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Now, our God, we give You thanks, and praise Your glorious name.

1 Chronicles 29:13

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The Shepherd's Voice

Every day, there is always a Bible verse that can lift your spirits. Recently, I was reminded of Matthew 11:28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Lately, and it probably won't come to you as a surprise, when pollsters ask people how they are feeling, they hear the same thing. We don't use the description "weary and burdened" but that is what they feel. People are really, really burnt out.

I think the fact that a huge number of people are feeling burnt out after nearly two years of pandemic mayhem may be glaringly obvious. However the exact reasons why so many are suffering are much less understood.

I have noticed a fog of burnout in our community. People seem perpetually exhausted, annoyed, weary, burdened, and feeling unaccomplished and underappreciated.

There was an article in the Harvard Business Review that listed out the 6 causes of Burnout:

- 1. Workload
- 2. Perceived lack of Control
- 3. Lack of Reward
- 4. Community Pressure
- 5. Fairness Missing
- 6. Values mismatch

Here at Faith, we can see how it's not uncommon to feel overwhelmed or sapped of energy. There are times when we all get scared and worried about failing God and each other. The Good News is that the Bible tells us that it's OK that we get tired; it says "His power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9). God is not disappointed by our weakness, exhaustion, and burnout. However, He also doesn't want us to leave us in that place. It's as simple as:

- Identify Am I weary and burdened?
- 2. Solution Come to Jesus!
- 3. Result Jesus will give you rest and strength.

The Team Ministry at Faith wants to thank you for the gifts, cards, and pastor appreciation events over the past month. Jesus, through your kindness, gave us rest.

In Christ.

Pastor Don

Lord God Almighty, You are

Triune and true (Ephesians 4:4-6)

Holy (Revelation 4:8)

Author of all (Hebrews 12:2)

Never ending (Lamentations 3:22-23)

King (Psalm 47:7)

Savior (Isaiah 43:11)

Good (Psalm 100:5)

Incarnate (John 1)

Victorious (1 Corinthians 15:57)

Impartial (Psalm 98:8-9)

Near (Psalm 34:18)

Gracious (Psalm 145:8)

Thank You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

All Praise and Thanksgiving be to God our King, **Pastor Sam**

Mission of the Month - Lutheran Indian Ministeries

At Lutheran Indian Ministries (LIM) we are motivated to reach every Native American and Alaska Native with the Gospel while raising up Native people to share the love of Jesus in their own communities. God's grace compels us to build the capacity of Native people for the sake of Christ's Kingdom. Jesus told His disciples to "go, and make disciples," and we take that command very seriously.

LIM has supported Makah Lutheran Church in Neah Bay, Washington for over 20 years. Over the years, Makah Lutheran has helped the Makah people understand that God loves them as the unique people He created them. They have found ways to be more connected to their community and have brought culture into their expressions of worship. They have a vibrant youth ministry as well.

LIM also has a campus ministry adjacent to Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. Haskell started as a boarding school, and it is now a place where Alaska Native and American Indians attend college. With all tribes represented, Lutheran Indian Ministries is positioned to share the Gospel in a way that shows the Haskell students that they can be both Christian and Native as God created them to be. LIM's campus ministry offers many programs designed to engage students, encourage them in their lives, listen and assist with the many challenges for young adults. We also provide lots of food. Everyone knows that the way to reach college students is through their stomach.

Sometimes LIM steps up where there is an unexpected need. Earlier this Spring, Haskell Indian Nations

University announced that for the second year in a row, they would be unable to provide a graduation ceremony to celebrate the accomplishment of the Classes of 2020 and 2021. LIM had a student intern who was graduating and was disappointed that he would not be able to have a graduation. Our staff determined that we were going to have a celebration for him. Little did we know what God had planned.

Our planned celebration for one student ended up leading to LIM hosting both the Class of 2020 and 2021 in a graduation celebration followed by a PowWow. Close to 900 people joined in the celebrations that day and witnessed God at work.

LIM is excited to be "mission of the month," for November 2021 at Faith Lutheran Church. The partnership of Faith Lutheran Church makes it possible for LIM to touch the

lives of Native people like the students at Haskell Indian Nations University and the people in Neah Bay, WA. Together, Faith Lutheran Church, and Lutheran Indian Ministries will assist and prepare the next generation of Native people called to serve in ministry.



Lambs of Faith

The current school year began the day after Labor Day, September 7, 2021. The enrollment stands at 49 children.

In October the children observed Halloween with costumes, candy & Trunk or Treat evening in the parking lot. Thank you to all who participated in the Trunk or Treat. Everyone had a great time.

