



September 2017

Faith Lutheran Church

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# Faith News

## Mark's Thoughts

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God Can't Really Mean That!

As the Apostle Paul winds down his first letter to the church at Thessalonica he concludes chapter 5 with a series of Gospel imperatives including in verse 18 "give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." My immediate reaction to an imperative like that runs along the lines of; "Sounds good but hardly possible." That way I'm off the hook because God can't really mean that. So I can file that with all of the other things God says but does not mean!

Along with many of you I have watched some of the reports dealing with the destruction Harvey left behind in Texas. A piece of an interview grabbed my attention. A woman standing waist deep in water with a trash bag of possessions over her shoulder said, "God is so good! God is so awesome!" Obviously she understood the imperative in "Give thanks in all circumstances!"

What prompted such a statement? The backdrop for the news story was rescue efforts undertaken by volunteers. Kudos to the woman who recognized God's love amid the chaos. She recognized it because other people practiced it.

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M-F 8:00am - 5:00pm

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## This Week At Faith

### Today

Worship Service, 8 am and 10:30 am  
Sunday School, 9:15 am  
Board of Ed. Meeting, 9:15 am

### Monday - Labor Day

Office Closed

### Tuesday

Parents Day Out, 9am - noon  
Cub Scouts, 6 pm  
Boy Scouts, 6:30 pm  
Trustee Meeting, 6:30 pm

### Wednesday


Parents Day Out, 9am - noon  
Team One Choir Practice, 6 pm

### Thursday

Mary Martha, 10 am  
Newsletter Article Deadline, noon  
Elders Meeting, 7 pm

Last Sunday's Attendance: 152

Last Sunday's Offering: \$3701



3 - Beverly Jennings, Diane Kreder,  
Leah Schuster  
5 - Emma Cooper, Ethan Miller  
6 - GraceAnn Shreffler  
7 - Theresa Haan  
8 - Earl Kuppinger

## Those Serving Today

### Elders

8:00 -

10:30 -

### Usher

8:00 -

10:30 - Frank McGilbra

### Reader

8:00 - Theresa Haan

10:30 - Cindy Maloy

### Acolyte

8:00 - Ethan Miller

10:30 - Maxim Dessiatov

**8:00 Greeter** - Ann Rape'

**Accompanist** - Shelly Cooper

### Sound Booth

8:00 - Tim Doering

10:30 - Matt Doering

**Powerpoint** - Tim Doering



## Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given by  
**John and Cindy Maloy**  
in celebration of the birthdays  
of their son, Russ, and  
daughter-in-law, Ashton.



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**Beginning September 13**



**Word On Wednesday**

**Dinner - 5:30** (Adults \$2, Kids \$1)

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class - 5:45**

**Bible Studies - 6:30**

Confirmation  
Men's  
Women's  
Children's  
High School

**Our Church Elders**

If you have any questions, concerns or would like to speak to someone, please contact an Elder.

Kevin Casper, 918-899-1582  
Erik Clark, 918-287-8076  
Sean Cryer, 918-212-6414  
Jon Heaps, 918-271-2493  
Philip Hixon, 918-760-3513  
Scott Newbrough, 405-205-4810

**Prayer Concerns**

For prayer concerns/updates contact  
Roseanna Kretzschmar, 918-492-0823  
jackandzanna@gmail.com

If you are in need of prayer contact us and your concern will be added to the prayer list. The list is shared with the people on the prayer chain so several prayer partners can pray. The list is updated twice a month and are available on the Information Table in the narthex.

*Please be sure to keep us updated.*

**Miss a Sunday?**



View worship services online at:

Ustream.TV

Click on watch.

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Faith Lutheran Owasso

**Parents Day Out  
Now Enrolling**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 9am till noon  
Ages 16 months to 3 years old

**We provide loving, Christ-centered care  
and education for your precious little ones.**

Fall Session Begins September 5

For additional information or to enroll  
contact Kathy Vanderpool, 918-694-4288.



