



Faith in Action

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October 2018



ANNUAL CRAFT BAZAAR & SOUP & SALAD LUNCHEON



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

Saturday, October 27, 2018

9:00 – 2:00

Day of Service — Sunday, October 7

Sunday, October 7 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 5 kinds of kits (school bags, birthing, health kits, personal hygiene & teacher bags) for United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) that will be delivered to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Pawnee, 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.

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

Personal Hygiene Kits: deodorant (2-3 oz.), soap (3oz. or larger) & shampoo (3oz or larger)

Teacher Kits: notebooks, pack of loose paper, multi-subject notebook (3 or 5 subjects), 3 red pens, pencils, paper clips, rubber bands, ruler (12" with metric), markers, 8" scissors, dry erase maker, dry-erase eraser.

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

*Please bring the items to church beforehand 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, Gloria Gurtin, Angela High-Pippert, and Vesta Lach
- **Liturgists:** Sharon Yekaldo, Gil Kinnunen, Angela High-Pippert, Dana Scopatz, and Ann Beardshear
- **Serving refreshments:** Dan Miller, Judy Turk, Vesta Lach, and Brian Sielski
- **Communion Steward:** Sharon Yekaldo
- **Thank you** to Judy Turk, Bonnie, Dick, and Dawn Kinnunen for helping plan and prepare the church for Welcome Home Sunday.
- **Thank you** to Carol Schuldt and Pat & Paul Williams for assembling the September newsletter.
- **"Dear Friends at Faith United Methodist Church:** Our sincere thank you for the generous donation you made to us this July and August. Your total donation of 245 lbs. of groceries to our food shelf is greatly appreciated ... Neighbors has been a busy place over the summer as more than 520 families and seniors came through our food shelf in July alone ... Many of your neighbors will benefit as a result of these gifts given from your heart. Thank you for being part of the Neighbors' family!"
—Beth Skwira, Dir. of Development, Neighbors, Inc.
- **"Dear Faith UMC Members:** Thank you for adopting the meal program at Garlough for a week this summer! Your team worked 105 hours. The program served 39,566 meals. I calculate that you are responsible for helping with 8.5% of those meals, or about 3,300! We couldn't do it without you!"
— Scott Andrews, summer meals coordinator, Neighbors, Inc.



Congregational Care Concerns:

- ♦ **Rose Larsen** is recuperating at home following surgery
- ♦ **Ellen Schuldt**, Carol Schuldt's daughter, had surgery and is recuperating at Carol's

Care Centers:

- ♦ **Colleen Spadaccini** – *White Pine, Mendota Heights*
- ♦ **Jerry Lach** – *White Pine, Inver Grove Heights*

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

Wednesday 6:16 Prayer

Holy God, in these days help us to love you, to see each other, and to hear where you are calling us. In the name of Christ who shows us the way. Let it be so. Amen.



The Mission Well welcomes your donations to help support the offering of the month. **October**

Mission Well donations will support Koronis Tabernacle. Donations will be given to the Koronis Camp and Retreat Center for the building of the new Tabernacle at the center of the grounds. The Mission Well is located in the church lobby.



✝ Prayer Partners

Prayer Partners will be starting again this fall. Children are paired with an adult prayer partner from our congregation who prays for them and talks with them to promote a feeling of belonging to the church community. Prayer partners are encouraged to send Christmas and birthday cards to the youth to whom they are assigned. If you would like to be a part of this group please talk to Liz Chun at 651-453-1999 or Dawn Kinnunen at 651-451-2556 and we will happily make the arrangements.



The Prayer Chain is active. If you have a prayer concern, please contact the church office. If unable to reach Susan or Pastor Gail in the church office, please contact Sharon Yekaldo at 651-455-4770; if she is not available contact Carol Schuldt, 651-306-0542. Please make sure the pastor knows so she can respond to pastoral care needs, and knows what is going out over the telephone prayer chain so it can be sent to the e-mail prayer chain as well. If you wish to be involved in this ministry by being either on 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.



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.

135th Anniversary Offering

Each October we receive an anniversary offering in celebration of the continuing faithfulness of this congregation. This year in celebration of our 135th anniversary, the offering will go to repairing the brick sign on the front yard of the church. Much of the mortar needs to be repaired or replaced; bricks need to be set back. The sign is one of the ways people recognize Faith Church.

LYDIA PROJECT

In 2020, General Conference will take place in Minneapolis. The **Lydia Project** is making purple scarves for each of the delegates who will be coming. Sharon Yekaldo has become a member of this group. She has set a goal of making 100 scarves before June, 2019! To help Sharon with this project we are collecting purple yarn (Vikings or Prince purple), no variegated yarn and no lavender. Acrylic yarn is preferred so the scarves can be washed. Please give your yarn to Sharon. If you do not have yarn, you can give Sharon money for her to purchase the yarn. Read more about the project at <https://www.minnesotaumc.org/lydiaproject> and learn about Lydia herself in Acts 16:11-15.



