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Faith UMC Office hours

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

*Please call or email before dropping by
in case of an office schedule change

*Bulletin items need to be submitted by 10 a.m. Thursday.
If you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital,
we would like to know.*

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FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The
Season
of
Lent



March 15, 2020

Usher/Greeter: Mark & Thea Crawmer,
Chris & Heather DeGarmo

Liturgist: Barb Tignor

Nursery: Amanda Hatfield & Jessica Stonecypher

Upcoming Events

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| Sunday, March 15 | |
| Sunday School | 9:30 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| Lenten Service @ Grace UMC | 6:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, March 17 | |
| Leadership Meeting | 6:30 p.m. |
| Thursday, March 19 | |
| Lent Study | 6:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, March 22 | |
| Sunday School | 9:30 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| Lenten Service @ Dresden UMC | 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, March 23 | |
| UMW Reading Club Meeting | 6:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, March 24 | |
| UMW Executive Meeting | 6:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 25 | |
| Lent Study | 6:30 p.m. |
| Thursday, March 26 | |
| SPRT Meeting | 6:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, March 29 | |
| Sunday School | 9:30 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| Lenten Service @ Faith UMC | 6:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, April 2 | |
| Easter Flower orders are due! | 10:00 a.m. |
| Eventide Circle Meeting | 1:00 p.m. |
| Lent Study | 6:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, April 5 | |
| Sunday School | 9:30 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| Capital Luncheon | after worship |
| Easter Cantata @ Rolling Plains | 6:00 p.m. |

Prayer List

Australia
Nonny Brackman
Jenny Higdon Chacey
Ernie DeGarmo
Steve DeGarmo
P.C. Fitz
Andrew Graham
April Holland
Homeless Community
Eric Howard
Family of Wendell Huhn
Colette Kinder
Ed McAuley
Betty Miller
Jerry Moore, Jr.
Joesy Moore
Barbara Morris
Billie Jo Munyan
Mike Munyan
Joann Norman
Karen Norman
Parlin Family
Joanne Peterman
Karen Sue Royer
Paula Smith
Steve Summers
US Troops
Greg Williamson
Logan Wolford
Medical Faith Shut-ins:
Henrietta Hurst
Frances Johnson
Kathleen McCutcheon

*Names will remain on the prayer list
 for one month unless otherwise requested.*

God's faithfulness, kindness and mercy are unfailing and without end.

As the Father has loved you, go now and love. As the Son has forgiven and redeemed you, go now, extending grace to all you meet. As the Spirit has transformed you into the likeness of the Son, go now, letting the life of Christ guide you each moment of the day.

Because of all God has done for us, we seek to follow 3 simple rules: do no harm, do good, and stay in love with God.

May you go into the world from this place, renewed in your faith to share God's gift of love as it has been so graciously shared with you. Amen.

Community Lenten Services Sunday Evenings at 6 PM

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| March 15 | Grace | Joy Wigal and Richard Purvis |
| March 22 | Dresden | Steve Judson |
| March 29 | Faith | Justin Williams |
| April 5 | Rolling Plains | Cantata |

Lent is a time of drawing near to God. It is a time of surrounding ourselves with streams of living water that we might experience all that God has in store for us. Join us for this Lenten series as we explore miracle stories from the life of Jesus that involve water. Come to be refreshed and experience the Living Water!

Offerings to support The Life Well Community Ministry at Euclid Ave. and The Free Store and Homeless Shelter at First UMC.

Please make checks payable to the host church.

UMW Reading/Book Club

We are ready to begin our 2020 UMW Book Club! You are welcome to join us by reading the book *Falling into Place* by Hattie Kauffman.

You may acquire the book as you wish (a library, Amazon, Kindle). The UMW will provide 2-3 copies as they become available. See Barb Wolfe to get on the waiting list.

We will meet to discuss the book on Monday, March 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Susie Dunlap will host.

Lenten Service Volunteers and Donations needed.

We are asking for volunteers to be ushers and greeters at the Lenten Service at Faith UMC on Sunday, March 29, 2020. Sign-up sheets are on the welcome table or see Marsha Kelly for any questions.

Barb Wolfe and Roberta Covert are seeking donations for the Lenten Service refreshments. If you would like to donate a plate of cookies or make a monetary donation to purchase other refreshments, please let us know. We also need help serving and helping with set up or clean up.

Any kind of help will be greatly appreciated as we welcome visitors to Faith United Methodist Church on March 29.

Join us for lunch!

The New Hope Circle will host a capital fundraising luncheon on Sunday, April 5 after the worship service. Everyone is invited to enjoy Baked Ziti (both with and without meat), salad, garlic rolls, and cheesecake for dessert.

Mark your calendars!

Important UMW date change!

Ladies, please change the date on your calendars for the Spring dinner to Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 6:00. It will not be on Saturday May 9. We hope this new date will work better for everyone! More details soon.

***Easter Flower order forms are available on the welcome table.**

Announcements and Welcome

Breakthrough Prayer

Abundant God,
we are bursting with anticipation
to see the new that you have in store
for Faith Church and our community.
Thunder forth your will for fresh possibilities!
You say in your word,
“See I am about to do something new.
It begins now! Don’t you see it?” (Is. 43:19)
Lord, help us to see clearly
the next steps on your path. Amen.

Prelude

Call to Worship

*We gather for worship, frazzled from running errands
and running committees, running out of energy and
running out of time and resources, running from prob-
lems and running from uncomfortable truths.*

**Let us be still and rest in the loving presence of
God.**

We yearn for life to be easier.

**Perhaps life will be less difficult if we focus on
three simple rules: Do no harm. Do good. And
stay in love with God.**

**We gather in the presence of God to be inspired
and renewed.**

Hymn “The Gift of Love” UMH 408

Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, friend and companion, we come to
you now in this place of worship. You come to us as
friend and Savior as hero and as the encourager. You,

Lord Jesus, the healer of disease, the washer of feet,
our guide and leader, teach us more about your amaz-
ing love and help us to love with confidence and cour-
age. Help us to live without fear and fill us in your Spirit
with hope and joy. Take from our hearts the desire for
revenge and fill us with the ability to forgive freely and
without condition. Help us to be accepting of all per-
sons and especially to care for the lonely, the ill and
those who suffer from violence and hunger. Empower
us to serve and care for all, as you did, and remind us
to offer our lives to God totally and without reservation.
In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Prayer Song “Seek Ye First” UMH 405

Pastoral Prayer

“The Lord’s Prayer” UMH 895

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

“The Doxology” UMH 95

Prayer of Dedication

Lord God, you give us so much love. You fill us with
abundance and mercy. Your gifts to us are constant
and numerous. Now we bring to you our dollars and
our talents. We bring to you our love and our skills. We
bring to you our devotion and our time. Take all of this
and take all of us and dedicate us and our gifts to min-
istry and service. In the church of Jesus Christ, we of-
fer all now. Amen.

Hymn “Be Thou My Vision” UMH 451

Lesson:

Three Simple Rules Pastor Joy Wigal

Hymn “Lord, I want to be a Christian” UMH 402

Benediction

Life is not simple! Even faith can be complicated.