

Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30 AM Traditional & 11:00 AM Modern

9:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee

Church Office Hours

Monday: 8:30 AM—2:30 PM

Tuesday to Friday: 8:30 AM— 3:30 PM

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Faith Community Church

August Newsletter



Our Vision: "To make disciples of all people, baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; inviting all to repent and receive forgiveness of sin through the blood of Jesus; and teaching people to obey all God commanded through the Holy Scriptures."

Our Mission: "To love God and serve others."

Pastor's Corner:

During the "Dog Days of Summer", the month of August, I am excited to participate once again in "Hot Dog Days" uptown on August 4th as part of the community encouraging us to "shop local" and I would include "worship locally".

This summer the office staff are busy preparing for the year ahead of us. Looking ahead, there are several changes on the horizon for our church. One is re-starting our In-Touch Ministry. Another change is moving to a Wednesday night discipleship night. Each Wednesday we will have a meal followed by activities for k-8th grades and adults from 6:00 –7:15 p.m. The church will come alive. This replaces our "kids club" activities we had last year. Another change is we are moving to Sunday Board Meetings beginning in August, to allow for all the board members to participate on Wednesday evenings.

With change in leadership, comes much excitement. I miss Jacob, Michelle, Ron and their participation on our staff, but Jon, Danielle, and Sarah have brought a breath of fresh air. It is amazing how God takes our sorrows and turns them into great joy! Life is in constant change, and when we lean into Jesus, and trust Jesus, greater things are ahead.

I encourage you to embrace the changes, and find ways to be encouraged by one another through them. I'm sure there will be more changes ahead as we grow. We need to remain the body of Christ in action! As Paul wrote to the church at Thessalonica, "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, Just as in fact you are doing." (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

See you in worship each week, and taking Church into the world!

Pastor Kevin Gingerich

August Scripture of the month: Hebrews 10:23-24

"23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,"

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Derick Roos**
- **Gene Den Hartog**
- **Russ Duncanson**
- **Darvin Rusche**
- **Nancy Burley** (and daughters)
- **Stormy Morris Dage** (Adam)
- **Lucy Hoppe**
- **Jen Roos** (sister of the Noacks)
- **Mary Ann Boom** (mother of Blanca)
- **Jo Anne Fowler** (mother of Steve Fowler)
- **Donna Whitfield** (mother of Michelle Noack)
- **Sue Radke** (mother of Matt & Jody Radke)
- **Tom Marcotte** (brother-in-law of Pam Buysman)
- **Ray Anderson**
- **Bill and Peggy Noack**
- **Rick Kobbe**

Jeremiah 17:14: "Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise."

Please pray for and visit our members in nursing homes & assisted living facilities

Fieldcrest Assisted Living: Ray Rohlf, Mollie Parry, Jeanette Reekers, Thelma Van Nyhuis, Leona Sauer, Shirley Muecke, Marlys Den Hartog

Christian Retirement Home: Lucy Hoppe, Gerald Kroon, Mildred Robinson, , Janus Martin, Linda Heiliger, Marilyn King

Other Homes: Jervis Sterler, John Van Olst, Eleanor Poppema, Oscar Benson, Nancy Burley, Duane Wahlstrom

Our Service Men and Women

AIR FORCE: Luke Kobbe, Steven Bylsma, Kevin Meinecke, Justin Wolthuizen

ARMY: Daniel Mulder, Jeremy Post, Jesse Meendering

MARINES:

NATIONAL GUARD: Dr. Ryan Becker, Dr. Josephine Dunn Junuis, Cael Noteboom
Jeffrey Heithus, Reese Van Meeteren

NAVY: Dave Sarnoski, Greg Weiman, Drew Lidster

Ways to Get Involved

Communion Set Up- Order the Farmers loaf with the 2 loaves in the one bag from Hyvee and make sure we have grape juice, or purchase that as well. Rosa will have the cups already in the trays. Fill them with juice and put the trays in the silver fridge. After second service dump out left over juice and wash dishes.

Coffee Bar Clean Up- Put any bars, cookies, or goodies away, dump remaining coffee, put left over juice in the fridge. Wash and dry dishes.

Usher Duties for First & Second Service— Hand out bulletins in Narthex, light the acolyte sticks, count attendance (don't forget nursery or balcony), pass the offering plates and the red sign in folders, bring offering forward during doxology, one usher should be stationed in the Narthex to greet late comers and to keep watch on the congregation in case there is a medical emergency, after first service take order of service inserts out of the bulletins and recycle them, bring offering to the office and put it in bank bag, place in it in the safe.