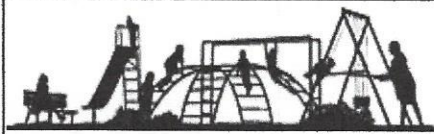


LCMS World Relief and Human Care, through LCMS Disaster Response, is coordinating with Texas District Disaster Response to launch a significant and sustained relief effort in response to Hurricane Harvey. LCMS Disaster

Response teams will deploy as soon as emergency officials allow them to enter the disaster zone.

The Synod wants to learn from our pastors and other leaders from the more than 160 LCMS congregations in the affected areas about their greatest, immediate needs. In time, after we stabilize and restore our congregations, we want them to serve as hubs of outreach in their communities. Visit [www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org) to learn more.

**To make a financial contribution: call 888-930-4438 or text "LCMSHARVEY" to 41444**



### Playground Equipment Setup September 10 - 11:30am

We have received new equipment for our playground and are asking for volunteers to help set it up.

We are also sprucing up the playground, so help with weeding, painting and cleaning is also appreciated. Lunch provided.

## New Luther Movie

OETA (PBS) will broadcast the two-hour movie on **September 12 at 7:00pm**. This is the movie that many watched earlier this year at local theater showings.

Now it is seen by to be anyone on their own home TV:

### **MARTIN LUTHER: THE IDEA THAT CHANGED THE WORLD**

Against all odds, a lonely outcast stood up to the world's dominant superpower - the Catholic Church - and won. It was a battle of ideas that formed Western society as we know it today, sparking the rise of individualism, personalities and showdowns, it does not shy away from the darker side of Martin Luther's story.



### Habitat For Humanity Faith Building Day September 9

Thrivent Financial is building another Habitat House this fall. Faith has set up a day to work on the house. It is Sept. 9, from 8am till 4pm. You must be over 16 years of age to volunteer. Sign up sheet in the narthex. See Tom Heiner for questions.



### RECYCLING MADE EASY

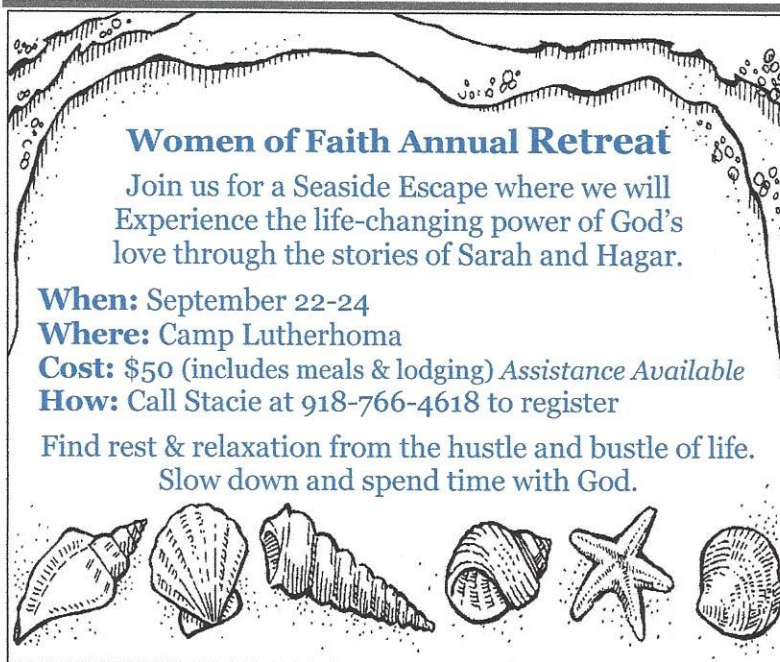
Collection Boxes Located in the Copy Room

**Old Electronics** - inkjet or laser print cartridges, pagers, DVD Video games/players, I-Pods, PDAs, MP3 Players, digital cameras, Pads, scientific/graphing calculators, GPS systems, laptops, Tablets, eReaders. *Include cords & accessories.*

**Cell Phones** - Include cords and accessories.

**Collecting Coupons** - Donate unused coupons to be sent to military personnel and their families stationed at major overseas bases. Place **clipped** coupons separated by '**NON FOOD**' and '**FOOD**' in the *Coupons for Military Families* box.