And that brings us to November...On Tuesday, 11/16 the children will give a concert of patriotic music for th Marine Corp League, at their luncheon.

On 11/19, back again after one year hiatus, the children will perform the Stone Soup Play. Miss Karen is making the Stone Soup which will be shared with the parents on the day of the performance.

Thank you for your support of Lambs of Faith and keep the preschool in and teachers in your prayers.

Respectfully,

Karen Frank

The Voice of Faith

November 2021

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ashley Arsenault	1	Elaine Phelps	8	Sal Lupo	20
Jim Handrich	1	Patty Wood	8	Bill Marceau	21
Steve Nelson	1	Laurie Smith	9	Irene Harring	22 🦨
Makenzie Wise	1	Janice Wassmann	9	Lewis McDonald	22
Bill Musser	2	Michael Richardson	10	Darren Miller	22
Gabriella Buonpane	3	Pam Di Sarro	11	Barbara Berryhill	24
Jared Nurenberg	3	Lisa McClendon	13	Marlene Hoffman	24
Douglas Munson	4	Rebecca Goudy	14	Kingsley Durland	25
Donald Harring	5	Nancy Claus	15	Aidan Hawkesworth	27
Nancy O'Hara	5	Paula Leighton	16	Lynn Thiewes	27
Adam Schmitt	5	Lynn Baase	17	Bea Doonan	28
John Born	6	Meagan Peterson	17	Bill Eble	29
Joanne Thornley	7	Laura Proos-Ward	17	Cindy Eberhardt-Howey	30
Lorrie Minke	8	Phil Beres	19	Marj Selky	30

Norm & Mary Ellen Martin	1	Eddie & Marta Adkins	19
Ron & Ramona Mitchell	1	Anthony & Debbie Buonpane	26
George & Grace Ferguson	3	Carl & Jan Dickey	26
David & Sammi Treglown	12	Sebastien & Mary Saitta	29
David & Kathy Chaney	15		



Brass & Organ Concert

Our Director of Music, Matthew Swingle, has planned what we hope will become an annual event at Faith Lutheran Church. Although yet to be officially named, a 'FAITHFULLY CHRISTMAS" community concert will take place on Friday, December 10. The Naples Philharmonic Orchestra's Brass Quintet will join with Matthew Swingle on the organ for an evening of sacred, secular, hymn-based and sing-a-long music.

This preliminary message will act a three-fold encouragement. First of all, Faith Lutheran would be blessed by your attendance for this exciting Advent Friday evening. Secondly, you may be inspired to invite your friends, family and neighbors to experience an exhilarating Holiday concert. Finally, if you feel inspired, sponsorship contributions, either personal or corporate would be a blessing as we attempt to move forward in making Faith Lutheran Church a location for inspirational and entertaining experiences in our community. If you are so inclined to contribute, kindly speak to Michael Schmidt personally, by phone at 239-216-1866 or email at MS72450@gmail.com.

Thank You

The staff and students of the Therapeutic Riding Center would like to thank the members of Faith for making us the August 2021 mission of the month. Your generous donation of \$4,333 will be used to further our mission: "Together, we can improve lives, one stride at a time." Blessings, The Staff of the Therapeutic Riding Center

Thank you beloved Faith family for your overwhelming support, gifts, and encouragement throughout October.

We are thankful and undeservedly blessed to be here with you to share in the love of Christ. May our Risen Lord Jesus continue to lead, guide, and grow us all in this community He keeps us in!

