

Faith Footprints

Newsletter

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Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

DeLand, Florida

Notes from the Office

December 2018



"In order for the light to shine so brightly, the darkness must be present." (Francis Bacon)

I love driving around during Christmas to look at decorations. While some may take adornment to Griswold National Lampoon levels I stop at the houses with simple candles in the windows. The candle in the window - in its understated simplicity - just seems to stand out in the absence of other competing adornments and I feel that I've found a beacon in a dark place to a place a little bit brighter.

I can imagine early travelers, before cars, going from here to there, and getting tired. When they sighted a house or inn, a light in a window was a sign they were welcome to receive a bed and maybe a meal. It was a little more than Motel 8's "We'll leave the light on for you" but that is the idea. The light in the window guided weary travelers who, in the dark of night, were trying to find their way.

Advent is the season where we remind ourselves that the Light is on the way we are traveling, however dark the path can be. We not only put candles in the windows, we put trees in our living rooms, lights on our roofs and bushes, and animated snowmen and reindeer on our lawns. Perhaps all of these adornments remind us, and those who would witness them, that we are all travelers in a sense lighting the way for each other.

Let's put a candle in the window for our spirits and for all the wandering spirits out there. The Light is on our path, and home can be found, though it's hard to find our way in the dark. But we can always find our way back to our spiritual home, back to the manger, back to the Christ, as long as we can see the light.

Have a bright and Merry Christmas!

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[facebook.com/FaithLutheranDeland](https://www.facebook.com/FaithLutheranDeland)

Visit us on the web!
FaithLutheranDeland.org



From Pastor Keith

Advent is coming and it's a great time to study the Bible! For the four Sundays of Advent at 11 am, we will have a class titled "Introduction to Luke and Acts." Advent is from Sunday, December 2 to Monday, December 24 this year. Spend Sundays in December with Pastor Keith and the bible!



Advent
Worship
6:00 pm on
Wednesdays in
December at
Faith

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INTERFAITH KITCHEN

Located in the basement of the
First United Methodist Church
of DeLand

Thanks to all who served in
November!

Great teamwork – thanks be to God!

On Tuesday, November 13th, we served meals, to the hungry. Big thanks go to those preparing and serving!

We serve on the second Tuesday of each month. This is a great opportunity for a group, club, or family to serve the community. There is no financial commitment necessary; simply a gift of time and service. The entrees for these meals are provided, but salads, side dishes, and desserts are always appreciated.

Our next turn is
**Tuesday, December 11th at
5:00pm.**

If you would like to serve, please call
Donna Bouchard at 386-873-7099.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 Worship 9:30pm Advent Class 11:00 am Worship and Music ministries are meeting at 12:30 pm	3	4 Rebekah Circle 10:00am @Good Samari- tan	5 Potluck 5:30 pm & Advent worship 6:00 pm	6	7 Set up Tree 	8
9 Service 9:30 am; Second Sunday Sharing please bring Peanut Butter; Advent Class 11:00	10	11 Interfaith Kitchen 5:00 p.m.	12 Potluck 5:30 pm & Advent worship 6:00 pm	13	14	15
16 Service 9:30 am Mission Sunday's collection goes to Local Youth Activi- ties; Advent Class 11:00	17	18	19 Potluck 5:30 pm & Advent worship 6:00 pm	20 Thanksgiving! No Worship.	21	22 Living Nativity 5-7 pm
23 Service 9:30 am Advent Class 11:00	24 Christmas Eve Worship 6:30pm	25 Merry Christmas!	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Years Eve					

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec 2nd Deborah DeGaetano Dec 22nd Al Mallory
Dec 2nd Asa Policke Dec 25th Keith Martin
Dec 3rd Rev. George Willis Dec 31st Danny Stewart
Dec 5th Sarah Morris

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH IS SECOND SUNDAY SHARING

Faith's Outreach Ministry will be continuing our partnership with St Barnabas to help their

Faith at Work Food Pantry!

On the second Sunday of each month, everyone is asked to bring a specific **non-perishable** food item the pantry needs.

**On December 9th
Please Bring:**

**Peanut
Butter**



MISSION SUNDAY



On the third Sunday of each month there will be a second collection for various needs of the church. The collection on **December 16th** will go toward **Local Youth Activities**.

Show Your Support!
Wear the new official FELC tee!

Styles for Men & Women
Long & Short Sleeves
Hooded Sweatshirts



Visit the website to order yours!

Join us!



Christmas Eve Worship
6:30 PM



the Power of a
Simple Gift



Many thanks to Carol Sutton
and those who helped bring
gifts to those around the world
this
Christmas Season!

Help spread the Good News!

**YOU'RE
INVITED**

*Invite your friends
& neighbors to church!*

Make your offering electronically!



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Check the pew pocket for details!

*Join us on
Friday,
December 7th
and help put up
the trees in the
Sanctuary.
Time to meet
will be
announced.*

MONEY MATTER\$

Attendance & offerings for the month of **October 2018**

Average Attendance	General Tithes Received	Designated Giving	CHMS Contributions	August Total
52	\$5,689.00	\$614.48	\$3,328.00	\$9,631.48

Total Income \$9,631.48
 Total Expenses \$10,529.45
Difference \$897.97

Thanks for Giving! We need your regular tithe in order to maintain day-to-day operations.



THRIVENT CHOICE DONATIONS

Thank you to these and all member who allotted their Thrivent Choice Dollars to faith Lutheran Church FELC in March:

Don & Debby Boyer
 Alice Bebee

Thank You!

