



# Faith in Action

*"Grounded in Christ, open to make a difference – together"*

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October 2017



## ANNUAL CRAFT BAZAAR & SOUP & SALAD LUNCHEON



*Luncheon: \$8/adult • \$4/ages 4-12 – All you can eat!*

*Saturday, October 21, 2017  
9:00 – 2:00*

### Day of Service — Sunday, October 29

Sunday, October 29 after worship we will have a day of service and then a potluck. We will be making cards for the Mobile Meals program that operates out of our building. We will be making 4 kinds of kits (school bags, birthing, health kits & cleaning buckets) for United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) that will be delivered to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, Illinois. We will be making Christmas shoebox gifts for Spirit Lake Ministry Center which serves the reservations in the Dakotas and Red Lake in Minnesota.

To help us prepare for the day of service we need your help to bring items for the kits and shoebox gifts we will be making that day. We are making four kinds of kits that will be sent through United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to places in need. We will also be making Christmas Shoebox gifts to reservations there.

The cleaning buckets (formerly flood buckets) are needed in Texas & Houston. We are going to try to make 3 of them.

Below are the items that are especially needed for each area:

**Health kits:** hand towel (15"x25" to 17"x27"), washcloths, metal nail file or clipper, Band-Aids

**Birthing kits:** receiving blankets

**School kits:** ruler, eraser (2" or larger), pads of paper, crayons

**Shoebox gifts:** small toys or gifts for various ages, candy, hat, mittens, Christmas wrapping paper, shoeboxes (either paper or plastic with separate tops)

**Cleaning Buckets:** 5-gallon round bucket with re-sealable lid, liquid laundry detergent (One 50-oz. or two 25-oz. bottle(s) only), liquid household cleaner (12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water), dish soap (16-28 oz. bottle any brand), 1 can air freshener, 1 insect repellent spray (6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover), 1 scrub brush, 18 cleaning wipes (Handi Wipes or reusable wipes - no terry cleaning towels), 7 sponges (No cellulose sponges due to mold issues), 5 scouring pads (no stainless steel, Brillo pads, or SOS pads [nothing with soap built in]), 5 clothespins, clothesline (one 100-ft. or two 50-ft. lines), 24-roll heavy-duty trash bags (33- to 45-gallon sizes), 5 dust masks, 2 pairs kitchen dishwashing gloves (should be durable enough for multiple uses), and 1 pair work gloves.

*Please bring the items to church before October 29 if possible and place them under the table outside Pastor Gail's office.  
Thank you for your help.*

# October Birthdays

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10/1 —	Rebecca Seaquist	10/17 —	Lynn Mens
10/6 —	Joan Fitch		Carol Schuldt
10/8 —	Jenifer Stehr	10/18 —	Lori DeNardo
	Matthew Spatafore		Joshua Pate
10/11 —	Kim Van Siclen		Lauren Pate
10/12 —	Judy Turk	10/23 —	Debra Schneider
10/13 —	Nicholas Pate		Jack Groth
	Elliana DeNardo	10/24 —	Nicole Brummund
10/14 —	Richard DeNardo	10/29 —	Rick Henk
10/15 —	Linda Cox	10/30 —	Clayton Van Siclen
10/16 —	Ward Mens		

• If your birthday is missing or listed incorrectly, contact the church office for additions/changes. Happy Birthday, everyone! •

## Thank you to and for during September...

- **Greeters:** Taffy Storck, Marsha Spatafore, Pat Giorgini, and Karen Cohoes
- **Liturgists:** Sharon Yekaldo, Bill Bonkowske, John Kemp, and Carol Schuldt
- **Serving refreshments:** Dan Miller
- **Communion Steward:** Sharon Yekaldo
- **Thank you** to Judy Turk, Sharon Yekaldo, Dylan Turk, LeAna Turk, Roman & Olivia Turk and Dennis Alexander for helping prepare the church for Rally Day.
- **Thank you** to Carol Schuldt, Pat Williams, JoAnn Loutsch, Dawn Kinnunen, Gil Kinnunen, and Judy Turk for assembling the September newsletter.
- **Thank you** to Bruce Opp, Lee Opp and Paul Williams for getting and planting the new trees on the east side of the building.



