

Prayers of the People [Joys & Concerns] The 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 glory, now and forever. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** *His Eye is on the Sparrow* TFWS 2146

++Benediction

May the God of love keep you in his grace through Jesus Christ, our savior and eternal life, and comfort you in the Holy Spirit that you will be his witness and light in this world. Amen.

Postlude *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* G. Winston Cassler Roger LaCross



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Faith United Methodist Church

November 14, 2021

Thanksgiving Sunday



Order of Worship for Sunday, November 21, 2021 @ 9:30 a.m.

*[*Please stand if you are able. +Call to worship, prayers, and benediction are from Flames of the Spirit: Resources for Worship Edited by Ruth C. Duck and ++ Liturgies from Below: 462 Acts of Worship by Claudio Carvalhaes].*

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Organist/Pianist: Roger LaCross

Minister: Rev. Wanda Santos Perez

Welcome & Announcements

[**Visitors** please sign in by filling in the cards included in this bulletin or in the pew. Please make sure to read the reverse side to let us know how we can be in prayer for you].

Prelude We Gather Together **Roger LaCross**

Call to Worship [Based on Psalm 107 RSV by Jann C. Weaver]

L: O give thanks to God for all the goodness we are shown! God's steadfast love endures forever!

P: We come from the east and the west, the north and the south, to give thanks and praise!

L: We once were a wondering people, hungry and thirsty in a desert land.

P: We cried to God to deliver us, and we were led to a new land rich in promise and harvest.

L: We give thanks for God's steadfast love! God quenches the thirsty, fills the hungry, and leads us from the desert land to a harvest home.

Opening Prayer

God of the harvest, from seed and sun you have blessed us with a harvest to help feed the world. For this we give you our highest thanks. You also offer us seed and sun for the times of famine in our lives. In the times we know the famine of silence and grief, cause us to remember you as the God of harvest. For with you, the faith we offer serves as seed for the harvest of your life-giving food. In Christ's name. **Amen.**

Hymn We Gather Together **UMH 131**

Children's Message **Joanne Milloy**

First Reading **1 Timothy 2:1-7**

2 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, **2** for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. **3** This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, **4** who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. **5** For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human,

6 who gave himself a ransom for all – this was attested at the right time. **7** For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Anthem At the Name of Jesus **UMH 168**

Gospel Lesson **Matthew 6: 24-34**

24 "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth. **25** "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? **26** Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? **27** And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? **28** And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, **29** yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. **30** But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? **31** Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' **32** For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed, your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. **33** But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **34** "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

"This is the Word of God for all the people of God. Thanks be to God."

Sermon **An Act Of Love** **Pastor Wanda**

Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

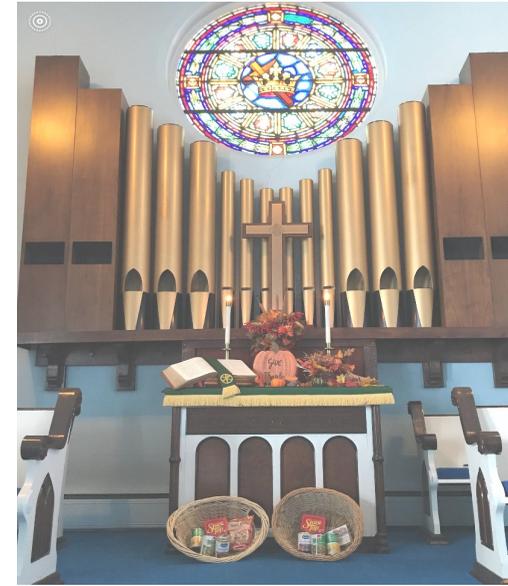
PRAYER LIST

Please hold these names in your prayers this week.

Janet Lavoie and Family	Cindy	Alicia
Mary Lou Guarnera	Jane Kovalski	Pastor Wanda's cousin-
Jessica Guarnera	Rev. Rene Perez	Rosemary
Phillip Denette Sr.	Stewart Family	Stephen DeSilva
Robert Morrisette	Austin Campbell	Roberta Green
Barbara & Al Tobey	Connie Harris	Rev. Megan Stowe
Peter Milloy	Steven Harris	Janet Valley's sister &
Dottie Squires	Ryan & Maloah McCarron	Brother in law
Chris Orwat	Ken & Sue Holmes	Lynn – friend of Sondra
Tim O'Donnell	Arlie & Sylvia Burns	Our Country's leaders
Kathy Washburn	Pam Barrett	Stan Kruszyna – Arbors,
Artur Pawlowski	Nancy Woods	Chicopee
Terri Herr	Tara Atherton	Mary Buss – Home
		Eunice Bock – Home

All those affected by disasters, both natural and man-made, throughout our world, the hungry and the homeless, those in pain, our leaders in government, that they will protect the least of these, and peace throughout the world.

The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: **East Timor (Timor Leste), Indonesia, Philippines**



Starting **November 7th**, we start collecting non-perishable items for Thanksgiving. These will be distributed the two days after November 28th which is Thanksgiving Sunday to Lorraine's food pantry in Chicopee and Neighbors Helping Neighbors in South Hadley.

Also, if you can contribute money for turkeys, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are writing a check please make out to Faith UMC and mark "Thanksgiving Turkeys" in the memo.



WEEKLY REMINDER November 21, 2021

Today, November 21, 2021

9:30 am Worship Service
after worship Meal Prep On A Budget

Tuesday, November 23, 2021 9:00 am Men of Faith

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

NO Bible Study

Thursday, November 25, 2021 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:00 am Decorate for Advent

NEXT SUNDAY, November 28 2021 First Sunday in Advent

9:30 am Worship Service
After worship Meal Prep on a Budget

LOOKING AHEAD

November 30, 2021 7:00 pm Trustee Meeting

December 4, 2021 9:00 am SPRC Meets with Dist. Superintendent

10:00 am Annual All Church Charge Conference

December 7, 2021 9:00 am Men of Faith

December 10, 2021 10:00 am Card Making Class - RSVP to Joanne or Office

December 20, 2021 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

December 24, 2021 7:00 pm Christmas Candlelight Service

Hello Faith Church Family,

We are thinking of having an All Church Intergenerational Spring Weekend Retreat at Camp Aldersgate. However, before the retreat team gets all excited and starts planning for this retreat weekend, I thought it would be best to find out who would be interested in attending the retreat. Below is a quick survey to help us decide whether there is enough of an interest to go forward with our planning. Please submit your responses as soon as possible.

Thank you

_____ I would attend the All Church Intergenerational Retreat Weekend

_____ I would attend, but only for Saturday

_____ I don't feel comfortable attending the All Church Intergenerational Retreat Weekend

At this time, we have no other information on the retreat. Once we receive all responses we'll get information everyone.