

# DIVINE CONNECTIONS

The Newsletter of Faith Lutheran Church

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## Truth with Grace



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### **Bible Study:**

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.

### **Worship Services:**

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

## WHAT IS NEW AT FAITH?

We are pleased to announce that Pastor Peter Kuritz has



graciously agreed to continue his work with us for 2023. We, at Faith, have been

so blessed to have him extend his kindness and gentleness in his pastoral duties with us. He has been faithful in preaching God's Word for us, and your Church Council has formally thanked him.

## NOTES FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

The Council has been responsible for ensuring continuous services at Faith Lutheran Church. To that end, the Worship committee has been involved in worship leader coverage, ushers and greeters, altar services, flowers and a myriad of other details that make our services worshipful! In addition to all of this, our property

continues to be monitored, tended to and repaired, from the recent roof repairs, planning for snow plowing, and making sure all of our property is safe and serves our members and community well. Many outside groups have been using our building which is a great way to outreach and serve.

## TOMEC

(Top of the Mountain Ecumenical Council)

## Annual Interfaith

**Thanksgiving Service** to be



held **Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 7 Pm at the Pocono Lake Wesleyan Church.

**Five Loaf House** will hold a free Thanksgiving Dinner

**November 23, 5 - 10 p.m.** and **November 24, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.** All are welcome.



TOMECEC will again be collecting gift cards for our children (in lieu of clothing gifts) for Christmas.



Please watch our 'Christmas Tree' board which will be up in mid-December. Any assistance to help our kids on the mountain have a blessed Christmas is appreciated.

The CARE TEAM has been active in sending out prayer shawls to those in need of a prayer hug or to help them celebrate a special occasion. If you know of someone who could use such a 'HUG', please let us know through the office. Thanks.

**FAITHFUL COMMUNITY QUILTERS**



Our small group of about twelve women get together on the second Monday of each month (excluding the Summer) with the goal of community service. We have sent over 100 quilts to the Geisinger Children's hospital through the *Quilts for Kids* program. We have also made quilts for Hospice and for the Women's resource center.

We donated over sixty placemats to Meals on Wheels. Everyone is welcome to join us. We meet from 10 to 3. Bring your sewing machine or just your helping hands! All are appreciated.

**OCTOBER APPLEFEST**

was a huge success. Many hands of our ladies were involved in basket building, soup making, baking and yummy apple crisp! Thank you to everyone involved because we were able to bring in just under two thousand dollars! THANK YOU ALL!



**WE ARE LIVE**

Everyone should know that our services every Sunday morning are broadcast live from our website and are downloaded on Facebook each week. Please check in if you are unable to attend live with us!

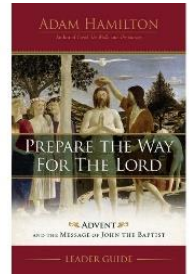


ADVENT is coming and we will be meeting every **Wednesday at 6:30** for soup followed by our study of



Adam Hamilton's book: *Prepare the way for the Lord.*

The book is available through Christian Book store, Walmart, or on Amazon. We look forward to you signing up and joining us!



**PRAYER LIST**

If you know someone who needs special prayers, please forward their name to the church office: [Faitheroffice@faithlutheranblakeslee.org](mailto:Faitheroffice@faithlutheranblakeslee.org)



**MEMORIAL GARDEN**

We all sincerely thank Ron Shiner for the amazing artwork in our Memorial Garden. Please stop by and see the image of Jesus welcoming those who have been buried here. It is spectacular and we thank Ron for this wonderful gift.

