



# ***By Faith***

***Faith United Methodist Church—  
Midweek connection***

***September 26th—October 1, 2022***

***Sunday Bulletin    October 2, 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](mailto:tjalbrecht79@gmail.com)***

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

**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 face book and YouTube. If there is an issue with the viewing, The services will be added to YouTube and Facebook after the worship service and the technology group gets the recording completed. If you have questions, call the church office. 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.

**The link for this Sunday's worship service is** [https://youtu.be/\\_AEhrKNGTg](https://youtu.be/_AEhrKNGTg)

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.

Our Website—has added our “older sermons”

We have added a way you can look at all the worship services since we have been livestreaming.

Please check out our website and look for the “button” View Past Sermons. It is located right below “Watch us Live”



## **2022 NEWSLETTER**

### **PUBLICATION DATES**

**\*\*** The deadline for newsletter articles will be the 25th of each month.

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

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**9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School**

*(for all ages)*

**10:15 - 11:15**

*(Sept - May)*

## *From the desk of Pastor Tim Albrecht Faith United Methodist church*

October 2022

Greetings Faith Church,

We begin a season of change with the beginning of fall. Summer has ended, the color green is replaced with many different colors and warm days take on a new meaning. This also means with fall that winter is not all far behind either, and depending on how you view winter it means different things to different people.

In speaking about a change of seasons, the United Methodist Church is also in a season of change. On Tuesday, September 20th there was an informational meeting about the struggles and changes that could be happening in the United Methodist Church, and Faith Church regarding the topic human sexuality, same sex marriage, the ordination of gay and lesbian clergy the authority of scripture, and leaving the denomination. Like the season of winter, these topics mean different things to different people.

A brief overview, for the last 50 years the United Methodist Church has been debating the topic of human sexuality at its General Conference which are held every four years. (This coincides with the presidential election.) The General Conference speaks for the United Methodist Church. So in essence, the Church speaks publicly once every four years. At the 2016 General Conference it was decided that a special General Conference would be held in 2019 to settle the issue of human sexuality once and for all. After that conference, an agreement was made for churches on both ends of the theological spectrum to leave the denomination if they wanted. That is, all parties were in agreement for an exit path. This would be voted on at the 2020 General Conference. Due to covid, the 2020 General Conference was postponed until 2022, only to have it postponed until 2024 again because of covid. In the meantime, some parties that agreed on the separation protocol have stepped back on supporting it which now has made things somewhat chaotic and extremely uncertain waiting until 2024.

During this time I have done my best to keep Faith Church Leadership informed that at some point we would or might have to make a decision whether to stay with the United Methodist Church or move to the Global Methodist Church. The Wisconsin Annual Conference has provided a pathway for churches to leave the denomination if they think it is best for them to do so. There is a window to explore this process and Faith Church has begun to look at this beginning with the meeting that was held on September 20th. While human sexuality is being talked about, another issue is ownership of property and building. Which at present is owned by the Wisconsin Annual Conference.

Beginning after church this Sunday and for the next several Sunday's there will be a series of videos looking at what is going on in the denomination. There will also be some hand out material to look at too. Later on down the road there will be a special church conference for church members to vote on this.

Please be in prayer for Faith Church and its future.

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### **\*WORSHIP SERVICE\***

**17th Sunday after Pentecost**

**World Communion Sunday**

**October 2, 2022 9:00 A.M.**

### **Call to Worship**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome**

**\*Opening Hymn:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" UMH #139  
"I Sing the Almighty Power of God" UMH #152