K I N G O F  
**KINGS**  
W O R D O F  
**WORDS**

## King of Kings and Word of words

When Jesus Christ utters a word, he opens his mouth so wide that it embraces all heaven and earth, even though that word be but in a whisper. The word of the emperor is powerful, but that of Jesus Christ governs the whole universe.

— Martin Luther, *Table Talk*

### **Congregational Care Concerns:**

- ♦ **Lynn Bonkowske** had surgery in September
- ♦ **Liz Chun** had eye surgery

### **Care Centers:**

- ♦ **Elsie Brown** – *Norris Square, Cottage Grove*
- ♦ **Colleen Spadaccini** – *White Pine, Mendota Hgts.*
- ♦ **Jerry Lach** – *White Pine, Inver Grove Hgts.*

**Ongoing Concerns:** *(these will be listed for 3 months and then removed. If you wish for them to remain on the list longer, please contact the church office.)*

- ♦ **Benjamin Brummund**, son of Ron Brummund, Jr., continues to struggle with health problems.

### **Concerns Beyond our Doors:**

- ♦ Those being persecuted for their faith
- ♦ Those separated from family
- ♦ Those living with degenerative conditions
- ♦ Those who are hungry
- ♦ Those who have lost jobs or their homes
- ♦ Those who struggle due to natural disasters
- ♦ Those who grieve
- ♦ Those who are uncertain about the future

Prayer changes Things

**The Money Pot** welcomes your donations to help support the offering of the month. October's money goes for **Refugee Resettlement**. The money will go to the Minnesota Council of Churches for the refugee resettlement program. There are still refugees coming to Minnesota who are in need of assistance to get started. This program helps people get settled and get basic supplies to begin their new life. The Money Pot is located in the church lobby/narthex.



### **Name the Room!!!**

This fall we will be taking suggestions for naming the rooms in the education wing. Right now we refer to them by their past uses. It is time to give them name so people can find them regardless of how they are being used. Maybe you think we should use numbers, or colors or names of famous people, put on your thinking caps be creative. There will be a box outside the church office for suggestions or you can send them to [faithumc@usfamily.net](mailto:faithumc@usfamily.net) with the tag line "room names".

**Name suggestion will be received until October 20. The Trustees will make a decision at their November meeting and the new names will be revealed in December.**



**The Prayer Chain is active.** If you have a prayer concern, contact Sharon Yekaldo at 651-455-4770. If she is not available, contact Carol Schuldt, 651-306-0542. Please make sure the pastor also knows of the prayer request, so that she can respond to pastoral care needs. Pastor needs to know about telephone prayer chain requests in order to share the concern on the e-mail prayer chain as well. If you wish to be involved in this ministry by being a part of either the telephone chain or the e-mail chain, please speak to Pastor Gail.

**Hospital Calls:** If you learn someone is hospitalized, please contact the church office or Pastor Gail. With new privacy laws, hospitals no longer call when a member is admitted. We would rather have several calls telling us of someone's hospitalization than not to know. Thank you.

**FOR YOUR TIMES OF DEVOTION:** Remember to pick up the **NEWEST issue** of the devotional *The Upper Room* (daily readings in regular or large print). This booklet is found on the table by the parking lot door.

## **Extra Help Rolling in & out of Food Shelf**

Do you have a large rolling suitcase sitting around picking up dust? Why not donate it to help a family in need. With each family receiving a week's supply of food, it can sometimes be difficult to transport all the food if a client is walking or taking the bus. Help out today by donating your old large rolling suitcase to the Neighbors, Inc. food shelf.



