

October Birthdays

J. R. Hartman Jr.	10/01	Hayley Sharp	10/20
Rhett Kinkade	10/01	Allison Rideout	10/20
Allen Jones	10/02	Jayne Serrano	10/20
Bridget Swoboda	10/03	Ginger McGill	10/20
Delores Watkins	10/03	Finn Koenig	10/22
Ashley Kucera	10/04	Terri Tait	10/22
Kelly Bright	10/04	Danny Hiller	10/22
Carol Turley	10/05	Bill Plemons Jr.	10/23
Aimee Ott	10/05	Joe Cliffe	10/23
Patsy King	10/06	Richard McBrayer	10/23
Donna Munsch	10/06	Darrell Rangnow	10/23
Jerry Slaughter	10/07	Brett Barrick	10/25
Timothy Alex	10/07	John Webb	10/25
Analysa Garza	10/08	Brylie Koopman	10/26
Benton Kucera	10/08	Carolyn Barnett	10/28
Dee Harper	10/09	James Westbrook	10/29
Tracy Hermes	10/09	Barbara Jean Reinhardt	10/29
Gus Trojcek	10/10	John Urban	10/29
Olivia Reynolds	10/11	Joseph Trapp	10/30
Sage Depine	10/13	Kaye Oliver	10/30
Michelle Taylor	10/13	Chelsea Hill	10/30
Elgene Henry	10/15	Jere Swoboda	10/31
John Zimmer	10/19	Louis Diebel	10/31
Elton Tuch	10/19		
Rodney Stratmann	10/19		



October 2023

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church

516 N. Main, Victoria, TX 77901

Office Hours 9:00a - 4:00p

Rev. Chip Reynolds, Senior Pastor

Phone: 361-575-3623

Fax: 361-575-8877

Email: Office@FELCVictoria.com

Website: www.FELCVictoria.com

TV Broadcast 10:30a Sundays

KXTS-TV Channel 41 – Suddenlink Cable Ch. 9

10:30 Sundays live streaming at “[Facebook.com/FELCVictoria](https://www.facebook.com/FELCVictoria)”

BIBLE HIGHLIGHTING – is Sunday, October 1, in the Youth Room following the late service to highlight Bibles for your child in 3rd grade or older if they have not received a Bible by their parent/guardian/loved one. A list of verses will be read and highlighted, and we will pray over the bibles. **You will present the bible to your child(ren) on October 15th**
Highlighters provided Contact Julie with any questions.

CAMP EAGLE 2024 DEPOSITS DUE - Youth that have completed grades 6th -12th are invited to attend summer camp June 9 thru 13, 2024 in Rocksprings, TX. If your student would like to attend, please fill out the registration form located in the Narthex and attach your **non-refundable** \$100.00 deposit and place in the offering plate or mail to the church office at 516 N. Main St. – 77901... If you missed camp sign-up and still want to go, please contact Julie Thigpen 361-935-0235 ASAP

November deadline is
Wednesday, October 18, 2023

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

FIFTY AND FUN - Will meet **Thursday, October 12**, in Felger Hall at 6:00p. Please join us for fellowship and games. Please bring a meat dish, side dish or dessert to share.

Isaiah 26: 3 & 4

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you. Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal.

I have heard a lot about foundations in the last few weeks. It seems to be coming up in conversations all the time.

“Got to water the foundation of the house because I don’t want it to crack. Got to make sure the foundation of our organization is strong to weather the storm so we can grow again later. Got to work on stabilizing my foundation so I don’t lose my balance.”

Foundations are important in all areas of our lives because that is the place from which we grow. If the foundation isn’t solid then we are setting ourselves up for failure. I could not imagine building a house if the foundation was not solid or if it was already cracked. It must be solid for us to have structure above it. Isaiah said that the foundation of our minds must be steadfast to have peace. So, what does it mean to be steadfast and how do we achieve it?

Steadfast is really all about having a firm, solid base under our feet. And the achievement of that foundation is Christ. Isaiah knew that peace comes in the chaos when you can rely on the foundation that you stand on. You have to have feet on solid ground. I long for peace in a crazy, mixed-up world and I know that the people around me can’t give it to me. God and God alone provides me that foundation that I can trust in.

He is my Rock. And no matter the chaotic storm that life throws at me, I can grab hold of that Rock and it will be my stability. That’s what it means to be steadfast. No matter what, I can know with all assurance that I have sure footing and I can trust in it. There I will find my peace in the midst of the storm. All I have to do is Trust. The rest is all about God.

