

FAITH at WORK

April 2024

Dear People of God at Faith,

Easter greetings to you all, in the name of our crucified and risen Lord Jesus!

It is my joy to be walking together with Faith congregation during this time of transition. There will be times for large, small and one-to-one meetings in the coming weeks and months, so that we can begin to listen for the Holy Spirit's guidance in this transition. This means we all participate in this process. All thoughts, feelings, dreams and ideas will be heard for moving forward. What the end result will be is yet to be known. These are fearful and amazing times, and I hope you will sense the Spirit's presence, who gives peace in the middle of our anxiety and questions.

Monday, April 8th I will attend my first Council meeting with the leaders, to talk about the process and resources and whatever else might be needed in these days. Please be looking for opportunities to participate in the processes.

Here's a little about me...my parents and I immigrated from Denmark when I was an infant. We landed in Santa Maria CA at a dairy. A year later my sister was born. We moved to the San Francisco Bay Area, where I grew up at Hope Ev. Lutheran Church in San Mateo. That church became our family, as most of my relatives are still in Denmark. My sister, Lisbeth, and I grew up in Sunday School and Worship, as well as on Altar Guild. My parents modeled active, involved membership through participation in a variety of areas. And yes, my name is spelled with one "o"! Beware!

My work background includes retail sales, hotel banquet server, and lay youth minister. I went to seminary at PLTS in Berkeley CA. First Lutheran in Havre MT was my first call; Zion in The Dalles, my second call, where I met and married my husband, John Dallum. After a sojourn back to MT, my third call took us to Pendleton. After that call I discerned the Spirit's cajoling to Intentional Interim work, to help the church I love move through transition and other challenges. Faith is my 8th Interim Ministry Site!

Currently I am Dean of the Oregon Synod Interims and Acting Dean of the Vineyard Cluster. Those extra responsibilities keep me busy enough. My husband, John, and our 13-year old dog, Millie, keep me grounded in reality. I enjoy cooking and gardening, singing, reading, travel and doing some craft things around the house.

Here's my schedule... alternating a week of 40 hours and then a week off (for the Transition Team to do some work).

- ◆ Monday, Wednesday, Thursday at Faith from 10 am until whenever
- ◆ Tuesday and Saturday working at home for Faith
- ◆ Friday is my day off

Here's my contact info. Please feel free to call or email me any time...

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I am looking forward to getting to know you all.

In Christ, with hope and peace,

Pr Dorothy+

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Church Council Communications

Hello Brothers & Sisters of Faith,

Wow, the 1st quarter of this year is already over; that went fast. On Monday, April 1st, Pastor Dorthy Nielsen will take on the role of Interim Pastor. She is looking forward to being here to help us out.

Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, are scheduled for our rummage sale—the proceeds will go to the contingency fund.

The roofing projects have been completed on the Cornerstone Building and the Church Education Wing.

Jackson Street will be using the youth room upstairs on Thursdays for one of their weekly support group meetings that has out-grown their building, and one of the upstairs classrooms will be used for tutoring on Tuesday afternoons.

We could use a couple more ushers if anyone is willing to help out, just let Carol in the office know that you would be willing help.

On the Sundays Pastor Dorthy is not leading worship, we will continue to rely on pulpit supply fill in for the time being.

If you have questions about anything please reach out to me.

Take care of yourself and each other.

Gordy Gamet,
Council President



“April’s Charms”

When April scatters charms of primrose gold
Among the copper leaves in thickets old,
And singing skylarks from the meadows rise,
To twinkle like black stars in sunny skies;

When I can hear the small woodpecker ring
Time on a tree for all the birds that sing;
And hear the pleasant cuckoo, loud and long—
The simple bird that thinks two notes a song;

When I can hear the woodland brook, that could
Not drown a babe, with all his threatening mood;
Upon these banks the violets make their home,
And let a few small strawberry blossoms come:

When I go forth on such a pleasant day,
One breath outdoors takes all my cares away;
It goes like heavy smoke, when flames take hold
Of wood that’s green and fill a grate with gold.

By William Henry Davies

Faith Lutheran Church		2024
STAFF		
Interim Pastor	Pastor Dorthy Nielsen	
Office Manager	Carol Armstrong	
Organist/Pianist	Cheryl Blum	
Custodian	Hart’s Janitorial	
CHURCH COUNCIL		
President	Gordy Gamet	
Vice President	Terry Virnig	
Secretary	Mary Sabatka Gamet	
Treasurer	Janice Lee Virnig	
Financial Secretary	Alice Weber	
Education/Youth	Vacant	
Evangelism & Mission	Dick Olsen	
Fellowship & Social	Peggy Preston	
Property Management	Vacant	
Stewardship & Resources	Vacant	
Worship & Music	Vacant	
Mission Endowment	Carol Olufson	



Financials as of: **March 27, 2024**

Undesignated Income: \$4,359.00

Budgeted Undesignated Income: \$6,720.83

Net Undesignated Income: **(\$2,361.83)**

Total Expenses: \$9,027.06

Total Net Income: \$336.94

I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Church Announcements and Events

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Spring Rummage Sale—8:00am to 3:00pm

Friday & Saturday, April 5—6



There will be something for everyone! Clothing, kitchen items, sports gear, home décor, office items, tools & more can be had for very reasonable prices. If you have questions, contact Peggy at 541-926-2697.

Start of Worship Time —10:30am

Sunday, April 14

Worship will begin at 10:30am on Sundays for the foreseeable future.

Circle of Friends—9:00am

Saturday, April 20

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a fun time. Sewing supplies, sewing machines and practice fabrics will be available for those who would like to learn to sew. The quilting frame will be set up so folks who would like to help tie quilts can do that too. See you there!