**Children's Message:** Liz Severson

### **Morning Prayer / The Lord's Prayer**

### **Offering Our Gifts to God**

**\*Doxology:** "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH# 95

**Sermon Song:** "Love Devine, All Loves Excelling" UMH #384

**Sermon Series:** Courageous Living. Stories from the Old  
Testament connected to five promises that God gives to us.

**Scripture:** Ruth 1:16

**Message:** "The Promise of Provision" Pastor Tim

Sacrament of Holy Communion

**\*Closing Hymn:** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH #140

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

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

***Michelle Woodard***—continued prayers for healing for my mother as she recovers from knee replacement surgery

**Marly Divver**—prayers for a close friend in Florida who is going to be having spinal surgery.

**Joanne Ball**—prayers for our son Evan.

**Kathy Bayer**—prayers as she is settling in to an assisted living facility.

**Sherry Steele**—continued prayers for our daughter Sharilyn Steele who is dealing with medical concerns.

**Linda Fritz**—prayers for Bob as he recently had a growth diagnosed as cancerous.

**Continued prayers for:** Cindy Boelter, Neale Caflisch, Ina Mae and Gaylord Remmel, Beth Irish, Julie Beck, Tom Divver, Liz Roberts, Jim Hart, Dick Wylie, Marilyn Nyberg, Lisa Armstrong, Jim & Ardis Lyons, Jim Bayer, Eric Schlieter, Michael, Corky Sullivan, Nola Sell and family, others in need of healing, encouragement, financial needs, continued prayers for all our members of our church family, and our many unspoken prayers. Prayers for our church, the leadership team and Pastor Tim during this time.

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October 9, 2022 9:00 A.M. Worship Service

Pastor Tim will be continuing the Sermon Series:

**Courageous Living**

**...The Promise of Power..**

**Joshua 1:9**

**Please Join Us**

## Theme

Don't worry, put your trust in God.

## Object

A small, flat, smooth stone and a bouquet of flowers.



## Scripture

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear." Matthew 6:25 (NIV)



Look at this stones. They are small and flat stone that can fit into my hand in such a way that I can rub it with my thumb. Some people carry a stone like this with them all the time. They call it a "worry stone." When they start to worry about something, they just reach into their pocket or purse, take out the stone, and rub it with their thumb. They believe that rubbing the smooth surface of the stone gives them a peaceful feeling and helps them to stop worrying. Isn't that silly? How could rubbing on a stone take away your worries?

What are some of the things that people worry about? Well, some might worry about whether they will have enough money to buy food and clothing for themselves and their family. Food and clothing are very important. In fact, they are things which we must have, but does worrying about it help us to get the food and clothing that we need?

One day a large group of people was gathered around Jesus on a hillside and Jesus began to teach them. "Don't worry about whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear," he said. "There are more important things in life than food and clothes." Then he went on to teach them a lesson about worry. "Look at the birds in the air," Jesus said. "They don't worry where their next meal is coming from. They don't store up grain in barns. And yet, the Heavenly Father takes care of them. Surely you are worth more to him than a bird."

"And why worry about your clothing?" Jesus continued. "Look at the lilies of the field and how they grow. They don't work or make their clothing, and yet Solomon in all his glory wasn't dressed as beautifully as they are. If God cares so wonderfully for these wildflowers, surely he will take care of you. Why do you show your lack of faith by worrying about these things?" Does this mean that we can sit around and wait for food and clothes to drop from the sky? No. God provides food for the birds, but he doesn't throw it into their nest. It is up to them to go out and gather their food. God provides clothing for us by giving us jobs so that we will have the money to buy clothes. Sometimes God provides clothes through friends and family who give us clothes. We need to have faith that God will provide, but we do have to do our part as well. Just remember -- our part does not include worry! This morning I not only brought a worry stone, I also brought a beautiful bouquet of flowers. I want each of you to have one of the flowers. As you look at the flower, remember that you are more important to God than the most beautiful flower. If he cares for the flowers, he surely cares for you!

Father, we thank you that you provide our every need. Help us not to worry, but to have faith. Amen.

## Courageous living

### ...The Promise of Provision...

Ruth 1:16

Promise of God's Provision: \_\_\_\_\_

Joshua 23:14

How to experience God's Provision:

1. R\_\_\_\_\_ God's provision in my past

Ruth 1:3-5

Ruth 1:20-21

2. R\_\_\_\_\_ God's provision of my self-sufficiency

Ruth 2:19-20

Hebrews 13:5

3. R\_\_\_\_\_ on God's help.

Ruth 2:11-12

Matthew 6:25-27

4. R\_\_\_\_\_ completely committed to God

2 Peter 1:3-4

Ruth 1:16—Memory Verse



# **PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR**

## **WORSHIP**

### **SERMON TITLES**

***October: Sermon Series:***

#### ***Courageous Living continues***

Stories of courage from the Old Testament and connected to five promises that God gives to us, promises that if we will believe, embrace, and begin to live out will give us the courage needed to face whatever fears that life throws at us.