The Maconachy family Pastor Sam, Liz, Cora, and Caleigh

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Set your clock back Saturday Night November 6, 2021	1 All Saint's Day 9:30 am - Cravin' to Craft (DR)	2 11:00 am - Marine Lunch (FH) 3:00 pm - Worship, Music & Arts (YA) 6:30 pm - Praise Team (S)	3 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study (DR) 11:00 am - Itchin' to Stitch (FH)	9:30 am – LOF Chapel (FH) 1:30 pm – Band (FH) 5:00 pm – Girl Scouts (YA) 6:30 pm - Choir	5 9:30 am – LOF Chapel (FH) 10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (DR) Holiday Bazaar Setup (FH)	9:00 a.m 2:00 pm – Holiday Bazaar (FH, CY) 5:00 pm - Saturday Service (S) Time Change – Set Clock Back 1 hour tonight
7 All Saints Sunday Mite Sunday 8:00 am -Worship (Comm) 9:00 am - Fellowship (CY) 9:15 am - Praise Worship (Comm) 10:10 am - Sunday School & Bible Study 11:00 a.m Worship (Comm) 4:30 pm - High School (FH) 5:45 pm - Confirmation (FH)	9:30 am - Cravin' to Craft (DR) 10:00 am - Board of Properties (WR) 6:30 pm - Elder's Meeting (DR)	9 11:00 am - Marine Lunch (FH) 5:30 pm - WOF Meeting (FH) 6:30 pm - Praise Team (S)	8:00 am - Men's Bible Study (DR)	11 Veteran's Day Church Office Closed 9:30 am - LOF Chapel (FH) 1:30 pm - Band (FH) 5:00 pm - Girl Scouts (YA) 6:30 pm - Choir 7:00 pm -20 & 30 Bible Study (FH)	9:30 am – LOF Chapel (FH) 10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (DR)	8:30 pm – Troop Packing (FH) 5:00 pm - Saturday Service (S)
14 Pentecost 25 8:00 am -Worship (Comm) 9:00 am - Fellowship (CY) 9:15 am - Praise Worship (Comm) 10:00 am - Bible Study(FH) 10:10 am - Sunday School 11:00 a.m Worship (Comm) 4:30 pm - High School (FH) 5:45 pm - Confirmation(FH)	9:30 am - Cravin' to Craft (DR) 6:00 pm - Executive Board Meeting (DR)	16 11:00 am - Marine Lunch with LOF Concert (FH) 12:10 pm – Staff Meeting (DR) 6:30 pm - Praise Team (S)	8:00 am - Men's Bible Study (DR) 11:00 am - Itchin' to Stitch (FH) 6:00 pm – Member Care (FH)	18 9:30 am – LOF Chapel (FH) 1:30 pm – Band (FH) 5:00 pm – Girl Scouts (YA) 6:30 pm - Choir	9:30 am – LOF Chapel (FH) 10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (DR) 11:30 am – LOF Stone Soup (FH)	9:30 a.m OSL Meeting (DR) 5:00 pm - Saturday Service (S)
21 Christ the King Thank Offering Food Collection 8:00 am -Worship (S) 9:00 am - Fellowship 9:15 am - Worship (S) 10:00 am - Bible Study(FH) 10:10 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Worship (S) 4:30 pm - High School (FH) 5:45 pm - Confirmation(FH)	9:30 am - Cravin' to Craft (DR) 6:00 pm – Church Council (FH)	23 11:00 am - Marine Lunch (FH) 6:30 pm - Praise Team (S) LOF Closed	24 8:00 am Men's Bible Study (DR) 6:30 pm - Thanksgiving Eve Service (S)	25 Thanksgivin g Day	26 Black Friday Office & LOF Closed	27 8:00 am - Hanging of the Greens (S) 5:00 pm - Saturday Service (S)
28 Advent Sunday #1 8:00 am -Worship (S) 9:00 am - Fellowship 9:15 am - Worship (S) 10:00 am - Bible Study(FH) 10:10 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Worship (S)	9:30 am - Cravin' to Craft (DR)	30 11:00 am - Marine Lunch (FH) 6:30 pm - Praise Team (S)	Count Your Blessings			

From the Director of Music

Hello Faith Family -

Psalm 150: 3-4 "Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp! Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe! Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

So far, we have learned a little bit about German *Herman L. Schlicker* organs and French *Aristide Cavaillé-Coll* organs. This month I am going to talk about the famous 17th century German organ builder *Arp Schnitger*.

Most organ historians and organ scholars agree that perhaps the most important organ builder from northern Germany during the 17th century was *Arp Schnitger*. Schnitger was revered as one of the most skilled organ builders of the Baroque Era, so much so that his instruments inspired many composers of the Baroque era, such as Johann Sebastian Bach. Schnitger built over 150 organs, some of them quite large and still in operation today. Among the finest and most famous of Schnitger's organs was the one played by Bach at St. Jakobi's Church in Hamburg. Although Italian influence can be detected in the pipework of his later organs, Schnitger's primary tonal philosophy had characteristics of the North German, Lutheran style. His surviving instruments are transparent and clear sounding, ideal for the contrapuntal style (based on interwoven melodic lines) of the North German music of his time. To use a 20th century classifying term, Schnitger organs are examples of *Werkprinzip*, which means the Schnitger organs are seen as the "principle of works" for other organ builders.

