

FAITH



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FAITH Lutheran Church

Offering Christ-Centered Preschool and Childcare

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September 13, 2026

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MISSION STATEMENT: In responding to God's great love to us in Christ Jesus, FAITH Lutheran Church dedicates itself to the continual growth of Christ's Church in Bridgeport, in all of Michigan and the United States of America, and into all of the world through....

- **Fellowshipping around the Gospel (Acts 2:42)**
 - **Administering the Means of Grace (1 Cor. 4:1)**
 - **Investing our time and talents (2 Cor. 9:7, 8)**
 - **Teaching the Christian FAITH (2 Tim. 2:2)**
 - **Helping those in need (Matt. 25:40)**
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News & Notes: Welcome to FAITH Lutheran Church! Your presence here today is greatly appreciated. If you are visiting, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex before leaving. There are also some information packets with additional materials about FAITH. May God bless your worship of Him and go with you throughout the week to come.

Professional Staff:

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Life & Growth at FAITH This Week:

Sunday 13 9:00 am Worship
 10:15 am Bible Study
 10:15 am Sunday school
 1-3 pm Carnival
Monday 14 6:30 pm Bible Study
 7:00 pm Worship H/C
Tuesday 15 12:00 pm LifeLight Bible Study
 5:30 pm Women of Faith
Thurs. 17 9:00 am Faithful Sew-ers

FAITH’s Stewardship Life:

Worship Attendance:
Sunday Sept. 6, 2026 9:00 am 54
Monday Sept. 7, 2026 7:00 pm closed Labor Day
Weekly Receipts:..... Sunday, September 6, 2026
Budget..... \$5,564.00
Preschool/Childcare Weekly Receipts \$6,944.00
Total Budget Receipts \$12,508.00
Non-Budget Receipts \$122.00

Budget Receipts Needed Weekly to Meet 2026 Budget \$12,959.00

Serving in God’s House:

Accompanist..... Sunday: Eugene Witt; Monday: Paul Eschmann
Altar Guild..... Dorothy Dedyne; Mike Hastedt
Ushers..... Group 3
Sound..... Heidi Behnke, Austin Notter, Barb Swanson, Alyse Notter
Lector Mary Sylvester
Elders.....
Greeters..... Dearaine Gubbins; Diane gubbins
Kidz’ Word..... Pastor Behnke
Fellowship Steve & Dorothy Dedyne

Today is the “Noisy Mites” collection

Church Extension Fund: is giving a \$125 gift per household to Faith for opening a 24 month CD with 4% interest. Minimum investment is \$1,000. If you have questions Heidi Behnke is our representative. Applications are on the counter in the narthex.

Food Distribution: The next Distribution is Saturday, October 31st from 10-12:00. If you would like to help please be here at 8:00 a.m.

Online Offering: You have the opportunity to give your offerings electronically. You can register online by going to our church webpage: <https://faithlutheranbridgeport.org>
Under the Mission heading click donate:

Click on the blue box

You will need to enter your information including checking account and bank routing number. You may also enter your Credit/Debit card as a payment source.

Valley Lutheran High School:

Job Openings

Valley has openings for the following positions:

- Assistant to the Athletic Director
- Freshman Boys Basketball Coach
- Set Builder

More information about each of these positions and directions to apply can be found at www.vlhs.com/jobs.

Join us at Friday's Grand Tailgate, parade, and football game! Friday September 25, the Grand Tailgate will begin at 4:30. Grab a hot dog, connect with friends, and play a game of cornhole at the central Valley tent, set the kids loose on the inflatables and games, and enjoy the Homecoming Parade at 5:45 pm. The football game kicks off at 7 p.m. versus Hemlock; tickets are \$7,

available for purchase online at

www.vlhs.com/tickets

, or with cash at the gate.



**FAITH Lutheran Church
4241 Williamson Road
Bridgeport, MI 48722
Sunday, September 13th
1-3 p.m.**



Please come and join us for our family carnival!

Free for all

Fun and Fellowship with:

*games *prizes *bounce house
*dunk tank *face painting



* hot dogs, and other fun carnival food and treats

Invite your friends, family and neighbors!

Women of Faith

Save the date

September 15, 2026

6:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Attention:

Women of Faith will host

Guest Speaker

Dawn Herssell

Manager of Volunteer Services Hospice

This is our first meeting of the year.

Please plan on attending

She will be presenting servant projects that women
can do for Hospice patients.

You are Invited to:

Faith Lutheran's Indoor
Trick-or-Treat Extravaganza!
4241 Williamson Road
Bridgeport

Friday, October 9, 2026
Time: 6-8 p.m.



Please join Faith Lutheran's Preschool and Childcare for a Trick-or-Treat fall celebration. If you would like to participate, decorate your table (nothing scary) and fill it with treats! Additional information and a sign-up sheet for participation will be available at the counter in the Narthex.

Candy and treat donations will be accepted until
October 8th.



Women of Faith are having a Social/Craft Day

Saturday, October 10, 2026
9:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Electric will be provided

Calling all Sewers, Quilter, Jewelry making, Crochet,
Knitting, Scrapbooking, ETC. Come join us!

There will be a signup sheet for anyone interested. This
is for members, friends and family. Join us for puzzles
or just to visit! All are welcome.

There will be one ironing station available.
Bring your own sewing machine

A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Questions call Patti Baughman 989-245-0370

September is a month of transition for many people. School is back in session, the weather cools and schedules naturally change pace. Fall is also a great time to re-engage in physical activity and exercise - whether indoors or outdoors. It may seem unusual to hear the church talk about exercise, but LCMS Health Ministry exists to promote a Christ-centered approach to health. Yes, even physical health! The church cares about health — spiritual, mental, physical — because our Lord cares for us in every bodily need. We confess that God creates, redeems and sanctifies our whole person: body and soul, mind and spirit (Gal. 2:20). As such, we are given the task to steward our bodies as members of the larger body — Christ's church (1 Cor. 6:19–20; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27)! For more information on LCMS Health Ministry, visit lcms.org/health.

“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith” (Galatians 6:10). God has given us communities in our own families, in our church family and in other places as well. This verse reminds us of what a great blessing our church family is. In our culture, we often have Sunday morning as the only time that we see our church family. Our time together on Sunday morning is good and important, but we can also have a relationship with those in our church family beyond that time. Find ways with your family to build connections with other members of the congregation. You can talk to someone that you do not know well and encourage your children to do the same, or even invite them over for a shared meal.

15th Sunday after Trinity Matthew 6:25 – “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on.” Our anxieties and fears all come down to one thing: worrying that we will not have what we think we need. But God is our loving heavenly Father. He will always care for us, His will is always best, and He

actually knows what we really need. That confidence should set us free from worry and make us free for service according to the callings God has given us.