

By Faith

The Monthly Newsletter

June 2022

*Faith United Methodist Church—
Midweek Connection
Sunday Bulletin*



May 25, 2022

May 29, 2022



FAITH CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Friday - CLOSED

*We are listening to messages if we are not in the office
and will contact you as soon as we can*

If you are looking to contact Pastor Tim, you can call him here at the church

or you can email him at tjalbrecht79@gmail.com

Please continue to pray for all the church staff members and committee members!

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*From the desk of Pastor Tim Albrecht
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**Faith United Methodist
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1025 Tullar Rd
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Sunday Worship Service
9:00 a.m.
Sunday School
(for all ages)
10:15 - 11:15
(Sept - May)

June 2022

Greetings Faith Church,

I like reading Decision Magazine, from the Billy Graham Evangelical Association.

In the May issue I read an article by Erwin Lutzer, pastor emeritus of the Moody Church, in Chicago, entitled "Making The Narrow Door Wider" It was based on Luke 13:24-25 which says "Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you have come from'".

This passage and article stood out to me because we are in a deep spiritual battle between right and wrong. Recently I had mentioned in a sermon that what was once considered right is now wrong and wrong now right. We are fighting this battle in our country and in our United Methodist Church and Wisconsin Annual Conference. Moreover, as this thought process, battle or mantra keeps being thrown at us we begin to feel beaten down and drifting away from what truth is. In turn drifting away from the church too. This all started in the Garden with the question, "Did God really say..?" If we are honest with ourselves we know how that has turned out. Satan likes to distract us usually a little bit at a time. When distracted we forget the truths of God's word we were taught that are found in the Bible. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught that more people will be on the broad road that leads to destruction, rather than the narrow road which leads to life. Daily we are faced, pressured, or asked to broaden the narrow road or door.

So the question or challenge we all face is how does one love and also keep a deep commitment to truth? First, pray for discernment. The broad road/door uses words and labels that sound good. The deeper question, is it hiding an unbiblical view of the topic in question? Do you believe it because it sounds compassionate, or is it actually Biblical? Second, ask if the world's definition of the topic in question is based on divine law, or your own preference? Judges 21:25 says, "Everyone did what was right in his own eyes". They did not do what was wrong in their own eyes; they did what was right and just in their own eyes. But this ends in idolatry. Proverbs 23:23, "Buy the truth and do not sell it; get wisdom, discipline and understanding".

Jesus' word to us is to take the narrow door. It will be a challenge. He said in John 14:15, "If you love me you will keep my commandments". Jesus did not command us to make the door wider; only He has the authority to do that.

See you in church,

Pastor Tim

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WORSHIP SERVICE*
7th Sunday After Easter
Ascension Sunday
May 29, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.

Call to Worship

Prelude

***Welcome**

***Opening Hymn: "Only Trust Him"**

UMC # 337

Hymn: "The Bond of Love"

Children's Message:

Hugh Davies

Morning Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Offering Our Gifts to God

***Doxology: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"**

UMH #95

Sermon Song: "The Gift of Love"

UMH #408

Scripture Matthew 11:28-29 Proverbs 3:5-6, John 13:34

Sermon: "Relationships"

Pastor Rom Pegram

***Closing Hymn: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"**

UMC #664

Benediction

Postlude

****Please stand as you are able:**

Stress 2 Rest
...Relationships...

Matthew 11:28-29 Proverbs 3:5-6 John 13:34

- 3 Greek Words for Love

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Truths About Love

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

1. Love is _____

2. Love is _____

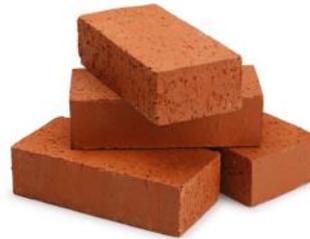
3. Love is _____

4. Love is _____ -

1. A choice 2. A Compromise 3. Unconditional 4. Demonstrated by Jesus

Theme

Jesus will help you carry the load.