Faith in Action- The former UMW is now called Faith in Action. We meet on the second Tuesday each month, and our goal is to plan activities where members of Faith Community Church can actively participate or help financially. We are always looking for new ideas, and we are currently seeking men, women and teenagers who would like to be involved in planning the various fundraisers and potential programs and outreach ideas that we are involved in. Contact Ashley Hoogland or any member for more information.

Connections Ministry- The Connections Ministry focuses on planning events to connect us with each other in our church and in our community, whether it is bingo, a movie night in our church, or Dinner Together outside the church walls. We also look for outreach opportunities to connect us with those in our community like Trunk or Treat. Our team of volunteers is Susan Klein (Chair). We would love to have more volunteers so we can offer even more events

Youth Council— Meet the second Monday of the month to plan youth events during the year, different fundraisers, and support confirmation, JR, and SR High IMPACT. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact Jon Eveland.

Children's Ministry (Education)- Meets the first Tuesday each month to decide Sunday school curriculum, the Christmas program, VBS, and any other special events that involve children's education. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact Jon Eveland.

Worship— There are many other ways you can be active in the church: liturgist, song leader, praise team, decorating committee, communion stewards, greeters, ushers, coffee bar, acolyte (3rd grade +), playing piano/organ, sound, projection.

Ad Council- meets the third Sunday and is an elected position. They make the decisions of the church. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact a board member or Jari Brink (Chair).

Faith News

We had a great turnout at the pool party—around 60 people showed up!

Labor Day Worship - August 31

For the last several years the Sheldon area Ministerial Association has sponsored a community wide service at the Rise grounds, and we have fully participated in it. Faith Community Church will once again join with the Sheldon community to celebrate Christ together. We will not have worship at Faith Community that Sunday. The Community Service begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Rise grounds. We ask that you bring your lawn chairs and join us for a time of worship.

Congrats to Jon & Sarah Eveland on the dedication of Warren today!

Proverbs 22:6 is often interpreted as a promise that if children are raised in a godly way, they will remain faithful to those teachings throughout their lives.

Unity Meal - July 21 wrap-up

Thank you to the 21 volunteers who helped prepare and serve the community Unity meal on Monday, July 21. We served over 150 people, and there were many helpful smiles. This year had a few challenges, and I was proud of the way our church helpers stepped in and handled each situation with grace. I saw a side of the church working together that was very special.

A huge thanks goes to Judy Nieuwenhuis for her food prep! She bought and cooked the meal staying up late on Sunday, and then organized the rest of the crew on Monday and then her nursing skills jumping into action!!!! Also to thank you Rosa Koerselman and Jon Eveland for their ability to diffuse a unique situation.

I could see the hands and feet of Jesus at work!

Pastor Kevin

Congratulations to Payten and Olivia Radke on their marriage! May God bless them with a lifetime of love, joy, and togetherness.

Youth

Community Youth Bible Study – 6th-12th grade – August 6th & 13th

We will wrap up our summer Bible Study on August 13. We would still love to have you join us @ Breu Haus from 2-3pm.

Youth Leader Retreat – Middle & High School Leaders – 10-2pm

All youth leaders will gather at church on Saturday, August 9 from 10am-2pm for a retreat. We will get to know each other better, share the upcoming youth group schedule, participate in team building activities, and brainstorm together as we prepare for the upcoming youth group year! Please let Jon know if you are able to attend.

Family Discipleship Wednesdays Launch This Fall

We are thrilled to kick off a brand-new season of growing in faith together as a church family. Every Wednesday night (Sept–May), kids (K-5th) will meet from 6:00-7:15pm, middle schoolers (6-8th) will meet at the same time as K-5 6:00-7:15pm, and high schoolers will meet from 7:30-8:45pm and will gather for age specific discipleship through worship, engaging lessons, fun, and community. At the same time, adults will have the opportunity to grow as well by serving as volunteers pouring into the next generation, and have an opportunity to grow in their faith through a class. There is a place for you! We can't wait to see what God will do through this new chapter of midweek ministry! We are still seeking those to help in the nursery and with kitchen crew on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to help please contact Jon. We also ask that you pray diligently for this new change!

Impact – Scavenger Hunt – Date to be determine

Stay tuned for information regarding a fun opportunity for all incoming 6th-12th graders! This event will be sometime in the middle of August before school starts.

