

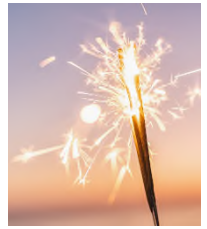


13th Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor Heather Brown

September 7th, 2025 | 9 AM

ELW – red pew hymnal; WOV – blue pew hymnal; This service is live streamed and recorded.



PRELUDE & WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

GATHERING SONG

Lift High the Cross (v. 1, 2 & 4)

ELW 660

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PUPPETS OF FAITH

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

PSALM 1 (Responsively)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle-Halle-Halle-lujah!

ELW p. 172

GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-33

SERMON

Pastor Heather Brown

SONG OF THE DAY

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

PRAYERS

SHARING THE PEACE

OFFERING

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

OFFERING PRAYER

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Contemporary)

INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION

Be Thou My Vision

ELW 793

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW 715

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Onward Christian Soldiers

On Screen

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!

Please fill out our blue visitor card found at the Welcome Table in the Gathering Area. We have a special gift for you when you place the visitor card in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship. We look forward to connecting with you.



WELCOME ALL FAMILIES with children and infants attending worship today. We have an unstaffed nursery available for young children to play in during worship. If you would prefer to keep young children in the sanctuary, there are quiet activity bags available that are located near the entrance to the sanctuary. Ushers will be happy to show you where they are located.

PRAYER LIST: *Please keep the following people in your prayers. Names will remain on the prayer list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.*

Dave Aldrich, Ardith Hendrickson, Diane Herron, Alice Kapla, Tom & Darlene Krake, Mike Voss.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? *Submit it via the app or website or use the orange prayer request card in pew. You may also email: pastor@faithmarshfield.com.*

Pastor Heather has a new cell phone number please use: (715) 660-6899.

The LSS Office has been repurposed as a Mission Team Volunteer Office/Area. This is located in the hallway by the Sanctuary.

SERVING US TODAY at 9:00 AM

Welcome:	Jan Fink
Greeters:	Ron & Julaine Varsho Jerry & Sheveney Verhulst
Ushers:	2 NEEDED
Musician(s):	Kathy Biederwolf
Audio/Visual:	Tom Loucks Jeff Johnson
Reader:	Paul Kapla
Acolytes:	Brooklyn Corcoran Breeleigh Polzin
Comm. Prep:	Jamy Yohn, Lisa Behling, Lori Bents
Comm. Assists:	Bonnie Brix, Christine Stromme
Coffee Host:	Judy Rhodes
Baked Goods:	Sheveney Verhulst, Karen Pugh, Bonnie Brix

HEARING & VISUAL ASSISTANCE

Ask an Usher for help to sit in the Hearing Assistance section in the sanctuary. Switch hearing aid to T-Coil Loop Listeners. Magnifiers are also available.

Announcements



September 7 | Kickoff Sunday (10:00 AM Following Worship)

Welcome back to a new year of Adult Education! This year, we'll gather in the Mission Team Office.

Whether it's your first time joining or you're a familiar face, you are warmly invited. Our first session will explore the Life of Esther—don't miss it!



From Education & Family Ministry Team

Justin/Brianne at FamilyEd@FaithMarshfield.com

Sep 7 | Ignite the Light Sunday

We're kicking off the school year in a bright and shining way! Students will meet outside by the front doors, where together we'll "light the way" into a new year with sparklers.

- 9:00 AM Worship – followed by classes
- Students meet outside the front doors
- After a short gathering in the sanctuary, kids will head to their classrooms

Sep 7 | Acolyte Training (11:00 AM)

All 5th–8th graders are encouraged to join! Parents are welcome too as we introduce some exciting new changes for this year.

Sep 10 | Confirmation Class (5:30 PM)

We're excited to begin another year of learning together! This year's focus: The Apostles' Creed & The Sacraments. We will be implementing two classes per month on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month.