## **The Gathering**

Would you like to make an impact in someone's life while meeting people from your community and having fun at the same time? If so, consider volunteering for The Gathering, a group respite for those still living in the community who have dementia. Visit [www.lyngblomsten.org/thegathering](http://www.lyngblomsten.org/thegathering). Be one of the many partners volunteering with The Gathering held at Salem Lutheran Church in West Saint Paul. Training is provided by Lyngblomsten. For more information, call or email Betsy Hoffman at 651-414-5291 or [bhoffman@lyngblomsten.org](mailto:bhoffman@lyngblomsten.org)



## **Church Lawn Mowing**

Even as we move into cooler temperatures the church lawn still needs to be mowed. We have **two riding lawn mowers** so you and a friend or spouse can mow together if you wish. To volunteer, contact Collette Peterson at 651-224-6819.

## **Anniversary Offering**

Each October we receive an anniversary offering in celebration of the continuing faithfulness of this congregation. This year the offering will go to replace the last of the wooden tables at the church and the remainder will be placed in the capital improvement fund for future projects.

## **Adult Sunday School**

The Adult Sunday School class has begun a new study on Bible, Culture & Community. Dr. Dana Scopatz is leading this class in the Fireside Lounge. Please join us!

## **Umbrellas**

The welcome team is looking for some large (golf size) umbrellas that we can place by the doors so they are available for helping people to come in when it is raining. If you have one or know where we can buy them for a reasonable price please let the welcome team or Pastor Gail know.

## **Bible Survey Class**

This October we are going to begin a survey of the Bible class. In the year 2017-2018 we will cover the Old Testament and next year the New Testament. We will meet every other Wednesday from 12 -1:30 p.m. beginning October 18. This is an overview class to begin to see how the Bible flows together and what each part of the Bible is talking about. At this time, the people who have indicated an interest are available during the day; if you are interested, but this day or time does not work, please talk to Pastor Gail immediately. It may be possible to move the day or the time or add another section. The only thing you need is to bring your Bible (if possible), a lunch if you wish and an open heart and mind.

## **Soup & Salad is Coming**

October 21<sup>st</sup> is Faith's Soup, Salad, and Bazaar event. The Craft Group is hard working but small so we are asking for help. If you have any handmade items to donate for the sale we would so appreciate your kindness. We also are looking for used items that are in good condition for our "Grandma's Attic" garage sale table. In addition, there will be a bake sale and any donations you would consider bringing for the sale would be a big help. If you would like to talk to a Craft Group member you could call Liz Chun at [651-453-1999](tel:651-453-1999) or Karen Cohoes at [651-456-0388](tel:651-456-0388). Judy Turk at [651-343-8027](tel:651-343-8027) will be coordinating the Soup and Salad meal and will welcome help with soups, salads, and bars. Please speak with her if you can help. Let's make this an awesome, yummy, fun day for all!



## 2018 Faith Church Finance Campaign "Live Generously"

This year the theme of our 2018 finance Campaign is "Living Generously". What does generosity look like? How do we learn to practice it? Beginning on Sunday, October 22 we will begin our intentional thinking about how we share our money and the power of money in our lives. What is the commitment you are willing to make to help Faith Church continue to move into God's future for us. For the 2017 year we received 97 commitments for support, for the 2018 year we have set a goal of receiving 105 commitments for prayer, presence and gifts. Please begin to think and pray about your commitment to Faith Church for 2018. The stewardship committee is looking for someone or a group of people to prepare our celebration meal together on Sunday, November 12. If you are interested in helping prepare the meal or have a group of friends who like to prepare it together please let a member of the committee (George Brown, Lynn Bonkowske, Carol Schuldt or Bob Scopatz) or Pastor Gail know right away.

## End of Life Packet

We have put together a packet of information related to end-of-life issues. It contains basic information as well as information related to Faith Church. There is a section for personal information that you can copy and share with your family and pastor. There are samples of documents to be considered as well as a resource guide for your use. These packets are available on the table outside the offices.

### ★ Need a day brightener or thought provoker?

Dial up *Ideas for Positive Living!*

Every Thursday Gil Kinnunen provides an uplifting phone message.

So call 651-602-2176 each Thursday for a weekly picker-upper!