Hang on. He has you.
PC



Worship Schedule

Date/Time	Worship Assistant	Lay Readers	Communion Assistant	Deacons
10/1 8:00a	James Reinhardt	Tracy Depine	Tracie Depine	Aaron Muegge
10/1 10:30a	Al Reinhardt	David Henry	David Henry Marie Plemons	Jim Hartman
10/8 8:00a	James Reinhardt	Katherine Schuelke	Katherine Schuelke	Alton Johnston
10/8 10:30a	Mary Gail Moody	Dee Harper	Dee Harper Tracy Hermes	Marty Foss
10/15 8:00a	James Reinhardt	Kathy Svetlik	Kathy Svetlik	Jeff Sproles
10/15 10:30a	Al Reinhardt	Jennifer Hartman	Jennifer Hartman Debbie Moncrief	James Janak
10/22 8:00a	Ginger McGill	Ginger McGill	Ashley Kucera	Aaron Muegge
10/22 10:30a	Mary Gail Moody	Edna McDonald	Edna McDonald Barb McDonald	Jim Hartman
10/29 8:00a	James Reinhardt	James Reinhardt	Vickie Spann	Alton Johnston
10/29 10:30a	Al Reinhardt	Sandy Serold	Bryan & Sandy Serold	Marty Foss

CONGRATULATIONS – To Jessica and Keshawn Carrington on the birth of a daughter, Arijah Dale, born August 22, 2023. Proud grandparents are Cheri and Mike Little, and proud great-grandparents are Jim and Pat Wolter.



CONGRATULATIONS—To Chelsie & Paden Horelka on the birth of a son, Callum Kraege, born September 15, 2023. Proud Grandparents are Cathy & Doug Newbern.



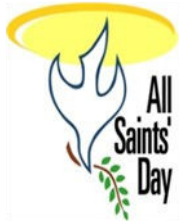
CONGRATULATIONS - To Jordan Smiley and Joshua Vaclavik who were Married Saturday, September 23, 2023.



CONGRATULATIONS—To Kyle and Amerlyn Oliver on the birth of a son, Scott John, born September 25, 2023. Proud Grandparents are Bob and Judy Westbrook.



ALL SAINTS' DAY - A day for the commemoration of the faithful departed is one of the oldest feast days in our church Year. **Sunday, November 5**, is the observance of All Saints' Day. In addition to remembering those members of FELC who have passed away this past year, each one of us will be given the opportunity during both services to recall loved ones, friends, and mentors now living in heaven whose faith in Christ inspired us and gave us joy. Come celebrate the communion of saints as we remember those who have died as well as honor the lives and influences of living saints, who through their daily lives, show others the Christian walk and faith.



NEW MEMBERS “FOUNDATION CLASS” – If you know someone interested in joining First English Lutheran Church, please call the Church office at 361-575-3623. Pastor Chip will hold a New Members “*Foundations Class*” **Sunday, November 5** during the Sunday School hour at 9:15a.m. in the Activity Center (gym) Then, **Sunday, November 12**, the new members will be received at 8:00a or 10:30a service. New Member classes are held quarterly.



REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 29, 2023



Wear Red for Reformation!



GROWTH FUND UPDATE – Thank you to everyone who has and continues to give to the Growth Fund. The cost of this project is estimated to be between \$300,000.00 and \$400,00.00 with Construction Completed December, 2023. As of today the account is up to **\$44,152.28** due to your generosity. Please prayerfully consider to continue to donate towards this project by using the blue envelopes in the pews labeled “FELC Growth Fund” or “Parking Lot” or please label the white pew envelopes stating the same. You can either drop your donation into the Sunday offering plate or mail to the Church Office at 516 N. Main St., Victoria, TX 77901.

Sunday Services Attendance

Date	8:00a Attendance	10:30a Attendance
9/3	53	104
9/10	64	176
9/17	53	217
9/24	69	187



Our Love and Sympathy to the family of:

- Robert Riedesel (brother of Gil Riedesel)
- Mary Lemke
- Warfield Frisbie

SPECIAL PRAYERS



Bill Kelly, Debbie Webb, Rachel, Dana Shields, Connie Prukop, Rusty & Jennifer Reininger, Matthew Church, Pat Trapp, Jay Thigpen, Zac Koenig, Sandy Muegge, Susan Friedrichs, Travis Schrade, Charlene Balfanz, Billy Maroney, Jennifer Karl, Kelly Carroll, Fern Roessler, Randy Pozzi, Bill Klesel, Sammy Johnson, John Welder V., Kathy Brooks

October Tellers

2 - Elles/Kucera
 9 - Maroney/Westbrook
 16 - Muegge/Hiller
 23 - Malina/Kelly
 30 - Elles/Kucera

October



9/30 - 10/13 — Jackie Schlinger
 10/14 - 10/27 — Vickie Spann
 10/28 - 11/10 — Kathleen Sproles

POLKA WORSHIP SERVICE AND GERMAN MEAL

Please join us **Sunday, October 22nd**, at 10:30 am for our 12TH Annual Polka Worship Service. Polka Spirit Band will be here from United Evangelical Dr. Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Shiner. We look forward to their upcoming visit to enhance our worship with their musical contribution. Following the 2nd service, you're invited into the Activity Center for a German meal luncheon. BOCL is preparing German Sausage, Sauerkraut, German potatoes, Sweet Rice and Stuffed Cabbage. (Regular Worship service will be held at 8:00 a.m.) We are asking that everyone bring their favorite dessert. Hope to see everyone there!

