

Faith United Methodist Church  
1025 Tullar Rd  
Neenah, WI 54956



# *By Faith*



*The Monthly Newsletter of Faith United Methodist  
Church*

*Month of August, 2017*



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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)

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## *The Monthly Newsletter of Faith United Methodist Church AUGUST 2017*

A MORNING PRAYER TO START YOUR DAY DURING  
THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Good morning, Lord! Today's a new day, a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it any regrets, mistakes, or failures I may have experienced. It's a good day to be glad and give thanks, and I do, Lord. Thank you for today, a new opportunity to love, give, and be all that you want me to be.

Today I want to start the day with you on my mind and in my heart. As I dress, let me wear [the armor you've provided](#) daily: the helmet of salvation, the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of [faith](#), the belt of truth, the shoes of peace, and the sword of the spirit—with [prayer](#) on my tongue: praise for you and petitions for those around me and those I meet.

Feed me today with [your daily bread](#). As the Bread of Life, your food, like manna, will sustain me throughout any trials and hungers. Help me to set my thoughts on things above and to speak only what will help and encourage others. Keep me from putting my foot in my mouth, and help me guard the affections of my heart today, Lord. Make whatever work I do be marked with excellence rather than perfectionism, as I seek not to make a name, but to make a difference. Help me to treat each person I encounter as you would, with respect and love, forgiving others and asking for forgiveness myself when needed.

**PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR**

**WORSHIP**

**SERMON TITLES**

*August 6, 2017*

Reach Out and Wrap your Arms  
Around Jesus and His Message

Mark 14:43-50

*August 13, 2017*

Reach Out and Wrap your Arms  
Around a Sense of Purpose, Trust,  
and Love

Philippians 4:8-9

*August 20, 2017*

Reach Out and Wrap Your Arms  
Around The Hunger  
For Righteousness

Matthew 5:1-12

*August 27, 2017*

Reach Out and Wrap Your Arms  
Around Spiritual Maturity

Luke 23:32-38

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**Will Resume on**  
**September 10, 2017**

Preschool-Kindergarten

2nd grade—5th Grade

6th—9th grade

10th-12th Grade

Adult Sunday School Classes

Senior Bible Study Classes

**SENIOR BIBLE STUDY**

The Senior Bible Study will not meet during the summer. They will resume their studies in the fall.

Watch the bulletin and newsletter for information

*Enjoy the summer everyone.*

## GREETERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

### Narthex

### Education Wing

August 6th	Charles & Sharon Bucholtz	Terry & Joanne Ball
August 13th	Judy Schwandt & Diana Vieth	Bill & Ginny Shepard
August 20th	Mary & Cindy Muthig	Jim & Ardis Lyons
August 27	Todd & Cindy Boelter	Gary & Charlene Reiter

## Toddler Nursery Helpers Needed

Due to the increased number of “toddlers” coming to the nursery each Sunday. We have made a change. We will be adding additional caregivers each Sunday to be in the Nursery. If anyone would be interested in helping out please contact Bev or the church office. We will have a caregiver and one helper each Sunday along with the student helpers. My plan is to have 2 adults if possible and one or two youth helpers each Sunday. If you like to be part of this growing area, please let me know.



Bev—Nursery Coordinator

## Attention all Corn lovers

### SENIORS OF FAITH

The seniors of faith will be having their 20<sup>th</sup> annual corn roast on **August 17<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 P.M. at Mary & Hugh Davies farm. Corn, brats, buns and beverages will be furnished. Music will be supplied by Micah Sommersmith.

Ruth & Vern Brusewitz and Mary & Hugh Davies are the hosts.

Please help us plan by calling the Davies 729-0448 or the Brusewitzes 751-3830



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## AGAPE BIBLE STUDY GROUP MEETING

Agape group Bible Study meets on Wednesday evenings 6:30 P.M. The group shares prayer requests, studies, prays and then prays. Presently we're looking at true stories of Extraordinary Answers to Prayers published by Guideposts and are having lively discussions with it. They meet in the Church Library, and are welcoming new members. Jim Hooyman, Julie Lutz and Jim Bayer are good sources for information about the meetings.

