

# *By Faith*

*The Monthly Newsletter*  
*Faith United Methodist Church—*



*Month of*  
*October, 2019*

Pastor

**Keith Irish**

Lay Leader

**Music Director**

Micah Sommersmith

**Mike Steffek**

Church Accountant

**Bev Pezewski**

Church Secretary

Nursery Coordinator

**TELEPHONE:** 920.722.5842

**FAX:** 920.722.6770

**EMAIL:**

office@faithchurchneenah.com

www.faithchurchneenah.com



**Faith United Methodist  
Church**

**1025 Tullar Rd**

**Neenah, WI 54956**

**Sunday Worship Service**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School**

*(for all ages)*

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

October 2019

Dear Christian Friends,

Happy Fall! God is Good! As we start a new program year we are off and running!

We have just completed our opening sermon series for September entitled, "Back on Track". The question was asked if you have felt off track with God. There were many ways and reasons that one can get off track. One of them was that during summer there are many things going on and this can affect our priorities. We are all willing to admit that we do get off track. The bigger question for some is that they have been off track for a long time and really do want to get back on track. But, do not know how to get back on track. We talked about our morning, work day, evening, and making Sunday a day of worship.

For October, we will continue to stay on track. We will begin a new eight week series that some of you might be familiar with, entitled "Experiencing God". This is from Henry Blackaby. There will be a study group session with this too. The introductory sermon on October 6th, is "How To Know and Do The Will of God". The first study session will begin on Wednesday, October 9th. If you plan on attending the study session please let the office know. We do have some study books on hand and hopefully we will have to order more! Also, could you let the office know if an afternoon or evening session would work best for you.

It is my hope that you can Experience God in a new and deeper way this fall.

See you in church.

Pastor Tim

October—New Series:  
“Experiencing God”

October 6, 2019  
How To Know and do The Will  
of God  
John 15:5

October 13, 2019  
Discovering Where God is at  
Work  
Exodus 3:1-4;31

October 20, 2019  
Deepening My Relationship  
With God  
Matthew 22:37-38

October 27, 2019  
Accepting God's Invitation  
Matthew 28:18-20



for children, youth & adults  
**10:15 A.M.—11:15 A.M.**  
**Weekly - BIBLE STUDIES**

*Sunday School Classes*  
*starting in September 8th 2019*  
*2-3-4 year old - Nursery*  
*Julie Caflisch*

*4K/Kindergarten—2nd grade*  
*Bev Pezewski*  
*3rd—5th grade*

*Kurt VanHandel*  
*Ken Gellerstedt*

*Senior High 6th-12th grades*  
*Dan Duff*

**2 adult classes**

**ADULT CLASSES**

Relying on God's Holy Spirit (Charles Stanley)  
Gary Reiter

A Life God Rewards (Bruce Wilkenson)  
Mary Muthig

**Bible Study—Begins Wednesday Oct. 9th**

"Experiencing God" by Henry Blackaby".

*Pastor Tim*

## BIRTHDAYS

10/8 Charlene Reiter

10/10 Micah Sommersmith

10/17 Cindy Siegel

10/20 Ginny Shepard

10/21 Deb Schultz

10/25 Chelsea Fritz

10/25 Henry Burns

10/26 Sara Armstrong

10/29 Taylor Kuehl

10/30 Mary Jane Thompson

10/31 Laurel Marchinowski



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 October*

10/1 Shawn & Savannah Bordeaux

10/4 Stan & Deb Schultz

10/16 Eric & Christel Schlieter

10/22 John & Carole Halverson

10/24 Brian & Lori Fritz

10/29 Jim & Ardis Lyons



will be the 25th of each month. An email will be sent out to the Ministry team leaders prior to the 25th. 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. 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.

**13th** Dick & Mary Ann Wylie



Vern & Ruth Brusewitz

**20th** John & Beth Hall

Terry & Joanne Ball

**27th** Sharon Bucholtz & Joy Wade

Bev Pezewski & Kevin Schuh

### **COINS FOR OUR COMPASSION CHILD**

During the month of September, we were collecting coins for our “Compassion Child” If you didn’t turn in your “jar of coins, please drop them off in the church office. If you want to continue collecting—that is okay as well. Once the coins are counted, we will share the results in the midweek connection.

