

By Faith



Faith United Methodist Church—

March Newsletter

Midweek connection February 24, 2021

Sunday Bulletin—February 28, 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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Rev. Tim Albrecht
Pastor

From the Desk of Pastor Tim Albrecht *Faith United Methodist Church*

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Dear Friends,

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We have officially begun the season of Lent. We have observed Ash Wednesday, reminding us of who and what we are. That is, sinners.

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On February 28, we will begin a new sermon series entitled, At The Cross. When you think about the cross it reminds one of many things. Beginning with, sin, something that we do not like to talk a lot about. Because, if a particular sin offensive, one just changes the definition of it to justify their position. Also, there is much talk about God's love and or a loving God allowing or not allowing something to happen. Therefore, if God is all kind and loving why would anyone need a cross? It just seems inhumane? The resurrection many try to deny that narrative to make it a good fiction story.



The truth of the matter is there is no resurrection without the crucifixion. There is no Easter Sunday without Good Friday and we will never be able to understand the beauty of the resurrection until we first understand the death, the shame, and the power of the cross. When we do get an understanding of all of this then we can begin to understand the real understanding of what real love, that is, what God's love is all about.

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Church**

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Neenah, WI 54956**

For the next four weeks we will be looking at: What happened at the cross, who was there with Jesus, why is the cross necessary, and what does the cross mean to you and me today? Once we get through this we will be ready for Palm Sunday and Holy Week and Easter....

See you in church,

Pastor Tim

Sunday Worship Service

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

(for all ages)

10:15 - 11:15

(Sept - May)

Worship Sermons
February—MARCH 2021
Sermon Titles Lenten Series

February 28th
Begin Series: At The Cross
At the Cross with the Hardened Skeptic
Hebrews 12:12

March 7, 2021
At the Cross with the
Devoted Servant
John 19:25

March 14, 2021
At the Cross with the Heartbroken Mother
John 19:25-27

March 21, 2021
At the Cross with the Condemned Criminal
Luke 23:32-43

March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday
Make Room for the Coming King
Matthew 21:1-11

Sunday School
children, youth & adults
Weekly - BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL AFTER Worship

The classes will begin shortly after
worship approximately
9:45 A.M. — 10:30 A.M.

Nursery class: Room 106
Ages 2 years— 4 years
Julie Caflisch, Michelle Woodard

Pre –K -Kindergarten — 1st grade
Bev Pezewski Room 104

Second—fourth Grade
Kurt VanHandel Room 207

5th grade—12th Grade
Dan Duff Library

Adult Sunday School class
Hugh Davies Room 204
“The Book of Ruth

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY
Wednesdays 1:30 P.M.

Pastor Tim will be continuing the Lenten Bible Study
“Jesus” The God Who knows Your Name”, by Max Lucado
You are still able to attend the Bible study, if you would like to attend—books are
available and the cost is \$10.00. Contact the church office if you have questions.

ATTENDING WORSHIP

The precautions will be continuing in our worship service

If you are planning on attending, please *RSVP* the church office.

Call the church office at 920-722-5842 or send a message that you are coming and how many others will be attending worship with you on Sunday.

Attendance will be monitored so that worshippers can safely maintain social distancing during worship. We also have hand sanitizers, and face masks that should be used.

If you have concerns, ideas, or questions regarding the safety precautions we have in place, contact the church office and we will forward your concerns and questions to the Health Team and the worship team leaders.

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

The sermon can also be heard on the radio station; WEMI 91.9 however, it is a week late.

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.

If there are any questions, Bev will be available after the worship service either at the church or on her cell, please give her a call and she will help you. (church office: 920-722-5842 or my cell:739-5297).

On our web site, we have all our past worship services. If you want to listen or watch one of our past worship services, please check out our website.

Also, if you would like to see changes in our web site, please let the church office know.

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The Midweek connection
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WORSHIP SERVICE

2nd Sunday of lent

February 28, 2021 9:00 A.M.

Prelude:

Welcome:

Call to Worship:

Opening Hymn: "Guide My Feet"

Prayer:

Special Music: "Founder and Finisher"

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12:2

Sermon: "At the Cross with the Hardened Skeptic"

Closing Hymn: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Benediction:

At The Cross

Part 1: At the Cross with the Hardened Skeptic

Hebrews 12:2

1 At The Cross With The Roman Soldier

- Matthew 27:26-36

Five Grace Lessons From The Life of The Roman Soldier

1. God _____ Drawing People To Him

- Acts 17:27

- Romans 2:4

2. God _____ To Come to Jesus Christ

- Romans 5:7-8

- 2 Peter 3:9

3. God _____ On Anyone

- 2 Samuel 14:14

4. God _____

- Matthew 27:54

- Romans 10:9 (Memory Verse)

5. God _____ To Share His Grace

- Titus 2:11

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

Joy Wade—Prayers for my son Matt who will be having additional surgery on March 4th.