Parent Informational Meeting – Children & Youth – August 27 @ 6 & 7pm

As we gear up for our Family Discipleship Wednesdays, we would love to meet with parents of all incoming K-5th graders @ 6pm in the gym, and all incoming 6th-12th graders @ 7pm in the gym to share about the upcoming programming year! We are so excited for this new season! We have many things to share – including schedules, our mission, theme, provide parents with waiver forms, etc. We hope you will join us! Contact Jon if you cannot make it. **Family Discipleship Wednesdays will kick-off on Wednesday, September 3.**

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With your help, I collected 34 backpacks, 229 packages of pencils, 103 packages of pens, 192 boxes of crayons, 32 packages of highlighters, 319 notebooks, 28 packages of Sharpies, 158 packages of filler paper, 260 binders, 434 folders, 10 calculators, 17 packages of sheet protectors, 18 packages of binder dividers, 137 boxes of colored pencils, 15 book covers, 2 staplers, 8 journals, 82 scissors, 2 boxes of chalk, 105 pencil pouches/boxes, 131 composition notebooks, 163 boxes of markers, 700 glue sticks, 32 bottles of glue, 889 erasers, 25 packages of dry erase markers, 6 water bottles, 8 fidgets, 240 rulers, 62 packages of notecards, 2 watercolor paints, 44 pencil sharpeners, 6 packages of sticky notes, 2 assignment notebooks, 1 index card box, 4 locker stands, 4 3-hole punches, 4 packages of construction paper, 5 button envelopes, 6 pencil grips, 1 set of notetabs, 10 weekly calendar notepads, 20 manila folders, 3 eye glass pouches, 5 small paper pads, 1 compass/protractor set, and 6 crayon box holders with sharpeners. I appreciate everything you all did to help me collect this many school supplies for others.

Thanks again,
Dax Noteboom



THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT!

Faith Community in Action

The 2025 radio and TV sponsorship sheet is out on the friendship center. It is \$80.00 to sponsor a Sunday. This ministry is an outreach to people who listen to our Sunday service on the radio.

Thank You to Our Summer Lunch Heroes!

As summer winds down, Summer Lunch Program will end August 15, and we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to every single person who helped make our Summer Lunch Program a success. Whether you served food, cleaned up, greeted families, or supported behind the scenes—your time, energy, and kindness made a real difference.

Because of you, countless children and families received meals, smiles, and care throughout the summer. Your service truly nourished more than just bodies—it uplifted our community.

We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you for being part of something so meaningful!

You're Invited to walk with Faith Community Church!

Join us this Labor Day as we proudly represent Faith Community Church in the community parade! We're excited to celebrate faith, unity, and community spirit, and we want YOU to be a part of it!

Date: Monday, September 1, 2025

Time: Parade kicks off at 2:00 PM (Arrive by 1:30 PM for staging)

Location: We will know closer to the date

Who Can Join: Everyone! Families, kids, teens, adults — come ride or walk with us!



Volunteer for the Labor Day Bake Sale & Lemonade Stand!

Faith Community Church is hosting a Bake Sale & Lemonade Stand prior to the Labor Day parade and we need your help to make it a sweet success! Please let the office know or sign up at the Friendship Center as we get closer.

Faith, Friends, and Family

The Seivert Family

Dominic and I just got married in April. I have 3 children - Kellen(10), Evie (7), Brea (4). We have a leopard gecko named Oraby as a pet. We live in Sheldon. Dominic is the branch manager at Security National Bank in Sheldon. I am a dentist at Sheldon Family Dental Clinic. Kellen is involved with anything sports related. He enjoys football, basketball, baseball, and soccer. Evie has been involved in soccer and t-ball. She has been in dance and will be continuing her love for tumbling this fall. Brea has just started participating in activities. She did blastball this spring and will try tumbling this fall. We chose Faith Community Church because of the feeling of family we get when we are there. The kids enjoy going to Sunday school and VBS and becoming more involved in church. We enjoy going to our camper during our summer weekends. We enjoy attending different sporting events and cheering on our favorite sports teams. We also enjoy playing boards games or card games together and having movie nights.



Administrative Board Highlights

July

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There are no Administrative board highlights for July because we did not have a meeting.

We would like to remind you that it was decided to move our Administrative Board meetings to the third Sunday of each month following second service. We will have a pot luck after church and the meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. As always, the meetings are “open” meetings. All members are welcome to attend and give voice. The board members will be the ones who vote. We invite anyone to bring along pot luck to share with us from 12:00 –1:00 p.m.

Our next meeting is on August 17 at 1:00 p.m.

(all are welcome to join us for a potluck meal prior to the meeting.)