Fall Fling — Sunday, October 14

Our Fall Fling will include is a chance to celebrate the fall season. We will be outside in the grove for s'mores, pumpkin painting and "smashing the stereo." Inside there will be flu shot clinic through Cub Pharmacy (see accompanying article). "Smash The Stereo" will involve breaking up an old stereo we have here in the building that we have been trying to get rid of for several years. A sledge hammer will be available and you will be invited to take swings to the stereo. The cost will be \$2 for one swing or \$5 for 3 swings. The money will be given to the mission project for the month, the Koronis Tabernacle. Join us for worship and then a time of fellowship and fun.

FLU CLINIC October 14

On **Sunday, October 14** from 10:30 a.m. until noon **Cub Pharmacy will offer a flu vaccination clinic here at Faith.** Please bring your health insurance card, so Cub Pharmacy can bill your insurance company for the cost of the flu shot. If your insurer does not cover the cost of the vaccination when billed, Cub Pharmacy will pay for the cost. Ages 6 and older may be vaccinated. Ages 65 and older are eligible for the high-dosage vaccination.

Newsletter Count

We are evaluating the best way to send the newsletter out beginning in 2019. We are trying to get a count of how many people want to have a paper copy of the newsletter versus those who would prefer it by email. If you would like to have a **paper** copy of the monthly newsletter please contact the church office either by putting your name on the clipboard in the office or emailing the church, faithumc@usfamily.net. Thanks for your help.

2019 Faith Church Finance Campaign "Where God Meets Us"

For 2019, the theme of our finance Campaign is "Where God Meets Us". What difference do our money gifts make in the world, our



community, our congregation and our homes? Where do we encounter God through our giving? Beginning on Sunday, October 21 we will begin our intentional looking at the places and ways our giving helps

us meet God. We will have various speakers talk about how our money is used in different parts of our lives. Please begin to think and pray about your commitment to Faith Church for 2019.

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.

Reimbursements

If you purchase anything for the church, please turn in your receipt to George Brown or Pastor Gail so that you may be reimbursed. If you would like to donate the item to the church, give the receipt to Bill Short or Pastor Gail and it will be recorded on your giving record.

Community Boards

Help us expand our advertising for church events! Keep your eyes open for community boards, and tell Judy Turk. She is looking for places we can hang posters for events here at church.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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The Tabernacle Koronis Camp and Retreat Center



The Tabernacle at Koronis Ministries in Paynesville has been part of people lives for over 90 years Koronis. Thousands of people who have gathered and dedicated their lives to Christ in the historic structure built in 1922. But needs have changed dramatically over the past century. As building standards, technology, expectations of camp groups, and the use of the facility evolved, they created needs that the building could no longer accommodate. The historic Tabernacle had no restrooms, air conditioning, ceiling fans, or heat, and it wasn't able to be used year-round. Years of use had resulted in a leaking roof and a cracked foundation that cause water to puddle inside.

The beloved Tabernacle was razed in spring 2015—and a capital campaign for a new Tabernacle began. Plans have come together for a new year-round, multi-level, multi-use worship and meeting center overlooking Lake Koronis with capacity for more than 300 people. The new Tabernacle will be available year-round with state-of-the-art technology, modern amenities, and full accessibility. Ground-breaking on the new building was held this Labor Day.

Koronis is beginning to build its new Tabernacle (with unfinished space on the bottom floor for a future dining room), but churches' and individuals' help is needed to bring it to completion. Through the generosity of individual donors and the [2013 sale of Camp Kingswood](#), \$1.6 million has already been promised toward this \$2 million project, but another \$400,000 is needed to make it happen. Each congregation is asked to designate a time to help raise money for the new Tabernacle with a goal raising \$1,500 per church.

Koronis has been a part of Faith's camping history. Before it was a United Methodist Camp it was the E.U.B. camp for Minnesota. The October mission offering will go to the Koronis Tabernacle Fund.



Sharing Table

You may noticed the table in the Fellowship Hall with all the items on it. This is the sharing table. You may bring items from your home that are no longer needed but are still useable and place them on the table. Look at the items on the table is there anything you can use. Take it. The table is designed for us to share with one another. No cost for anything on the table.

Dementia Workshop

Sunday, October 28 during the Adult Sunday School time we will have a workshop to help us become a dementia-friendly congregation. The workshop will be lead by Ruth Hjelmgren and colleagues from The Sanctuary at West St. Paul. It is open to anyone in the congregation who would like to participate. We will meet in the Fireside Room and if we need more room we will move into the Fellowship Hall. Please be sure to participate.

Soup & Salad is Coming!

October 27 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 or Karen Cohoes at 651-456-0388. Judy Turk at 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! (If you can provide soup or salad please contact Rose Larsen at 651-442-3014, or if you can help work, please contact Ruth Martin 612-559-8954.)

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, 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!