Object

Several items that are not too heavy -



Scripture

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Some of you have some pretty heavy burdens to carry in life. Perhaps you have a physical handicap that makes your life difficult. Or, perhaps your father has lost his job and your family is having financial difficulties. Maybe someone in your family has cancer or some other serious illness and you are worried about them. You may be having a hard time making passing grades in school. I don't know what the burdens are that you have in your life, but I do know that there are some that you just can't handle by yourself. Well, guess what? You don't have to!

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest." There is no reason for you to struggle with burdens that are too heavy for you. God's Word is full of promises to help us in times of trouble. Here are just a few: "Don't be afraid, I am with you." (Gen.26:24) "I'll give you strength." (Psalm 28:7) "I'm with you in times of trouble." (Psalm 34:6) These words of encouragement are just what we need to face the hard times that may come our way.

Does that mean that if we will ask him, God will take all of our troubles away? No, but he will help us. In fact, some of our struggles may help us to grow and become stronger. They may also help us to learn to trust in Jesus. But when the load is too heavy, he will help us to carry it -- and there is no burden that is too heavy for Jesus.

Dear Father, we are thankful that when we struggle under the load of life's burdens, you are there to help us carry the load. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

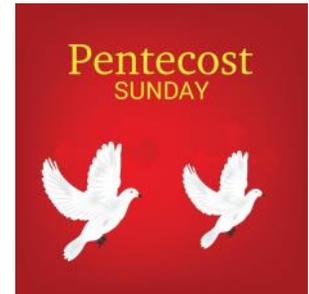
PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

JUNE SERMON TITLES

SERMON SERIES: Good News! The Jesus Way to Radical Living

June 5, 2022

I Hope Confidently
Matthew 14:22-33



June 12, 2022

I Love Outrageously
1 John 4:7-8

June 19, 2022
I Share Intentionally
Acts 1:8



June 26, 2022
TBD

Thank you to all the children who were part of our
"Teacher Appreciation Program"
Thank you to the teachers
Have a wonderful summer— Ms Bev



Lord, we come to you in prayer for joy, comfort and healing

Todd Boelter —Continued Prayers for healing as Cindy recovering from hip surgery.

Terry Ball—Prayers of Joy—My second eye surgery went well.

Laurel Marchinowski—continued prayers for her husband Bruce who is dealing with leg and back issues and my other two daughters are dealing with health issues.

Melissa Strick—prayers of joy—I am finally back to church. Thank you for your prayers and concerns during these past months. .

Prayers for the youth who will be graduating from college and high school.

Prayers for the families who lost loved ones in Uvalde Texas

Continued prayers for:

Tom Diver, Rom Pegram, Liz Roberts, Jim Hart, Neale Cafilisch, Bob Fritz, Dick Wylie, Kathy Bayer, Marilyn Nyberg, Lisa Armstrong Jim & Ardis Lyons, Eric Schlieter, Jack & Barb Oakley, Vern Brusewitz, Corky Sullivan and family, others in need of healing, encouragement, financial needs, continued prayers for all our members of our church family, the people of Ukraine and the uncertainty of their future, and our many unspoken prayers As we celebrate Memorial Day, prayers for those men and women who are serving their county, prayers for those who have gave their lives and their families.

Prayer Shawls Available.

Beth Hall has created beautiful Prayer shawls as a gift of love and care to the recipient. The shawl is meant to symbolize the love and embrace of God. Each shawl has been lovingly made and prayed over, and those who receive the shawls continue to be held in prayer.

To request a shawl for yourself or someone else (relatives or friends) , please contact Beth Hall at 920-850-1509 or the church office and arrangements can be made for you to pick up the shawl at the church.

FAMILY MINISTRIES ADVENTURES

We are planning on several adventures during the summer for our families. In June we are working on a picnic and an afternoon at Washington Park. The date we are looking at is the 26th of June, after worship.

We are looking for a date that will work for those who would like to go to the Timber Rattlers game— Dates we are looking at in July are the 22nd or 23rd. Would those dates work out for everyone. These would be Friday or Saturday (with fireworks)

Also dates to put on your calendar for Vacation Bible School is August 1-4th.

Please check your calendars and let Ms Bev know if the dates will work out and we will continue to plan.

