520-8228  
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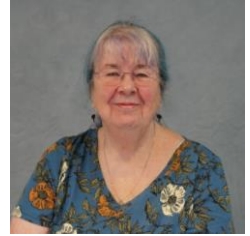


## BENEVOLENCE REPORT

Lynette Stensrud  
Financial Secretary



This October marks the end of the first quarter of our monthly contributions to Chico Housing Action Team and the Hunger Trolley Helpers Group; we have contributed a total of \$400 to each. We will continue to support these ministries with monthly contributions of \$100. Along with our monetary support for the Hunger Trolley, Faith Lutheran Church members have registered to support this group with groceries to supply one meal quarterly. The first meal we provide will be grilled cheese sandwiches and tomato soup, which will be distributed on November 12<sup>th</sup>.



**COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Tuesday October 19th, 2021 @ 6:15 PM**

Present: Kampf, Kimball, Kimmelshue, Heinz, Desoto, Groh, Melvin, Pulliam, Sample

Guests: Nicholson, Nicolay, Vogel, Schweder

Absent: Colahan, Woods, Zimbelman

- 1) Welcome and celebrations
- 2) Prayer and covenant read by all
- 3) Progress reports on Vision planning: FLC Staff- gave power point presentation and discussion on how we welcome visitors, how small groups will be presented to congregation, and what's new with liturgy
- 4) Equipping Ministry: Kim Schweder, discussed importance of effective Ministry invitation
- 5) Approval of minutes/September 21, 2021: Kimmelshue/Pulliam/approved
- 6) Financial Report: Motion to approve – DeSoto/Kimball/approved
- 7) Social Ministry Report: DeSoto, on Annual Service Opportunities
- 8) Update on Worship schedules: will continue until further notice
- 9) Update on Facility use agreement
- 10) Closing Prayer and adjourn

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### **Faith Lutheran Church Council**

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