

Faith United Methodist Church
1025 Tullar Rd
Neenah, WI 54956

By Faith

The Monthly Newsletter

Faith United Methodist Church—

Month of January....



January



"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Proverbs 3:5-6



*Happy
New Year*

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Church**
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 January 2018

January, 2019

Dear Christians Friends,

Happy New Year! We begin the new year by just completing the celebration the birth of Jesus on December 25th. The true meaning of Christmas gets lost a little more each year as there is more and more competition to what Jesus birth means to us.. During advent and Christmas I always try to look at different texts or sermon series each year to bring a new understanding to the impact of God coming to earth in Emmanuel each year and what this truly means for us.

As we begin January and make resolutions that we never end up keeping. I am inviting you to a new six week sermon series that will be beginning January 6th and concluding on February 10th. The title of it is Unstuck. If you have ever felt that you have been in a rut on various issue or issues in your life then this series might be for you! We will begin by getting unstuck in our faith. Then looking at finances, family, career, friendships, and future. As we begin this series the holiday season will be behind us and Easter is late this year. Ash Wednesday is March 6th and Easter Sunday is April 21st.

Imagine what your life might be like if you were unstuck on a trouble spot in your life and you could truly enjoy God's call and blessings?

See you on January 6th at 9:00 a.m.

Pastor Tim

PREPARING OUR HEARTS
FOR
WORSHIP SERMON TITLES

January 2019

Begin six week series called
“Unstuck!”

January 6th

*Getting unstuck in my **Faith***
John 21:1-19

January 13th

*Getting unstuck in my **Finances***
James 1:5-6

January 20th

*Getting unstuck in my **Family***
Joshua 24:15

January 27

*Getting unstuck in my **Career***
Acts 15:36-40



SUNDAY SCHOOL
CLASSES & Bible
Studies

Winter Quarter

10:15A.M.—11:15 AM

Nursery ages 2-3— Room 106

Clairelynn Sommersmith

Preschool-First Grade Room 104

Bev Pezewski & Michelle Woodard

2nd grade—5th Grade Room 208

Kurt VanHandel

Ken Gellerstedt

6th—12th Grade Room 207

Dan Duff

Adult Classes

“Sermon Notes” by Charles Stanley

Hugh Davies Room 202

“The History of Old Hymns”

Evie Gau & Mary Muthig Room 204

MEDIA CENTER/LIBRARY STUDIES

Senior Bible Study—

Wednesdays 1:30 P.M.

Agape Bible Study—

Thursdays at 6:30 P.M.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/3 Amanda Halverson
1/3 Sharon LeMaire
1/9 Brian Fairchild
1/10 Jon Halverson
1/11 Courtney Flom
1/12 Tim Albrecht
1/12 Cindy Boelter
1/20 Zach Flom
1/21 Lori Albrecht
1/25 Terry Ball
1/25 Michael Knoll
1/26 Hugh Davies
1/27 Michael Steffek
1/31 Kurt VanHandel



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.

Wedding Anniversaries

During the month of January

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1/2 Jerry & Nola Sell
1/14 Michael & MaryAnn Halverson
1/15 Jeremy & Bobbi Olson



2018NEWSLETTER

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 the monthly newsletter.

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

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.

GREETERS SCHEDULE

MONTH OF January 2019

Narthex/sanctuary entrance

6th Howard & Sally Steffens
13th Char Kryszak & Geraldine Manteufel
20th Nola Sell & Corky Sullivan
27th Dick & MaryAnn Wylie

Education Wing Entrance

Evie Gau & Mary Davies
Julie Beck & Ann Cheshire
Dave & Sadie Kordonowy
Vern & Ruth Brusewitz



MISSION MINISTRIES

Thank you to all who helped during the Christmas season, serving at the Community Christmas Dinner, Serving at the Homeless Connection and buying gifts for the Giving Tree event. Thank you to all who served throughout the year 2018.

Let us begin again sharing our gifts. Mission Team

HELPING IN THE CHURCH

Have you every thought how you could help the church. We are looking for our church family to help in areas of the church. What areas if the church could you help. Some of the areas where someone could help is cleaning and maintaining the rooms like the gym, fellowship hall, vacuuming the halls by the office and down the hall. There are some areas that are being maintained, but there are other areas where someone could give of their time. If you like to paint, or are willing to give a few hours to help paint, we need help to paint the men's bathroom, ladies bathroom in the education area, the music room, other classrooms by the gym before the end of the year. After the first of the year, there is the hallways by the fellowship hall and step areas downstairs. Think about it and talk to your friends. Maybe you can help out as a fellowship and social time.