June Birthdays

6/1 Duane Manteufel	6/22 Vickie LeClaire
6/2 Howard Steffens	6/22 Rose VanHandel
6/4 Maryann Halverson	6/23 Carleigh Trudeau
6/13 Barb Arndt	6/24 Mannix Maloney
6/13 John Hall	6/25 Jennifer Fairchild
6/14 Char Kryszak	6/27 Shawn Bordeaux
6/17 Dylan Olson	6/29 Ben Ropella
6/17 Andrew Flom	6/29 Lori Fritz
6/20 Lydia Walters	6/29 Braelyn Barber
6/21 Robert Fritz	



June Wedding Anniversaries

6/13 Vern & Ruth Brusewitz
6/16 Dale & Mary Beth Poliak
6/20 Mark & Cathy Geiger
6/20 Jay & Robin Hull



Special Days in June

High School & College Graduation

June 5th	Pentecost
June 6th	(77th) anniversary of D-Day
June 14th	Flag Day
June 20th	Father's Day

Congratulations to our graduates:

Graduation from High School and College is beginning for this year. Several of our church family are have graduated or will be graduating. If you know others of our youth that will be graduating, please contact the church office, so they can be included in our list of graduates in the year 2022....

Levi VanHandel graduated from the UW-EauClaire

Dawson VanHandel will graduate, from Winneconne High School

ElderMatch Fox Cities: - WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER

Three older adult women in Outagamie County are on the waitlist for ElderMatch, a friendly visitor program. We are looking for three female volunteers who would like to be matched with them and visit them at their home.

Studies show that lack of socialization is detrimental to health, both physically and emotionally. ElderMatch provides the necessary socialization for older adults to remain healthy and happy in their own home.

ElderMatch has been in our community since 1990. There have been wonderful relationships that have developed. Please consider this meaningful opportunity and boost the quality of life for older adults.

You schedule your visits according to your availability.

We encourage weekly visits to build the relationship and provide regularity with the understanding that some weeks are too busy for a visit.

The requirement is only providing companionship – friendly conversations.

Complete an online application by following this [link](http://volunteerfoxcities.org/rsvpenrollment/) (volunteerfoxcities.org/rsvpenrollment/) or contact Jan at 920-832-9360 or rsvp@volunteerfoxcities.org for more information.

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE SUMMER

There are opportunities each Sunday this summer to offer music in worship, for both youth and adults, and for both singers and instrumental players. If you would like to contribute to our music ministry this summer, contact Micah at micahsommer@gmail.com.

Thank you! Micah

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

The new church directory is available in the Narthex. If something isn't correct or something just changed, Please let the church office know. Please complete your card on Sunday with all the changes or contact the church office.

SUMMER - Child Care room

HELPERS NEEDED

If you are available to help in the nursery over the summer months, please contact Bev in the church office. If you have any interest in caring for the younger members of our church during worship, please contact the church office.

The NUTTY KNOTTERS

Wednesday's 9:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M. We have a quilting group here at Faith that works in partnership with St. Marks. The group meets every Weekly in our Fellowship hall. They are looking for new members to join their group of "Nutty Knotters".

Memorial Day Celebration

Honor and Remember

Neenah-Menasha Parade May 30, 2022

Members of Faith Church Members are going to be in the Upcoming Memorial Day Parade in Neenah-Menasha.

Neale Caflich and Jim Hoyman will be part of the parade on May 30, 2022.

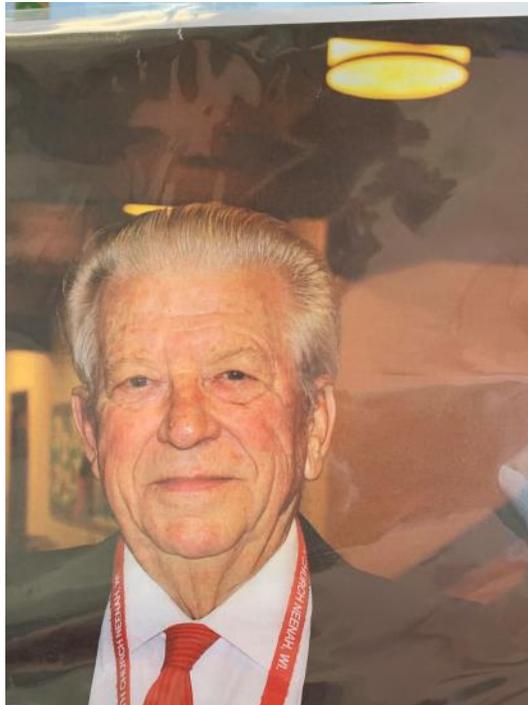
Jim Hoyman who is a veteran and serves as part of the Military Funeral Honors Program in the Valley.