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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### Discipleship Ministries



Our offering and the payment of apportionments empowers ministry within our congregation and in response to the needs of our community. The payment of apportionments helps support the work of ministries beyond the local church that reach people who are in desperate need to feel the touch of God's love and reconciliation. Through our connectional giving, we support the work of our global agencies such as the **Discipleship Ministries**, whose purpose is to resource local churches in developing effective disciple-making systems. This includes ministries of nurture and growth at all age levels, from the oldest to the youngest. By your support, the first "All In! Children's Faith Formation Intensive" was held in August in the Atlanta area. The event helped equip those who work with children in areas such as identifying intentional ways of including children's faith formation in the disciple-making system of the local church; creating a plan for having courageous conversations with children, parents, and church leadership; and developing practices of pastoral care of children in our congregations and our communities. This ministry happens thanks to the generous support of United Methodists like you. Once again we thank you for your generosity.

*Learn more about Discipleship Ministries' Ministry with Children resources at [umcdiscipleship.org/leadership-resources/children](http://umcdiscipleship.org/leadership-resources/children)*



## Women's Gathering

**Saturday, October 28**

**9:00 – 10:30 a.m.**

Any woman in the congregation who is interested in starting interest groups for women is invited to a continental breakfast at the church on Saturday morning, October 28. We will gather to talk about what women would like and figure out next steps in the process. We have a core group of women but want to hear from any woman who has an interest. If you are not available on the 28th, please let Liz Chun, Carol Schuldt, Dawn Kinnunen or Bonnie Dick know of your interest or ideas. Hope to see you there.



**Saturday, October 7** will be the Neighbors, Inc. Duck Races fundraising event on Southview Boulevard. Purchase your ducks for \$5 each from Karen Cohoes or Taffy Storck. For more information, visit: <http://www.neighborsmn.org/event/great-neighbors-duck-races/>

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday, November 18 from 5:30-7:30**

**Spaghetti Dinner and Jumpin' Jehosafats!**



We will hold a fundraiser for Wesley Meals on **Saturday, November 18**. There will be a spaghetti dinner served and a performance from the band the Jumpin' Jehosafats. The event will be held at Wesley Historical Center, [101 East Grant Street, Minneapolis](http://www.wesleyhistoricalcenter.org/)

## Coming Events

**October 7 – Neighbors' Duck Race**

**October 21 – Bazaar/Soup & Salad Luncheon**

**October 29 – Day of Service**

**November 4 – Clean-up Day**

**November 12 – Celebration Sunday**

**November 18 – Basket Sale**

**November 25 – Decorating for Christmas**

**December 2 – Breakfast with Santa**

**December 17 – Blue Christmas**

**December 24 – Choir Cantata**

## DARTS CONNECTIONS

Most older adults want to remain in their own homes and in the community where they have roots. With a little help from all of us, that is possible.

Volunteers are mowing 27 of 74 client lawns this summer. Fall is approaching and over 100 clients will request help getting their yards ready for winter. A group of 4-7 people can complete in a couple of hours work that is nearly impossible for those unsteady on their feet or without nearby family to help with chores.

Assisted Living costs start at \$4,000/month and rise quickly. To an older adult living mortgage-free, that number is frightening, further driving the desire to stay living at home as long as possible.

Sign up to volunteer today through <https://www.darts1.org/volunteer> or by phoning Darts at 651-234-2254.

## UMC Market

The UMC Market website is waiting for you! **If you shop online**, you can go through the UMC Market portal/website, where a percentage of your purchase can be designated to Faith UMC. Signing up is free. Most churches are already listed on UMCmarket. When you go to [UMCmarket.org](http://UMCmarket.org), you will click on the get "Get Started" button. You will then simply sign-up with your email, or through Facebook, find your church, and start shopping and donating. Giving couldn't be easier. Try it today!



