

# FAITH at WORK

April 2026

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends,

He is Risen. He is Risen indeed. Alleluia! By the time you receive this newsletter we will be in the middle of Holy Week, so forgive me if this is a bit early to be praising God for the new life that we receive from Jesus as we remember all that he went through this Holy Week. I hope that many of you plan to attend our Holy Week services that lead up to Easter Sunday. Thanks to all those who are participating and to the worship team who were instrumental in planning our Lenten Season and Holy Week services. As we celebrate this Easter season let us be reminded of the love that has been given to us so that we might share that love with others. Continue to live in the joy of Easter Season and share that love with others that you meet and serve. We continue to discern our calling this place and beyond. I hope that you were able to let go of some things this Lenten season and look forward to the hope that the resurrection and ascension brings to us. Continue to pray for all that is going on in this world and especially pray for peace. Happy Easter!

Blessings,

Pastor Cindy

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## From Church Council

Hello Brothers and Sisters of Faith,

Happy April. We had a joint Executive Council meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> and have planned to have a couple joint worship services at Montieth park in August and September. We are also planning a chili cookoff probably at Deluxe Brewing as well.

The new roof over the fellowship hall the North side of the education wing will be happening April 6-8. Thanks for making this happen.

Let me know if you have any questions and I will see about getting the right answer.

Have a great day.

Blessings,

Gordy Gamet

## Mark Your Calendars!



**Rummage Sale & Quilt Show**  
**2026**  
**Faith Lutheran Church**  
 930 SW Queen Street  
 Albany, Oregon

**Friday—April 10    &    Saturday—April 11**  
**8:00am-4:00pm                      8:00am-3:00pm**

**Donations will be accepted beginning April 6, 2026**



- **No Liquids of Any Kind**
- **No Firearms**
- **No Large Screen TV's**
- **Only Working Items**
- **Clothing in Good, Clean Condition**

Questions? Contact Peggy at 541/926-2694

Springtime is a season  
 Of hope and joy and cheer.  
 There's beauty all around us  
 To see and touch and hear.  
 So, no matter how downhearted  
 And discouraged we may be,  
 New hope is born when we behold  
 Leaves on a budding tree,  
 Or when we see a timid flower  
 Push through the frozen sod  
 And open wide in glad surprise  
 Its petaled eyes to God,  
 For this is just God saying,  
 "Lift up your eyes to Me,  
 And the bleakness of your spirit,  
 Like the budding Springtime tree,  
 Will lose its wintry darkness  
 And your heavy heart will sing" –  
 For God never sends the Winter  
 Without the joy of Spring.

by Helen Steiner Rice



<b>Faith Lutheran Church</b>		<b>2026</b>
<b>STAFF</b>		
Pastor	Pr. Cindy Robles	
Office Manager	Patty Johnston	
Organist/Pianist	Cheryl Blum	
Custodian	Hart's Janitorial	
<b>CHURCH COUNCIL</b>		
President	Gordy Gamet	
Vice President	Terry Virnig	
Secretary	Janice Lee Virnig	
Treasurer	Mary Sabatka Gamet	
Financial Secretary	Jon Aaberg	
Education/Youth	Vacant	
Evangelism & Mission	Dick Olsen	
Fellowship & Social	Peggy Preston	
Property Management	Terry Virnig (Acting)	
Stewardship & Resources	Vacant	
Worship & Music	George Hunt	
Mission Endowment	Carol Olufson	



## Financial Update

Financials as of: March 30, 2026

Undesignated Income: \$ 4,454.00

# Church Announcements and Events

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## Contact Pr. Cindy Robles for Emergency Pastoral Care

If you have a need for emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Cindy at 563-845-8221.

## Men's Breakfast—8:30am

Tuesdays, Ongoing

Men's group meets for breakfast every Tuesday at 8:30am at either Sweetwater's Restaurant or Pop's Branding Iron Restaurant (alternating weeks). All men are welcome!

April 14, & 28 at Sweetwater's — April 7 & 21 at Pop's Branding Iron

## 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: [pegpreston@aol.com](mailto:pegpreston@aol.com)**

## 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.

## 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.**

## 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: Shirley Karstens at (541) 967-8309.

Maundy Thursday April 2nd @ Noon at FLC and 6:30 pm Table Church at GSLC.

Good Friday 6:30 pm Tenebrae Service at FLC.

Easter Sunday 9:30 am Potluck Breakfast with Worship Service at 11:00 AM.

Pastor Cindy will be on vacation April 6–13. During this time, we are thankful to welcome Pastor Patricia Hughes, who will lead our Worship Service on April 12.

**Worship Leaders Team 2026**

<b>April</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	George	Carol O.	Terry	George
<b>Altar Prep</b>	Jon A.	George	Jon A.	George
<b>Ushers</b>	Dick	Dick	Dick	Dick
<b>Sound Technicians</b>	Terry	Jon A.	John B.	Gordy



**April 2026 Worship Schedule**

- April 5**            11:00am    **Worship**
- April 12**          11:00am    **Worship**
- April 19**          11:00am    **Worship**
- April 26**          11:00am    **Worship**

# April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 9:00am Quilters & TOPs	2 12:00pm Maundy Thursday Service at FLC 5:30pm - 8:30pm Fellowship Hall Rental - W/C Class 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Table Church at GSLC - Including a Meal	3 Good Friday 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy 6:30pm - 7:30pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service at FLC	4
5 Easter Sunday 9:30am Easter Potluck Breakfast 11:00am Worship & Livestreaming	6 7:00pm Boy Scouts	7 8:30am Men's Breakfast at Pop's Branding Iron	8 9:00am Quilters & TOPs 12:00pm Church Council Meeting	9 5:30pm - 8:30pm Fellowship Hall Rental - W/C Class	10 8:00am - 4:00pm Rummage Sale 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy	11 8:00am - 2:00pm Rummage Sale
12 11:00am Worship & Livestreaming - Pr. Patricia Hughes	13 12:00pm - 3:00pm Modern Travelers 7:00pm Boy Scouts	14 8:30am - 9:30am Men's Breakfast at Sweetwater's 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle	15 9:00am Quilters & TOPs	16 5:30pm - 8:30pm Fellowship Hall Rental - W/C Class	17 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy 1:00pm - 3:00pm 20th Century Book Club	18 9:00am Circle of Friends (Fellowship Hall)
19 11:00am Worship & Livestreaming 11:15am Fellowship Meeting	20 7:00pm Boy Scouts	21 8:30am Men's Breakfast at Pop's Branding Iron 1:00pm - 2:00pm D.A.R. Meeting	22 9:00am Quilters & TOPs	23 5:30pm - 8:30pm Fellowship Hall Rental - W/C Class	24 9:00am - 12:30pm String Therapy	25
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## *Prayer List*

***REMEMBER IN PRAYER those needing strength, guidance & healing.***

Tim Berg	Vanessa Munro	Peggy Preston
Noah Holman	Virginia	Jim Preston
Gigi Douglas	Gabriel	Nancy George
John Busher	Frank Perry	Bexsy Virnig
Julie Shaw	David	Carl Wogomon
Olivia Hunter	Mitchell Mueller	
Nicholas Glass	Keith Baarsch	
Chuck	Catherine Baarsch	

***REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND:***

Sangsau Tran, Karen Glenn, Melba Wright, Margaret Rowland

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



**A Spring Prayer for Joy and Gratitude**

**"Father, fill my life with joy, thanksgiving, and celebration this April. Let my heart overflow with gratitude for Your blessings. As the world brightens around us, let joy replace sorrow, and hope replace despair in my life, strengthening my faith and bringing me closer to You".**



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