General & Ministry Offerings includes Regular and Loose Tithe offerings, Stewardship, and Sunday School offerings.

SIMPLY GIVING: THE MOST CONVENIENT WAY TO TITHE!

3 WAYS TO GIVE:

Bank Account Deduction:

- Use the convenient Electronic Funds Transfer option and have your offering automatically deducted from your checking account.
- Never forget your check or offering envelope again!
- You choose how often and how much you give.
- Add fund splits for Building, Capital, Lutheridge, etc.

On The Website

- Visit www.FaithLutheranDeLand.org.
- Click the Make A Donation link at the left side of the page.
- All major credit cards accepted.
- Fund splits for Building, Capital, Lutheridge, etc.
- Give a one-time gift, or set up recurring donations.

With Your Smartphone

- Upload the free QR code scanner app at the Google Play Store.
- Scan the QR code found on donation cards, bulletins, and newsletters.
- All major credit cards accepted.



POINTSETTIA DEDICATIONS

Don and Debby Boyer
In Memory of Loved Ones

Jean Cornwell
In honor of my children, grand-children and great grandchild.

Carol Sutton
In loving memory of Jean Corbé by her grandchildren, Zenan & Tiernan Sutton and Mosely Percival

Janice Cornwell
In honor of my sons and daughters-in-laws: David & Amy Cornwell and Ken & Vicky Cornwell

Paul and Nancy Dascher
To the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents.

The Erickson Family
In Loving memory of Roy and Beverly Erickson

The Erickson Family
In honor of Alfred and Cornelia Policke, with love, from their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

Carl and Carolyn Carey
In memory of Austin Carey and Trysten Carey

Donald Lundquist
In loving memory of Elmer and Clara Lundquist, Jean Macomber, and Bill and Bernice MacCann

Helen Martin
In celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ

Walter and Manny Peterson
To the glory of God

Alfred and Cornelia Policke
In memory of parents, Alfred and Camille Policke and Henry and Clara deVries

Carole Shellhorse
In memory of Loved Ones

Andrea Shull
In loving memory of Jane Crespo

Alice & Bob Bebee
In memory of our parents

Sue Thurmond
To the glory of God and the honor of all the departed saints

Doris Candalino
To the glory of God and Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

Dora Mallet
To the glory of God

Alva Mallory
In loving memory of my wife



Intercessory prayer is one of the Christian's most powerful tools. By lifting up those in need, we bring them to the Lord for His healing hand, strength and comfort.

We pray for those who are chronically ill, that God would be their daily companion and strength:
Nina Eriksen, Kerry Sholtis, Lance Borows, Faith Eriksen, Wilma Brokaw

For those who are fighting cancer, that they will know they are not alone in the battle:
Ray Bebee, Roy Erickson, and Craig Parrillo

We rejoice with those who are recovering from injury, illness, or surgery:
Joe Nieb, Wilma Brokaw, John Herman

For those who are shut in, that they will feel the Lord's constant presence:
Anna Anderson, Millie Glover, Jackie Hays, Corinne Martinez, Virginia Fauble

We pray for those whose needs are known only to the Lord:
**Marilyn Snow, Jackie Hays, Julia Beckwith
Dorothy Caldwell**

We pray for the special concerns of our neighbors, our community, our nation and our world:
Our men and women in the military, Habitat for Humanity, All people in war-torn nations, Storm victims, Rain for areas that need it, For our local, state and national leaders, for those in the grip of addiction to drugs and alcohol and for their families.

Email your prayer request to prayerrequests@faithlutherandeland.org or contact the church office at 386-734-2791 and leave a message!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Sharing Christ's love, our mission is to extend hospitality, serve our community,
and spread the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Pastor: Rev. Keith Grill
President: Scott Bouchard
Vice President: Debbie Morris
Council Secretary: Helen Martin
Treasurer: Dora Mallett
Financial Secretary: Debby Boyer

Bob Bebee Sue Thurmond
 Julia Beckwith Christine Medrano
 Adam Stoddard
 Carol Sutton

CHURCH OFFICE:

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 32724
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Children's House Montessori School:
Administrator: Sherri Holzman
School Phone: (386) 736-3632

CHURCH STAFF:

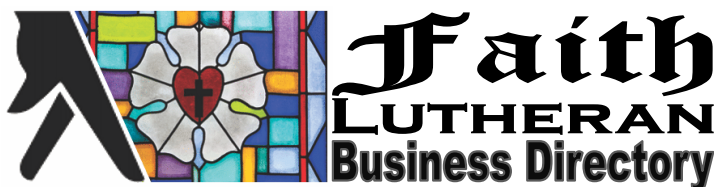
Pastor:
 The Rev. Keith Grill

Office Manager:
 Amy Cornwell

Music Director:
 Deborah DeGaetano

Church Sexton:
 Bob DeGaetano

Organist:
 Tiffany Demps



Let your friends at Faith know about your business! See it listed here, and in the printed directory! Submit your business online, or get a submission form in the Communication Center in the back of the Sanctuary. Call the office for details!

MIKE'S
 MOBILE DETAILING
 (407) 914-5280

Integrity Consulting
 David Hickman
 (386) 804-9182
 Business & Home
 Computer Repair

M & M SERVICES
 Pressure Washing
 & Painting by Mike Swanto
 (386) 837-0403
 No job to small!

Musical Instruction
 Bob DeGaetano
 (386) 848-3630
 Guitar • Bass • Saxophone • Ukulele • Music Theory
Private instruction for all skill levels

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

 **KEEP SMILING**
THAT'S ALL :-)