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Faith United Methodist Church—

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Sunday Bulletin October 3, 2021



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

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.

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The Midweek connection
Faith United Methodist Church

October 2021

Dear Faith Church,

As I write this letter for the October newsletter, many things come to mind. Thank you for your support of Faith Church. We have been through much together dealing with covid. Hopefully, the finish line of this will be seen soon!

Despite covid and the narrative of it, one thing that has not and will not change is God and his Word. His Word remains the same despite what the world wants you to think. As we begin the month of October we will begin a new sermon series that will run for eight weeks entitled "Greatest Stories Ever Told". We will be looking at the parables of Jesus. This series will end on November 24th, which is the last Sunday before Advent.

During Advent, we will be looking at the Incarnation, God coming to earth in Jesus and rediscovering the significance of Christmas. By looking at the names that are used to describe Jesus like, Messiah, King, Savior, etc.

See you in church,

Pastor Tim

**Faith United Methodist
Church**

**1025 Tulare Rd
Neenah, WI 54956**

Sunday Worship Service

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

(for all ages)

10:15 - 11:15

(Sept - May)

October—2021

Begins a new series entitled
“Greatest Stories Ever Told”
Looking at the parables of Jesus

October 3, 2021

God's Kingdom
Matthew 13:34-35

October 10, 2021

God's Love
Luke 15:11-24

October 17, 2021

Money & Possessions
Matthew 25:14-30

October 24, 2021

Unconditional Forgiveness
Matthew 18:23-25

October 31, 2021

Prayer
Luke 18:9-14

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

10:15 a.m.—11:00 A.M.

3 year old—preschool

Julie Caflisch Michelle
Woodard

Room 106

Pre-K—Kindergarten-1st grade

Beverly Pezewski

Room 104

2nd—5th grade

Kurt VanHandel & Ken Geller-
stedt

Room 207

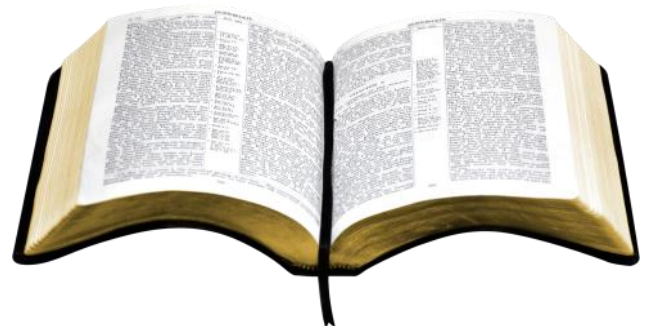
Senior High 6th-12th grade

Dan Duff

Adult Class

Hugh Davies Gary Reiter

Room 204



Agape Bible Studies

Sermons can be found on our web page. <https://www.faithchurchneenah.com>

Click on the video button on the church's web page to see our videos and 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 YouTube and Facebook

Our YouTube channel is: [faithunitedmethodistchurchneenah.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/faithunitedmethodistchurchneenah)

All our sermons that we have been livestreaming are on our YouTube Channel. Give it a try. You will receive a email from the church office shortly before the service begins. Click on the link that you will be provided and you will join the worship service on YouTube. If there is a problem with the streaming to our YouTube or Facebook page, there will be a delay in the download for about one hour or so after the service, so we can upload the file a different way. Once it is available, an email will be sent to those with an email address informing them that it is up on Facebook and YouTube and you will be able to access them. The sermon can also be heard on the radio station; WEMI 91.9 however, but are a week later.

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

Prayers for the family of Janice Lee who passed away at home on Saturday, September 25, 2021 with her family by her side. Funeral services were held on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at the Kessler Funeral Home, 304 S. Commercial St., Neenah with Pastor Tim Albrecht of Faith United Methodist Church officiating.

Joy Wade—Jim's brother broke his ribs

Wayne & Barb Arndt—prayers as our daughter Madeline celebrates her birthday?

