



Faith
UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST

Sunday Worship
10:00 AM

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Praying together

On November 5th our nation will elect a new leader. The air is ripe with fear and anxiety from all sides of the political spectrum and so— Let us pray:

“Holy One, you embrace us with a love that will not let us go. We find our souls restless until we rest in you. Calm the winds of anxiety and fear that surrounds us. Help us to center our trust in You and not in the things of this world. We pray for peace and justice in this world. Move us from prayer to action. Move our hearts to embrace one another with love and compassion. Come Holy Spirit come and settle our troubled world and spirits. In the name of the Prince of Peace we pray, Amen.”

(Kent Siladi, UCC Stamford, CT)
The UCC invites you to a zoom Prayer Service and Vigil Nov. 5th from 3-5 PM.

You can register here:
<https://UCC.zoom.us/j/9123456789>



VOICE OF FAITH

NOVEMBER 2024



“I thank my God every time I think of you.”

Phil. 1:3

October—December is a very busy season, but one where I find myself giving thanks to God relentlessly. Each October we remember and celebrate the Reformation just before heading into the first Sunday of November where we give thanks for all the saints who have come before us, especially of those we have personally loved and lost. There is grief in these days, no doubt, but they also hold a uniquely sacred space in our lives for deep deep gratitude. We give thanks to those who came before, who paved the way for us to live more fully as ourselves and in our faith. While we might put these people on pedestals and call them ‘saints,’ we do well to remember that they were not all that different from us. This means that we too have the immense potential to do God’s work throughout our lifetime. If everything we do and say is clothed in God’s unconditional love, we too can transform the world. Now if that seems too utopian, perhaps it is. I give thanks for the FLAWS in the people we memorialize as saints! None of us are perfect, but ALL of us can STILL be useful in the building up of God’s kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. This is especially important to remember in these days of great anxiety and fear. When you start getting fearful that the world is going to hell-in-a-handbasket, I pray your faith lures you back to HOPE. We are not people of doom, we as Christians are people of great hope. We trust that no matter what happens, God is present and working good into all that is bad. God promises to never leave us, to never abandon us, but to be with us always. When you feel anxious, may your soul rest in the Prince of Peace. When you feel hopeless, may the Holy Spirit empower you to answer God’s call to participate in co-creating a world of love and liberation. When you feel alone, may you remember your Faith UCC community and how we are all in this together. With the Thanksgiving holiday quickly approaching, I give thanks for all of you and our life together with God. May your holiday season be full of gratitude—and if/when it’s not, may you find yourself reaching out for connection. We were not made to do this life alone and our grief only becomes bearable when we help one another carry it. Thanks be to God!

~Pastor Paris



Retirement Celebration on November 3rd



You are all invited to stick around after worship on Nov. 3rd as we celebrate the countless years of dedication to Faith UCC of Pat Mundell (Congregational Life Coordinator), Tammy Ales (Christian Education Music), and Connie Miller (Music Director).

Come help us give thanks to these outstanding women of Faith!!

GRATITUDE IN ABUNDANCE



FALL BASH
COMMUNITY
BLOCK PARTY



Fellowship at Faith

Sunday, October 27th we had so much FUN just being in community and fellowship! We are grateful for the Guadalajara for bringing over their food truck; Montes Jumpers, Melissa Schumaker, and Angela Harris for bringing bounce houses/slides; Brad Soule's quartet and Banjoy for live music; Angela Harris for bringing pumpkins—big and small!; and everyone who donated candy, pies, yard games, and their time! It was an amazing afternoon with beautiful weather & between 100-150 people enjoying one another's company. What a day!

Fun Fundraising

We also pulled the winners of the Iowa VS Iowa State Raffle! Congratulations to Weston Busch, who is taking home the Iowa Hawkeye bundle (which I'm sure he will *gladly* be sharing with his brother, Wyatt!) and Margie & Dave Kundel, who are taking home the Iowa State bundle. Thanks to all who gave to this raffle as a fun way to fundraise for our building improvement funds and thanks to Lisa Shea & Jim Elias who made the items in these bundles!

