

Faith United Methodist Church  
1025 Tullar Rd  
Neenah, WI 54956

# *By Faith*

*The Monthly Newsletter*

*Faith United Methodist Church—*

*Month of ....*



Embrace the seasons  
and cycles of your life.  
There is magic in

**CHANGE.**

Bronnie Ware

SYMPHONY OF LOVE  
Photo by Kristin Reimer

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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 September, 2018*

September 2018

Greetings,

The September newsletter always represents a change in seasons. It seems that summer just began and now fall is beginning. That being said the seasons of our life continues to go on and change as we grow and age.

On July 22, I began a sermon series looking at the Beatitudes. They are about the attitude that we are supposed to have and/or that perfect blessedness. Jesus started his public ministry with the Sermon on The Mount and began it with the Beatitudes. I believe that he set the mark high as how we are supposed to live and act. In setting that mark He did not ask anything of us that he would not do himself. If one reads the rest of Matthew and see the events in Jesus life and ministry I believe that he lived this out.

In saying this, I am reminded of God's great love for us. As John 3;16 says, "...For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life..." The seasons of life go on and we change as the world does around us. God has given us the path to receive and live in perfect blessedness and we will fall short. Maybe even the harder we try the more we fail. However, all is not lost because he has given us an even greater gift in his Son to make it right for us.

Welcome back to a new program season and may that perfect blessedness, that be-attitude, be in your sight!

See you in church.

Pastor Tim

**PREPARING OUR HEARTS**  
**FOR**  
**WORSHIP SERMON TITLES**

**September, 2018**

September 9, 2018  
Heartfelt Joy  
Matthew 5:8

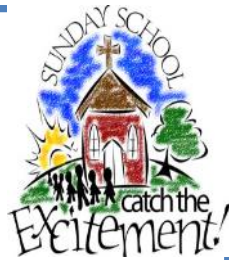
September 9, 2018  
A Very Happy Business  
Matthew 5:9

September 16  
Merry Martyrs  
Matthew 5:10-12

September 23, 2018  
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September 30, 2018  
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**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**CLASSES & Bible Studies**



**Fall Quarter Begins**  
**September. 9, 2018**

**10:15A.M.—11:15 AM**

**Preschool-First Grade Room 104**  
Bev Pezewski

**2nd grade—5th Grade Room 208**  
Kurt VanHandel  
Ken Gellerstedt

**6th—12th Grade**  
**Room 207**  
Dan Duff

**Nursery ages 2-3— Room 106**  
(Will be starting on September 23, 2018)  
Clariellyn Sommersmith

**Adult Classes**

“Sermon Notes” by Charles Stanley  
Gary Reiter 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.  
beginning September 12, 2018

**Agape Bible Study—**  
Thursdays at 6:30 P.M.

## SEPTEMBER Birthdays

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 Beth Irish	9/15 Dick Raleigh
9/5 Judy Schwandt	9/16 Mary Davies
9/6 Evan Ball	9/18 Jude Gellerstedt
9/6 Cindy Muthig	9/18 Michael Arndt
9/11 Dawn Barker	9/27 Madeline Arndt
9/13 Gail Ellenbecker	9/28 Bobbie Olson
9/13 Gary Tipton	9/30 Vern Brusewitz
9/14 Gayla Lamers	9/30 Diana Vieth
9/15 Brenda Schuh	



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.

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Chris & Tish Bordeaux	9/9
Gary & Charlene Reiter	9/14
Randy & Heidi Kuehl	9/21
Charles & Sharon Bucholtz	9/22
Gaylord & Ina Mae Rimmel	9/28
Charlie & Sharon LeMaire	9/29

### 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 SEPTEMBER

### Narthex/sanctuary entrance

9/2 Todd & Cindy Boelter  
9/9 Howard & Sally Steffens  
9/16 Char Kryszak & Geraldine Manteufel  
9/23 Nola Sell & Corky Sullivan  
9/30 Dick & Mary Ann Wylie

### Education Wing Entrance

Gary & Charlene Reiter  
Evie Gau & Mary Davies  
Vern & Ruth Brusewitz  
Mark & Cathy Geiger  
Julie Beck & Ann Cheshire

### YOUTH MISSION PROJECT - COINS FOR RITA

Throughout the month of September we are again collecting "coins for Rita". Rita is our Compassion Child.

