

Faith UP

March 2016

In this Issue	
Lectionary Study.....	2
MPW News.....	3
Missions.....	4
Prayer Families.....	5
Congregation in Action....	5
Birthdays.....	6
Anniversaries.....	6
Calendar.....	7

Dave’s Musings

In the recent past, the Green Bay Packers had a run of tough games, losing games in several different ways. During this losing streak, quarterback Aaron Rogers was interviewed, and during the interview he made the comment that folks should “be calm, take a deep breath, everything will be ok.” His point was that folks just needed to relax, they were making a big deal out of things that were not such a big deal. Maybe that should be our mantra as we continue to move forward in our new life as Faith United Presbyterian Church.

Over the past weeks I have heard and sensed of a certain anxiety in the “family” as we have taken on a lot of “stuff” in a very short period of time. We have changed a lot; moved out of a building that was home for a long time; conjoined session and deacon boards; combined choirs, committees and staffs. And we have combined two households of possessions and keepsakes into one household. Each of these things would be cause for stress, yet we are taking them all on at the same time, not to mention trying to figure out how to combine what “we used to do,” and “what we used to do,” into “what we are going to do.” If there were not some anxiety and fear I would say that we were not taking what we are doing very seriously. But we know better; to the contrary, we are taking this very seriously, hence the anxiety and the fear.

Jesus has called us together as the church, as part of the family, to be in community. It is a challenge to bring families together, but we make it work. Jesus has told us that wherever we are at and whatever we are experiencing, He will be there with us, leading us into the next new moment and next new situation and next new phase. We are not alone, and with Jesus leading us we can do this!! We do need, however, to be patient with one another, to make room for one another and our ideas, new ideas that may seem old to some, and old ideas that may seem new to some. It will take us a while, we have done something that should have taken us months of planning and months more of implementing, and we have done both in a short time. (as of this writing it has been 55 days since we consolidated and became Faith United!) It will take some time to get things to the place we all feel comfortable with one another and we can trust enough to try new ideas out. That day will come, if indeed it is God’s desire for us. We must keep after it, keep talking, keep gathering, keep worshiping and singing and playing, keep trusting, keep loving one another as we have been loved. We cannot allow our fears and anxieties to cut off the love that is experienced and the possibilities that exist for future. We have a lot at stake, but we have so much going for us; and if God desires future for us then future we shall have. Peace of Christ be with us as we continue the journey.

Dave

March Worship At Faith United Presbyterian Church

- 6th: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32; the Prodigal is redeemed. We will celebrate the Feast of our Lord.
- 13th: John 12:1-8; Jesus is anointed for his hour.
- 20th: Palm Sunday; Luke 19:28-40; Jesus’ triumphal entry into his hour.
- 24th: Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service- 6:30
- 25th: Community Good Friday Service- 6:30
- 27th: EASTER DAY!!! Luke 24:1-12; Jesus is risen from the dead and appears to his disciples; celebration of the Feast of Resurrection.

Also, we will celebrate the uniting of Morningside Presbyterian Church and Third Presbyterian Church and the installation of Rev. David Koehler in a service of celebration on Sunday, March 13, at 3 pm. ALL are invited to join in the celebration.

Lectionary Scripture Lessons in March

Fourth Sunday in Lent—March 6

Joshua 5:9–12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16–21
Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32

Fifth Sunday in Lent—March 13

Isaiah 43:16–21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b–14
John 12:1–8

Passion / Palm Sunday—March 20

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Liturgy of the Palms

Luke 19:28–40; Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29;

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4–9a; Psalm 31:9–16; Philippians 2:5–11;
Luke 22:14–23:56 or Luke 23:1–49

Resurrection of the Lord—March 27

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34–43 or Isaiah 65:17–25; Psalm 118:1–2,
14–24; 1 Corinthians 15:19–26 or Acts 10:34–43;
John 20:1–18 or Luke 24:1–12

Sunday Attendance

	<u>10:30</u>
February 7 –	185
February 14 -	116
February 21 -	110

*The deadline for newsletter submission is the 3rd Wednesday of the month prior to publication. Please direct articles & questions to Teri McCallum
faithupcsec@outlook.com*