Building Update Project News

In the spirit of Wendell Day, who loved to pose matched-gift challenges to the congregation and who has blessed us with a contingency fund – the Vestry would like to challenge the congregation to raise \$30,000 for our building projects to be matched 100% by the Wendell Day Fund! So far we have collected \$4,784.16 for the Building Improvement 2024 Fund PLUS another \$3,570 from the Raffle Ticket Sales = totaling \$8,354.16!

Building Project Fund 5 priorities here at Faith!

- ADA Compliance - **Our front doors are Complete!**
- Technology Upgrade - Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall sound/video system for our services: *Vote held on December 1st!*
- ADA Compliance - Restrooms to accommodate everyone's needs (future goals)
- New flooring Update - Remove the carpet for a more modern look (future goals)
- Sanctuary Pew chairs – For a multipurpose space that is flexible for our needs (future goals)

While the Vestry has identified these priorities, we need the congregations input. Please consider joining a team looking at our future goals for interior improvements. If you're interested, contact Mary Wildermuth for more information.

WORSHIP AND EDUCATION AT FAITH

All Saints Sunday

On Sunday, Nov. 3rd we will remember and honor 8 of our fellow Faith UCC members and friends as saints who have joined Christ in the great cloud of witnesses over the past year: *Ben Hanssen, Cathy Deters, Gina Huss, Carol Reynolds, Keith Allchin, Lewis Arkema, Lori Bashore, Ronald Loga.*

All are welcome to light a candle for their loved ones this Sunday and can bring a photo for the altar.



Living God, in whom there is no shadow or change, we thank you for the gift of life eternal, and for all those who, having served you well, now rest from their labors. We thank you for all the saints remembered and forgotten, for those dear souls most precious to us. We give thanks for those who during the last year have died and entered into glory. Amen.

Worship With Us In November

Nov. 3 All Saints Day, Daylight Savings Time Ends—fall back your clocks!

Nov. 10 Stewardship Sunday, with an AED/Active shooter event after worship

Nov. 17 Worship with the Faith Singer Choir

Nov. 24 Holy Communion, Special Offering "Iowa Thank" Offering, the Faith Choir, and decorating for Advent/Christmas after worship

Iowa Thank Special Offering November 24th

The Thanksgiving worship service on Sunday, Nov. 24 will have a special offering for the "Iowa Thank Offering". Grants from these donations are given to help support community service projects which will help further the mission of the congregations within our Iowa UCC Association. To donate: Write a check to Faith UCC and in the memo add IOWA THANK. Thank you for your generosity.

Children in Worship on Sundays

Infants and children are always welcome to be part of the worship service here at Faith UCC. Our nursery is open to infants through 5-year-olds. For those children who wish to remain in worship or are older than 5, we have a children's corner in the front of the sanctuary. We are also now experimenting with Children's Church! Each Sunday after the Children's Message in worship, all the children are invited to go downstairs for a snack, activities, and a lesson.

Bible Study on Tuesdays

Pastor Paris hosts a weekly Bible Study on Tuesdays at 1 pm from September through May. We are making our way through the entire Bible, starting with the New Testament. All are welcome to join us!

Christian Education on Wednesdays

Dinner will be provided for all at 5:15 pm, we will have time for music, and then a lesson, ending at 6:30 pm. Students who are in 5th grade and above will break off at 6:00 pm to have a Confirmation class with Pastor until 7 pm.

Centering Prayer on Thursdays

Join us each Thursday, from 5:15-5:45 pm for a moment of peace and connection with God. Centering Prayer is a time for reflection, prayer, and silence. We hope that this new time might allow for those of you getting off work the chance to also have a moment of silence and centering on God before you finish out your week.

Adult Forum on Thursdays

Adult Forum is held on Thursday nights from 6-7 at Faith. The current book is *Braiding Sweet Grass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teaching of Plants*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer. You are welcome to join in person or on Zoom. The Hybrid invitation Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83274674323>

STEWARDSHIP NEWS FROM THE DEACONS

Imagine: God speaks to us through prophets of ages past and through visionaries and leaders today.