Neale Caflich served during World War II in the Army Air Corp.

Neale will serve as Grand Marshal in the parade with Jim as his driver.

If you are in town on this upcoming Memorial Day. Neale will be in the first car, being driven by Jim.

Neale will be a passenger side up front. Spend some time this Memorial Day saying hi to our church member to honor him and all veterans who served.



Quick Summary of April 2022 Financial Information

Operating Fund – April receipts were \$17,566; disbursements were \$26,583 for net disbursements of \$9,017. Year to date receipts were \$75,764; disbursements were \$97,796 for net disbursements of \$22,032 The Operating Fund balance was \$32,282 at January 1, 2022 and was \$11,249 on April 30, 2022.

Building Fund – April receipts were \$4,925; disbursements were \$1,210 for net receipts of \$3,715. Year to date receipts were \$8,125; disbursements were \$7,096 for net receipts of \$1,029 The Building Fund balance was \$1,714 at January 1, 2022 and was \$4,492 at April 30, 2022.

Carpeting Fund – April receipts were \$0. There were \$0 disbursements. Year to date receipts were \$35. There were \$7,986 disbursements. The Carpeting Fund balance was \$14,867 at January 1, 2022 and was \$6,916 at April 30, 2022.

Unrestricted Cash Balances – total \$85,709 as of April 30, 2022. The accounts are held at Nicolet Bank, Appleton, WI.

Restricted Cash Balances – Pynch Memorial Fund – is \$10,083 as of April 30, 2022. Principal of \$10,000 is to be maintained forever. Earnings on the account are to be used for kitchen supplies and library materials. The account is held at Nicolet Bank, Appleton, WI.

Mortgage Balance – The mortgage balance on April 30, 2022 is \$24,022. Payments of \$610 are due on the 25th of each month. The mortgage is held by Nicolet Bank.

Sermons can be found on our web page.

<https://www.faithchurchneenah.com>

Click on the watch us live button on the church's web page to see our live streaming each Sunday for our worship Services. If you are having difficulty please leave a message at the church and we will get back to you and try to help. We will be live-streaming our services each Sunday on both

YouTube and Facebook **Our YouTube channel is:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwn8QuPjcSsrtpR1WbPeYUQ>

Each Thursday when you receive your midweek connection either by email or regular mail the link for YouTube will be in your email or in your regular mailing. You can join the worship service on YouTube by clicking on the link. If there is a problem with the streaming to our YouTube or Facebook page and there will be a delay in the download, we will upload the video and within an hour or so after the service, Once it is available, an email will be sent to those with an email address informing them that it is up on. The sermon can also be heard on the radio station; WEMI 91.9 however, but are a week later. If there are any questions, Bev will be available after the worship service either at the church or on her cell.

If there is anything you would like to see in our Midweek connection or Newsletter, or if there are corrections or additions to information, please contact the church office let the church office know.

2022 NEWSLETTER

PUBLICATION DATES

** The deadline for newsletter articles will be the 25th of each month. An email will be sent out to the Ministry team leaders prior to the 25th The church office will be sure to advise of any changes to this schedule. You can either email your information to Bev Pezewski or you can drop the information in the mailbox in the church office
Thank you

MAY 2022

29
9:00 A.M.
Sunday Worship

30



31 6:00 PM
SPRC
meeting
6:30 PM
Trustee
Meeting

June 2022

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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5 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	6	7	8	9 6:30 Agape Bible Study	10	11
12 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	13	14	15	16 6:30 Agape Bible Study	17	18
19 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	20	21	22	23 6:30 Agape Bible Study	24	25
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