

Don't work for the food that doesn't last
but for the food that endures for eternal life.

– John 6:27a



First United Methodist Church

Sunday, August 5, 2018 –Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Our Statement of Faith: Jesus, Our Rock of Salvation, Our Life Springs Eternal

Faith Theme 2018

**HEALTHY THINGS GROW>GROWING THINGS CHANGE>CHANGE IS A CHALLENGE>
CHALLENGE FORCES US TO TRUST GOD—>TRUSTING GOD MAKES US HEALTHY>
HEALTHY THINGS GROW!**

Prelude		Justin Hardman
Welcome and Announcements		
<i>Please register your presence with us this morning, then pass the book to the person sitting next to you. Before the offertory, tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate. Thank You!</i>		
	Acolyte: Nicholas Griffin	Greeter: Mary Lou Henderson
*Call to Worship	"Blessed Assurance"	UMH 369
*Hymn of Praise	"Lord of the Dance"	UMH 261
Receiving of Tithes and Offerings		
Doxology	"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH 95
Passing the Peace of Christ		
Children's Time		
Special Music		Gregory Martin
Joys and Concerns		
A Time of Prayer – Silent Prayer—Congregational Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 4:1-16 (p. 951)	Kathy Ellis
	The Word of God for the People of God: The People Respond "Thanks Be to God!"	
Morning Message	"John Wesley Who?"	Tom Ellis
Response to the Word		
Holy Communion (During Communion we will sing "One Bread One Body")		UMH 620
Invitation		UMH 12
The Great Thanksgiving		UMH 13
The Lords Prayer		
*Closing Hymn	"Here I Am, Lord"	UMH 593
*Parting Blessing: Leaving to Serve		
Postlude		Justin Hardman

Greeting from Pastor Jim and the rest of the congregation here at Rock Springs Church!

This greeting is for all who have joined us for worship here this morning. As we come together to worship this morning we meet on common ground, Jesus our Christ! We come with joys and concerns, we come from successes and failures, we come from temptations and victories, we come broken and whole, we come with worries and answered prayers, and so we come to common ground in Christ Jesus. Welcome to this place for all!

Prayer Requests: Rob McMillan; Nancy DeBernardi; Harold "Butch" Tomjack; Linda DeBernardi; Norman Johnson; Raif Nettik; Joel Barbour; Kay Womack's sister, Terry; Margaret Bettolo; Becky Morrison; Larry Garcia; Gail Webb; Don Hofeldt; Penny Hardin's husband, Jim; Carol Ransdell; Ruby Macy; Madge Venetta's granddaughter, Arianna; Alma O'Hare; Josh Patterson; Larry Finnell; Mindy Sheckler's niece; Pat & Jack Norris; Patty Beatty; Patrice Noel; Debbie Sparby; Dennis Doncaster's sister, Sister Diana; Cathy Georgis' brother-in-law, Todd Ludeman; Pastor Jim, and his uncle, Marshall, sister, Judy, & aunt, Mona; Rusty Dickson; Bill McGarvey; Tom McCutcheon; Mallory Rosetti Gardner; June Wittman; Fred & Isaac Wittman; Rhonda Wheeler; Renee Bustos' father, Bill Cogswell; Gene Lane; Keelan Schupman; Jackie Hansen.

Prayer Request:

By:

Recommended for Devotional Readings:

Aug 19th – 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Aug 26th – 1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11)22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

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Pastor: Rev. Jimmy R. Chrisawn

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Lay Leader: Kathy Ellis

Nursery Attendant(s): Nicole France & Lauren Mayer

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Church office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

Please call the office to ensure someone is there.

(*) Please Stand as you are able. TFWS is the smaller paperback and the UMH is the hardback song book.

Share the Message! The Pastor's Message is recorded on CD's every Sunday. They are available free of Charge and can be found in the Narthex. and at the website: www.rockspringsumc.org. You are welcome to take one.

General Information/Upcoming Opportunities

Sunday School for Adults, 9:00 a.m. (*Live on Facebook, Rock Springs First United Methodist Church*)
Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church, during Service (*Following the Children's Time*)

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. till Noon. Other times by appointment, however, the Pastor is always available. Please call or text him. Please call before making a special trip.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you would like the Pastor to visit with your family, or someone else, please let him or the office know so it can be arranged.

By The Numbers

Attendance Last Sunday	34 Adults 2 Children
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,846.00
Aug 5 th Generous Undesignated Giving	\$ 2,521.00

LIFE GROUP/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

To resume in the Fall	"Conversations In Faith", at the church
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Facebook Schedule

Sundays, 9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.	"Thursday Theological Reflections"
Fridays, 8:00 p.m.	"Friday Evening Fireside Faith Chat"

Upcoming dates for your calendar

Wednesday	Music Practice, To be arranged
Thursday, Sept 6, noon	UMW Meeting
Thursday, Sept 13, 6:30 p.m.	Finance Meeting
Thursday, Sept 13 to follow	Administrative Board Meeting

Remember donated items for the Boys & Girls Club are appreciated by UMW; see Mary Lou Jessen, Penni Harden, or Marj Schaefer.

5 August 2018

Greetings, grace, and peace in the name of Jesus!

Well it is the first Sunday and thus Communion Sunday. I am not physically here with you today; however, I am here with you in spirit. I blessed the Communion elements before we left so that Communion would still be served.

I feel it is important to be consistent when serving and observing traditions such as first Sunday Communion. I also believe and encourage everyone to come and celebrate Communion together.

Speaking of consistency and traditions. You know doing something that is good out of tradition is not a bad thing. I also believe that change for change sake can sometimes be bad as well. For me it is the traditions that I find myself leaning on when I find myself in a time of uncertainty, sorrow, doubt, grief, and ...

Traditions like the Lord's Prayer, old hymns, favorite scripture passages, holidays, family reunions, yearly hunting trips, annual fishing trips, and birthday celebrations. It is traditions like these that I find myself looking back on, reflecting, remembering, and retelling the stories.

Our Bible is filled with traditions and some of which we have brought forward like Holy Communion. As we celebrate Holy Communion we continue a very significant tradition.