Melody Lewis — continued prayers for health and safety for her parents and prayers for my mom who is hospitalized following a fall. She had surgery and will be going to have another surgery.

Lee Fahrenkrug, Zoe Gellerstedt, Jack Oakley, Jim Hart hospitalized at Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital in Illinois, Bob Fritz, Eric Schlieter, Neale & Julie Caflisch, Kathy Bayer, Liz Roberts, Marily Nyberg, Vern, Ruth Brusewitz, Dick Wylie, Mary Jane Thompson, Joe VanHaaster has moved into Prairie Home Assisted Living in Menasha and is having a difficult time adjusting, and others in need of healing, financial needs, continued prayers for all our members of our church family, and our many unspoken prayers. Prayers for continued decrease in the number of covid cases, and more vaccinations administered. Prayers for peace and safety, with people working together across the country.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

The updated Church Directory is available — If you would like a new copy, please contact the church office and a copy will be mailed to you. Remember if you do change your email, telephone or address, please let the church office know so that we can update the church data

PARKING LOT REPAIR

If you would like to be donate to “Our Parking lot Fund”, please drop off your donation in the baskets in the Narthex or mail it to the church. Please let us know if your donation is specifically for the parking lot. If you have any questions please contact one of the members of the committee or the church office and we will try and answer your questions.

UPPER ROOM

We have “Upper Room” books available. If you would like a copy of the Upper Room, please contact the church and a copy will be mailed to you or it will be ready for you, on Sunday morning.

EASTER FLOWERS

We will be decorating the church with spring flowers for Easter. If you would like to contribute a plant, Please fill out the form found on the last page of the newsletter/midweek connection. Place it, along with your payment in the offering baskets or mail your order back to the church. Thank you! The Deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 22nd. You may pick up your flowers after the service on Easter.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Theme

Don't get all tangled up in sin

Object

A power strip and a picture of a power strip with a lot of cords running from it.



Scripture

Hebrews 12:1-2

What do I have today? Right, a power strip. It has a charger for my phone and one for the kids' kindles plugged into it.....I have a power strip like this under my desk at home, but here's what it looks like... (show picture).....right!!

I'm always getting my feet tangled up in all the cords! You know it's funny though....as long as I keep my feet where they belong, I don't get them tangled in the cords...it's only when I don't watch where I'm putting my feet that I get all tangled up.....I know the cords are there and I think I'm avoiding them and then all of a sudden one of the cords will be wrapped around my foot! You know, in our Christian walk, sin can sorta be like those cords.

I read these Bible verses last week and they certainly are true of me!! "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith." (Hebrews 12:1-2)

The Bible tells us to throw off everything that keeps us from serving the Lord and throw off the sin that gets us all tangled up...If we fix our eyes on Jesus, we're going to keep our feet where they belong and stay on the right path. When we're reading our Bibles, worshiping him, serving others and telling people about Jesus, we're 'fixing our eyes on Jesus!'

It's when we take our eyes off Jesus that we allow sin to get us all tangled up! So this week, let's keep our feet on the right path and fix our eyes on Jesus and throw off that sin that so easily entangles!

LET US PRAY.

Dear Lord, help us to fix our eyes on Jesus so we can stay on the right path and serve you this week.
AMEN

March Birthdays

3/2 Charles Bucholtz
3/55 Wayne Arndt
3/6 Sharon Bucholtz
3/6 Nicole Ropella
3/10 Joe VanHaaster
3/11 Jay Hull
3/12 Stephanie LaChey
3/13 Robert Lee
3/13 Dale Poliak
3/15 Michael Halverson
3/27 Jett Barber
3/20 Barrett Bordeaux

March — WEDDING Anniversaries

3/5 Dan & Dawn Barker
3/10 Neale & Julie Caflisch
3/23 John & Susan Johnson



*“special” days
in March*



The Family Radio Network's

“Help for the Homeless” hygiene drive Feb. 14 – March 7, 2021

“Help for the Homeless” will be back! Together, with your help, we'll continue to meet the needs of our neighbors in need and in crisis.