COUNTERS NEEDED

The finance committee is looking for additional counters to count the church offerings on Monday morning at 9:00 A.M. It takes about an hour and a half for counting the offerings each Monday. Do you have a few hours that you could help do this important volunteer project? If you have an interest please contact John Johnson or other members of the finance team.

FINANCE MINISTRIY TEAM

The Finance Committee is pleased to welcome Mark Muthig as our new Chair. Mary Muthig is also joining the committee. We are excited to see what the Lord has in store for Faith UMC in 2019!

SENIORS OF FAITH

There will not be a Seniors of Faith gathering in January, will resume in February

Lord, we come to You in prayer for: Jim Lyons recently hospitalized, Susan Johnson, Elaine Paulson, Ernie Fritschle, Kathy Bayer, Mary Jane Thompson, Gordon Brigham, Margaret Schultz, and for those with on going medical concerns, financial concerns, our shut ins and our military and their families and those in need of healing; and our many unspoken prayers.



FAITHFUL SINGERS REHEARSALS

The Faithful Singers, Faith Church's adult choir rehearse 6:30-7:30 pm on Wednesdays 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 msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com or by cell phone at 765.993.7019.



YEAR END REPORT

If you are interested in having a copy of the year end report for 2018. There are copies on the table in the Narthex for you to take. If you have any questions, please contact Bev in the church office

UPDATING THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

The church office is in the process of updating the church directory. If you have changes in your email, address or phone or cell numbers you would like added to the directory, please complete the yellow card or contact the church office. Our plan is to get the new directory out as soon as we

Wednesday – SENIOR BIBLE STUDY

The Senior Bible Study class will begin meeting at 1:30 P.M. on January 9, 2019. If you have any questions please contact the church office or Pastor Tim.

Chunky Knit Blanket Workshop.....

Would you like to make a Chunky knit blanket. Would you like to learn how to knit or be part of a knitting workshop. We have a knitting class that is coming to Faith Church. Check out the bulletin board by the education entrance for registration details or call 920-7703593. They will be here January 12, 2019 from 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. or January 20th from 2:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

MISSION TRIP

May 14, - May 23, 2019

The trip is being organized by Grace United Methodist Church in Wautoma, WI. The purpose of this journey is to spread God's word and share God's love in the Dominican Republic. One project that will be done is to paint the accommodation building of the missionary camp in the Bani area and host a Bible School for up to 90 children. We will be furnishing the labor and the painting supplies for the building, inside and out as well as books, crafts, and snacks for the children.

The cost of this journey is estimated at \$1500/person and the cost includes airfare, lodging, insurance, meals, bus transportation and sightseeing. Grace United has a planning team and fund-raisers for these expenses and is interested in having other congregations help. Down payment of \$100 is needed by December 31, 2018 to lock your spot on the team. This \$100 will go into your individual account for your specific costs. The balance will probably not be due until 45 days before the journey begins. Please make checks payable to Grace United Methodist Church P.O. Box 589 Wautoma, WI 54982. If you have any questions please contact Linda Fritz church's help. There is more information on the Mission Bulletin board across from the coffee room.

FAITH CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday - CLOSED

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! That in all they/we do, we would honor God and His will for the church.

YOUTH/CHILDREN'S NEWS

As the New Year begins, the Youth and children in our church are involved in many outside activities. During the year, we are looking for information on our youth and children accomplishments. If anyone wants to share what they have accomplished during the year, please let Miss Bev know and it will be added to our Youth/Children's News pages.

Thank you to Micah and all the parents, children, youth and teachers who helped during the month of December with the children and youth as they all participated in the worship services.

The Education Team

YOUTH Adventure

During the month of January – 2019 we are beginning to look at possible activities that we can do during the winter season. We have several options. We can go on our annual ski trip to Nordic mountain, I know we have a few younger children and a possible idea is to go ice skating and tubing up at Green Bay and maybe even go through Lambeau Field. Another adventure would be to go to the Railroad museum in Green Bay, once it becomes a little warmer, we could go horseback riding if there is interest. Another would be to go the Building for Kids-Children's museum like we did last year, or go bowling, possibly go to funset Boulevard family center in Appleton. We went to a basketball game in Oshkosh last year, would you like to go again, or go to the Bubolz Nature Preserve on Maple Syrup Saturday.....Those are some ideas, what are your ideas, let Ms. Bev know and we will try an work out something for everyone to come and enjoy.



For your enjoyment, I have added some pictures from Christmas - Pictures of the children and youth at the Christmas Program and other pictures from the Senior's Christmas gathering.