**Eyeglasses** - collection box located in the Narthex.

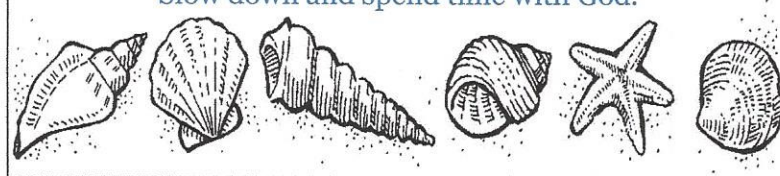


**Women of Faith Annual Retreat**

Join us for a Seaside Escape where we will Experience the life-changing power of God's love through the stories of Sarah and Hagar.

**When:** September 22-24  
**Where:** Camp Lutherhoma  
**Cost:** \$50 (includes meals & lodging) *Assistance Available*  
**How:** Call Stacie at 918-766-4618 to register

Find rest & relaxation from the hustle and bustle of life.  
 Slow down and spend time with God.



**Go-Getters**  
**Sep. 14 - 11:30am**  
 Please bring a dish to share and a game you would like to play afterward.  
 Everyone welcome!

**Mary Martha**  
**Sep. 7 at 10am**  
 Ladies, please join us in the church library for Bible study.

**Trustees Meeting**  
**Sep. 5 at 6:30pm**  
 in the church library.

### World Relief School Kits

Women of Faith - LWML are collecting items for the Lutheran World Relief School Kits. We will be collecting these items until the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November. Each kit includes:

- Four 70-sheet notebook of wide or college ruled paper
- 30-centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- Pencil sharpener
- Blunt scissors
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- Box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" eraser
- Sturdy drawstring backpack style cloth bag approx.. 14" x 17" with shoulder straps

A collection box will be placed by the mite box table.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Doering or Helen Morehead.

### Mite Box Sunday September 10

Every month Mites (money for missions) are collected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday. There is a large Mite Box in the Narthex near the coat rack. Please place your loose change or dollars in it or take a small Mite Box home and place your spare change in it and return it on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday. Seventy-five percent of this money is used for mission projects in our District and twenty-five percent goes to International projects. See the LWML bulletin board near the great room for a list of the projects that the LWML support to further God's Kingdom.



**Pregnancy Resource Center**  
**Arms of Grace Annual Banquet October 10**

PRC's annual banquet is designed to share their mission of protecting the most valuable among us; the unborn child. Each year we are able to share our hearts, celebrate our successes, dream for our future, and honor Christ for the ministry work being done. It is PRC's largest fundraising effort, with a goal of ascertaining enough fundraising to help support the PRC throughout the upcoming year. This years guest speaker, Melissa Ohden, is a failed saline infusion abortion survivor!

Raffle Tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Prizes available;  
Two (2) Roundtrip Southwest Airline Tickets  
Two (2) night stay at the Marriott on the Plaza in Kansas City  
Governor Huckabee Autographed Base Guitar  
Handcrafted Quilt by Red Barn Quilting

To purchase tickets visit [www.prcowasso.org](http://www.prcowasso.org) or see either Jon Heaps or Stacie Hixon.  
Don't miss out on supporting this worthwhile organization.

**Mr. Murph Bin Removed**

There is no longer be a Recycling Bin at Faith. You're encouraged to continue recycling. Drop off your recyclables at TTCU on 96th St N or most Owasso Public Schools. For a complete list of Mr. Murph donation sites, visit [www.feedmrmurph.com](http://www.feedmrmurph.com)

**Immanuel  
Lutheran Travelers  
Branson Trip**

Nov. 14 - 16  
Cost \$300 Pmt due Sep. 5  
Call Juanita 918-258-3439  
or Barbara 918-437-4405.

**College Students**

To find info on the nearest LCMS campus ministry visit [lcms.org/lcmsu/campuslink](http://lcms.org/lcmsu/campuslink)  
Also, place the address of your college student in church mailbox #126 so we can keep in touch with them though the schoolyear.