Hugh Davies's- prayers for healing for his sister, who has finished her chemo

Terry & Joanne Ball: Prayers as Elden as he waits for deployment to Saudi Arabia.

Prayers that the schools stay healthy and free of sickness.

Continued Prayers for Neale Caflisch, Rom Pegram, Bob Fritz, Dick Wylie, Liz Roberts, Chuck and Jonel Ankrum, Corky Sullivan, Lisa Armstrong, Eric Schlieter, Kathy Bayer, Jack & Barb Oakley, Jim Hart, Marilyn Nyberg, Mary Jane Thompson, Vern Brusewitz, others in need of healing, financial needs, continued prayers for all our members of our church family, our many unspoken prayers and our answered prayers.

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WORSHIP SERVICE
19th Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday
October 3, 2021 9:00 A.M.

Prelude:

Welcome:

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn: "At the Name of Jesus"

Children's Message

Beth Irish

Prayer:

Special Music: "Parable Song" (by Chuck Stevens)

Scripture: Matthew 13:34-35

Sermon: New Sermon Series Begins: Greatest Stories Ever Told
Looking at the parables of Jesus

Sermon: "God's Kingdom"

Pastor Tim

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Closing Hymn: "Open My Eyes, that I may See"

Benediction:

THE GREATEST STORIES EVER TOLD: The Parables of Jesus

Matthew 13:34-35 (Memory Verse)

What is a Parable?

An _____ with a _____

Jesus Favorite Parable Topics: _____

Forgiveness

Stewardship

Love

Prayer

Compassion

Eternity

The Stories of God's Kingdom

- the Actors:

- the Actions:

The Choice Between Two Kingdoms:

The Kingdom of _____ vs. the Kingdom of this World

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN GOD'S KINGDOM?

1. I _____ To Jesus as _____ of my life

- John 18:36

- Romans 10:9

2. I _____ Kingdom Living through _____.

- John 8:31

3. I _____ From Outside the kingdom. The Parable of the Wheat and Weeds

- Matthew 13:24-30

4. I _____ God's Kingdom through _____

- Matthew 5:14-16

5. I _____ That God's Kingdom _____

The Parable of the Fishing Net

- Matthew 13:47-50

- Matthew 6-10

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jesus used parables to teach about the Kingdom of God

Jesus used many similar stories and illustrations to teach the people as much as they could understand. In fact, in his public ministry he never taught without using parables; but afterward, when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them. Mark 4:33-34 (NLT)

Have you ever noticed that when we come together for the children's sermon, we almost always start by showing you an object? After showing you the object and talking about it for a few minutes, we usually say something like, "That reminds me of what Jesus said in our Bible lesson today." Why do we do that? It is to help you to better understand what the Bible lesson means.

Here is an example — suppose that a kindergarten teacher was teaching a lesson about subtraction. The teacher might stand up in front of the class and say, "Six minus two equals four." Of course, that is true, but to a class of young children that have never been taught about subtraction, they might not understand what the teacher meant.

Now, suppose that the teacher showed the class six oranges and said, "I have six oranges. (Count them.) If I take away two of those oranges, how many oranges are left? That's right! There are four left." (Count them.) Now the class would understand that six minus two equals four.

That is the same way that Jesus taught his followers about the Kingdom of God. When he taught, he began by saying, "The Kingdom of God is like..." and then he would give an example. That method of teaching is called a parable. The Bible tells us that Jesus used parables to teach people in such a way that they would understand. In fact, the Bible says, "He never taught without using parables." (Mark 4:34)

In our Bible lesson today, we find one of the best-known parables of Jesus. It is called "The Parable of the Mustard Seed." Have you ever seen a mustard seed? I have some to show you this morning. Look how small they are!

Jesus began his mustard seed parable by asking, "How can I describe the Kingdom of God? What story should I use to illustrate it? It is like a mustard seed planted in the ground. It is the smallest of seeds, but it becomes the largest of all the plants in the garden; it grows long branches, and birds can make nests in its shade."