Watch our bulletin board for more Pictures

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year







CHILDREN'S BIBLE STORY

Theme: Obedience to God

Scripture: Jonah 2

Good morning. I want to start by asking everyone a question and I want you all to be very honest and tell the truth – put your hand up if you are a perfect child. If you never get into trouble, if you've never done anything wrong, if you've never disobeyed Mom or Dad – put your hand up.

No one? Not one of you huh? Well, thank you for your honesty. It's just human nature isn't it to sometimes do something wrong. None of us are perfect are we? Let me ask all the adults shall I – are any of you perfect? See, adults aren't perfect either. So if you're not perfect, I'm sure that means you've probably been in trouble a few times haven't you. Maybe you even had to do something we call 'time out' right. Have any of you been put in 'time out'? Maybe you have to sit on a special chair 'the naughty chair' or the bottom step of the stairs. Maybe you even have to go to your room. Do any of you have to do that sometimes?

Those of you who have read our stories, you may have heard the story about a man named Jonah who disobeyed God and didn't do what God asked him to. Does anyone remember what happened to him? That's right. Jonah was swallowed up by a big fish and was stuck inside that fish for three whole days. Did you ever consider that God might have been putting Jonah in 'time out'?

The reason we get put into 'time out' when we don't behave properly or we're in trouble for doing something wrong, is so that we have time to really think about what we did. Sometimes Mom or dad or maybe even your teacher might say 'You need to think about what you just did' or perhaps they'll say 'You need to think about how sorry you are'. And that's why they send us off to 'time out' so that we have TIME to think about the way we behaved.

Now, as I said before, your 'time out' might be on a chair, or a step or a carpet or even perhaps in the corner, and you probably only have to spend two or three minutes there, maybe a few more. But Jonah upset God so much by disobeying him that he had to spend three whole days inside the tummy of that big fish. I'm sure it was very nasty in there. But Jonah didn't just sit inside that fish doing nothing. He took the time to think about what he had done. And he decided to pray to God. He thanked God for all he had done for him, and for saving him when he was drowning and he praised God.

I don't think any of you will end up inside the belly of a big fish for three days to do 'time out' but if you end up on the 'naughty chair' or get sent to your room for a few minutes to think about what you did, I want you to use that time wisely. Do what Jonah did. Talk to God! Say your prayers. Tell him how thankful you are for everything he does for you and ask him to help you behave better next time.

Let's pray:

Dear God, thank you for loving us and caring for us so much. Help us to take 'time out' of our day to remember you and all that you do for us. In your name we pray. Amen

Fill In The Blanks

A word has been removed from each sentence and is listed below the sentences. Use the listed words to fill the blanks in the sentence.

God spoke to Jonah and told him to go preach in the city of _____.

Jonah got on a _____ heading in the opposite direction from where God told him to go.

God caused a great _____ to come upon the sea.

The sailors tossed Jonah into the sea to _____ the storm.

God sent a great _____ to swallow Jonah.

Jonah was in the fish for _____ days.

While in the fish, Jonah repented and promised to go _____ in Nineveh.

God caused the fish to spit Jonah out onto the _____.

God spoke to Jonah a _____ time and told him to go to Nineveh.