★ Coming Events ★

- October 7 – Time of Service
- October 14 – Fall Fling & Flu Shots
- October 20 – Clean Up Day
- October 27 – Bazaar/Soup & Salad Luncheon
- October 28 – Dementia Friendly Church Training
- November 4 – Children & Money Workshop
- November 6 – How to avoid Identity Theft Workshop & Supper
- November 11 – Celebration Sunday
- November 15 – Lunch & Tax & Social Security Workshop
- November 17 – Basket Sale
- November 28 – Decorating for Christmas (**Wed.**)
- December 1 – Breakfast with Santa
- December 16 – Blue Christmas

★ 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!

October 7 — World Communion Sunday — *Sacrament of Holy Communion*

Scripture Readings: Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 20:2-16

Sermon title: "Who God Values"

Greeter: Taffy Storck

Lay Reader: Bruce Opp

Fellowship Time host:

Communion Steward: Karen Cohoes

October 14 — 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture Readings: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

Sermon title: "What is Possible with God?"

Greeter:

Lay Reader: George Brown

Fellowship Time host:

October 21 — 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture Readings: Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Psalm 104; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

Guest Pastor: Rev. Lyndy Zabel

Greeter:

Lay Reader: Bill Bonkowske

Fellowship Time host:

October 28 — 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture Readings: Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

Sermon Title: "When We Feel Blind"

Greeter:

Lay Reader: Isabelle Pippert

Fellowship Time host:



Stick with it!

"If I've learned anything about friendship, it's to hang in, stay connected," says journalist Jon Katz. "Don't walk away, don't be distracted, don't be too busy or tired, don't take them for granted. Friends are part of the glue that holds life and faith together."

This applies to church life too. When we're annoyed by some aspect of congregational life or caught in conflict with other members, it's tempting to drift away to another church — or no church. Even when all is fine, we sometimes let church take a back seat. But our bonds with the family of God are "part of the glue that holds life and faith together." For the sake of the benefits we gain and give, may we "hang in and stay connected" with our church family. May we not "walk away or be distracted, ... be too busy or tired." May we not take one another for granted but thank God for this "glue" — even when things get a bit sticky!

A decorative horizontal line consisting of a series of diamond shapes. The diamonds are arranged in a symmetrical pattern, with a single large diamond in the center, flanked by two medium diamonds, and then several smaller diamonds on either side, creating a tapered effect towards the ends.

Men's Breakfast Group will meet on the Saturdays of **10/6, 10/20, & 11/3** 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



Lyngblomsten is a Christian nonprofit organization enhancing the quality of life for older adults of all faiths and cultures through its healthcare and housing

facilities as well as through its community-based outreach programs for seniors living independently. Partnered in ministry with more than two dozen Christian congregations across our Metro, a continuum of care meets the needs of adults as they travel the later years of their life's journey. Our services nurture the whole person—body, mind, and spirit.

For more than a century, Lyngblomsten has been caring for the elderly and providing support for their loved ones while engaging the hearts of generous volunteers and donors who help carry out our mission.

2nd Half with Lyngblomsten is currently in need of volunteers for folks with memory loss.

Respite is short-term relief that allows caregivers to attend to matters other than caring for their loved ones, such as going to an appointment or meeting a friend for lunch. Help provide respite to caregivers by volunteering with 2nd Half with

Lyngblomsten in The Gathering (a 5-hour group respite program offered in West St. Paul at Augustana Lutheran and Salem Lutheran). For additional information, please contact Peggy Cerrito at (651) 632-5406 or

pcerrito@lyngblomsten.org or visit www.lyngblomsten.org/volunteer.

To learn more about respite volunteer opportunities through 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten join us for a Respite Q & A:

Tuesday, October 23rd 10–11:30 AM Salem Lutheran Church, 11 W. Bernard St., West St. Paul, MN 55118

Open to anyone in the community, this will include a brief overview of respite and volunteer opportunities, observation of The Gathering group respite program, and a question-and-answer session.

Visit www.lyngblomsten.org/volunteer for more info.

To RSVP, contact Lyngblomsten Volunteer Services at volunteer@lyngblomsten.org or (651) 632-5406.



How Does our Garden Grow?



We are nearing the end of the **eighth harvest season** of Faith UMC's Neighbors' Food Shelf Garden! Encouraged by the weather forecasters' frost warnings for the last

Saturday of September, we picked all the green tomatoes and put them into ripening bags; so we will have several pounds of tomatoes and other vegetables to deliver to Neighbors, Inc. as they ripen in early October.

Though September, the Food Shelf Garden has produced nearly 400 pounds of vegetables with a market value of \$1,200. We'll come close to last year's record year and may exceed it. The final numbers will appear in the November newsletter.

THANK YOU! And Covington Recap

The Covington task force would like to thank all of you for your support this past summer! We had a wonderful time renewing old friendships and making new friends. In our planning for the summer of 2019 we would ask you to keep your eyes open for items we can share next summer. In June we would like to give out books for the people, especially books that youth and children can read. In August we would like to again give out backpacks. If you have or see books for all children and youth ages please bring them to church. Also if you have or see backpacks that we can give out again please bring them in. Any items you bring can be put outside Pastor Gail's office and we will store them.





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Worship Schedule

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.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Facebook Page

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



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