Remember, to pick up a "baby food jar" and return it by the end of the month. They can be found in a basket in the Narthex

Are you able to help our Sunday school – Mission project?

Help fill the jars with

"Coins for Rita".



### SUNDAY SCHOOL SNACKS

Again, this year, the education team is putting together simple snacks for the youth to enjoy during their Sunday School time. We are looking for snacks for our snack cupboard. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Here are some examples:

Fish crackers, Fruit snacks, cheese and crackers, Teddy Grahams, Rice Krispy treats are a few of the snacks.

### 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 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 at [msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com](mailto:msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com) or by cell phone at 765.993.7019.

**Lord, we come to You in prayer for:** the family of Alice Littlefield. Her funeral was held on Wednesday, August 29, 2018, Susan Johnson transferred to Parkview Health Care Center in Oshkosh, Elaine Paulson, Ernie Fritschle, Kathy Bayer Mary Jane Thompson, Gordon Brigham, Lois Stewart, 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.



## 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. If you are interested, please contact



Dave Jannusch

## MISSION MINISTRIES

We would love to have you come help serve a meal with us at the Homeless Connections on Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 7-9 P.M. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Geiger.

## SENIORS OF FAITH

The Seniors of faith will be touring the company "Small Quality Boxes" on Ehlers Road in Neenah on September 20<sup>th</sup>. The seniors have visited the offices before, but they have expanded since the last time the group visited. They have over 1,100 box sizes in Stock and since 1991 they have been serving Northeast Wisconsin with custom and packaging products. Our products are manufactured using the highest quality raw materials with the latest box making technology. We will be leaving the church at 9:30 A.M. so that we can arrive at 10:00 A.M. Lunch will be at Perkins. If you are interested in touring "Small Quality Boxes" please contact Linda Fritz. Her phone # is 920-725-5444.

## THANK YOU TO ALL — TRUSTEES TEAM

We would like to thank the youth, the parents, and families and friends, who helped with the youth's fund raiser activity in the spring. The money that was raised went to help church purchase a floor scrubber for the fellowship hall.

The scrubber has been purchased and has already been put to use. The fellowship floor has been cleaned. Charlie LeMaire had the first experience in using the scrubber.

Thank you all and special thank you to Charlie. The plan is to try and clean the floor at least monthly.

## Quick Summary of July 2018 Financial Information

**Operating Fund** – July receipts were \$24,403; disbursements were \$18,865 for net receipts of \$5,537. Year to date receipts were \$161,229; disbursements were \$159,977 for net receipts of \$1,252. The Operating Fund balance was \$11,886 at January 1, 2018 and was positive \$13,137 at July 31, 2018.

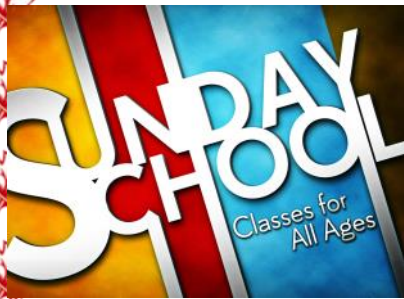
**Building Fund** – July receipts were \$2,469; disbursements were \$1,020 for net receipts of \$1,449. Year to date receipts were \$11,183; disbursements were \$7,140 for net receipts of \$4,043. The Building Fund balance was \$3,128 at January 1, 2018 and was \$7,170 at July 31, 2018.

**Carpeting Fund** – July receipts were \$40. There were no disbursements. Year to date receipts were \$5,318. There were no disbursements. The Carpeting Fund balance was negative (\$5,054) at January 1, 2018 and was \$264 at July 31, 2018.

**Unrestricted Cash Balances** – total \$82,885 as of July 31, 2018. The accounts are held at Investors Community Bank, Appleton, WI.