Sep 14 | God's Work. Our Hands. (10:00 AM)

During class, students will step into the neighborhood to care for creation by picking up trash. Please dress for the weather and, if possible, bring yard gloves.

Parents—We'd Love to See Your Students!

As GLOW, RISE, and the school year get underway, we'd love for you to share photos of your kids so we can celebrate them together! Send photos to: familied@faithmarshfield.com.



Sun Aug 7 — FLY GATHERING.

At 10:15 AM Pastor Heather will meet with high school youth, their parents and youth advisors to provide information/answer questions about the search for a new youth director and plan for Kim Vrana's Celebration Service on Sun Sept 21. For more information, please contact Pastor Heather--- email: pastor@faithmarshfield.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Women of the ELCA Chequamegon Conference
Fall Retreat

October 4, 2025

St Paul's Lutheran Church
321 N. Park Ave., Medford

\$20.00 per person
More information to follow.

From Women of the ELCA

The Women of the ELCA Chequamegon Conference invite you to their Fall Retreat, **"Falling for Jesus...He Never Leaves,"** on Saturday, October 4, 2025, from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Medford. Enjoy a day of fellowship, worship, and encouragement. Cost is \$20 (checks payable to WELCA). In-kind gifts for local food pantries will be collected. Please register by September 21, 2025, by mailing the form and payment to Deb Bender, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 321 N. Park Ave, Medford, WI 54451.

HONORING KIM VRANA CELEBRATION

Join us in celebrating **Kim Vrana**, who has faithfully served as our Youth Director for the past 12 years. Through mission trips, retreats, service projects, and countless hours of care and guidance, Kim has been an incredible blessing—helping our youth grow in faith, deepen their relationship with God, and live out their calling to serve. His dedication, creativity, and love for Christ have left a lasting impact on our church family. At our Worship Service on **Sept. 21st**, we will recognize his vital

ministry with us. After service we will hold a special coffee hour in his honor.

From Faith In Action

Contact Treva Tisdell at jttizy78@gmail.com

Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 18 |

5:30–7:00 PM Faith Lutheran Church is excited to host our annual Trunk or Treat! Bring your family and friends for a safe and fun evening filled with decorated trunks, costumes, candy, and games!

We need your help to make this event a success: decorate a car, Donate Candy, Run Games, Help with food.

To register or volunteer, sign up online or contact Treva at 715-387-4569.



From Worship & Music

Contact Choir Director Kathy Biederwolf
kathbiederwolf@yahoo.com

The choir's first rehearsal of the season is on September 10 at 6:30 PM in the basement Choir Room. We welcome newcomers of all ages and abilities. To accommodate schedules and encourage new members, rehearsals and Sunday appearances are divided into three main periods:

- September-October for Reformation Choir (Oct. 26)
- November-December for Christmas Choir (date TBD)

- Mid-January-March for Easter Choir (Easter April 6)

No tryouts are required, and newcomers can join any of the three choirs without commitment for the whole year. Most performances are at the altar; seating options are available. We look forward to seeing everyone soon! Thanks, Kathy



Garden Blessings Table

Do you have extra produce from your garden this fall? Share the abundance! A table will be set up in the Gathering Area where you can place any extra fruits and vegetables. If you are in need of fresh produce, please help yourself.

From Soup Or Socks

Contact Christine Stromme at strommechristine@gmail.com



We've had a lot of activity in the pantry lately. We've been serving more households and receiving less donations making our shelves empty quite quickly. We're asking for some help to try to restock them. We've listed items for each church to focus on. The items listed for Faith Lutheran: Instant Potatoes, Canned Potatoes, Gravy Packets. Please put in the wooden bench in the Upper Room labeled Soup or Socks.