Areas of Service for August

8:30 AM Greeters:

- 3– Steve F
- 10– Fred & Ardis G
- 17– Robin L
- 24– Barb M & Julie B
- 31– No service here

8:30 AM Ushers:

- 3– Greg G
- 10– Greg G, Cory H, Jim N
- 17– Jim & Judy N, Steve F, Willy S
- 24– Stew C, Ashley H, Mark & Kyler Mc
- 31- No service here

8:30 AM Acolyte:

- 3– Eli & Evie B
- 10– Hayden H & Kellen A
- 17– William F & Charlie H
- 24– Kenzie Mc & Jaci H
- 31– No service here

8:30 AM Sound:

- 3- Stew C
- 10- Mike Mc
- 17- Stew C
- 24-Tony H
- 31-No service

8:30 AM Projection:

- 3- Niki C
- 10- Kyler Mc
- 17- Niki C
- 24- Deb H
- 31-No service here

Communion:

August 3- Peter & Karin VB

Liturgist:

- 3– Matt R
- 10– Steve F
- 17- Judy N
- 24- Bill B
- 31-No service here

11:00 AM Ushers:

- 3– Heath
- 10– Dave G, George D, Scott R, Fred H
- 17– Sandy BL, Dave G, George D
- 24– Heath & Carter K, Peter & Karin VB
- 31- No service here

Song Leader:

- 3- Ardis G
- 10- Ardis G
- 17- Bill B
- 24- Bill B
- 31- No service here

11:00 AM Sound:

- 3- Bill B
- 10- Bill B
- 17- Bill B
- 24- Bill B
- 31- No service here

11:00 AM Projection:

- 3- Sherri M
- 10- Sherri M
- 17- Sherri M
- 24- Sherri M
- 31- No service here

11:00 AM Greeters:

- 3– Sandy BL & Breann G
- 10– Jason & Amanda N
- 17– Fred & Bonnie H
- 24– Dave & Michelle G
- 31- No service here

11:00 AM Acolyte:

- 3– Mattias G & Hayes S
- 10– Aubrie K & Stella M
- 17– Dax N & Levi M
- 24– Ethan M & Archer F
- 31- No service here

Coffee Bar Clean up:

- 3- Jim & Judy N
- 10– Henry & Carolyn D
- 17- Barb M & Yvonne R
- 24– Melissa D & Michele G
- 31- No service here

Organ:

- 3- Pam Kobbe
- 10- Janus Martin
- 24- Wil G
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- 31- No service here

Faith Community Opportunities

IN TOUCH MINISTRY

Prior to COVID 19, we had a wonderful ministry to our “shut-in” members called In-Touch. This ministry paired members of the congregation with “friends” they would make a monthly (sometimes more often) contact with their friend and then report to the pastor what was going on in their friend’s life. This helped involve more people in visitation ministry, and those who were In-Touch ministers felt a sense of connection as did their friends.

We want to restart this ministry this fall. On Sunday, August 24 we will have an informational meeting of all who may be interested in visiting. The meeting will be in the multi-purpose room (near the fellowship hall) at 9:45 a.m. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of this important ministry.

Connections – Back to School Bingo – come play Bingo with us on Sunday, August 10th at 3:00pm. Enjoy a fun night together with friends, fun and prizes before we head back to school. Invite your friends!

Helping Hands Tree

Our Helping Hands “Tree” in our entryway (the last supper cross) has gifted us with many projects done already. We will continue to add hands with different projects that we would like for people like you to care for during August. It works like this: we see a need at the church and we list it on the hands. We get the materials needed like paint, light bulbs, ladders, (whatever may be needed) and will have them available for you. You take a hand and then contact the office to see where the supplies are and we will allow you to accomplish the task. This will make our church look nicer, and will not cost as much as hiring the jobs done. Some tasks will take a few minutes, others may take a couple of days. They may include gutter cleaning, painting, landscaping, etc.

Thank you ahead of time for lending a “helping hand”, in your service to Jesus and to Faith Community.

August Birthdays



August 1	Mary Muchiri
August 3	Derick Roos Erin Seivert
August 5	Ashley Tisher Lilly Kamstra
August 6	Rich Haack Jon Sommers
August 7	Jadelyn Simpson
August 8	Michael Molettiere
August 9	Marlys Den Hartog Mike Brouwer
August 10	Jaxson Ross
August 12	Andrew Klaassen
August 13	Rachel Kleinhesselink
August 15	Rex Ross
August 17	Mollie Parry Kelsey McCuddin Brea Marie Anderson

August 18	Martha Huisman
August 19	Walt Pruiksmas
August 21	Ron Noack
August 23	Katricia Meendering Cooper Jansma
August 24	Darla Wright
August 25	Tracy Jansma Ethan Molettiere
August 26	Marilyn King
August 27	Chuck Missman
August 28	Presley Simpson
August 29	Phyllis Peterson Courtney Klein
August 30	Jill Koedam Blake Radke

August 2025

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