**Restricted Cash Balances** – Pynch Memorial Fund – is \$10,017 as of July 31, 2018. 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 July 31, 2018 is \$81,863. Payments of \$1,020 (principal and interest at 4.750 percent) are due on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. The final payment is due September 25, 2020. The mortgage is held by Investors Community Bank.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS**  
**SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**  
**10:15 A.M.—11:15 A.M.**



**Nursery class 2-3 year olds**

**Clairellyn Sommersmith**

**(Nursery Sunday School will begin on 9/21)**

**Preschool 4-6 year old class**

**Bev Pezewski**

**7-10 year old class**

**Kurt VanHandel & Ken Gellerstedt**

**11-18 year old classes.**

**Dan Duff**

**Confirmation class Pastor Tim (this will start later in the fall)**  
**2 adult classes.**

**“Sermon Words” using Charles Stanley Sermons**

**Gary Reiter**

**“Old Hymns and their History”**

**Evie Gau & Mary Muthig**

**Senior Bible Study Classes**

**Pastor Tim**

**Wednesdays at 1:30 P.M.**

**Agape Bible Studies**

**Jim Hoymann**

**Thursday Evenings 6:30 P.M.**

**LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTES AND HELPERS**

We are looking for substitute teachers and helpers for our Sunday school program. We would like to have a substitute or helper for each children/youth class to help the lead teacher.

Also, we are looking for additional help in our Nursery - care room during worship.

If you have a desire to work with the young children, Please contact the church office or see Bev after Sunday morning worship.





## FAMILY MINISTRIES—NEXT ADVENTURES

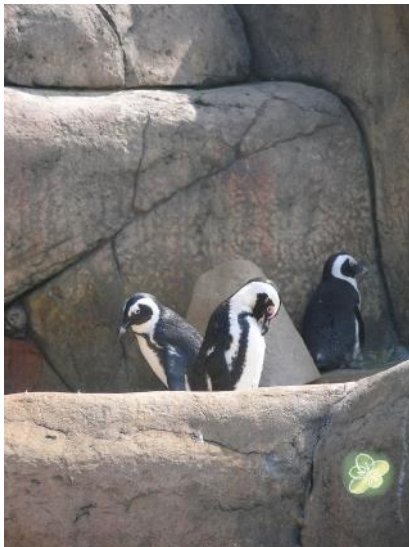
### 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CARWASH AND BRAT FRY

#### “Kick off to Sunday School”

September 9th, 2018



We are going to have our 3rd annual car wash & Brat Fry on **September 9th**. It is going to be called our “Kick off to Sunday School” If people want to stay until after Sunday School, we will be cooking brats and have a “fellowship Pot luck”. For those who don’t want to stay until after Sunday School, we will have brats, chips, cookies available to take home after worship and have them as you enjoy the Green Bay Packer game later in the day. The cost of the Brats and the “fixings’ is \$10.00 or a donation. The funds we raise will support the youth’s adventure programs for this coming year. Please join us for a picnic and have your car washed at the same time. Support our Children and youth of Faith Church. If anyone would like to help, please see Bev after worship. There will be a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.



On the **23<sup>rd</sup> of September** we will be going to the New Zoo. We will leave the church and drive up to the New Zoo. We will have Lunch at the church prior to leaving.

### **BE PART OF OUR CHILDREN/YOUTH ADVENTURES**

We are going to be going to Mulberry Farm on the **21st of October**. We will have a picnic lunch on the farm and enjoy the day with the animals, hayride and pumpkins. Everyone is invited to come.

All children, grandchildren, moms’ dads’, friends’ and neighbors, are invited to come for a day of fun and food. Please let Miss Bev know if you will be able to come.





**Theme:** Jesus alone has eternal life. Proper 16 (21) -

"Books, a backpack, or other items" it is time to go back to school.