From Crop Walk

Contact Christine Stromme at strommechristine@gmail.com

SEPT. 28TH 1:00 PM - Marshfield Area CROP Walk Against Hunger. Join us Sunday, September 28th for the Marshfield Area CROP Walk Against Hunger at Wildwood Park, Shelter

#2. Registration opens at 12:30 PM, with the walk beginning at 1:30 PM. This event raises funds to fight hunger worldwide through Church World Service, with 25% staying local to support Soup or Socks. Checks may be made out to CWS/CROP. Sign up or donate with Christine Stromme or Jeff Johnson in the Gathering Area any Sunday in September.

For details, contact Pastor Janet at revjanet@tznet.com or Carmen Lawler at the Presbyterian Church. Let's walk together to fight hunger!

From Worship & Music

Contact Music Director Linda Nelson-Schreiber at music@faithmarshfield.com

God's Work our Hands at FLC is September 14. We will be gathering needed items for two Marshfield centers for domestic abuse: Orenda Center and Shirley's House of Hope. Please consider these items from their wish lists. Boxes will be in the Gathering Area until September 14th.



SEPTEMBER 14TH 9 AM

MISSION TEAM FAIR AFTER THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Looking for a new way to get connected? Curious about where your gifts could shine? After worship, swing by the Gathering Area or Upper Room to see all the exciting things our Mission Teams are up to! Explore ministries you can be part of—and maybe even discover something new you'll love.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FAITH:

September 7th – September 13th

Sep. 7th 9:00 AM – Sunday Worship
Sep. 8th 6:30 PM – Social Concerns/Green
Team Mtg on Zoom
7:00 PM – Al-Anon in CR
Sep. 9th 1:30 PM – FLC Women Mtg in UR
6:00 PM – Faith in Action Mtg in UR
Sep. 10th 5:30 PM – Confirmation class in UR
6:00 PM – NA Meeting in CR
6:30 PM – Choir in CH
7:30 PM – Scouts Troop #345 in CR
Sep. 11th 8:00 AM – Quilters' Piece Corps
8:30 PM – Finance Mtg in UR
12:30 PM – Ecumenical Bible Study
in ED1
Sep. 13th 6:00 PM – Faith Fire Night at
Auburndale School Forest

FAITH NUMBERS CORNER

Service Attendance

Last Week Attendance: 48

Average Service Attendance

July Average Attendance: 90

July Average Online Views: 50

Weekly General Giving Aug. 31st:

Actual *(Includes online giving)* \$1,810

(Weekly break even amount \$6,166)

Year to August 31st, General Giving:

Actual Contribution Income \$185,283

Budget+(Amount to break even) \$215,794

Year to July 31st, Income vs. Expenses:

Actual All Income \$178,968

Actual Expenses \$184,659

Shortfall ~~-\$~~ 5,691

ORENDA CENTER LIST OF NEEDS

- Waterproof Zippered Mattress Pad - Twin Size
- Waterproof Zippered Mattress Pad - Queen Size
- 13 Gallon Trash Bags
- Copy Paper
- Black Permanent Marker
- HP Original Black Ink Cartridge (#952EL)
- Deodorant
- Shampoo - Full Size
- Conditioner Full Size

SHIRLEY'S HOUSE OF HOPE LIST OF NEEDS

- Large Women's PJ's
- XL Women's PJ's
- 13 Gallon Trash Bags
- 30 Gallon Trash Bags
- Toilet Paper
- Diapers - NB to size 4

WAYS TO GIVE:

CHURCH: Offering basket will be passed during offering.

ONLINE: Go to www.faithmarshfield.com and click on **GIVE**.

TEXT: Text **flcmarshfieldgiving** to phone number 1-888-364-4483

MAIL: Mail a check directly to *Faith Lutheran Church, 207 S. Cherry Ave., Marshfield, WI 54449*



Welcome Back, Puppets of Faith!

We're thrilled to have the Puppets of Faith live in worship today! Our puppet friends will be sharing about their adventures at this summer's *Branching Out* events.



New this year: Catch the puppets every Friday at 6:00 PM on our App, YouTube, and Facebook.

Stay tuned, join the fun, and don't miss the laughs and lessons they bring each week!