Bingo & More Games—3:00pm

Sunday, April 21

All ages are welcome to join in the fun! There will be Bingo and other games to suit your fancy. Cost of Admission is a food donation for Albany F.I.S.H. Popcorn and Lemonade will be served. See you there!

2024 Flower Chart

A new flower chart has been posted on the bulletin board outside of the Church Office. Please consider signing up to provide altar flowers for a few Sundays this year.

Quilting and TOPs

Wednesdays @ 9am



Wednesday mornings are a busy time at Faith Lutheran Church. We have quilters working to create comforting quilts that are donated to bring people warmth, privacy and shelter. If you are interested in joining them, there is always plenty to do.

TOPs (stands for The Old People, though age is not requirements for the group) are busy working to keep our church property maintained and our grounds clean. If you have able hands and a willing heart, the TOPs will always welcome some help.



Mary Martha Circle

This is a Bible Study for women. We meet on the **second Tuesday of each month @ 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall**. If you would like more information, please call: Karen Glenn at (541) 928-4729 or Shirley Karstens at (541) 967-8309.

Scam Alert

Scammers are pretending to be government employees. They may threaten you and may demand immediate payment to avoid arrest or other legal action.

Do Not Be Fooled!

If you receive a suspicious call:

1. HANG UP!
2. DO NOT GIVE THEM MONEY OR PERSONAL INFORMATION!
3. REPORT THE SCAM AT: OIG.SSA.GOV

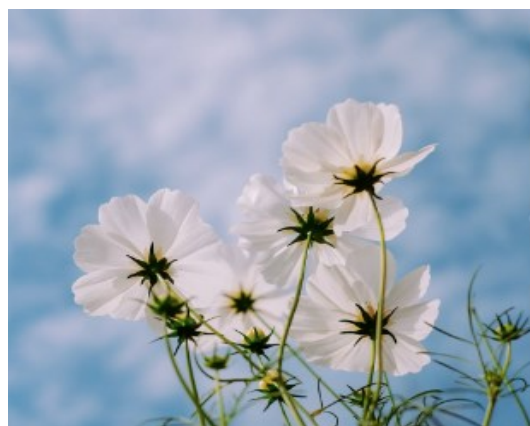


Food Collection for F.I.S.H. of Albany



We are collecting non-perishable food items FISH of Albany. Donations can be placed in one of the baskets in the parking lot entryway.

*** Please check expiration date markings - FISH cannot accept foods past their marked expiration dates.*



A Prayer for Every Day

O Lord, guide my feet in the direction that best serves your purpose. Grant me courage so that I may faithfully follow where you lead. May your light shine through me to brighten the lives of those I interact with. May I find inspiration in your word to respond with love in every situation and recognize all as your children. You are the peace that makes me strong. You are the light that guides my way. Amen.



Prayer Chain: We are asking those who are part of the prayer chain to lift up the concerns of Faith Lutheran congregants on a weekly basis and to pray for other concerns as they are shared. This can be as simple as taking a few seconds to ask God to be with those listed, lifting each one up by name. Peggy Preston will be heading up the prayer chain. If you are interested in being on the prayer chain, send her an email: pegprestonn@aol.com



Worship Leaders Team 2024				
April	7	14	21	28
Assisting Ministers	George	Shirley	Janice	Terry
Altar Prep	Elaine	George	Elaine	George
Ushers	Dick	George	Dick	Dick
Sound Technicians	John	Gordy	Terry	John

April 2024 Worship Schedule



April 7	10:30am	Worship
April 14	10:30am	Worship
April 21	10:30am	Worship
April 28	10:30am	Worship

All Worship Services are filmed and available on YouTube



April

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Church Office Closed 9:00am Rummage Sale Set-Up 7:00pm Boy Scouts	2 9:00am Rummage Sale Set-Up 3:00pm - 6:00pm Jackson Street - Academic Tutoring	3 9:00am Rummage Sale Set-Up 9:00am TOPs 11:00am Boiler Inspection	4 9:00am Rummage Sale Set-Up 4:30pm - 8:00pm Jackson Street - Support Group	5 8:00am - 4:00pm Rummage Sale 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy	6 8:00am - 3:00pm Rummage Sale
7 10:00am Worship & Livestreaming	8 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Council Meeting	9 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle 3:00pm - 6:00pm Jackson Street - Academic Tutoring 5:30pm - 7:00pm Family Tree Parent Education Class-Library	10 9:00am Quilters 9:00am TOPs	11 Janitorial Service 4:30pm - 8:00pm Jackson Street - Support Group	12 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy 1:00pm 20th Century Book Club	13
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Prayer List

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*PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE
NEEDING STRENGTH, GUIDANCE AND HEALING:*

Tim B.	Garrett Baarsch	Rose Mary Aaberg
Brenda Carroll	Stephanie Bauthman	Carol Olufson
Sandy Hina	John Busher	John Villani
Robert Jon	Julie Shaw	Vanessa Munro
Linda Gail Voet	Olivia Hunter	Jim Preston
Brandon Crawford	Nicholas Glass	Jessica Kendall
Noah Holman	Karen Hoover	
Gigi Douglas	Chuck	

REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND:

Izzy Covalt, Ruth Irwin, Ruth Glace, Connie Griffis, Margaret Rowland, Sangsau Tran & Melba Wright

OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS TO THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES

Family and Friends of Pat Norby



A Prayer for Peace in the World

O God of all, Of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Isaac, and Ishmael:
Our hearts are broken in pieces at the suffering and murder of your people.
Our voices cry for peace and for justice.



Comfort those who grieve, Console and heal the injured,
Be close to those in fear, Restrain with your mighty hand those who perpetrate violence.

Send us your wisdom in all that we say and do. Let our voice always seek justice, peace and security for all. Amen.



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