God speaks in our hearts "with sighs too deep for human words" (Romans 8). And God speaks through spirited debate as we seek to discern the right thing to do. In all these ways, God stretches our imagination for what's possible and what's necessary. Together: God calls us into community. We follow Jesus as siblings in faith. United with other believers, we form a Christian movement living the way of Jesus. Faith is not a solitary life but one that brings our hearts close to others. As a statement of faith from the United Church of Canada affirms, "We are not alone; we live in God's world." The spiritual practice of generosity arises from imagining all that God calls us to do as a community. Our donations to our congregation make it possible to turn what we imagine into a reality. Through our annual commitments to our congregation, we imagine together all that we can do.

A Message from the Deacons

Setting a budget can be challenging and asking for money is never fun, especially at a time when money seems scarce. However, giving can be an act of faith. We know that our budget reflects our priorities and sends a message to others about how we see our mission as a congregation of Christ. We prioritize having a full-time Pastor who shepherds our life together, our individual spiritual lives, and our connections to the wider community. We prioritize having a safe and welcoming building that allows ministry, and visitors to feel welcome, and community activities or gatherings. We prioritize our committees that act as task forces for our mission.

Your pledge, your gifts to Faith ensure that we have the funding to keep these things going. Gifts can be made in other ways as well. We are deeply enriched not only by your generous financial contributions but also by the giving of your time and talents! Another way to give is through things like a Qualitative Charitable Distribution from your IRA/Retirement account. This is something we often forget about, but is an easy, tax-friendly way to boost your impact on Faith's ministry!

We will have our Stewardship Sunday on November 10th. By now everyone should have their pledging packets, if not, please call or stop by the church office for yours. We hope to have the pledges in by Nov. 10th for our blessing of all the pledges that morning. Please consider what you are willing and able to give financially to aid the 2025 annual budget. The 2025 Proposed Budget, along with the Building Project for Technology, will be voted on after worship on Sunday, December 1st via paper ballots.

These next few months, please pray on how you might contribute to our life here at Faith.

"When I make a pledge to my church, I'm doing four things. Jesus told us to love God with our heart, mind, soul, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves. My pledge is an expression of love. In my heart, I feel my commitment to the congregation when I name what I intend to give. In my mind, I know the congregation needs to plan and budget for the future. In my soul, I experience the hope that comes from making a commitment to the future. And with my strength, I do what I can to help support my community. All of which connects me to the mission and ministry of the congregation – its work to engage me in loving neighbors."

- Andrew Warner.

UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP & EVENTS

AED review and active shooter training, Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024



Congregational education event with LT. John Hessling from the police dept. and Craig Chelf from the Fire Dept. and Chelf Life Safety will be an informative event with a luncheon.

You will need to fill out a menu choice form if you wish to have a meal, please turn in the form by Nov. 3rd. Craig's presentation starts at 11 am in the sanctuary then John's presentation will follow, with brown bag lunch.



Open & Affirming November 7th

The Next ONA meeting: Nov. 7th starting at a new time of 7:15 p.m. This will be at the church following the Adult Forum with a Hybrid option. Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89822452836>



We embrace and celebrate the diversity of the human family and God's unconditional love for ALL.

Dr. Chris Peters, a volunteer with Braver Angels, spoke at Faith UCC on Oct. 3, 2024, with roughly 30 people attending. ONA hosted the event and was so grateful to Chris and the Braver Angels organization.

Chris recommended the following books to those who want to read more: [Here](#)

He also recommended short videos to show how people of differing views can hold civil conversations. Find them here:

- https://youtu.be/_KogDRg71L8
- <https://youtu.be/kBwea3ilgEA>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6kZpN5T3IU>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IU0yCWG8b7c&t=24s&pp=ygUeQnJhdmVyeEFuZ2VscywgQ29taW5nIFRvZ2V0aGVy>

Green Team November 12th

The Green Team will meet on the 12th (instead of the 5th so there is time to vote) starting at 4:30 p.m.. This will be **Zoom on-ly**. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87995593330>



The Stanley Center for Peace and Security

The building that The Stanley Center calls home is a living building. The renovated building models green practices in Iowa and raises awareness about the need for collective action on global challenges like climate change.

Tours are offered on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 am. Private tours are also available by appointment. To read more go [here](#).

Friendship Circle

The women will meet on Thursday, November 7th at the church starting at 10 a.m. Our Co-Hosts are Connie Miller and Sharon Hanssen. All women are welcome to this meeting.