HOLY WEEK

Monday of Holy Week—March 21

Isaiah 42:1–9; Psalm 36:5–11; Hebrews 9:11–15;
John 12:1–11

Tuesday of Holy Week—March 22

Isaiah 49:1–7; Psalm 71:1–14; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31;
John 12:20–36

Wednesday of Holy Week—March 23

Isaiah 50:4–9a; Psalm 70; Hebrews 12:1–3;
John 13:21–32

Maundy Thursday—March 24

Exodus 12:1–4 [5–10] 11–14; Psalm 116:1–2, 12–191 ;
Corinthians 11:23–26; John 13:1–17, 31b–35

Good Friday—March 25

Isaiah 52:13–53:12; Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16–25 or Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9
John 18:1–19:42

Easter Vigil—March 26

Genesis 1:1–2:4a; Psalm 136:1–9, 23–26;
Genesis 7:1–5, 11–18; 8:6–18; 9:8–13;
Psalm 46; Genesis 22:1–18; Psalm 16;
Exodus 14:10–31; 15:20–21; Exodus 15:1b–13,
17–18; Isaiah 55:1–11; Isaiah 12:2–6;
Proverbs 8:1–8, 19–21; 9:4b–6; Psalm 19;
Ezekiel 36:24–28; Psalm 42 and 43; Ezekiel 37:1–14;
Psalm 143; Zephaniah 3:14–20;
Psalm 98; Romans 6:3–11; Psalm 114;
Luke 24:1–12

Faith United Presbyterian Church

Is on a pilgrimage to resurrect and expand our church community and to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ. We worship as an authentic expression of our gratitude to God for grace unimaginable and love unconditional. We strive to be God's heart, hands and voice to all ages as we grow in faith and engage in mission locally, nationally, and globally.

*Please direct ideas, articles and questions to Teri McCallum
712-276-3121,
faithupcsec@outlook.com*



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

Upcoming Dates to Remember

March

Circles will meet:

Naomi Circle March 1 - 2:00 pm
 Rebecca Circle March 2 - 10:00 am
 Card Making March 9 - 9:00 am
 Esther Bible Study March 10 - 9:30 am
 Coordinating Team March 18 - 10:00 am
 PW Gathering March 18 - Noon

March 18 is the Spring Gathering and PW will be hosting Jean Logan, Executive Director of the Community Action Agency, as our speaker. We encourage all women of the congregation to join us at the Gathering at noon for lunch.

One of the Community Action Agency's program is "Handbags for the Homeless and we would like to ask the congregation to participate also. If you have an old handbag or backpack to donate, please bring it to the church before March 18 along with any items you may have to fill it. A list of suggested items is found below, Any woman of the congregation is invited to this Gathering, March 18, at noon in the church dining room. Please call the office by Tuesday, March 15, if you plan to attend.

Handbags for the homeless

Deodorant	Tissues	Hair Brush
Hand Sanitizer	Nail file	Hair Bands
Aspirin	Lotion	Shampoo
Wash Cloth	Tweezers	Nail Clippers
Mouth Wash	Q-Tips	Comb
Baby Wipes	Band aids	Floss
Conditioner	Gum	Hand Cream
Disposable Razors		
Chap stick/lip balm		
Feminine Products		

Janet Ross



Labyrinth Journeys

Looking for some quiet time? Remember the labyrinth in the Spirituality Center is available for prayer and meditation whenever the church is open. (Do check ahead to make sure the room is available first) The canvas labyrinths are available for presentations and workshops upon request. There are two sizes available. A 24 foot and thirty-seven foot 11 circuit canvas.

NEED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT?

Do you need to borrow some medical equipment for short-term use? The church has wheelchairs, walkers, bath chairs, etc. available on a loan basis. If you would like to borrow any of these items, contact the church office at **276-3121**.



Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

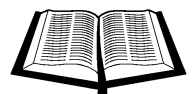
Synod Gathering of Presbyterian Women of the Synod of Lakes & Prairies. June 15-18, 2016
 Ramkota Hotel & Convention Center, Sioux Falls
 Watch for more info in next months Newsletter, the Sunday Bulletins or check out the bulletin board.

Kitchen Clean - Up

March 8th starting at 9:00 am
 All women of the church are welcome to come help.

**Kitchen Crew
 for March is
 Marterians**

Mar/Apr UPPER ROOM
 DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE!