The money raised in the past has paid for the Compassion’s child for almost the whole year. This is one of the Sunday School mission projects that we have been supporting for several years. Thank you for helping this year?



### **MISSIONS MINISTRY**

The Missions committee is thinking about donating moneys to the school districts where Erica and Joel, John and Susan Johnson’s children live/work. Their schools are going to be purchasing hats and mittens for the school children. The children live in the counties that are the poorest in Wisconsin. The mission committee is thinking about donating money to them to help purchase items before it gets cold. What do you think and would you be willing to help?

### **LOVE OFFERING**

Rachel Gellerstedt is planning to be part of a presentation of “the Messiah”, in New York City, and is looking for help with funds. This was presented to our Choir. The choir was invited to be a participant in the presentation of the Messiah in New York City. Rachel is the only member of the choir that has indicated she wanted to be involved. If you are interested in helping, talk to Rachel for details and if you would like to donate, there is a donation box on the table in the Narthex.

### **The Pillars—Giving Trees**

Again this year, the church will be participating in the Pillars “Giving Tree” donation drive. This drive will be held between November 24th and December 18th. Watch the midweek and the November newsletter for upcoming details. We have been a collection site for the Pillars for several years and we will continue again this year. Watch for the trees.....

***Lord, we come to You in prayer for:*** Sharon Bucholtz recovering from knee surgery, Gaylord Bammel, Bob Fritz, Kathy Beyer, Susan & John Johnson, Jerry Vieth



session is September 9 - November 13. Cost is \$35. Registration and full details are available online at [www.inspired-journey.com](http://www.inspired-journey.com).

**Revelation Senior Fitness** for adults 55+ focuses on age-related changes in functional ability to improve bone strength and boost quality of life.

Mondays, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

**Soul Moves Therapeutic Stretch** for adults is a low-impact exercise using controlled postures and breathing techniques to improve flexibility and strength.

Mondays 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm, or Wednesdays 9:00 am - 10:00 am

**Sola Gratia** Christian fitness with a Latin beat infuses God's Word into the dance party while toning and strengthening legs, glutes and core.

Mondays or Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

Pamela Hart

*Program Director*

**Inspired Journey, LLC**

### **FAITHFUL SINGERS REHEARSALS**

"Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation." - Psalm 95:1. The Faithful Singers, Faith Church's adult choir, meet weekly 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 at [msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com](mailto:msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com) or by cell phone at 765.993.7019.

### **Technology Ministry**

If anyone is interested and enjoys working with computers, we will be looking for helpers to work with our audio-visual equipment on Sundays and for special worship services. We have a new digital sound board and are in need of additional people to learn how to work with the new board and projection. Would you like to be part of the team—please contact Dave Jannusch.

### **SENIORS OF FAITH**

The Seniors of Faith get-together will be held on the October 17th. Watch for details of

our church in September. We are happy and blessed to have you join our church family.

Sam & Jessica Mansfield & Troy and Malee

Chris Breunig

Jay and Robin Hull

Pam Hart

Jason and Bethany Barber & Braelyn, Jett, Cale, Rowan and Dash

Ben and Carrie Walters & Jayden and Lydia

Welcome

### **CHILDREN/YOUTH/FAMILY MINISTRIES**

#### **Mark Your Calendar— October 20th**

We will make our annual “adventure” to Mulberry Farm for our “visit with the animals and the children can pick up a pumpkin. We will try and have a picnic at the farm, if the weather is okay otherwise we will have lunch at the church before we go. Details will be published in the Midweek and Sunday Bulletins.



to go along with the request from the Trustees to have a work day at the church.....The youth are going to be involved, so adults are you going to miss out on this adventure? Please join us - Let's help keep the church looking inviting. Invite your friends, neighbors and your grandparents to help.

Miss Bev is inviting the children, youth, college students who want to come back for a Saturday and help her and members of the Trustees in a work day at church. This will be something we will do on a Saturday and do projects to help clean the church, reorganize rooms, closets, and clean up the yard, paint or wash windows, and other projects that are age appropriate.

