



Faith United Methodist Church April, 2026



Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

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

Spring has come, as harsh winter has become mild and warm. And it's April, as this year is marching out. April seems like a new beginning in various ways. Flowers are blooming, and trees are coming into leaf. Brown, or white covered by snow during winter, landscapes are turning to green grass. Some might plan to do "spring cleaning". Things piled up in the basement might be led directly to trash carts. The garage might be cleaned up and reorganized. Some might want to hit the pavement on a sunny day. Or some might rush to file taxes before due! Again, here comes Spring; here comes April.

Early this month, we will celebrate Holy Week and Easter. We will have a joint Maundy Thursday service with our fellow sisters and brothers in Christ and will gather together for Easter Sunrise service at Joy's place (a big shout-out to Joy!), which will be followed by our Easter service. If you feel that darkness surrounds our society, let's keep in mind that the light of Easter will shine brightly through. There is a new beginning from such a blessed promise of Easter that we are saved and have certain hope of resurrection. The true "new year" for followers of Christ will begin. Let's give thanks to God for sending His only Son Jesus to us. Let's be grateful for what Jesus has done for us. Let's celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ is risen, yes, indeed!

Looking forward to seeing you on Sundays,

Your brother, KC



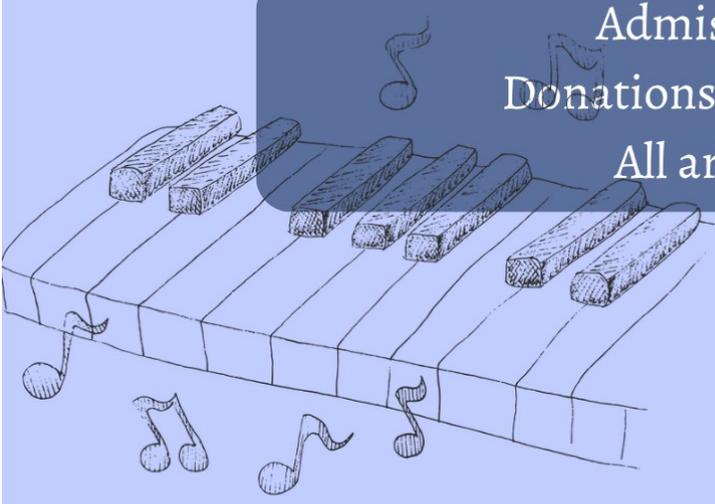
Songs of Spring



Sunday, April 26th at 11:00 am
Faith United Methodist Church
191 Montcalm St., Chicopee, MA

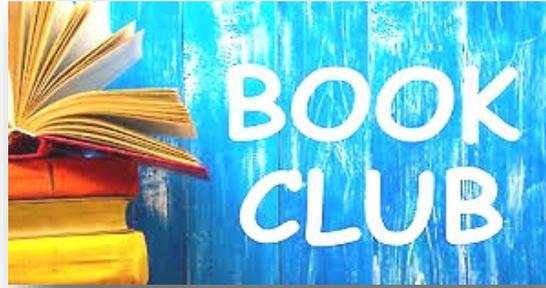
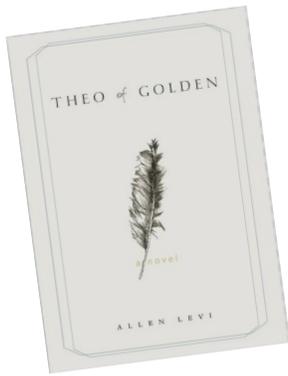


Ava LaChance, Violin
Jiwoo Chang, Piano



Admission is free
Donations are appreciated
All are welcome





Our April meeting will be on **Monday, April 13th at 6:30** at the home of Joan Forgie. We will be discussing the book “*Theo of Golden*” by Allen Levi. This is a story of receiving and giving, of seeing and being seen. A beautifully crafted novel about the power of creative generosity, the importance of wonder to a purposeful life, and the invisible threads of kindness that bind us to one another.

If you would like to join us, call Joan Forgie for directions. All are welcome!



Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm

The facilitators/teachers (Joanne and Peter Milloy) send out the questions to be discussed before we meet.

If you'd like to see what it's all about, let the office know so that you'll be sent the Zoom link. If you're more of a listener than a talker, that's all right. We appreciate talkers and listeners.



Card-Making Class

THERE WILL BE NO CARD CLASS THIS MONTH

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE

Katie Boucher

Scott Hackett & Family

Emmy Finnegan

All Marines, sailors, & soldiers

Arlene Mackie

Caroline

Jason & Family

Debi Pride's husband Wally

Lois Henson

Linda Figurski Angers

Kevin Lukasiewicz

Lynda Henderson

Sondra Spence

Josh

Bob Buckley

Kati & Matthew Flood

Michaela Liebel

Judy Devlin

Edwina Lessard

Janet Lavoie

Ryan McCarron

Folks to Visit or Call

Barbara Atherton—Home

Eunice Bock—Home

Nancy Burke—Maine

Sylvia Burns—Florida

Carol Glancy—Home

**Betty Kaeding—Veteran's
home**

Neil Marshall—Home

Dottie Squires—Home

Easter Flowers

It has been discovered that local flower shops cannot quote prices for Easter Flowers, due to the present economic uncertainty.