Wine & Cheesus

Tuesday, Nov. 19th at 6:30 p.m. We meet at Proof Social / Wine Nutz (above the elevator in the hallway). You do not have to be twenty-one, there are non-alcoholic options available, and you can order amazing pizza from Wine Nutz, anything on the menu from Skinny's BBQ, and even places like Boonies will take your order and deliver it to you! All are welcome!

Advent Decorating

Sunday, November 24th will be the day that we decorate the church for Advent. Decorating will begin immediately after worship. Please plan on staying & helping. The more people we have to help, the faster the decorating will go.

Harmony Guild

The Women will host a Holiday Dinner on Monday, Dec. 2 at the church at 6 p.m. All women of the church are invited, members and friends. The cost will be \$20. The menu will be sour cream chicken and honey ham, rice, sweet potato souffle, a vegetable, salad, rolls, and dessert. If anyone would like a vegetarian option, please note that on the sign-up sheet.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the board in the overflow area. We will need reservations by **November 20**.

Any questions, contact Pat Mundell or Cindy Rada.

OUTREACH AND OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS

Undies and Sweatpants Collection

Please help the outreach committee with collecting some much-needed undies and sweatpants for the preschool and elementary students in Muscatine during October and November. Undies for boys and girls for sizes 4 - 14. The sweatpants most needed are sizes 6-6X, and 7-8, but any size will be much appreciated. Socks are also needed. These items are distributed throughout the school district by the school nurses. These items can be dropped off at the church. Thanks for thinking of our younger students!

Crop Hunger Walk Report

It was a beautiful day, Sunday, October 6th, to walk along the riverfront for a very worthy cause. A very small crowd gathered and walked. Thanks to Beth Elshoff from Faith UCC, who walked and participated. Our congregation donated \$1250 for this worthy cause (including \$100 from the Congregational Life Grant). The total received in Muscatine County is \$7791.15 as of October 15, 2024. Thanks again for all your support. 25% of the proceeds will be returned to Muscatine with 20% going to the Food Pantry and 5% going to the Bag of Blessings, this has helped the local food pantry and Bag of Blessings. If anyone wants to donate, you may still leave a check at the church office. - Pat Mundell

Faith UCC Cookbook

We want to start a committee to update the older version of the Faith Cookbook that was done in 1977, blending the old with the new. The goal is to have this book ready by Mother's Day. Do you want to be part of the cookbook committee this time around? We will need readers, typists, editors, artists, tasters, cooks, and bakers. A signup sheet is on the agenda board in the overflow area. Contact Lisa Shea or Mary Wildermuth to volunteer.

Scrip Gift Cards, Need gift cards for the Holidays?

You can order gift cards through the church. We would like to extend an opportunity to do a little fundraising to help you and the church out at the same time. The companies, gift card amounts, and the percentage of savings that will go to the church can all be found at Raise Right. You may pick up an order form in the church office. Please have your orders in the office by **November 12th**. Checks can be made out to Faith UCC, and in the memo write Scrip. Stop by the office to pick up or drop off the order form.

MCSA Homeless Shelter Sponsors

Nov. 3 - Donna Reed in loving memory of Maurie

Nov. 10 - Pat Mundell in honor of our Veterans

Nov. 17 - Jim & Janet Sichterman & Alan Arkema in Gratitude for our family and friends

Nov. 24 - Alan Arkema in Gratitude for all God's blessings

The Outreach Committee on December Advent Outreach Giving

We have chosen the following groups to support during this Advent Season. We will have posters with gift tags on them to be taken and items purchased and returned to the church. We will be doing this during the entire month of December.

Laundry Love - vouchers are given once a month. A local laundromat proves the machines. Volunteers provide the clients with the soap, softener, and money for the machines. In some cases, this is the only time that laundry is done for some persons/families - once a month.

Domestic Abuse Shelter - provides women and children a safe place to stay when needed. Donations are accepted through MCSA.

Emmaus Cafe - serves meals each Sunday at First Presbyterian Church. Meals are prepared by the church members and served by members and/or friends. Lately, they have been serving approx. 70 people a week. This is funded by their church and donations.

Diaper Bank - serves those in need at daycares and family needs. This is a program under United Way. Diapers do NOT have to be a brand name.