MISSION NEWS



Written by Lynda Miller, Kelly Berkenpas, Harriett Marsh, Karen Juhl

Spotlight on Missions!!

Lent is here and Easter is coming up in just 5 weeks now. There are two important mission projects for us to participate in during this important season of our church year. First, we will be collecting Easter baskets from now through March 20 for children ages 0-10 to be delivered to the Crittenton Center. You can make your own, buy one already made, or give money to a Mission Committee member (Becky Bainbridge, Kelly Berkenpas, Harriett Marsh, Mark Pappadackis, Peggy Reid) to buy one for you. Thanks!

The other ongoing project is our One Great Hour of Sharing offering, one of the four churchwide offerings we participate in. Envelopes are in the pews and the offering will be received any time between now and Easter. There will also be envelopes in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. Much of this offering goes to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program; watch for a Minute for Mission and bulletin inserts and prayerfully consider a generous offering.

Faith's Soup Kitchen assignment is coming up Monday, March 28, and Harriett Marsh will be looking for volunteers. Call her at 266-0201 if you would like to serve.

Holy Week Cantata

On Palm Sunday, March 20th, at 3:00 pm, the Music Department will present "The Seven Last Days: A Tenebrae Service" by Joel Raney. This Holy Week cantata features the Chancel Choir and will be accompanied by piano, flute, oboe, violin and cello. The cantata takes us through Jesus's last week, beginning with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem and ending with his burial in the tomb. Please plan to join us for this special musical work.

Ellen Osborn, Director of Music

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Sunday Mornings at 10:30 am Feb 14th - Mar 27th with Communion on Mar 6th.

There will be Wednesday morning coffee Lent Gathering each Wednesday at 10:00 am at Westminster.

Wednesday evenings Lenten meal & Lenten Service at 5:45 pm Feb 17th through Mar 16th

We are gathering as community each Friday afternoon at First Presbyterian Church, for a noon lunch and a presentation following.

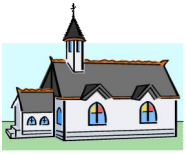
**March 20th - Palm Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am
Holy Week Cantata at 3:00 pm**

March 24th - 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service

On Friday, March 25th, we will hold a Community Good Friday Service at 6:30 pm at Faith United Church.

March 27th - 10:30 am Easter Sunday Worship Service with Communion

March- OUR CONGREGATION IN ACTION



Prayer Families for March

6- Eric Butler, Michele Butler, Rick & Carol Butler, Larry & Andrea Cale, Paul Campbell & Cathie Bishop, John & Cheryl Carey & family

13 - Ardith Caviness, Adam & Larisa Chmielewski & family, Delbert Christensen & family, Josh Clayton & family, Karen Clayton, Kathy Clayton

20 - Nancy Clayton & family, Robert & Wendy Collins & family, Sheryl Collins, Pam Crain, Carol & Marguerite Dahl, David Dahl

27 - Jeff & Rhonda Dahl & family, Ben Daniels, Deanna Daniels, John & Mary Daniels, Bob & Carlene Davis, John & Jeanne Davis

Ushers



20- Tom Braddy*, Audrey Fenton, Carlotta Fox, Shirley Heath

10:30 Service

6 - Gary* & Karen* Lien, Helen Lehnertz, Cliff Huseman

27 - Jeff Arnett*, Merlin & Peggy Berkenpas, Ralph Maslonka

13 - Skip Trout*, Dick Pruehs, Sheryl Collins, Bill Strawn

COFFEE SERVERS

10:30 a.m after Worship

6 - Robert & Dorothy Rice
13 - Adam & Larisa Chmielewski
20 - Bob & Vina Rodecker
27 - Carolyn Schmith



Greeters

6 - Marilyn Watkins, Carol & Marguerite Dahl
13 - Bill Strawn, Gary & Karen Lien
20 - Mark, Nick & Kelsey Schmith, Sally Vilhauer
27 - Hermine Windle, Dick & Marcia Pruehs

Communion Servers

6 - Lorman Vilhauer, Jeff Arnett, Gary & Alice Hacker



Liturgist

Gary Wood

Easter Egg Hunt

EASTER EGG HUNT We are planning an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday during Sunday School. If you would like to donate money or wrapped candy, please have it to the church by March 19th. We thank you for your great support of our children's programs.