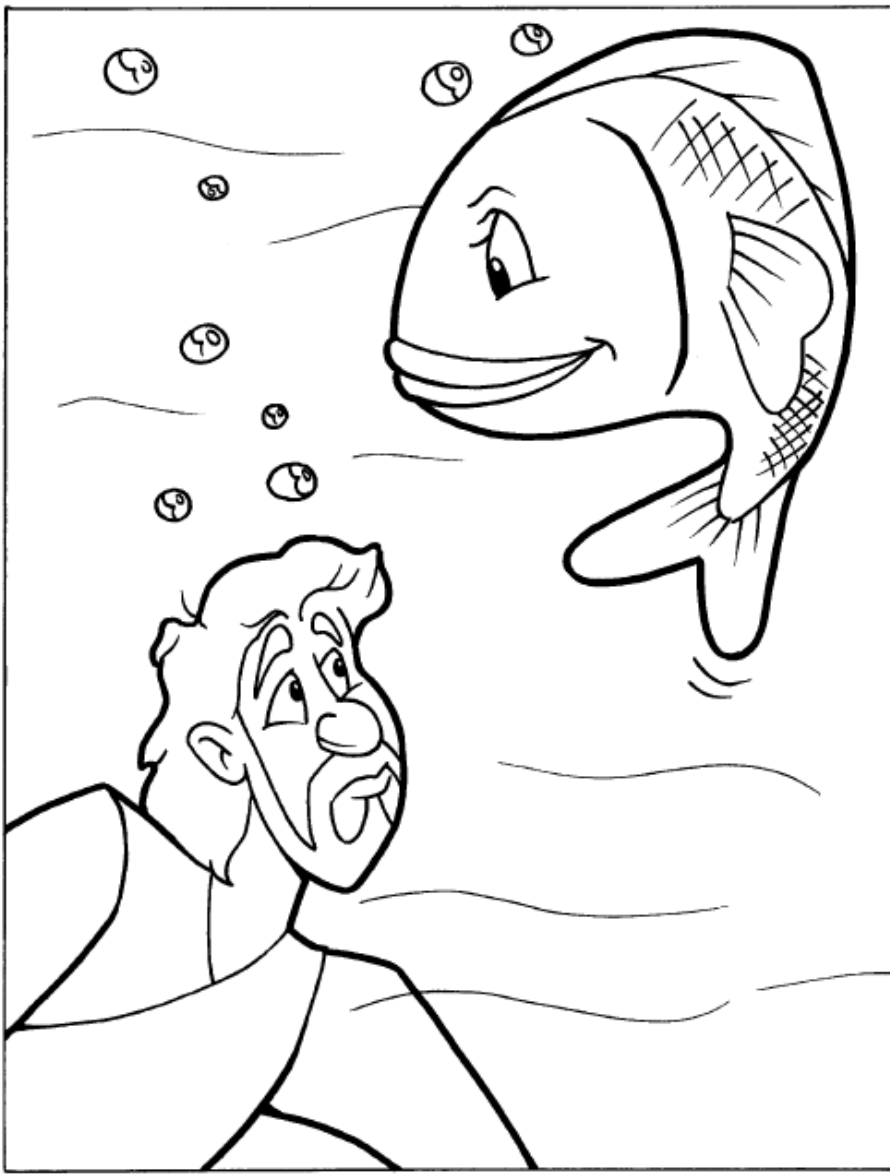
This time, Jonah _____ God and went to Nineveh.

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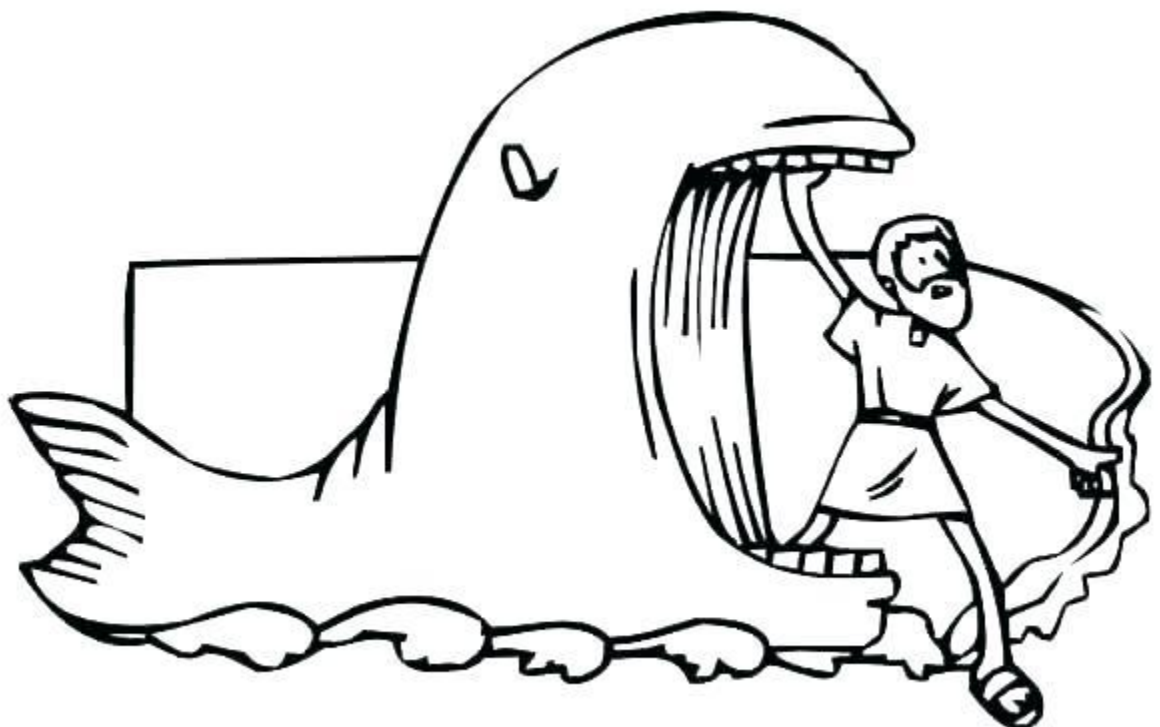
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Word Search Puzzle

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Coloring Pages for all to
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January 2019

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