**Lord, we come to You in prayer for:** the family of Bev Schmidt, Kathy Bayer, Chuck Bucholtz, Dave Jannusch, Geri Manteufel, Jay Beck, Gordon Brigham, Lois Stewart, Dick Raleigh, Alice Littlefield, George Elwood, and for those with ongoing medical concerns, financial concerns, our shut ins and our military and their families.



## MISSION MINISTRIES

### UPDATES

#### SERVING AT THE HOMELESS CONNECTIONS

Please consider helping us as we serve fresh fruit, granola and yogurt parfaits at the families staying at the Homeless Connections in Appleton on Friday, August 19, 2017 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table for food donations and servers. The mission team so appreciates our faithful church family for all the healthy and sometimes just tasty food you contribute each month!

#### COTS

During the month of August the mission team is sponsoring a collection to help COTS, the transitional homeless facility in Appleton.

Each year, over 130 individuals experiencing homelessness come through COTS doors seeking to change the circumstances that bring them to the agency. For up to two years, they provide individuals with a safe, affordable place to live, food, household needs and basic life skills training, with the end goal of self-sufficiency.

Look for the “cot” near the coat rack for a list of needed items on their wish list. Thank you for sharing.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

##### **The Fox Valley Circuit UMC 6TH Annual Charity Golf Outing**

**Wednesday August 16, 2016.**

Bridgewood Golf Course—Neenah

9 holes w/cart or miniature golf, lunch & prizes

To Support Senegal Mission

- ◆ Goal \$250/golfer or \$50/miniature golfer
- ◆ Get your friends to sponsor you
- ◆ **Turn in reservations by August 2nd to Neenah First Church Office**
  - ◆ For 9 hole golf (\$50.00 or miniature golf (\$25.00)

Registration forms for golfing and sponsor forms can be found on the table in the Narthex. Funds will go to the Senegal Mission .





# STAYING CONNECTED

## LOOKING FOR TEACHERS AND HELPERS

### Education team



The education team have started preparing for the fall and winter quarters. We are looking for teachers and helpers for the Sunday School Classes for both adults and the children and youth to work as a team. We are also looking for help for a possible nursery class during Sunday school for those parents who want to attend a Sunday School Class

We have tentatively set up several classes , We are still continuing to recruit. We do have a couple classes where we have teachers for most of the children's and youth classes—we are now looking for teachers for our Adult classes Would anyone one be interested in helping or being part of the education team for 2017-2018?

During Worship Service—Caregivers in Toddler Nursery

During Sunday School Classes—Caregivers in Toddler Nursery

Preschool—Kindergarten

2nd grade—5th Grade

6th—12th grade

Adult Sunday School Classes

Do you have a special Bible study that you would like to share with the adult classes?

Please think about the possibility of sharing your love of God? Please look at the class schedule and let Bev in the church office know if you are interested in teaching or helping the classes. If you have any questions, I would love to work with anyone who is interested in being part of the Sunday School team

Bev Pezewski, Education Team Leader



2017NEWSLETTER

PUBLICATION DATES

\*\* The deadline for newsletter articles will be the Wednesday "prior" to the publication date. 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 labeled newsletter/bulletin articles. Thank You!

Please let the office know if there is anything else you would like to see added to monthly newsletter.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Faith United Methodist Church, please contact the church

**REMINDER:** If you are currently receiving the newsletter either via email or through the U.S. postal service and no longer wish to receive it, please contact the church office and let us know and we will remove your name from our distribution list. If you would like to change how you are receiving the newsletter please let the church office know.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Have you changed **your address, telephone number or e-mail address** Please complete your card on Sunday with all the changes or contact the church office. This will help us keep the directory up to date. If you have any questions, please let the church office know.

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| 8/2 Heidi Kuehl          | 8/21 Margaret Schultz |
| 8/5 Ashley Maloney       | 8/22 Seth Geiger      |
| 8/8 Charlie LeMaire      | 8/22 Bev Pezewski     |
| 8/8 Evie Gau             | 8/23 Keith Irish      |
| 8/9 Mike Dietz           | 8/24 Debbie Fritz     |
| 8/9 Susan Johnson        | 8/25 Jim Bayer        |
| 8/11 Jan Lee             | 8/27 Ken Stiff        |
| 8/11 Elizabeth Roberts   | 8/29 Lisa Williams    |
| 8/12 Lorenzo Del a Cruz  | 8/31 Ronald Kramer    |
| 8/15 Christina Fritz     |                       |
| 8/16 Dave Jannusch       |                       |
| 8/17 Geraldine Manteufel |                       |
| 8/18 Brian Fritz         |                       |
| 8/19 Gladys Farr         |                       |
| 8/19 Susan Fruendt       |                       |

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that was missed, please let the office know so we can be sure our database is correct.