Youth—if you have to earn volunteer hours for school, this is a way to help the church and get your volunteer hours. Let Miss Bev or Joanne Ball know if the 26th will work out and that you will be available.

We will have pizza for lunch for those who come and help. This is open for all the children and youth and of course their parents and any member of our church. This is a “Church Family” event . Children check with your parents and see if it is okay to be part of the “work day at Church”.

Parents, if you would like to come and help out, you can be on the “Youth’s team”. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet.

Some of the project: Clean windows and glass doors,  
Dust ceilings  
Vacuum steps going downstairs and upstairs  
Decorate for Fall  
Mop/dust the gym—balcony  
Clean fellowship floor  
Clean side steps windows in balcony of church,  
hallway, and dusting  
Taking care of leaves outside, flowers (if we have  
had a frost)  
Painting several areas

These are just a few projects we can do - Can you help us.....



### ***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*



**Operating Fund** – August receipts were \$15,216; disbursements were \$25,797 for net disbursements of \$10,581. Year to date receipts were \$186,033; disbursements were \$186,793 for net disbursements of \$760 The Operating Fund balance was \$6,196 at January 1, 2019 and was \$5,436 at August 31, 2019.

**Building Fund** – August receipts were \$235; disbursements were \$1020 for net disbursements of \$735. Year to date receipts were \$9,225; disbursements were \$8,160 for net receipts of \$1,065. The Building Fund balance was \$9,965 at January 1, 2019 and was \$11,026 at August 31, 2019.

**Carpeting Fund** – August receipts were \$30. There were no disbursements. Year to date receipts were \$285. There were no disbursements. The Carpating Fund balance was \$434 at January 1, 2019 and was \$719 at August 31, 2019.

**Unrestricted Cash Balances** – total \$73,689 as of August 31, 2019. The accounts are held at Investors Community Bank, Appleton, WI.

**Restricted Cash Balances** – Pynch Memorial Fund – is \$10,071 as of August 31, 2019. Principal of \$10,000 is to be maintained forever. Earnings on the account are to be used for kitchen supplies and library materials. The account is held at Investors Community Bank, Appleton, WI.

**Mortgage Balance** – The mortgage balance on August 31, 2019 is \$72,649. Payments of \$1,020 (principal and interest at 4.750 percent) are due on the 25th of each month. The final payment is due September 25, 2020. The mortgage is held by Investors Community Bank.

Are you a Lay Servant, Certified Lay Servant, or Certified Lay Speaker? Are you interested in developing your spiritual gifts? The Northeast District is offering five 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 Monday October 21, 2019. Both days must be attended in order to earn credit toward Lay Servant Certifications.

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

Teachers: Pastors Laura Riemer [okaranda@yahoo.com](mailto:okaranda@yahoo.com) and Robb McClintock, [pas-tor@bethanygreenbay.org](mailto:pas-tor@bethanygreenbay.org)

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

**Preaching Class.** This is one of 6 advanced classes required to become a Certified Lay Servant or Speaker (or anyone wanting specialized training) to help develop a deeper understanding and practice of preaching.

Teachers: Pastor Amy Powell and Ron Powell [powellmama@gmail.com](mailto:powellmama@gmail.com)

Book: <https://www.cokesbury.com/From-Pew-to-Pulpit-1>

**Polity Class.** This is one of 6 advanced classes required to become a Certified Lay Servant or Speaker (or anyone wanting specialized training) that helps explain the why and how United Methodists are so "methodical" in our "holy conferencing" and are connected beyond the local church to improve and increase our witness to the world.

Teacher: Pastor David Leistra. [PastorLeistra@gmail.com](mailto:PastorLeistra@gmail.com)

Book: <https://www.cokesbury.com/product/9781426767173/the-method-of-our-mission/?rank=0&txtSearchQuery=the+method+of+our+mission>

**Aging and Ministry in the 21st Century.** This is an advanced class for Certified Lay Speakers or anyone wanting specialized training to start and/or lead ministry to older adults that helps foster growth in their faith and fruitfulness.