***October 2, 2022***

The Promise of Provision

Ruth 1:16

***October 9, 2022***

The Promise of Power

Joshua 1:9

New Sermon Series “Overcomer” Based on  
Ephesians 6

#### ***TO BEGIN***

***October 16, 2022***

TBD

***October 23, 2022***

TBD

***October 30, 2022***

TBD



# **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**Each Sunday from**

**10:15—11:15 AM**

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Nursery Class: Room 106**  
**Julie Caflisch Michelle Woodard**

**Preschool—Kindergarten: Room 108**  
**Joanne Ball Sherry Steele**

**First—2nd Grade Room: 104**  
**Bev Pezewski**

**3rd grade to 5th grade Room 208**  
**Kurt VanHandel**

**6-12th grade. Room 207**  
**Ken Gellerstedt Dan Duff**

## **ADULT CLASSES**

**Room: 204**

**Hugh Davies & Gary Reiter**

**Room: 202**

**Carrie Walters**

**“Parenting—Raising Children and the Church”**





## **The NUTTY KNOTTERS**

We have a quilting group here at Faith that works in partnership with St. Marks. The group meets on Wednesday mornings. They are looking for old sheets, to continue making quilts for the missions we work with. If you have any old sheets that you would like to give to the Nutty Knotters, please contact Terry Ball

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**— Kitchen is in need of plastic containers( to take leftovers home). If you have extra plastic containers that you don't need or you are going to throw out , please bring them to the church. Thank you Terry Ball

## **CHILDREN/YOUTH COLLECTION OF COINS FOR OUR COMPASSION CHILD**

The Children/Youth are collecting coins for their Sunday School Mission project is to raise money for Naomi our compassion child. We will be collecting "jars of coins" until the end of October. Help the children and youth raise money for our compassion child, by taking on of the baby food jars and filling them up with your extra coins. Thank you.

## **PRAYER SHAWLS**

Beth Hall has been creating 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. At this time, she is in need of extra yarn. Do you have extra yarn that you are not using? To request a shawl for yourself or someone else (relatives or friends), please contact Beth Hall at or the church office and arrangements can be made for you to pick up the shawl at the church. Would there be an interest in a group meeting on a day every week to assist in making these Prayer shawls. If you have an interest in being part of this group, please contact Beth Hall at 920-289-1022.

## **FAITHFUL SINGERS REHEARSALS**

The Faithful Singers, Faith Church's adult choir, rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings 6:30– 7:30 p.m. in the choir room, Room 201. Membership is open to all adults and high school age youth, and new members are always welcome. No prior choral experience or training is required or expected, only a love of singing and a willingness to offer your time and attention at rehearsals. If you have questions, please contact Micah by email at [msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com](mailto:msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com) or by cell phone 765.993.7019 or

## **CHILDREN/YOUTH ADVENTURE**

It is Pumpkin season time. We are going to be going to going to our annual adventure to Mulberry Farm. We will leave the church after Sunday School on October 16 and drive over to Mulberry Farm. We will have lunch on the grounds, and then spent the rest of the afternoon checking out the animals, and before we leave find your favorite pumpkin for the year.

Everyone is welcome to join us, parents, friends, grandparents.

### **Do you Like Caramel Apples?**

What do you like on your Apple?

The children and youth will also be having a “Caramel apple sale on Sunday, October 9th. All proceeds will go to the church to help for “snowplowing for the winter”

We will have caramel, apple slices, bowls of various toppings you can add what you would like to your with your apple slices. The youth are going to be the helpers.....

The cost of a “bowl of apples” with all the fixing’s will be \$5.00.



## **COMMUNITY**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Life screening will be here on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. in the fellowship hall. There is a sign up sheet and other information on the table in the Narthex.

# **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

**10/2 Anmarie Roos**

**10/2 Laurel Marchinowski**

**10/8 Charlene Reiter**

**10/10 Micah Sommersmith**

**10/17 Cindy Siegel**

**10/20 Ginny Shepard**

**10/25 Chelsea Fritz**

**10/26 Sara Rusch**

**10/26 Lorcan Patrick Maloney**

**10/29 Taylor Kuehl**

**10/29 Carolyne Johnston**

**Birthstone color for October is the opal**



## **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

**10/11 Shawn & Savanah Bordeaux**

**10/16 Eric & Christel Schleiter**

**10/22 Jon & Carol Halverson**

**10/24 Brian & Lori Fritz**

**10/29 Jim & Ardis Lyons**



# October 2022

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