What: The Family Radio Network's annual Help for the Homeless hygiene drive to collect personal care and cleaning products for local crisis agencies.

The Boxes are available by the Church Office.

When: February 14 – March 7, 2021

Why: Donations of hygiene and cleaning supplies make it possible for our local crisis agencies to concentrate their limited financial resources on providing qualified staff, safe housing, nutritious food, education, and counseling to those they serve. Hygiene and cleaning items are expensive and are not covered by Wisconsin Food Share (formerly Food Stamps). This donation helps BOTH the crisis programs and those they serve.

Where: The Family's Help for the Homeless hygiene drive takes place in 15 communities in our listening areas; Appleton/Fox Cities, Antigo, Chilton, Fond du Lac, Green Bay/Brown County, Manitowoc, Marshfield, Marathon County/Wausau, Oconto/Marinette, Oshkosh, Seymour, Sheboygan, Stevens Point, Waupaca, and Wisconsin Rapids. Donations remain in communities where collected.

How: Local churches, employers, and schools place collection boxes in their high traffic areas and encourage their staff, members, students and friends to donate hygiene/cleaning products to help local crisis programs.

(We'll add a “Donate” button to the web page in 2021 for those who don't want to shop, but do want to help their local agencies.) The Family's Help for the Homeless web page website offers helpful promotional materials, flyers, and blurbs to copy into newsletters, memos etc. Customized materials available upon request.

Who: You - we hope!



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Feb. 14 – March 7, 2021

"Help for the Homeless"

Together, with your help, we'll continue to meet the needs of our neighbors in need and in crisis.

The Boxes are in place upstairs in the Narthex and by the Church Office.

*"If you can Please Help". **We have one more week before the end of the hygiene drive!***

Needs List (*indicates most needed)

Cleaning Supplies	Paper Products:	Baby Care:	Hair Care:	Personal Care
Laundry Soap*		Diapers &	Shampoo*	Soft Soap*
Dish Soap*		Pull-ups	Conditioner	Bar Soap
Trash Bags*** all sizes, shelters go thru LOTS of trash bags!	Toilet Tissue*	(sizes 4-6)*	Hair Brushes	Unscented
Floor Cleaner*	Facial Tissue	Wipes*	Combs	Deodorant*
Cleansers	Paper Towels*	Baby Bottles	Clips & Elastics	Razors*
Disinfectant Cleaner*	Feminine Care*	Baby Shampoo	Styling Products -	Shaving Cream
Toilet Bowl Cleaner	Pads	Rash Ointment	for all types of	Nail Clippers
	Tampons		ethnicities	Q-tips
			Head Lice	Moisturizer/Lotions
			Treatment	Lip Balm
	Dental Care:		<u>Financial</u>	<u>Donations</u>
First Aid	SOFT		Make your secure	Mail the
Children's Pain Meds	Toothbrushes		gift online on our	donations to:
Pedialyte	for kids & adults		<u>Donation Page</u>	the Family Radio
Band Aids	Toothpaste for adults and kids*		or make checks	Attn: Heidi Prah
Rubbing Alcohol			out to	1909 W. 2nd St.
Hydrogen Peroxide	Dental Floss		"The Family" with	
			"Help for the	



March



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			1:30 P.M. Lenten Bible Study	6:30 P.M Agape Bible Study		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:00 A.M. Worship Service Sunday School 9:45 –10:30 AM			1:30 P.M. Lenten Bible Study	6:30 P.M Agape Bible Study		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00 A.M. Worship Service Sunday School 9:45 –10:30 AM		6:30 P.M. Ad Council Meeting	1:30 P.M. Lenten Bible Study	6:30 P.M Agape Bible Study		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00 A.M. Worship Service Sunday School 9:45 –10:30 AM			1:30 P.M. Lenten Bible Study	6:30 P.M Agape Bible Study		
28	29	30	31			
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Number of Lilies _____ @ 14.50 each = \$ _____

Number of Mums _____ @ 20.00 each = \$ _____

White _____ Purple _____ Yellow _____

Number of Hydrangeas _____ @ 12.99 each

Blue _____ Pink _____

Number of Tulips _____ @ \$15.50 each \$ _____

Red _____ Pink _____ Yellow _____ Purple _____

Number of Daffodils _____ @ 15.50 each \$ _____

Number of Rieger Begonias

4" Plant _____ @ 7.75

6" Plant _____ @ 19.75

_____ Orange _____ Pink _____ red _____ Yellow

Number of Azalea _____ \$24.50

Pink or white

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____