We have decided **NOT** to order flowers from the shops. Instead, we will allow members to obtain Easter flowers of their choice and bring them to church.

Please bring them to the church **Saturday, April 4th** **at 10:00 am** so that the worship committee may decorate the church.

Due to the uncertainties involved, we will **NOT** be planning on creating a bulletin insert listing the names of persons in memory/honor of whom flowers were donated.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, April 2nd—Maundy Thursday at Faith
7:00 pm

Friday, April 3rd—Good Friday church open for
prayer

Saturday, April 4th—Decorate church for Easter
10:00 am

Sunday, April 5th—Easter Sunrise service—6:30 am
at Joy Jackson's home—BRING YOUR OWN
CHAIR

Sunday, April 5th—Easter Worship at Faith 10:00 am

Men Of Faith— Tuesdays at 9 am

Bible Study—Wednesdays at 7 pm ZOOM

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



*“This is love; not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his
Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins”*

1John 4:7-12

April

Birthdays and Anniversaries

4/8—Jamila Sam

4/20—Ian Mason

4/11—Don Tauer

Jiwon Chang

4/22—Janine Hidde

4/15—Lauren Tauer

4/26—Jordan Skibel

Josh Justin

Austin Campbell

4/17—Wendy Mason

4/19—Lauren Zalenski

4/27—Jill & Jimmy Skibel





Jesus said to visit the sick, care for the widow, the refugee, the orphan, those in prison, for by doing so, you do so to him.

- **Make time to visit people, call them or send a card**
- **Listen or sit in silence**
- **If they're too tired to talk, tell them something about what is going on in your life.**
- **Thank them for spending time with you & tell them that the church continues to hold them in prayer.**





These are the top five categories, but anything is greatly appreciated!

- Tomato Products
- Soups
- Cereal (Hot and Cold) **HOT ITEM**
- Canned meat (Spam, beef stew, tuna, hash, etc.)
- Personal Care (shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, women's products, etc.) **ALWAYS NEEDED!**

We will be collecting these items and more on an ongoing basis. Anything that you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

The “Campbell’s Soup” Barrel will be set up just inside the front door for drop off.



[RADA Fundraiser](#)

Follow the above link to order your cutlery From **Rada** your purchase supports the church.

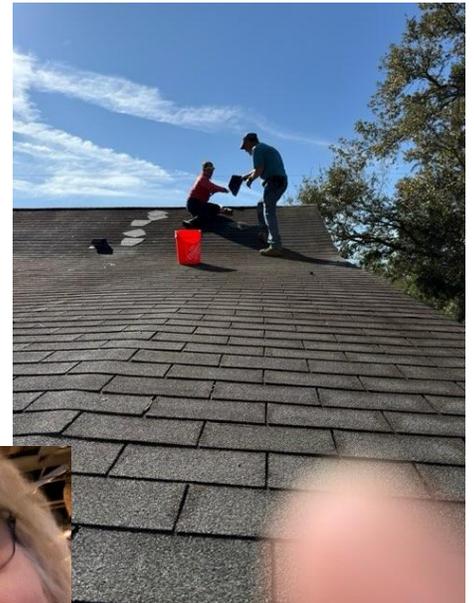
Rural Missions Trip

The Rural Mission trip was scheduled for March 6th—March 15th. We traveled once again to Edisto Island So. Carolina. We stayed at the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island.

We worked from Monday to Friday on the homes on our list. Jobs varied from flooring to floor repairs to painting.

We stayed at the Presbyterian Church that has 2 bunk rooms with 6 bunk beds in each room.

HomeWorks of America supplied all necessary tools, materials, equipment and permits needed for us to complete our work.



Liturgists

4/5— Ferne Garceau

4/12—Jim Cassidy

4/19—Jiwoo Chang

4/26—Mike Adelman

Counters

4/6—Sallie Adelman & Susan Cassidy

4/13—Bette Lacey & Lorrie Ludwin

4/20—Joan Forgie & Joy Jackson

4/28—Joanne Milloy & Cheryl Boucher

Greeters

April 5—Bette Lacey

April 12—Joy Jackson

April 19—Sallie Adelman

April 26—Joan Forgie



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**Roger LaCross—Organist
Sondra Spence: Lay Leader/Lay Servant Minister
Mike Adelman : Lay Servant Minister
Merrilee Riopelli : Administrative Asst.**

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