The Christian Ed Committee



Mar 2016



Birthdays

- 1- Darrell Krommenhoek
- 2 - Andrea Cale
- 4 - Larisa Cmielewski
- 5 - Marlene Rice
- 7 - John Daniels
Brenda Murphy
Taylor Schmith
- 8 - Keith Hansen

- 9 - Sarah Hansen
Harriett Marsh
- 10 - Mark Schmith
- 17 - Skip Trout
- 21 - Addyson Hicklin
Esther Peters
Larry Severeide
- 22 - Sue Gottsch
- 26 - Sally Manker
- 27 - Daren Koehler
- 29 - Julie Mesmer
- 30 - Andrew Becker
- 31 - Lloyd Trout

Mar 2016 Anniversaries



- 7 - Marv & Lorraine Edmunds
- 29 - Merlin & Peggy Berkenpas

Thank
you

 * **THANK YOU** Thank you seems like such a "Tiny
 * Word" to express how grateful I am to ALL at the
 * church for what was done for me. The months of
 * Jerry's illness were very hard! Someone from "Our
 * Church Family" seemed to be there at the right
 * time.....again and again. They may have said what I
 * needed to hear that day, it may have been the caring
 * smile from across the room, sometimes a kind soul
 * just let me cry, a warm hug. Anyway, it got me back
 * so I could say to myself, "I can do this!" Pastor Dave,
 * no words can say enough for your help when I was in
 * need of Help! Know that no card, phone call, or visit
 * from our friends was ever overlooked. The ones who
 * helped for the funeral were true blessings to
 * myself and the family. Thank you. *Marilyn Erickson*
 * *****



SUPPORTED by MPC

Faith United Presbyterian Church provides stability for 12-step groups by providing space for five different groups' meetings. If you know of people, who are looking for 12-step support, please share this schedule.

- SUNDAYS -**
 - 7:00 p.m. - Steel Magnolias, Women's Open AA - Meditation Rm.
 - 8:00 p.m. - Big Book Group Study Open AA Fireside Rm.
- WEDNESDAYS -**
 - 7:00 p.m. - Gambler's Anon.- Fireside Rm. (Hotline - 712-223-0909)
 - 7:00 p.m. - Men's Al-Anon
- FRIDAY -**
 - 6:30 p.m. - Gambler's Anon.
 - 8:00 p.m. - Morningside Fellowship AA Group-Dining Rm.
 - 8:00 p.m. - Acceptance Al-Anon Meditation Room

Come and join us for a fun night of fellowship and hockey on April 9th at 7pm as our Sioux City Musketeers battle Cedar Rapids for the last regular game of the season! It will be an exciting game for sure and our Faith United Choir will be singing the National Anthem! Tickets are 10 dollars per person and you must let us know if you are going by April 1st. If you would like to go, please give your money and name to Dawn Braddy, Helen Lehnertz, Sherry Koehler, Becky Trout, Eric Butler, Lorman Vilhauer or drop it off at the church office. We hope to see everyone there to support our choir and our Muskies