Jesus was teaching his followers that the Kingdom of God had a small beginning. How many disciples did Jesus start with? You are right, Jesus began his ministry on earth with a very small group of twelve followers, but as they followed Jesus and told others about him, the Kingdom grew and grew until it covered the whole earth. You might think that you are too small to be an important part of the Kingdom of God, but when we tell others about Jesus, we help the Kingdom to grow to spread over the whole earth. So, when you start to think that you are too small to be important in the Kingdom of God, remember the parable of the mustard seed.

Father, we sometimes think we are too small to be important in the Kingdom of God. Help us to remember the parable of the mustard seed we have learned this morning. If we will tell others about what Jesus has done for us and what he wants to do for them, we can have a part in growing the Kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

NORTH EAST DISTRICT CIRCUIT CHARGE CONFERENCE MEETING

Our annual charge conference will be held on October 26, 2021. If you have any concerns or questions please contact the church office for details.

CALL FOR REPORTS: We are asking for “year-end reports” from each team leader and committee chairperson. We will be creating an “end of year report” for the congregation to have the information. Once the reports are received a year end report will be prepared. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bev in the church office. Thank you for your help on this project.

Please send your end of year reports and your proposed budget to the church office as soon as possible. To be sure that we are prepared by October 26th, The ad board meeting will be held on the 11th of October. That way we should have everything completed.

Inspired Journey—Women’s retreat

Harvesting Faith—October 8-10 2021: At Pine Lake Camp, Waupaca, Wi

Details on web site inspired-journey.com

An interactive retreat featuring small group sessions for women to fellowship, share God’s Word and enjoy a weekend of fun autumn crafts, games, bonfires and inspired gift shop

Join us for a spirit-filled uplifting weekend. **Guest Speaker:** Kathy Schwanke

FAMILY MINISTRIES—NEXT ADVENTURE

Parents, we need your help. We are going to be going for search for the best pumpkin.

October 17, 2021 after Sunday School— A visit to Polly’s Pumpkin Patch, in Chilton.

We will have lunch and enjoy an afternoon a hayride, see the animals, games, and everyone gets a pumpkin. Everyone is invited to come to our children/youth adventures.

Please invite your friends, neighbors. All children & Youth, grandchildren, moms, dads, grandparents are invited to come to our adventure.

This is our first adventure away from the church, in a long time, we hope that we will have a great turnout.

If you would like a pumpkin but are not going to be able to come, let Miss Bev know and she will make sure your children will have a pumpkin.

There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex, or you can call the church office and let us know.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

As we move forward into the fall quarter, it is time to update any address telephone or email changes. I have recently received a few changes from members. If you are going to be making changes, please send them so we can include them. Our goal is to have an updated church directory by the 15th of October. If you have any changes, please let the church know.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/1 Amy Burns

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

10/25 Henry Burns

10/26 Sara Rusch

10/29 Taylor Kuehl

10/30 Mary Jane Thompson



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10/1 Shawn & Savannah Bordeaux

10/16 Eric & Christel Schlieter

10/22 John & Carole Halverson

10/24 Brian & Lori Fritz

10/29 Jim & Ardis Lyons



Food, fun and fellowship!

On October 10th

We'll gather in the fellowship hall after worship/Sunday school for the return of the infamous soup/chili pot luck, followed by a basket silent auction, celebrate Pastor Appreciation Sunday, and Micah's birthday! Whew!

To refresh everyone's memory in regards to the soup pot luck as it's been a while. Make a favorite soup or chili, put it in a crock pot, and when you come to church bring it down to the kitchen and plug it in. Crusty bread or rolls and refreshments will be provided.

Everyone is welcome to our Soup Pot Luck, you don't have to bring a dish to pass to be part of our Potluck—Fellowship. Please come..... Also.....

The Packers game starts at 12:00 Noon on that Sunday—We are working on having a TV available for those who would like to see the start of the game.

We had the brat fry and basket auction in May and it was a lot of fun, so let's have it again! We have time before Oct 10th to come up with ideas for baskets.