A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Margaret Schultz, whose birthday is on August 21st will be celebrating a very special birthday. She will be 99 years old. Her daughter said " cards would be appreciated"

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| 8/24 Jim & Kathy Bayer          |
| 8/24 Edward Coyle & Gladys Farr |
| 8/25 Diane & Michael Knoll      |
| 8/29 Jeff & Julie Laabs         |
| 8/9 Ken & Nora Stiff            |
| 8/27 Lisa & Scott Williams      |



## Quick Summary June 2017 Financial Information

**Operating Fund** – June receipts were \$30,768; disbursements were \$23,143 for net receipts of \$7,625.

Year to date receipts were \$140,162; disbursements were \$136,801 for net receipts of \$3,361. The Operating Fund balance at June 30, 2017 is positive \$21,491.

**Building Fund** – June receipts were \$1,175; disbursements were \$1,020 for net receipts of \$155. Year to date receipts were \$9,904; disbursements were \$6,237 for net receipts of \$3,667. The Building Fund balance at June 30, 2017 is positive \$8,153.

**Carpeting Fund** – June receipts were \$417. Year to date receipts were \$8,769. Year to date disbursements were \$34,985. The first phase of the carpeting project was paid in May 2017. The Carpeting Fund balance at June 30, 2017 is negative (\$19,860).

**Cash Balances** – at June 30, 2017 are checking \$26,510, general savings \$38,406 and Faith Notes sinking fund savings \$8,633. All the accounts are held at Investors Community Bank, Appleton, WI.

**Mortgage Balance** – The mortgage balance on June 30, 2017 was \$90,595.

### “Be Part of our Carpet Fund Raiser”

#### FUND RAISING UPDATE

As we enjoy the new carpet throughout the education wing and the Narthex, we still have a fund established to raise moneys for the second phase of the carpet, and to rebuild the money used to pay off the first phase of the carpet. An extra \$16.00 in giving could make you a part of our carpet raising fund! Would you like to be part of the carpet fund? Thank you for your help on this major endeavor.

#### MESSAGES FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY

##### THANK YOU

A special note from Kathy Bayer. She wanted to thank everyone for the cards and encouragement she has been receiving. She still is in Madison but hopes to be moved closer to home.

We are starting a new page “A message from our church family”

If you want to be a part of our message board and want to share a message for our newsletter, please let the church office know. Before the end of each month

We publish the newsletter by the first of each month.

Have a blessed day—

Faith Church is trying to gain support and visibility on our Facebook page. If you are on Facebook but have not LIKED our page, please do so. In addition, please encourage your family and friends to LIKE us too! You can find us at “Faith United Methodist Church - Neenah, WI”





# YOUTH/CHILDREN'S NEWS

## YOUTH AND FAMILY ADVENTURES

On the 26th of July the youth and family attended a "golf outing". We went to Badger Sports Park after our golf game. Below are some of the pictures that we took at our fun adventure.

Everyone is invited to come to our family and youth adventures.

Please join us next month, as we have our second annual car wash and brat fry following worship service on Sunday August 27, 2017, this is our yearly, fund raising effort to support our youth, so that they can continue to go on different adventures through out the year.

Please join us for our brat fry and—have your car washed The cost will be \$5.00 for brat and \$5.00 for a car wash.



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There is going to be a sign up sheet for helpers, cooks, and items that the group is going to need. Please check out the table in the Narthex.

Attention members and visitors of the congregation—The youth are inviting anyone who would like to help wash cars to join them. Please check your calendar and see if you can help on the 27th of August. We could really use your help

enjoy some food and visiting with your friends

while your car is getting washed.....