The North German organ style, in respect to the music being written during the Baroque era, focused on clarity of the chorus of sounds coming from the organ. In contrast to the Romantic-style organs of the 19th and 20th centuries (like the French organs we learned about last month) which try to emulate thick, orchestral-like sounds, a Schnitger organ sought to compliment the technical and motif-independent (motif'"musical idea") music being written. His pipework was generally built in a smaller scale, meaning there was a smaller amount of air moving through scaled-back pipe dimensions. This produces a sound that is classified as "low pressure," however, in Schnitger's genius, he used certain techniques to manipulate the pipes so that even at the smaller scale they produced a full and open quality which mimicked "vocal" characteristics. Schnitger also uniquely designed the "mixtures" organ stop (the very high and bright sounds you may hear as I pull the stop when the congregation starts to sing the first verse of a hymn) so that were brilliant in their sound production but were not as prominent in their volume and balance. This less-noticeable presence helped to balance the main principal choruses of the organ to aid in their clarity of sound production, so that the higher sounds would not overpower the foundational sounds. Schnitger organs are of a lower volume and a warmer quality, as compared to the Schlicker organs (as referenced in the September 2021 Voice) which are commonly used for Lutheran services in America.

Thank you all for your amazing support and attendance for the Celebration! Organ Concert last month. Both my recital partner and I were very happy and pleased. I want to give a huge shoutout and thanks to the WMA Committee for the amazing and wide-spread reception they provided. It was truly a wonderful production as we return for this year's Florida on-season! The WMA Committee and I have some really great events planned which will be happening soon - so stay tuned for more to come!

Blessings,

Matthew

Board for Member Care Gives You Help and Needs Your Help

The Board for Member Care at Faith was set up in 2018 to support our pastors at Faith in caring for the spiritual needs of our members. Each Board member is a care group leader and all members and families of Faith are in one of our Faith care groups. There are about thirty members or families in each care group. The care group leaders minister to the members of their group by building relationships, praying regularly for you, communicating on issues important to our worship at Faith. (This was recently particularly important during the past two years of COVID in helping some members gain access to our on-line worship and in keeping you informed on COVID protocols.) We send out birthday and anniversary greetings as well as get well and sympathy cards of support and we keep our pastors informed on any special needs or concerns of any one of our care group members. We assist our members if they need help in connecting with Healing Prayer Ministry, Stephens Ministry or Human Care for specific support needs. Recently, care group leaders have also brought the already consecrated Sacrament from our congregation's regular services to shut-ins in their care group and then worshipped together with them. Our whole purpose is to support our pastors' ministry and each member of Faith in their own spiritual care and well-being.

Besides giving care, we do need your help. We have nine care groups that we serve and seven of them have care group leaders, but right now two care groups do not have a leader due to previous leaders moving or having health or employment issues that kept them from continuing to serve. So, we really need two couples or individuals to step forward and join us in this important ministry. If you have questions about your possible involvement or can join us in this service to Faith members, please talk to one of the pastors or to Jim Handrich (239-566-3419) who leads the Board for Member Care. It is a privilege to serve you and our prayers continue that God will bless your faith and spiritual growth as we all follow and serve our Savior, Jesus.

Jim Handrich for the Board for Member Care

Hanging of the Greens

Happy Almost Christmas...Only about 11 weeks until we reach the time when we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior!

With that being said, the time is also approaching for Faith Lutheran to enter the Advent season and the prelude to that will be the annual Hanging of the Greens. This year we ask that you consider reserving Saturday morning, November 27 from about 8:00 - 12:00 noon. This will be a festive and energy-filled time to connect with your fellow members to make our Narthex, Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall beautiful with the colors and lights of the holiday. This event was moved to Saturday for two reasons. Many of you messaged work conflicts with the Monday morning timing; therefore, the Pastors and the Worship, Music and Arts Committee decided to give the Saturday morning another try.

I shall be looking forward to my annual reconnection with all of you and the usual bribery of donuts and coffee. See you then.

Michael Schmidt, Chair Worship, Music and Arts

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 24, 2021 6:30 PM

Everyone is welcome and invited to join together as God's beloved people for our yearly Thanksgiving Eve Worship. A special service of praise and thanksgiving.

Parents of 8th Graders and High Schoolers,

It is still not too late to sign-up and register your children for the LCMS National Youth Gathering in July 2022. Please contact Pastor Sam. We would love to have as many youth and adult leaders to enjoy and experience this life changing and faith shaping event!





Faith Lutheran Church is a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. We strive to be a friendly, family oriented church united under the goal of enriching our community through the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Traditional

Sunday:

8:00 a.m. Traditional9:15 a.m. Contemporary11:00 a.m. Traditional

Holy Communion will be served every Saturday and the first and third Sundays of every month

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