Teacher: Barbara Mamorow. [wmamerow@juno.com](mailto:wmamerow@juno.com)

Book: <https://bookstore.upperroom.org/Products/DR540/aging-and-ministry-in-the-21st-century.aspx>

**Heritage (History) Class.** This is one of 6 advanced classes required to become a Certified Lay Servant or Speaker (or anyone wanting specialized training) to help develop a deeper understanding of the history of the Methodist Church.

Teachers: Pastor Rebecca Voss [pastorrebeccavoss@gmail.com](mailto:pastorrebeccavoss@gmail.com) and Markus Wegenast [mwe-genast@appfumc.org](mailto:mwe-genast@appfumc.org).

What is the price of two sparrows—one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:29, 31 (NLT)

What are some hobbies that people enjoy? Reading, stamp collecting, and photography are popular hobbies. Some people like to build things like model cars or airplanes. Others may enjoy outdoor activities like fishing or hiking. Do you have a hobby? What is your hobby?

Do you think God has a hobby? OK, I know the Bible doesn't tell us that God has a hobby, but if He did, do you know what I think it might be? Bird watching! If I use my imagination, I can see God sitting in heaven with a pair of binoculars. Perhaps he has a book like this one that I found in the library and he is looking at pictures of all the beautiful birds which he has created and he is trying to see how many of them he can find with his binoculars. If I really stretch my imagination, I can even hear him saying, "There's a Bluebird, and a Cardinal. Oh look, there's an Eagle, a Meadowlark, and a Sparrow." A Sparrow? Of course he would see a Sparrow, there are millions of them. You've seen them -- common, ordinary, brown Sparrows -- but God must have loved them, because he made so many of them.

One day Jesus was teaching his disciples that they should not be afraid. "Don't be afraid when people threaten you" Jesus said. "Two sparrows are sold for a penny, but not a single sparrow falls to the ground without your Father knowing it. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows."

It has been said, "God must have loved the common people, because he made so many of them." I don't think that God sees us as common or ordinary. If he did, he would not love us in such an uncommon and extraordinary way! The Bible says, "Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you." (1 Peter 5:7 NLT) We are more precious to him than a whole flock of sparrows -- and we know how much he loves the sparrow.

Father, we know that we are precious in your sight. Thank you for loving us with such an uncommon and extraordinary love. Amen.

You Are Precious in His Sight





GURNOD

--	--	--	--	--	--	--

5

SLOD

--	--	--	--	--

1

PNENY

--	--	--	--	--	--

2

WRTOH

--	--	--	--	--	--

7 6 4

HRIAS

--	--	--	--	--	--

3

8

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny?  
Yet not one of them will fall to the ground  
apart from the will of your Father.  
Matthew 10:29 (NIV)

--	--	--	--	--	--	--

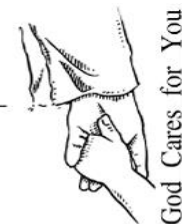
- \_\_\_ 1. To be fearful or anxious about something  
A. sleepy B. happy C. afraid D. angry
- \_\_\_ 2. The physical part of a person  
A. mind B. body C. soul D. personality
- \_\_\_ 3. The spiritual part of a person  
A. soul B. body C. hair D. head
- \_\_\_ 4. A common, small, gray-brown bird  
A. eagle B. crow C. sparrow D. robin
- \_\_\_ 5. A small copper coin  
A. dime B. quarter C. dollar D. penny
- \_\_\_ 6. Threadlike structures growing on the head of a person  
A. body B. hair C. worth D. soul
- \_\_\_ 7. The part of the body that contains the eyes, nose, mouth, ears, and the brain  
A. head B. hair C. penny D. soul
- \_\_\_ 8. The value of something  
A. hair B. worth C. body D. head

## You Are Precious in His Sight

Copyright © Sermons4Kids, Inc. • All Rights Reserved • wv

So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:31 (NIV)