**Scripture:** Then Jesus turned to the Twelve and asked, "Are you also going to leave?" Simon Peter replied, "Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give eternal life." John 6:67-68



It is back to school time! Does that make you happy, or are you sad? Are you excited? Nervous? Afraid? You needn't be ashamed if you are a little bit nervous or afraid. After all, you will be facing a lot of new things. You will have to make a lot of choices. What are some of the choices you will have to make when you start back to school? (Allow time for the children to answer, but if they don't respond, here are some suggestions to get them started.) Well, if your school does not require uniforms, one of the first things you will have to choose is what you will wear the first day of school. That is pretty important, isn't it? After all, you want to look your best and make a good impression. When you get to your classroom, you will have to choose where you want to sit. Is it best to sit up front, at the back, or maybe somewhere in the middle? When it is time for lunch, you will have to choose what you want to eat in the cafeteria. Will you choose chicken nuggets or pizza?

Some choices you have to make are not very important, but others are very important. There will be rules in your classroom. You will have to choose whether or not you are going to follow the rules. That is very important! You will also be choosing who your friends will be. That is important, because if you choose the wrong kind of friends, you might find yourself in a lot of trouble. What if the teacher says something and you don't understand it? Will you pretend that you understand, or will you go to the teacher and ask for help? Those are some pretty important decisions you may be facing in the new school year.

The followers of Jesus faced some difficult decisions too. Sometimes, the teachings of Jesus were hard for them to understand. One day Jesus was teaching in the synagogue and he said to the people, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Anyone who feeds on me will live forever." When the people heard it, they said, "This is a hard teaching. How can anyone accept it?" Some of them quit following Jesus after that day.

Jesus knew that many people were grumbling and complaining, so he turned to the twelve whom he had chosen to be his disciples and said, "You don't want to leave too, do you?"

Peter answered him. "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God." The disciples had answered the call to follow Jesus. They were not about to turn back now.

You and I face the same decision those first disciples faced. Will we follow Jesus, or will we look for another to lead us? It may not always be easy to follow Jesus, but to whom can we go? Who else offers eternal life?

Father, we thank you for Jesus, the only one to whom we can go for the gift of eternal life. In his name we pray. Amen.

## Decoded Puzzle for Everyone

### To Whom Shall We Go?

“You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. John 6:67-68 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet.

Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

L =1   G =2   S =3   P= 4   J =5   W= 6   R= 7   X= 8   E= 9   M=10

H =11   Z =12   T=13   O= 14   B= 15   V=16   D= 17   Y= 18   K =19

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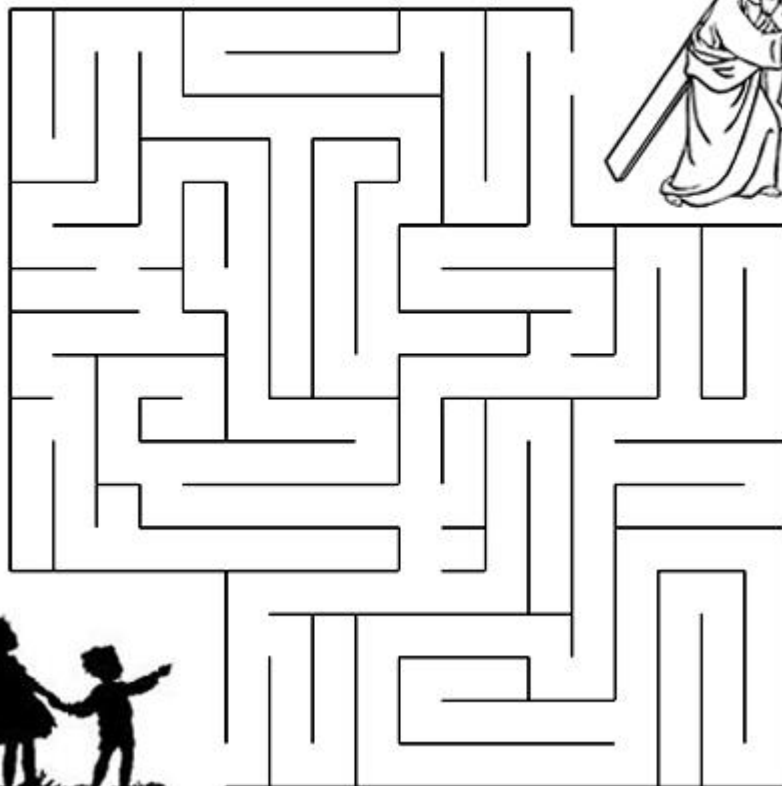
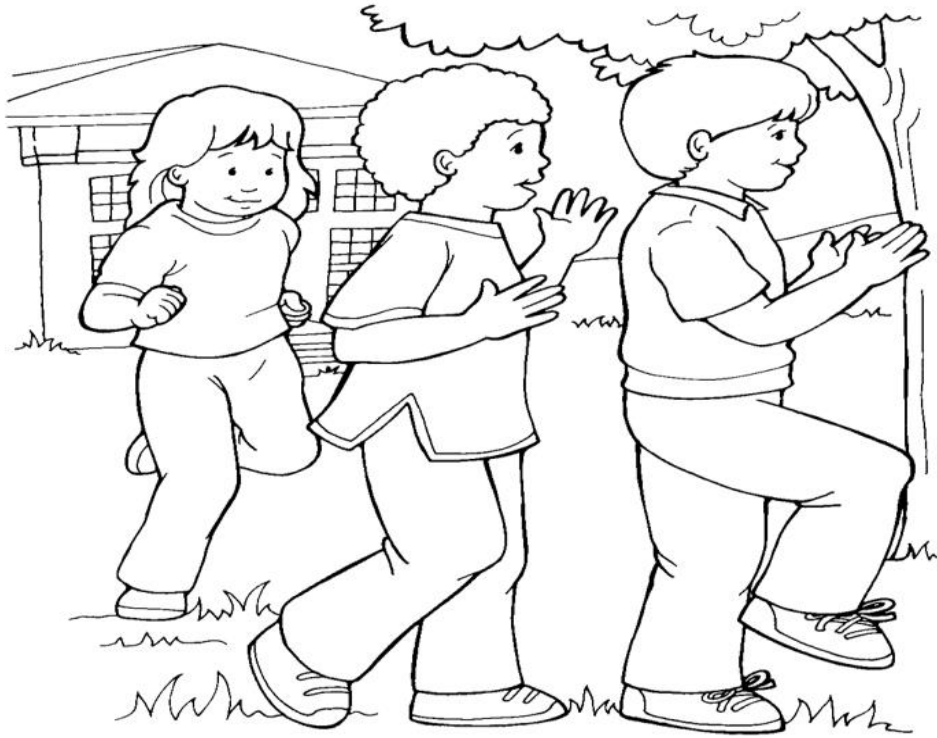
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Words to find:

TEACHING   LIFE   BACK   BELIEVE   LEAVE   TURN   FOLLOW   ETERNA

# Coloring Page

Follow the path to Jesus!



MAZE PUZZLE

"You do not want to leave me too, do you?" Jesus asked

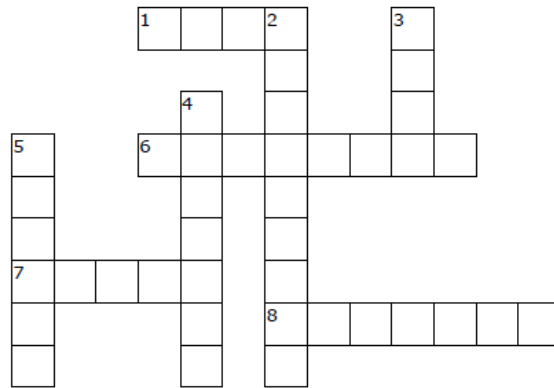


# To Whom Shall We Go?

# Word Search Puzzle

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GIVES	GRUMBLING	BETRAY	LIFE	WORDS
ETERNAL	TURN	BACK	BELIEVE	JESUS
LEAVE	KNOW	TEACHING	FOLLOW	HARD



**ACROSS**

- 1. Difficult to understand, accomplish, or finish
- 6. Sharing knowledge with others
- 7. To go away from; depart; abandon or forsake
- 8. Continuing forever

**DOWN**

- 2. The original followers of Jesus
- 3. To reverse directions
- 4. To accept as true or real
- 5. To come after; to go behind someone

BELIEVE	HARD	DISCIPLES	TEACHING
ETERNAL	TURN	LEAVE	FOLLOW

# September 2018

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