The last auction had a good variety, so we have it in us to brain storm again! The sooner the baskets come to church the sooner the bidding will begin. With the basket you'll need to include a list of contents and an opening bid. Tables will be up in the narthex to attract shoppers as they enter the sanctuary!

The auction along with being fun is also a fund raiser. Three of our education rooms and our choir room are in need of carpeting. The money raised will go towards the new carpet.

(Our May event brought in almost 1500.00! Kudo's to Faith Church! :)

Pastor Appreciation Sunday gives us an opportunity to thank Pastor Tim for his leadership.

Jeremiah 3:15 Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding.

So, Faith church family you have some homework to do! If you have any questions call Terry Ball at 722-3445, or contact Bev in the church office.

Romans 12:4-5 For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.
In Christ, Terry



**SOUP POT LUCK
& Basket Auction
SUNDAY
OCTOBER 10, 2021**



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on Thursday, November 11th at Faith United Methodist Church.

A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke

Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body

An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke

Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral arterial disease

Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6450, visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/
communitypartners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners) or text the word "circle" to 797979.

New Class offered in Menasha! What is *Healthy Living with Diabetes?*

A self-management course designed and proven to help people with diabetes learn skills, increase confidence, and minimize the adverse effects of diabetes.

This interactive workshop meets for 2 ½ hours, once a week for six weeks. People who take this workshop learn techniques to deal with the symptoms of diabetes, learn about appropriate exercises, use of medication and healthy eating strategies. This class has been PROVEN to improve health, health behavior, and a sense of confidence in managing diabetes. The class has also been PROVEN to show improvements in blood sugar levels and a decrease in health distress and hypo- and hyperglycemia. Participants also feel more confident in their ability to communicate with physicians, and have fewer doctor and emergency room visits and fewer hospitalizations.

There is a Healthy Living with Diabetes class being offered in your area!

MENASHA CITY HALL

100 Main St

Tuesdays, 1-3:30pm Oct 12– Nov 16

\$15 for 6-week session includes workbook

Please call the Winnebago County Health Dept
to register or for more information: 920-232-3000

Fall 2021 Lay Servant Ministry Classes
October 16 and October 30, 2021,
9am-3pm (lunch included)
Oakfield UMC, 220 South Main St, Oakfield, WI 53065

As Christians, we are all called to participate in the ministry of the Holy Spirit. A means of learning a more effective means of ministry or to better understand your spiritual gifts is to participate in Lay Servant Ministry classes. All United Methodists are invited to attend these district wide classes. They are a great opportunity to grow in discipleship as well as to network with other United Methodists in our area.

The North East District is offering two classes held at the same time! To register, please email the teacher of the class you'd like to attend to introduce yourself and give your contact information. A link for the book you will need to purchase for that class is provided below each teacher's name. Please register with your teacher and purchase your book no later than **Sunday, October 10th**. Both days must be attended in order to earn credit toward Lay Servant Certifications.

Register early as both classes have a limited number of seats!

Our host at Oakfield UMC have agreed to provide our lunch! Please do let your teacher know of any dietary issue when you register.

Basic Class. This is the foundational class to become a Lay Servant. Here you will learn more about your gifts and opportunities to use them as a servant leader.

Teacher: District Superintendent Rev. Dr. Kate Croskery Jones. Email: kcjones@wisconsinumc.org

Class Book:

Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course Participant's Book by Brian & Sandy Jackson.

Book can be ordered here: <https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/DR626/lay-servant-ministries-basic-course-participants-book.aspx>

Called to Preach Class. This is one of 6 advanced classes required to become a Certified Lay Servant or Speaker (or anyone wanting specialized training). It is designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, for pastors seeking a basic refresher course, and for others who are called upon to preach in a pastor's absence.

Teacher: Rev. Amy Powell. Email: powellmama@gmail.com Phone: 608-220-5873

Book: From Pew to Pulpit by Clifton Guthrie.

Book can be ordered here:

<https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/AB6660/from-pew-to-pulpit.aspx>

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