FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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PHONE IN WORSHIP

Sunday Worship occurs every Sunday from 10:15 to 11:45 AM Join by phone: 1-408-418-9388 Access code: 132 203 0362 Password: 7777#

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Friends,

We begin November by celebrating all the Saints that have gone before us. November 1st or the first Sunday in November, we routinely recall during worship those who have died in the last year and lovingly reflect upon those who have given of themselves to impact our faith and experience of God. My brother recently reminded me of a quilt that had been given to my mother many decades ago. It had been made by a group of women from the church they were serving. Each square had been quilted and signed by a different member of the United Methodist Women there. He read through the names and it was like a flashback walking through memories I didn't even realize were there. Yet, at a formative time in my life, each of those women impacted my life and the lives of many others. They were Christ to me. They are a key part of the foundation that continues to compel me to be Christ for others. Like each of us, I do not always represent Christ perfectly (nor did they), but because of the

blessing the saints have been to me, I'll continue to try. We returned the quilt to the church a few weeks ago and they hope to utilize it in their All Saints Sunday worship service.

Thinking about the Saints who have gone before us helps put me in a healthy mindset to appreciate grace. Leading up to Thanksgiving this year, we will be focusing our worship on Unrelenting Grace: A United Methodist Way of Life, based on Bishop Kenneth Carter's book by the same title. It fits perfectly with our All Saints celebration this Sunday as we consider that "Unrelenting Grace Connects Us to Each Other". Our following two Sundays' themes will be:

"Unrelenting Grace Is God's Way of Life in the World" and

"Unrelenting Grace and the Healing of Our Bodies (Churches)"

Can you believe that will take us to Thanksgiving followed by Advent?!

Our Advent theme this year will be The Gift of Being Present. We will, as usual, have additional devotional material available at the church for any who are interested. The hours of daylight are getting fewer! It is not coincidental that we celebrate the arrival of Christ during the darkest days of the year. In the midst of the darkest times, the Light of Christ shines brightest. In our darkest hour, dawn is just in sight. Let us journey together, though the darkness may grow, knowing the Light lies ahead.

See you Sunday,

Pastor Joy Wigal

PRAYER REQUESTS

Adah Krokonko Aggas Family Al Duncan Andv Hartsock Baby Asher & Family Baby Christian and Tanya Baby Griffin & Family Baby London **Bauer Family** Bernice Osborne **Betty Howard Betty Miller Bradley Adams** Brenda Miller Brenda Shepherd Brian Hina Chad Glass Family Charlie & Jean Bathrick Family Chase Bracken Family Dave Smith Family **Debbie Gifford DeGarmo Family** Dennis Cebulsky Dunn Family Erica Bishop Gloria Jean Campbell Heather Bathrick J.J. Jasper Jacob Elson James Finlay Jr. Janet Hickman **Jasmine** Jaydon Pletcher Jim & Linda Dudley

Jim & Patty Evans JoAnne Peadon John Smith Johnson, Mohler & Covert Families Julie Glass Kyle & Richard Felton Lesha Alexander Lynn Marlene Farley Mike Camp Family Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Sutton Nick Prindle Pam & Michael Pam Glass Patty Pavlik Pearl Bradford Rita Spurrier Ron Howard Ron Pyle Sr. Family Saundra Boyd Sarah Chapman & Family Shana Steve Cahn Steve Inman Suzanne Collins Terry Pickens Tom Kelley Family Tonya Poli Vickie Cordle Vicky Butcher Wanda Adams Medical Faith Shut-in: Kathleen McCutcheon

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
(Psalm 100:4)

NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS



Nov. 5 Doug Adams

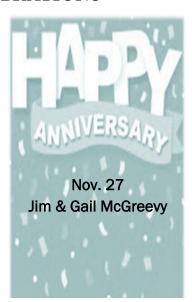
Nov. 6 Rayen Hatfield

Nov. 11 Gail McGreevy

Nov. 20 Cassie Harper

Nov. 25 Vicky Wolfe

Nov. 25 Jeri Schreiber



UPCOMING LITURGISTS & GREETERS

Date	Liturgist	Greeters
November 5	Barb T.	Don, Roberta & Susie
November 12	Roberta	Chris & Heather
November 19	Marsha	Mark, Thea & Vickie
November 26	Nick	Floyd & Pat

"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" (Psalm 107:1)

PICTURE PERFECT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



Everyone is invited to the annual United Women in Faith Christmas luncheon on Sunday, December 3, 2023, after the worship service down in the fellowship hall. We will enjoy a catered lunch from The Barn. On the menu will be Chicken breasts, Veggie Lasagna, Macaroni

and cheese, Green beans Almandine, Fresh Salad, Pumpkin bars, iced tea and water. Enjoy this great meal, music, sharing memories and so much more!

The cost is \$10.00 per person. See Roberta Covert by November 26 to make your reservations.

**If you have any old Christmas photos (family or individual) please bring them to church and give to Barb Wolfe or Vickie Finlay. We want to decorate our tables with



smiles from opening gifts, sitting on Santa's lap, or just gathering for a family photo. Join the fun, bring in a picture! We will give them back after the luncheon.

"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)

EVENTIDE CIRCLE

Eventide Circle will meet 12:45 PM Thursday, November 2, 2023 at the Church.

Program: Barb T.

Devotions: Roberta C.

Response Moment: Marlene F.

Hostess: Marsha Kelly

MONADO'S MARKET

Thank you, Faith UMC, for the on-going support of the Monado's Market at Zane State College. Your help is greatly appreciated! Some helpful items we are collecting include:

- ~Single Serving Snacks
- ~Microwavable Meals
- ~Bottled Water
- ~Trash Bags
- ~Paper Towels
- ~Toilet Paper
- ~Ibuprofen/Tylenol
- ~Dish Soap and Sponges
- ~Personal Hygiene Items
- ~Laundry Supplies
- ~Pet Supplies



"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

NEW HOPE CIRCLE MEETING SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 12 at 6:30 at the Church Saturday, December 9 Progressive Meal

THANK YOU

The New Hope Circle would like to thank everyone who participated in our "Christmas in July" fundraising campaign. Through your generous donations we were able to raise \$300.00! We will combine that with United

Women in Faith's \$200.00 donation and send a check to the Salvation Army for their annual Christmas food basket distribution.



HANGING OF THE GREENS



Everyone is invited to help decorate the church for the Christmas season on Sunday, November 26, right after the worship service. The New Hope Circle will provide lunch beforehand. Mark your calendars and we will see you there. Many hands make light work!

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:6)