

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)

PRELUDE

*CALL to WORSHIP

As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

So God seeks the lost.

Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

So God rejoices over one life restored to wholeness.

As a father receives a returning wayward son,

So God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received,

Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN UMH #147

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will,

and no weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly and in your service find perfect freedom. Amen

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

SPECIAL MUSIC Cindy Seabright

SHARING of JOYS, CONCERNS and GOD MOMENTS

SILENT PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

*HYMN *“Seek Ye First”* UMH #405

THE GOOD NEWS Matthew 13:31-33, 44-53

MESSAGE *“About That Kingdom...”*

RECEIVING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC Cindy Seabright

“Thank You Lord for Your Blessing on Me”

*DOXOLOGY *“Give Thanks”* TFWS 2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks, because God’s given Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now, let the weak say, “I am strong”; Let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.” Give thanks!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, most merciful and gracious, of whose bounty we have all received, accept this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it and those for whom it is given, and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and goodwill among all peoples, and advance your preferred will throughout the world.

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #374

“Standing on the Promises”

*THE BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Calling all campers going into Kindergarten-6th grade!

You and a friend are invited to attend FUMC’s VBS!

When: Tuesday, August 8th – Thursday, August 10th

Where: FUMC Church

Time: Supper served 5:30-6 pm, class from 6 – 8 pm.

Parents/Guardians: Please join us Thursday, the 10th at 7 pm for camp-inspired supper and a few VBS songs around the campfire before dismissal at 8 pm.

Please RSVP to FaithChurchSundaySchool@Gmail.com

COMBINED OUTDOOR PARISH SERVICE

Fountain UMC will be hosting a parish outdoor service in the Fountain City Park today, July 30 at 10:30 a.m. with a potluck meal following. Steve Arnold and Walter Bradley will provide music for the service. Seth Arnold is cooking pulled pork for sandwiches. Fountain Church will provide drinks and tableware. Those interested may bring bikes and bike the trail after lunch. Everyone is invited.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

FUMC VBS will be held August 8th-August 10th at the church, with a camping theme. Supper will be served from 5:30-6, lessons will run from 6-8. Supper the first night will be sandwiches, the second night will be walking tacos, and the third night, we'll grill hot dogs and serve chips and s'mores bars to kids and parents. The VBS Committee would appreciate anyone willing to volunteer to help with serving supper to our kids. Donations of the following would also be appreciated: sandwich fixings, walking taco fixings, & hot dogs and buns. If you are willing to volunteer or donate to help us make this year's VBS a success, please contact Carla Leslie at bencarlaleslie@gmail.com, Cate Ness at Cate_e70@yahoo.com, or Chris Howard at chrishoward4273@yahoo.com. Thank you for your consideration.

CHANHASSEN

The Parish Council is considering a trip to Chanhasen Dinner Theater if enough interest is shown. The cost would be approximately \$80 for bus transportation, dinner and show. Please sign your name and number interested along with the month preferred to attend. More information will follow.

AUCTION

The auction committee is collecting items and services through July 30th for the silent auction being held on Saturday, August 26th. Some ideas would be gift baskets, hand crafted items, an item you no longer need, or services like baking, cleaning, painting or dog sitting. Share your talents. Please contact Darlene Vrieze, Norma Merkel, Tom and Lynnette Ramaker, Kathy Casady or Jan Hammon.

FAITH FAMILY FINANCES – July 23, 2017

Year to date budget	\$111,615.54
Year to date giving	\$ 95,780.88
Needed weekly to meet our budget	\$ 3,720.50
Offering	\$ 1,572.00
Attendance	68

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MINI MISSION GATHERING

The River Valley District UMW Mini Mission Gathering will be held at the St. Charles UMC on August 16th from 5-8:30 pm. The keynote address is "Living in a Covenant Community" by Cindy Saufferer. The cost is \$10 which includes a meal. Registration is needed by August 10th if interested in attending. For more information contact Darlene Vrieze.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

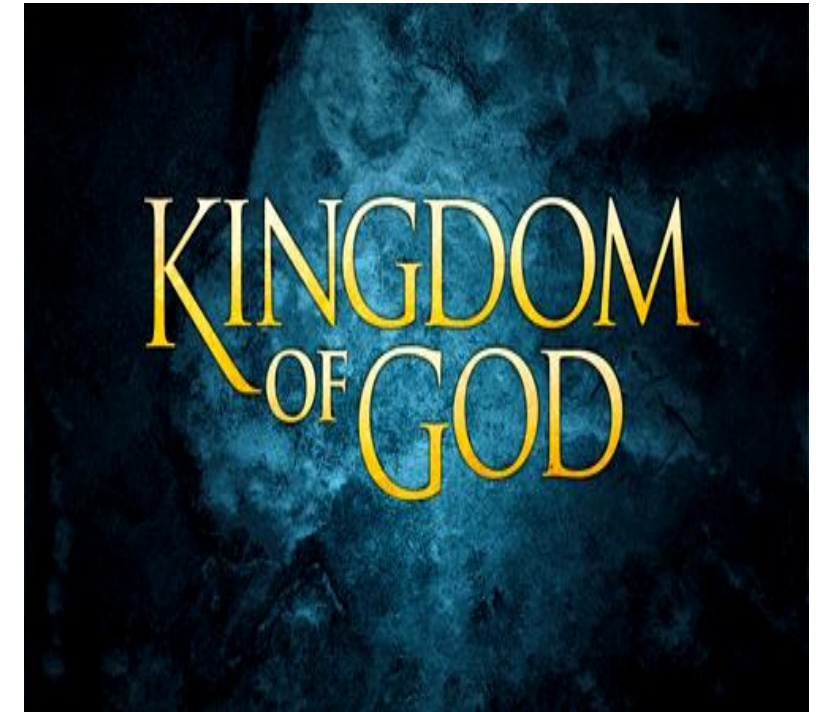
8/2	6:00 pm	Parish Council at Faith UMC
8/3	7:00 pm	Worship Committee
8/6	6:00 p.m.	Cowboy Church at Cherry Grove

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8th Sunday after Pentecost

KINGDOMTIDE

July 30, 2017



**The People Of
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In Ministry Together With
Rev. David Lieder & Rev. Deanna Woodward**