**Holy Trinity Reformation 500 Series**

**September Event - *The Reformation & Its Enduring Message for Today: The Moment, The Message, The Mission.*** His presentation will include three sessions which will examine Luther's life and times through the lens of history, religion and theology. He will discuss the errant teachings and wayward traditions of the Late Medieval Church that eventually sparked the Protestant Reformation, along with discussing how the Reformation accelerated the transformation of a world already in flux. Dr. Seltz's will take a deeper look into how the march of the Reformation, 500 years ago, has left its imprint on the face of culture and citizens alike.

**September 9 | 9:30 am | Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Edmond, OK**

**SPEAKER:** Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

**TOPIC:** The Reformation & Its Enduring Message for Today: The Moment, The Message, The Mission

**COST:** \$10 per person- Lunch included (Pay at door)

Register online at <http://holytrinityedmond.publishpath.com/september-event-registration>

\*Childcare available upon request.

# HOW YOU CAN HELP

## Readers for the 8:00 Worship Service Needed

If you are willing to help, please contact the church office.

## Nursery Help Needed

Nursery volunteers for the 10:30am Sunday service needed.  
A sign up sheet is posted on the nursery door.

## CANDY Wanted!

We are collecting individually wrapped candy and toys for our Oct. 28 Fall Festival. A donation box is located in the narthex.

## Lawn Mowing Help Still Needed

Help is needed mowing the west church property. If you are willing to help one week (or more) this summer, please sign up on the poster in the narthex. You can use the church's riding mower. We will give you a learn on how to run the mower and/or a refresher course before your first time mowing the property if needed. ??? Call Bill Campbell, 918-760-4561.

## Fall Festival Volunteers Needed

See Kathy Vanderpool to help with this community event.

## Bags for the Homeless

Our 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School class made 'Bags For the Homeless' to keep in your car and hand out when needed. Each bag contains: socks, soap, sunscreen, lip balm, lotion, toothbrush, toothpaste, pack of tissues, mylar blanket, water and a granola bar. Pick up one, or more, Sunday in the narthex.

## Downtown Tulsa Underground Tunnel Tour October 7 at 11am

Join us for a one hour walking tour of Downtown Tulsa where we'll see many areas of interest, including fascinating local history, architecture and art information. Call the church office to sign up.  
Cost - \$10/person  
Space is limited.

## Kendra Scott & Camp Lutherhoma

### *Shopping, snacks & supporting Camp Lutherhoma! Kendra Scott Gives Back Party!*

On October 9<sup>th</sup> Camp Lutherhoma is partnering with the Kendra Scott store at Utica Square for a Kendra Scott Gives Back Party! From 5-7pm the store will donate 20% of all profits to Camp Lutherhoma. This is a great opportunity to shop together and support Camp Lutherhoma!

Camp Lutherhoma staff and board members will be present to socialize, shop, and answer questions about our ministry. Email Erin Busch at [erin@lutherhoma.com](mailto:erin@lutherhoma.com) with any questions.

Additionally, if you are unable to attend on October 9<sup>th</sup> but still want to make a purchase and contribute, you can call the store and order over the phone or send a order form with a friend who is attending. Then you can pick up your item from the store later, or have it shipped to your house!

Email [erin@lutherhoma.com](mailto:erin@lutherhoma.com) for an order form.



# Faith Lutheran Youth events



**FLY 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday - September 10**  
Following the 10:30 worship service.  
All 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome!



## **Wednesday Night Classes Begin Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner - 5:30 pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class - 5:45 pm  
Confirmation Class - 6:30 pm  
High School Class - 6:30 pm



**Wednesday Night High School Class**  
Beginning on September 13 at 6:30pm.  
All 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to join us.  
The class will be taught by Courtney Boyd and will cover a variety of topics relevant to today's youth.



## **Gift Card Sales**

FLY needed to sell Gift Cards on Sundays after each of the worship services. Remember to purchase gift cards to the places you shop or the places you go.  
We have lots to choose from!