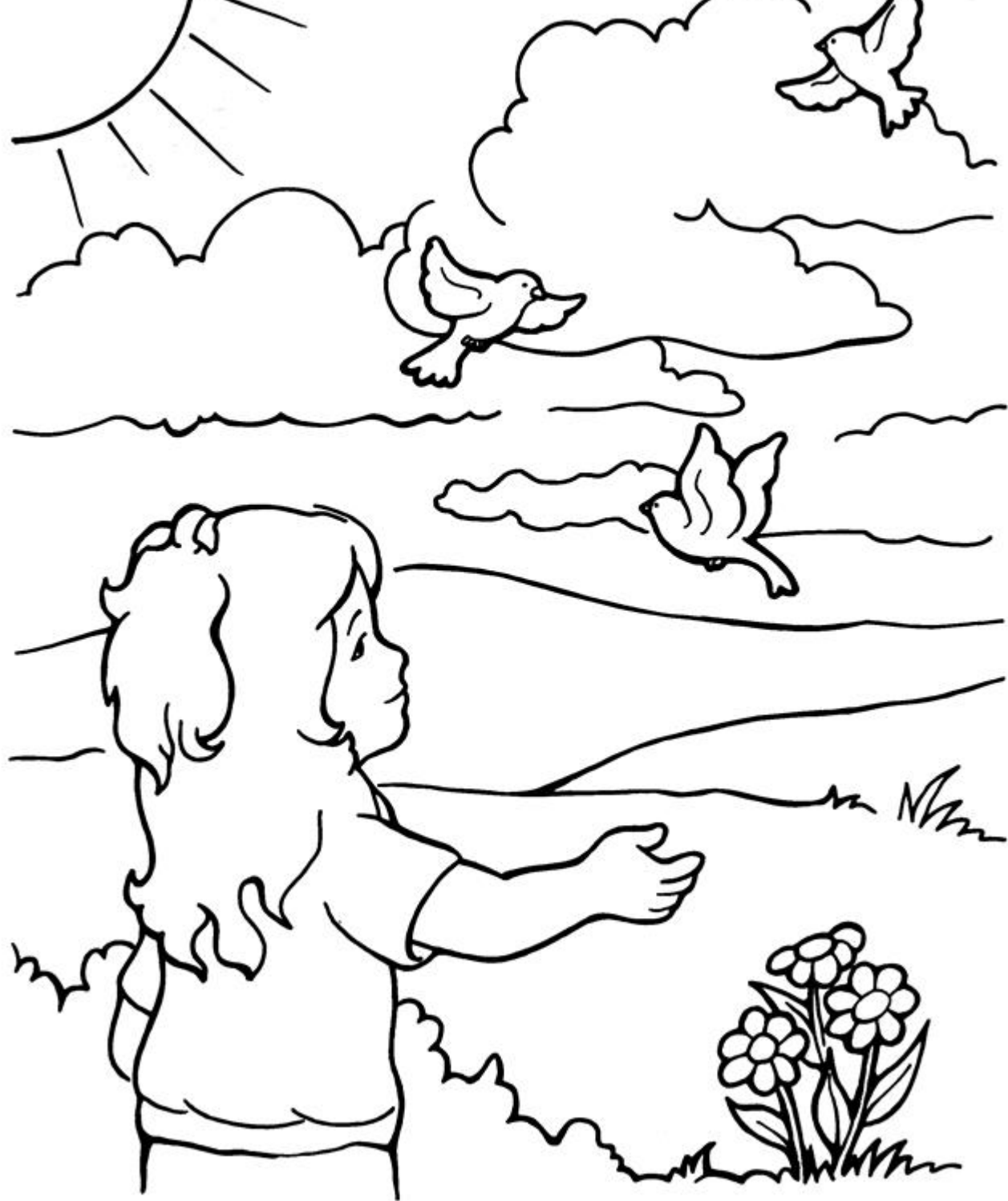
Based on Matthew 10:24-39 (NIV)



N N W J W S E B Y K J R R G S  
 A Q M N W O T N S C P T W R H  
 B T A P U A R U I E N J Q O U  
 O E S U V M F T D K R Z W U X  
 V A T U K D B R H E T V Y N L  
 E C E D E J S E A Y N N A D F  
 O H R M S H H S R I N T T N V  
 I E E F G U S P A E D Y X B T  
 G R S G F J L A P R D P S M V  
 F O L L O W I R A F B Z C Q Z  
 W H R J R P F R O U M F Q A H  
 Q A Q F Z V E O F A L L U T O  
 R I H E A D U W A U P N R R W  
 Q R Y A Z Y D S K F B O D Y I  
 F S R C C R O S S S W S O U L

