



Be strengthened by the Lord  
and his powerful strength.

– Ephesians 6:10



# First United Methodist Church

Sunday, Aug 26, 2018 – Fourteenth 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!**

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**Prelude**

Svetlana Martin

### **Welcome and Announcements**

*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!*

*Acolyte: Nicholas Griffin*

*Greeter: Nicholas "Turbo" Griffin*

**\*Call to Worship**

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH 328

**\*Hymn of Praise**

"He Lives"

UMH 310

### **Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Doxology**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

### **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Children's Time**

### **Joys and Concerns**

### **A Time of Prayer – Silent Prayer—Congregational Prayer**

**\* Hymn of Preparation**

"Spirit Song"

UMH 347

**Scripture Reading**

Ephesians 6:10-20 (p. 952)

Greg Fisher

The Word of God for the People of God: The People Respond **"Thanks Be to God!"**

**Morning Message**

"Living THE NEW Life, Part 3"

Rev. Jimmy Chrisawn

**\*Closing Hymn**

"Grace Greater than Our Sin"

UMH 365

**\*Parting Blessing: Leaving to Serve**

**Postlude**

Svetlana Martin

*Greetings 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:** Crystal; Nancy DeBernardi; Harold "Butch" Tomjack; Linda DeBernardi; Norman Johnson; Raif Nettik; Joel Barbour; 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:**

*Sep 2<sup>nd</sup> – Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 or Psalm 72; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-18, 14-15, 21-23*

*Sep 9<sup>th</sup> – Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125 or Psalm 124; James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37*

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***Minister: All Who Worship Here***

***Pastor: Rev. Jimmy R. Chrisawn***

***Christian Education: Karie Chrisawn***

***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](http://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

|   |                      |
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| Attendance Last Sunday                            | 51 Adults 8 Children |
| Weekly Budget                                     | \$ 2,846.00          |
| Aug 19 <sup>th</sup> Generous Undesignated Giving | \$ 972.00            |

### LIFE GROUP/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Wednesday, Aug 29, 3:00 p.m. "Conversations In Faith", at the church

### Facebook Schedule

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| 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

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| Wednesday                    | Music Practice, to be arranged  |
| Thursday, Aug 30, 7:15 a.m.  | Prayer at the Flagpole, RS High School  |
| Thursday, Sept 6, noon       | UMW Meeting   |
| Thursday, Sept 13, 6:30 p.m. | Finance Meeting   |
| Thursday, Sept 13 to follow  | Administrative Board Meeting  |
| Saturday, Sept 29, 8:30 a.m. | <b><u>Church-wide Clean Up.</u> Gather at 8:30 a.m., work begins at 9:a.m. ALL HANDS ON DECK!</b> |

### Please Note:

Prior to our Church-wide Clean Up, pre-clean up items (i.e., old sports trophies, books, etc.) will be available on the table in the parlor, beginning Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, ending Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. After this time, all items will be disposed of at the discretion of the Trustees.

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



Greetings in the name of Jesus! Peace and blessings.

This from last week and where we begin this week.

*Jesus died to pay the penalty for every sin large or small. Just because someone sins doesn't mean God loves them less. Remember "Jesus died for us while we were yet in our sins." So we come to the next situation and that is, if Jesus died for all sins and all we have to do is repent then why should we try to live a good life now? Why not just live it up doing what we want, when we want, any way we want and just before we die repent and slide into heaven safe and sound?*

Well here is the main thing Jesus says, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me." NIV

**Salvation is not without invitation!** You must hear Jesus knocking at your hearts door and make the choice to let Him in, accept Him into your heart, and let Him become not only Savior but Lord! Here is the big thing, people like the salvation part, it becomes the Lord part that is difficult.

This means it is HIS way not our way!

It means His will not ours.

It means we serve Him not Him serving us!

I hope you don't think or ask, but some do: What do we get for what we give up?

Eternal Life, Peace that surpasses understanding, Joy of God's presence, unlimited heavenly resources, a view of the eternal instead of the temporal...

To be continued...