March 2016

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
		1 4:00 Music lessons	2 10:00 am Rebecca Circle 10:00 am Lenten coffee at Westminster 11:00 Lunch Bunch 12:15 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 5:30 Weight Watchers 5:45 Lenten meal 6:30 pm Bells 7:00 Gambler's Anon 7:00 pm Men's Al-Anon 7:30 pm Choir	3 6:30 AM Study 8:30 Men's Club 10:00 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 7:00 pm Scouts	4 9-12 Cribbage games 12:00 pm Lenten lunch at 1st Pres 8:00 pm Morningside Fellowship AA 8:00 pm Acceptance Al-Anon	5 8:00 & 9:30 Weight Watchers
6 9:00 am Sunday School Worship Service 10:30 am COMMUNION 7:00 pm Steel Magnolia AA 8:00 Big Book Study Open AA	7 9:00 Quilting Group 5:30 pm Empty Nesters 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	8 4:00 Music lessons 7:00 pm Doll Club 7:00 Scout Committee Mtg	9 9:00 am Card Making 10:00 am Lenten coffee at Westminster 12:15 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 5:30 Weight Watchers 5:45 Lenten meal 6:30 pm Bells 7:00 Gambler's Anon 7:00 pm Men's Al-Anon 7:30 pm Choir	10 6:30 AM Study 8:30 Men's Club 9:30 Esther Bible Study 10:00 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 7:00 pm Scouts	11 9-12 Cribbage games 12:00 pm Lenten lunch at 1st Pres 8:00 pm Morningside Fellowship AA 8:00 pm Acceptance Al-Anon	12 8:00 & 9:30 Weight Watchers
13 9:00 am Sunday School Worship Service 3:00 pm Dave's Installation 6:30 pm Session 7:00 pm Steel Magnolia AA 8:00 Big Book Study Open AA	14 9:00 Quilting Group 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	15 4:00 Music lessons	16 VISITOR DEADLINE 10-11:30 am Caregivers Group 10:00 am Lenten coffee at Westminster 12:15 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 5:30 Weight Watchers 5:45 Lenten meal 6:30 pm Bells 7:00 Gambler's Anon 7:00 pm Men's Al-Anon 7:30 pm Choir	17 6:30 AM Study 8:30 Men's Club 10:00 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 4:00 pm Deacons 7:00 pm Scouts	18 9-12 Cribbage games 10:00 am PW Coordinating Team 12:00 pm Lenten lunch at 1st Pres 8:00 pm Morningside Fellowship AA 8:00 pm Acceptance Al-Anon	19 8:00 & 9:30 Weight Watchers
20 PALM SUNDAY 9:00 am Sunday School Worship Service 3:00 pm Cantata 7:00 pm Steel Magnolia AA 8:00 Big Book Study Open AA	21 9:00 Quilting Group 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	22 4:00 Music lessons	23 12:15 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 5:30 Weight Watchers 6:30 pm Bells 7:00 Gambler's Anon 7:00 pm Men's Al-Anon 7:30 pm Choir	24 MAUNDY THURS 6:30 AM Study 8:30 Men's Club 10:00 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 7:00 pm Maundy Thurs service No Scouts	25 GOOD FRIDAY 9-12 Cribbage games 6:30 pm Good Friday Service 8:00 pm Morningside Fellowship AA 8:00 pm Acceptance Al-Anon	26 8:00 & 9:30 Weight Watchers 10:00 am Session minutes review
27 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 am Sunday School Worship Service 7:00 pm Steel Magnolia AA 8:00 Big Book Study Open AA	28 9:00 Quilting Group 6:30 pm Cub Scouts	29 4:00 Music lessons	30 12:15 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 5:30 Weight Watchers 6:30 pm Bells 7:00 Gambler's Anon 7:00 pm Men's Al-Anon 7:30 pm Choir	31 6:30 AM Study 8:30 Men's Club 10:00 Weight Watch 4:00 pm Music lessons 7:00 pm Scouts		

Faith United Presbyterian Church

4327 Morningside Avenue
Sioux City, Iowa 51106

Phone: 712-276-3121

E-Mail (Pastor): faithupc@outlook.com

E-Mail (Secretary): faithupcsec@outlook.com

Website: www.faihtupc.com

We're also on Facebook



Worship Hours

Sunday Services

9:00 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service



March 13.
Daylight Savings
Time begins.

BOARD OF DEACONS

Elgerd Arnett	Angie Irwin
Marlyn Arnett	Bobbi Mesmer
Sheryl Collins	Julie Mesmer
Carlotta Fox	Toots Pittman
Alice Hacker	Carolyn Schmith
Shirley Heath	Mary Stokes
Rhonda Henry	Becky Trout

THE SESSION OF FAITH UPC

Clerk of Session– Connie Sponder

Jeff Arnett	Dick Pruehs
Marilyn Blatchford	Peggy Reid
Erick Butler	Bob Ross
Dawn Braddy	Don Stokes
Gary Hacker	Laura Stokes
Helen Lehnertz	Bill Strawn
Dick Mesmer	Eleanor Tasker
Mark Pappadackis	Lorman Vilhauer

FAITH UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. David Koehler - Music staff: Pat Herbold, Ellen Osborn, Cheryl Pappadackis - Admin. Asst.: Teri McCallum -
Financial Secretary/ Treasurer: Marilyn Watkins - Maintenance Services: Lindy Johnson - Nursery Care Coordinator: Connie Sponder