STUDENT	GROUND	FOLLOW	PENNY	HAIRS
SPARROWS	FALL	TEACHER	WORTHY	SOUL
WORTH	LIFE	HEAD	MASTER	CROSS
NUMBERED	ABOVE	SERVANT	BODY	AFRAID

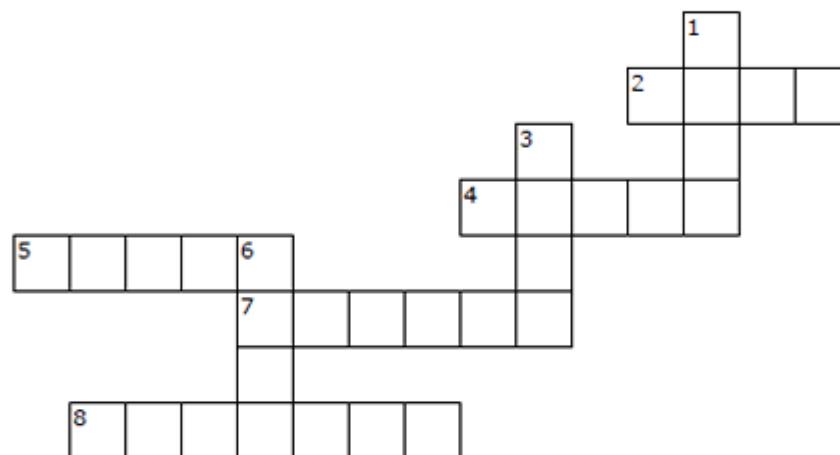




# You Are Precious in His Sight

So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:31 (NIV)

Based on Matthew Matthew 10:24-39 (NIV)



## ACROSS

2. The spiritual part of a person
4. A small copper coin
5. The value of something
7. To be fearful or anxious about something
8. A common, small, gray-brown bird

## DOWN

1. The physical part of a person
3. The part of the body that contains the eyes, nose, mouth, ears, and the brain
6. Threadlike structures growing on the head of a person

WORTH	SOUL	SPARROW	HEAD
HAIR	PENNY	AFRAID	BODY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																										
<div>Sep 2019</div> <table> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td></tr> <tr><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td></tr> <tr><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td></tr> <tr><td>29</td><td>30</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>		S	M	T	W	T	F	S	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30						1	2 6:30 PM Faithful Singers Choir Rehearsals	3 Agape Bible Study 6:30 P.M.	4	5
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7																																										
8	9	10	11	12	13	14																																										
15	16	17	18	19	20	21																																										
22	23	24	25	26	27	28																																										
29	30																																															
6 10:15 A.M. Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	7	8	9 6:30 PM Faithful Singers Choir Rehearsals	10 Agape Bible Study 6:30 P.M.	11	12																																										
13 10:15 A.M. Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	14	15	16 6:30 PM Faithful Singers Choir Rehearsals	17 Agape Bible Study 6:30 P.M. Seniors of Faith gathering	18	19																																										
20 10:15 A.M. Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Worship Service children/youth trip to Mulberry Farm -following Sunday School	21	22	23 6:30 PM Faithful Singers Choir Rehearsals	24 Agape Bible Study 6:30 P.M.	25	26																																										
27 10:15 A.M. Sunday School 9:00 A.M. Worship Service	28	29	30 6:30 PM Faithful Singers Choir Rehearsals Senior get together	31 Agape Bible Study 6:30 P.M.	<div>Nov 2019</div> <table> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td></tr> <tr><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td></tr> <tr><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> </table>		S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
S	M	T	W	T	F	S																																										
					1	2																																										
3	4	5	6	7	8	9																																										
10	11	12	13	14	15	16																																										
17	18	19	20	21	22	23																																										
24	25	26	27	28	29	30																																										