# October 2017 Worship Schedule

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## **October 1 — World Communion Sunday** — Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Scripture Readings: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32*

Sermon title: "Who Do We Obey"

Greeter: Taffy Storck

Lay Reader: Bruce Opp

Fellowship Time host: Joel Kranz

Communion Steward: Gloria Gurtin

## **October 8 — 18th Sunday after Pentecost**

*Scripture Readings: Exodus 20:1-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46*

Sermon title: "What a Pedigree Gets You"

Greeter: Bonnie & Fred Dick

Lay Reader: Pat Giorgini

Fellowship Time host: Joel Kranz

## **October 15 — 19th Sunday after Pentecost**

*Scripture Readings: Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14*

Sermon title: "Misguided Plans"

Greeter: Bonnie & Fred Dick

Lay Reader: George Brown

Fellowship Time host: Judy Turk

## **October 22 — 20th Sunday after Pentecost**

*Scripture Readings: Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; I Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22*

Sermon Title: "What is Real?"

Greeter: Vesta Lach

Lay Reader: Judy Pfenning

Fellowship Time host: Dan Miller

## **October 29 — 21st Sunday after Pentecost**

*Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90; I Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46*

Sermon Title: "What is the Good News?"

Greeter: Vesta Lach

Lay Reader: Randy Davis

Fellowship Time host: Dan Miller

# October 2017 Calendar

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Sun., 10/1	9:30 a.m.	Worship	Mon., 10/30	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group
	9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth	Wed., 11/1	6:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
		Sunday School		7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time		7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	10:50 a.m.	Adult Sunday School		6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
Mon., 10/2	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group		7:00 p.m.	Church Council
	6:30 p.m.	Welcome Team	Sat., 11/4	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
Wed., 10/4	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Sun., 11/5	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation		9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth
Thurs., 10/5	11:00 a.m.	Mobile Meals			Sunday School
Sat., 10/7	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast		10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time
Sun., 10/8	9:30 a.m.	Worship		10:50 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth	Mon., 11/6	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group
		Sunday School		7:00 p.m.	Staff Parish Relations
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time			Committee
	10:50 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Wed., 11/8	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Mon., 10/9	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group		7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Wed., 10/12	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Sun., 11/12	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation		9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth
Sun., 10/15	9:30 a.m.	Worship			Sunday School
	9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth		10:30 a.m.	Celebration Meal & Program
		Sunday School	Mon., 11/13	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Wed., 11/15	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:50 a.m.	Adult Sunday School		7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Mon., 10/16	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group			
Wed., 10/18	12 noon	Survey of the Bible Class			
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal			
Sat., 10/21	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast			
	9:00 a.m.	Bazaar			
	11:00 a.m.	Soup & Salad			
Sun., 10/22	9:30 a.m.	Worship			
	9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth			
		Sunday School			
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time			
Mon., 10/23	10:00 a.m.	Craft Group			
Wed., 10/26	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal			
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation			
Sat., 10/28	9:00 a.m.	Women's Gathering			
Sun., 10/29	9:30 a.m.	Worship			
	9:45 a.m.	Children's & Youth			
		Sunday School			
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time			
	10:50 a.m.	Day of Service			



## Church Office Hours

Susan will be in the office Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

**Pastor Gail** is in the office Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays most weeks. Tuesdays and Fridays are Pastor Gail's regular days off. Please call her at home (612-722-3001) if it is an emergency and you need to reach her.

**Men's Breakfast Group** will meet on the Saturdays of **10/7, 10/21, & 11/4** at the Fireside Lounge, 1288 S. Robert St. starting at 8:00am. All men are welcome to join us! For more info., please contact Bill Short at 651-552-0736 or [bill.short@whitebeartownship.org](mailto:bill.short@whitebeartownship.org)



# KIDS IN SEARCH



## The gift of grace

God's grace is a free gift, not something we can earn on our own. How do we have this gift?

*Directions: Complete the Bible verse by placing the capital letters from the gifts on the blanks below.*



“ \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_  
through \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ came \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ .”  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1:17, NIV

Answer: “For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.” John 1:17, NIV

## Sign of grace

Make this sign to hang on your wall as a daily reminder of God's amazing gift of grace.

### What you need:

- White poster board
- Large wooden letters that spell GRACE
- Painter's tape
- Tempura paint
- Paper plates
- Paintbrushes
- Colored pens or markers



### What you do:

1. Place the poster board on the ground (outside, if possible).
2. Put tape on the back of the letters and secure them to the board. No tape should be visible.
3. Paint and draw all over the poster board. Be creative with splatters, handprints and so on.
4. When paint is dry, remove the letters and hang up the poster.