MCSA - We continue to support a room at the facility. **Starting January 2025 note the change in the amount per Sunday, we will be collecting \$35 for each Sunday.**

FAITH UNITED MEMBER AND FRIENDS

Card Shower

Nov. 6 - Anna Wheeler
3930 Hwy 22
Blue Grass IA 52726

Nov. 9 – Gary Lindley
1966 Hale Street
Muscatine IA 52761

Nov. 9 – Deborah
Wainscott-Meyer
323 Aspen Trail
Muscatine IA 52761

11/18 – Ann Reifert
11190 Medlock Bridge Rd,
Johns Creek, GA 30097

Nov. 19 – Jim Hoopes
2240 Bentwood Drive
Muscatine IA 52761

Nov. 23 – Dede Hoopes
2240 Bentwood Drive
Muscatine IA 52761

Anniversaries

- 1 – Pat & Caleen Pagel
- 2 – John & Linda Kleffmann
- 3 – Dylan & Kelsey Cooney
- 4 – Dan & Brook Tompos
- 14 – Brad & Leslie Soule
- 19 – Ken & Stephanie Gilkerson
- 25 – Phil & Cindy Carver
- 26 – Tony & Kristen Brant
- 26 – John & Sue Muir

Prayer List

To all who are sick, with injuries & their caregivers Myung Sharar, Chad Morgan, Audrey Beckey, Lane Clausen, Nancy Hultquist, Allison Odell, Susan Willis, Joey Merchan, Patricia Fischer, Allen Emerick, Chris Wildasin, Bob Murray, Dennis Engel, Will Kreuger, Judy Merritt, Sandra Roth, Tom Emerick, and Mary Jo Murray.

Birthdays

- 1 – Laurel Sharar
- 2 – Pat Pagel
- 4 – Michelle (Shelly) Elias
- 4 – Lane Clausen
- 6 – Anna Wheeler
- 7 – Grace Kreitner
- 9 – Carson Carroll
- 9 – Gary Lindley
- 9 – Deb Wainscott Meyer
- 9 – Cason Ales
- 10 – Pastor Paris White
- 14 – Georgia Gerth
- 14 – Isabelle Hartman
- 15 – Mylo Collins
- 16 – Alex Adams
- 18 – Ann Reifert
- 19 – Jim Hoopes
- 21 – Deb Hueser
- 23 – Dede Hoopes

November

Altar Committee

Nancy Wangberg

Thank You Notes

- Thanks to all who sent me birthday cards. I appreciated all of them. - *Myung Sharar*
- Thank you to the Faith Care Team for the delicious snack mix and to Sue & Mike Johannsen for the delivery. Thank you for thinking of us, and for your kindness and support. - *Larry, Marcy, and Lane Clausen*
- Thank you to the Faith Family for the surprise school supplies in my mailbox. As we come to midterms, they will be very handy as study guides and for taking notes. It's nice to know that we college students are being thought of at Faith UCC. - *Erin Elshoff*
- Thank you so very much for all the lovely cards and messages I received when I was ill. I do appreciate your many kindnesses! - *Donna Reed*

Congregational Care Team

Pastor loves to visit with people, but caring for our congregation is truly the work of the community. This team meets quarterly with the Pastor to ensure all members and friends know and feel they are loved. This includes sending cards, making phone calls, visiting with others, gathering for meals, meal drop-offs, and more. If compassion and care are your gifts, this is the team for you! This team meets in March, June, September, and December. Call the church office if you would like to be apart of this ministry.

Muscatine Center For Social Action

Food Pantry Donations for "I Was Hungry & You Fed Me"

During November, Faith will have a \$1500 matching grant from an anonymous donor for the Food Pantry donations that will be collected throughout the month with various food items and monetary donations. Bring your food items in to the church for collection. If you make a monetary donation, make your check out to Faith United, and in the memo add **Food Pantry**. Let's match that Grant! Thank you for supporting this much-needed project.

Faith UCC collected 180 items for the MCSA in September and 24 in October.

VESTRY NOTES FROM OCTOBER 14, 2024

Budget - The budget increased 1% for 2025. Mark Odell made a motion to accept the 2025 budget which was seconded by Mary Wildermuth. **Motion carried.**

Deacons - The Stewardship letter and final budget for pledge packets are to be handed out by the deacons on Oct 27th along with announcements in worship.