## Children's Bible Story

**Theme:** Trusting Jesus

**Scripture:** And wherever he went—into villages, towns or countryside—they placed the sick in the market-places. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched him were healed. Mark 6:56 (NIV)

A long, long time ago before any of you were born there was a television game show called "Who Do You Trust?" Today, we are going to play our own version of the "Who Do You Trust?" game. Here is how the game is played. First, I will tell you what type of question I am going to ask. For example, I might tell you that I am going to ask a Bible question. Then I will say to one of you, "Who do you trust?" You must then choose another person you trust to answer the question correctly.

Are you ready to play? Okay, let's play! I have a Bible question. Who do you trust? (you can pick your brother or sister to answer the question. Be sure that the questions are ones that they can answer so that no one will be embarrassed.)

Here is the question, "What person in the Bible was swallowed by a great big fish?" (Jonah, of course.)

Great job! In my story, Johnny knew that he could trust (his brother Tommy) to answer that question.

Let's try that again. This time I have a question about television. Mary, Who do you trust? (Mary chooses someone that she trusts to answer the question correctly.)

The question is, "Who is green and lives in a trash can on Sesame Street?" (Oscar the Grouch. Did you know that!)

Wow! You guys are really smart!

Playing the "Who Do You Trust?" game can be a lot of fun, but in real life, it is much more than a game. It is very important for us to know in whom we can trust -- and I know where to find the answer. I can find the answer to that question in the Bible, because the answer is the same today as it was 2000 years ago.

There were many people in Jesus' day who needed healing from all sorts of diseases. They followed Jesus everywhere he went. There were so many people following them that Jesus and his disciples seldom even had time to stop and rest. One day they got into a boat and sailed away toward the other side of the lake. As soon as they stepped out of the boat on the other side, people immediately recognized Jesus and began bringing their sick friends and family members to Jesus. Wherever Jesus went, people would place sick people along the path where he walked. Why? Because they knew that in their time of need, Jesus was the one they could trust. They trusted Jesus so much that all they asked was to be able to touch the hem of his robe. Who did they trust? They trusted Jesus and because of that, the Bible tells us that all who touched Jesus were healed.

Each day we find ourselves facing difficult situations. We have tough questions to answer and difficult choices to make. We often ask ourselves, "Who can I trust?" The answer is, "Jesus." Just as the people in Jesus' day knew that they could trust Jesus to make them well, you and I can trust Jesus to meet our needs in every situation.

Who do you trust? Jesus!

Dear Jesus, we are looking for someone in whom we can trust. We put our trust in you. Amen.

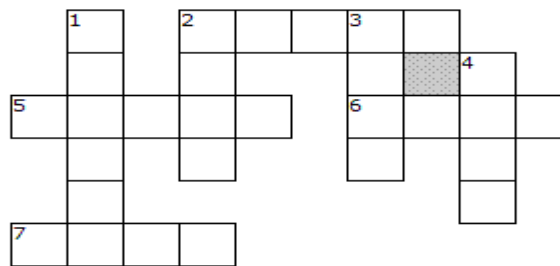


# Trusting Jesus

They begged him to let the sick touch at least the fringe of his robe, and all who touched him were healed.

Mark 6:56b (NLT)

Based on Mark 6:53-56



## ACROSS

2. The land along the edge of a lake, sea, ocean, etc.
5. To put your fingers or hand on something
6. A small craft used to travel on water
7. To make well or healthy

## DOWN

1. Men, women, and children generally; human beings
2. Not well or healthy; ill
3. A long, loose-fitting piece of clothing
4. A large inland body of water

SHORE	SICK	BOAT	PEOPLE
LAKE	HEAL	TOUCH	ROBE

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CROSSED	LANDED	SICK	HEALED	TOWNS
RAN	PEOPLE	BOAT	OVER	CLOAK
ANCHOR	CARRIED	JESUS	VILLAGES	TOUCH

# Trusting Jesus

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Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page.



When they had crossed over, they \_\_\_\_\_ at Gennesaret and anchored there. As soon as they got out of the \_\_\_\_\_, people recognized \_\_\_\_\_. They ran throughout that whole region and carried the \_\_\_\_\_ on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went—into villages, \_\_\_\_\_ or countryside—they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them \_\_\_\_\_ even the \_\_\_\_\_ of his \_\_\_\_\_, and all who \_\_\_\_\_ him were \_\_\_\_\_.

Mark 6:53-56 (NIV)

sick	touch	towns	Jesus	cloak
landed	boat	touched	edge	healed



August 2017

Monthly Planner

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