

Faith
United Methodist Church
November 2025



“Faith United Methodist Church’s mission is to share God’s love and encourage others through worship and service to our community and beyond.”

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ!

A man is on the way back home since he fled from his furious brother about 20 years ago. He seems to feel ambivalent about his return. On one hand, he is excited to come back and see his family again. On the other hand, however, he is anxious about one person: his brother. He is not sure whether his brother has forgiven him, or he still seeks revenge for his deceit. The night before he has been scheduled to meet his brother, he is wrestling with a man in a dream. Although it seems that he cannot beat the man, he has no desire to stop the battle, even in a dream. As he continues to strive with the man, the man in the dream finally gives up and allows his request to bless him. Then, with an injury, he receives a new name: “You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel” (Gen. 32:28).

In Genesis, Jacob is depicted as a man of persistence. When he was born, he gripped the heel of his brother Esau, which could put him in a critical condition (Gen. 25:26). When Esau asked Jacob to give him lentil stew, Jacob didn’t give the food to his brother until Esau sold his birthright to Jacob (Gen. 25:29-34). Despite his hip injury, Jacob didn’t let the man go until he would bless him (Gen. 32:22-32). Surely, Jacob shows a lot of persistence. Yet, it’s appropriate to think about God’s persistence. Jacob deserves to be accused of lies and deceit he has performed, but God has persisted in caring for him. God has showed him his persistent love for him. God hasn’t forgotten him but has constantly led him. He might have grown impatient or have lost his heart and hope, but he has trusted in this God who brings him home and gives him a second chance.

May we all experience this God’s everlasting love in Christ for us every day. May God’s unshakable love for us in Christ surround us every day. May God’s persistent love in Christ for us comfort and refresh us every day. Thank you.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sundays,

Your brother, KC



**Our annual ALL church conference
Will be held November 16th at Christ UMC
in Northampton after worship.
We will be carpooling**

Church Potluck

November 9th we will hold a potluck after worship.

Bring a dish to share. The ovens are working!

ALL ARE WELCOME!





Bible Study

Our Bible Studies continue on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm on ZOOM

Weekly email reminders are sent out, if you do not receive the emails call the office so we can get you on the list.

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Cardmaking With Joanne Milloy



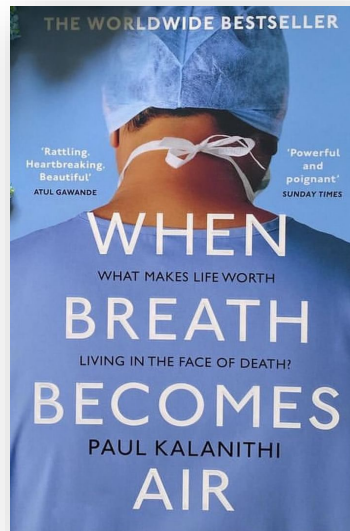
How would you like to learn how to make some cards like this?

Come, enjoy, and bring a friend as well !

Joanne Milloy will be holding a class on the second Friday of each month.

Friday, November 14th at 10:00 am





The Book Club will meet on Monday, November 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Joan Forgie. We will be discussing the book:

“When Breath Becomes Air” by Paul Kalanithi

This inspiring exquisite memoir finds hope and beauty in the face of insurmountable odds as an idealistic young neurosurgeon attempts to answer the question “What makes a life worth living?” This should be a very interesting discussion!

Even if you don't join us each month, if you read one of the books that we are doing and would like to join us for that book discussion, we welcome you. Please call Joan Forgie for directions if you would like to join us.



SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Bazaar

December 13th

9:00 am—1:00 pm

**SIGN UP SHEETS FOR BAKED
GOODIES WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON!!**

Liturgists

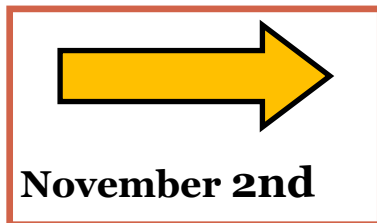
11/02—Rich Pearson
11/09—Jim Cassidy
11/16—Linda Pearson
11/23—Lee MacLean
11/30—Mike Adelman

Counters

11/3—Sallie Adelman & Susan Cassidy
11/10—Joan Forgie & Joy Jackson
11/17—Bette Lacey & Lorrie Ludwin
11/25—Cheryl Boucher & Joanne Milloy
12/1—Sallie Adelman & Susan Cassidy

Greeters

11/2—Joan Forgie
11/9—Joanne Milloy
11/16—Jim Kahle
11/23—Merrilee Riopelli
11/30—Rich Pearson



PLEASE HOLD THESE PEOPLE IN PRAYER:

James

Joanne's cousins' family

Family of Stanley Kruszyna

Kim & Cindy

James & Natasha Wood

Sondra Spence

Josh

Furloughed Fed. Employees

Healing in our country

Peace in Gaza & Israel

Kati & Matthew Flood

Alan Riopelli

Eric & Liz Jones

Bob Buckley

Judy Devlin

Janet's sister Laverne

Sally Latham

Adam Boucher

Katie Boucher

Edwina Lessard

Janet Lavoie

Jeff

Laurie Lebano

Ryan McCarron

FOLKS TO VISIT OR CALL:

Barbara Atherton—Home

Nancy Burke—Home

Sylvia Burns—Florida

Eunice Bock—Home

Charles Ferguson—Home

Carol Glancy—Home

Neil Marshall—Home

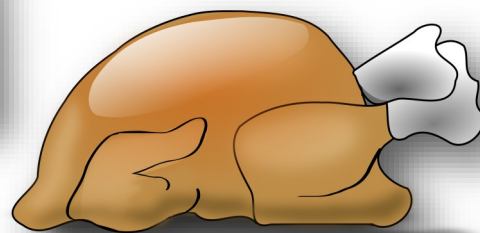
Dottie Squires—Home

Janet Valley—Washington



The Mission Committee is collecting food to be distributed for Thanksgiving. There is a green bin in Fellowship Hall for items to be placed in. The food will be collected until November 16th. On that Sunday the items will be placed on the altar and blessed, they will be distributed during that week. If you or anyone you know is in need of a basket, please call the church or see anyone on this committee (your identity will be kept private)

Also, if you can contribute money for or purchase a turkey it would be greatly appreciated! Thank you all for your support of this mission



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov. 2nd—All Saints Sunday and Time Change “Fall Back” 1 hour
- Nov. 4th—AST Meeting 7:00 pm
- Nov. 9th—All Church Potluck —after worship
- Nov. 14th—Cardmaking w/ Joanne 10:00 am
- Nov. 16th—All Church Conference—Christ UMC Northampton after worship
- Nov. 17th—Book Club @Joan Forgie’s 6:30 pm
- Nov. 18th—Trustee’s Meeting 4:00 pm
- Nov. 29th—Decorate Church for Advent 10:00 am

Tuesdays—9:00 am—Men of Faith

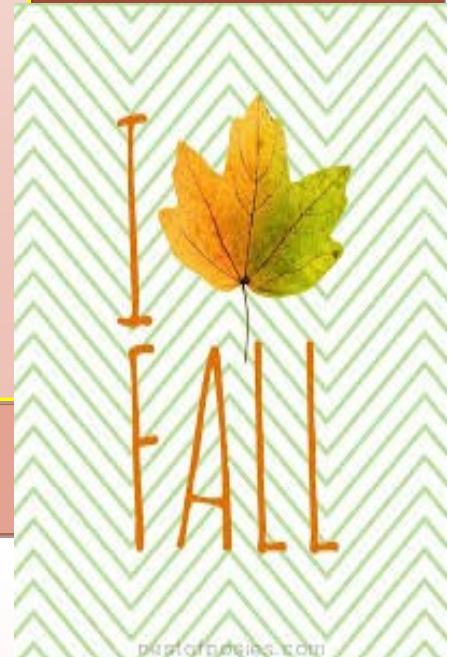
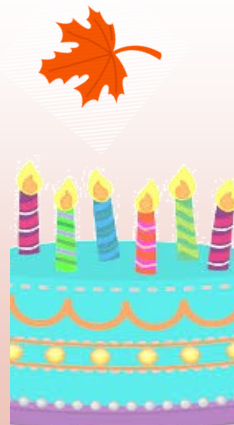
Wednesdays—7:00 pm—Bible Study

3rd Thursday of each month—Wellington Assisted Living, Springfield 1:30 pm



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- November 1—Carol Glancy
- November 6—Virginia O’Rourke
- November 9—Katie Boucher
- November 15—Roger LaCross
- November 15—Robert Allen
- November 17—Babs Idowu
- November 26—Janet Valley





Serving Others



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Poinsettias

We appreciate your generosity in providing Easter flowers for the church. **NOW we're hoping you're able to do the same for Christmas.** If you purchase a poinsettia for the church, please bring it before 10 am on December 20th. It would be nice if there was a wider window for bringing them in, but the church temperature isn't the best environment to keep poinsettias looking beautiful for a long time.



Roger LaCross—Organist
Sondra Spence: Lay Servant Minister
Mike Adelman : Lay Servant Minister
Merrilee Riopelli : Administrative Assistant

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