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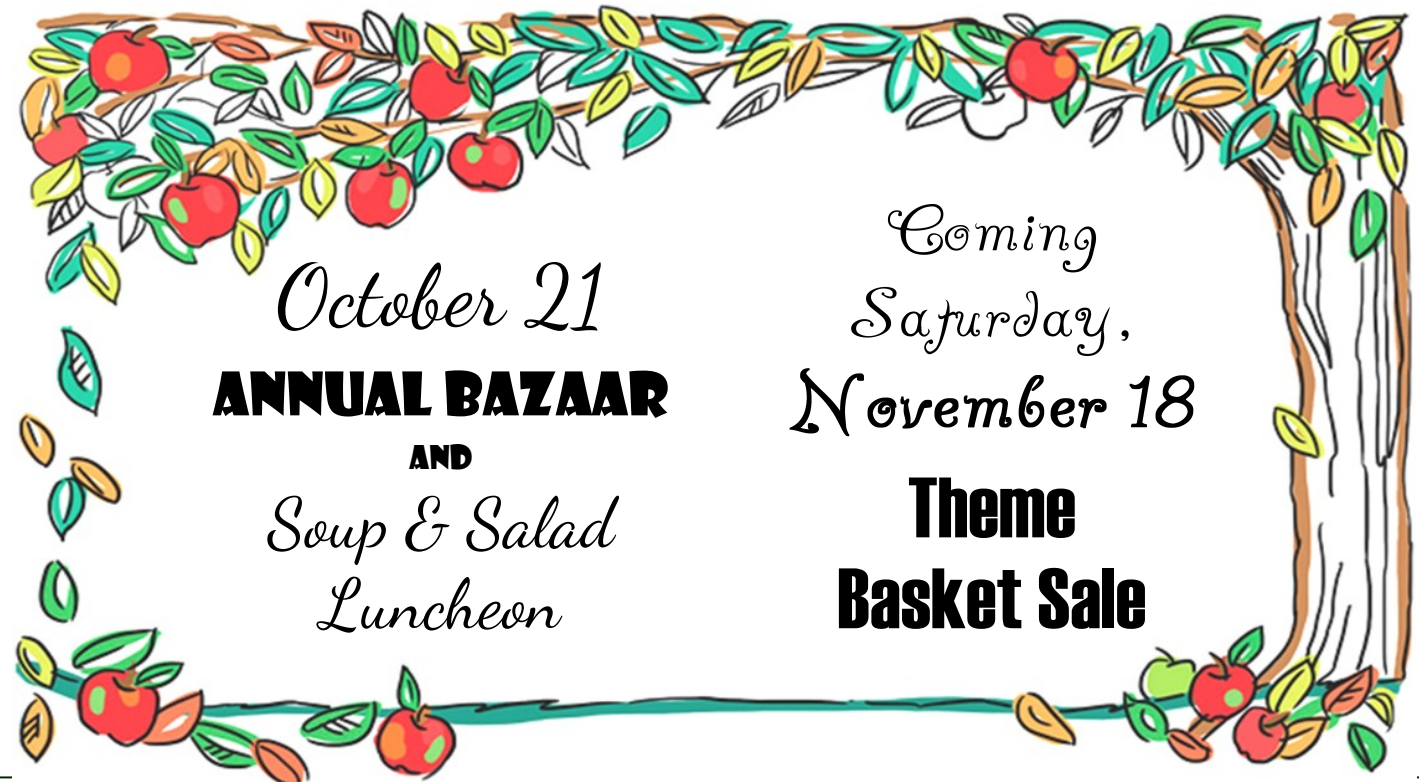
We invite you to join us this Sunday  
for worship, study and fellowship:

- Worship — 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School — 9:45 a.m.
- Fellowship time — 10:30 a.m.
- Adult Sunday School — 10:50 a.m.

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## **Facebook Page**

Remember to like the Faith Facebook page at:  
<http://tinyurl.com/FaithUMCmn>



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