



Faith Lutheran Church Newsletter – May 2021

From the Stewardship Chair:

The Lutheran Service Book is a treasury of Scripture set to poetry and music. We should never forget that Martin Luther said, "Music is the handmaiden of the Gospel". Let's have a closer look at what one of those hymns has to say....

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" is LSB 781, and in verse 1 we find this: "All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee." The Scriptures referenced in this hymn are, I John 3:16-18, Matthew 25:40, Exodus 23:19a, and James 1:27. Note how well the hymn writer blended these Scriptural ideas into a beautiful poem which sings like a prayer!

All that we have is NOT ours, in fact we are NOT our own; having been bought with a Price. So then, true stewardship shows what Christ-like love is; it shows what pure and faultless religion looks like. It tells us to go beyond mere money and 'put our lives where our mouths are.'

Next time we'll see what another hymn has to say to us. Thanks be to God for the faithful stewards at Faith!

Herman DePriest

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Social Ministry News:

1. Is anyone interested in shedding a few Lock Down pounds? If so, I will be putting a signup sheet on the Social Ministry Board for diet options like Keto, South Beach, Weight Watchers, Slim Fast, etc. Talk to your family & friends and get a buddy to join you. Details to follow.
2. Proud to say our Church has raised \$4,000. for The Well Outreach in 2021 for Refrigeration/Freezer needs and they have set those funds aside for that. I'll be discussing a large fundraiser at our next Council meeting that includes community involvement.
3. For those of us that like to read I'm suggesting a fantastic book called The Grain Brain by Neurologist Dr. David Perlmutter about how our diet choices diminish our Brain functions. Easy to read & understand so please consider it. Full of information about Alzheimer's & Dementia, Diabetes, ALS disease, Seizures, Brain Tumors, Headaches, etc. You may visit his website: drperlmutter.com
4. We have (5) Confirmands on May 23 Pentecost so a celebration will follow the service
5. We will have a celebration for our youth that Graduate in May from Middle or High School, etc. on a date to be determined
6. Looking for feedback on a Women's Luncheon this summer just for Fellowship.
7. Possible June 6 Graduation celebration for our Youth after the service.

Nancy Thompson

Social Ministry Chair

Prayer List

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Bruce Meyer

Cathy Crump & Family

Charmaine Briggs & Family

Cleta Rahe

David Lyons

Erica & Ray Hauer

Family of Lois vonChrustschoff

Iona Kline

Kathy Jakubowski

Laura Hupp

Mark & Angie Ziegler

Pat McIntyre & Family

Paula Pennekamp

Richard Elliott

Sharon Hoover

We also pray for others whose concerns we carry upon our hearts.

Weekly Bible Classes are Available via Skype and In-Person:

Weekly adult bible classes are offered both in-person and via Skype on Wednesday mornings at 10 am and on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am. Youth confirmation classes are offered on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am during the regular school year.

Adult bible class: <https://join.skype.com/HDUsNaV7Dt8c>

Youth confirmation class: <https://join.skype.com/qDhb1UpGFPLx> (only during school-year months)

Where to Find Us:

Church service times are Saturday at 5:00 PM and Sunday at 10:30 AM. Please join us! If you prefer to use a mask you can bring your own, or we have an ample supply of masks and hand sanitizer. These items are located on the table across from the mailboxes. The Pastor and elders will wear a mask when administering communion. The glassed-in room with a separate doorway in and out can be deemed a "mask only" room for those who prefer it. Holy Communion can be administered in that room by a masked Pastor and elder.

Should you prefer to watch from home, we live-stream our services simultaneously to both Facebook and YouTube on Saturday at 5 pm. You can find us on our Facebook page entitled, **Faith Lutheran Church Thompsons Station, TN** at <https://www.facebook.com/faithlutherantn/>. When we are live-streaming, you will see it show up in your notifications and in your newsfeed. You must "**Like**" our Facebook page in order to see the feed. The live feed on YouTube can be seen by subscribing to our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCf6pYWhszns7n4ZJGnxqDdA>. You can also find the video on our website at www.faithlutheran-tn.org. Our sermon transcripts can be downloaded for your convenience from our website at: [Sermon Library - Faith Lutheran Church Thompsons Station, TN \(faithlutheran-tn.org\)](http://www.faithlutheran-tn.org). Weekly bulletins can be found here: [Weekly Service Bulletins - Faith Lutheran Church Thompsons Station, TN \(faithlutheran-tn.org\)](http://www.faithlutheran-tn.org)

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