Elders - Choir director ad. is being distributed. Recognition of Connie Miller, Tammy Ales, and Pat Mundell on Sunday, Nov. 3rd after church worship hour.

Trustees - Pat Pagel is Building a temporary stand to access candles easily on the advent wreath. Church Sign is ready to power up and train for software. We need to write up guidelines/procedures for the sign messages. Alice Ganzley will be contacted for the static sign, which will complete the sign. During the 2024 Annual Meeting we voted to install a new rooftop HVAC system with Kelly's of up to \$55,000, however they have not been able to follow through. A proposal was made for Ragans. Mary Wildermuth made a motion to pay the excess expense of up to \$1000 from the Wendell Day Fund. Second by Dan Huss. **Motion carried.** The parsonage has a new exhaust hood, leaky faucet still exists. Pat Pagel will investigate tree trimming around the church to satisfy insurance.

Pastor - Continuing Education in Denver, Colorado from Oct. 15th to Oct. 20th. Monthly highlights: the ELCA Fall gathering, UCC Tri-Conference JAM, UCC Eastern Iowa Association Annual Meeting. Upcoming Events: Fall Bash! Oct. 27 with bouncing houses and Guadalajara's food truck. Raffle drawing and games for kids. Website - Pastor Paris is creating a new website. Pastor and Sue Muntz are collaborating on transferring current content to the new site in the coming months. The office admin sub for Oct. 21-25th will be Mary Wildermuth volunteering. Discussed having a facilitator for Vestry - 2025

Building Improvement Plans - The technology upgrades vote has been rescheduled for Dec. 1st. Pat Mundell attended as a guest to speak on paper ballots. Paper ballots will be used. Lisa Shea made a motion to use paper ballots on Dec. 1. Second, by Mary Wildermuth. **Motion carried.** For future votes: All votes will be a show of hands except when paper ballots are requested. The Constitution/Bylaws need to be updated at the next Annual Meeting. Need to do a better job communicating BEFORE each vote. The tech committee will create a 5-minute pitch to the congregation. Vestry members will stay after worship to talk with people - coffee with the Vestry? We should establish small group discussions. Further updates. Sue and Mark met to review the Carver Construction bid and contacted Scott about reducing the remodel to just the women's side and requested a less expensive countertop. Pew chairs are on hold, still exploring. We should get quotes for reupholstering the pews if we do keep them. Mary Wildermuth said she wants to create a group to look at options for carpet and pew chairs. Invitations will go to Friendship Circle, Harmony Guild, and the general congregation. Carriage house flooring option quotes discussed. Are there other flooring options we want to get quotes for carpet? The automatic button for the front door was installed on Sept 18th - The on/off switch is in the secretary's office in the high cupboard by the window.

Old Business - Mike Morgan and Mark Odell are following up with our insurance agent. Need a financial secretary, Pat Mundell is retiring and will need a replacement.

New Business - Market Insurance renewal policy. Lisa Shea motioned to approve the Market Insurance policy renewal. Second by Mark Butterworth. **Motion carried.**

The next meeting will be on Monday, November 11, 2024. Open to the Congregation.

General Fund for 2024 - End of September	
Giving, Contingency to...	\$162,886
Expenses to Date	\$163,327
Total Budget	\$225,419

Faith United Church of Christ Mission statement

"Faith United Church of Christ exists to provide a safe place for people to worship, explore their faith, gain a sense of community, and improve the world around them."

NOVEMBER 2024 – WORSHIP TEAM

Sunday, November 3 All Saints Sunday

Worship Leader: Pastor Paris	Accompanist: Judy Wilson
Liturgist: Tim Stelzner	Children's Moment: Pastor Paris
Usher: Mike Morgan	Greeter: Pat Mundell
Refreshments: Faith Church	Altar Flowers: Faith Church

Sunday, November 10 Stewardship Sunday

Worship Leader: Pastor Paris	Accompanist: Nathan Paulsen
Liturgist: Mark Butterworth	Children's Moment: Beth Elshoff
Usher: Liz Busch & Corina Shoemaker	Greeter: Linda Hardin
Refreshments: Bev. Knoernschild	Altar Flowers: <i>Volunteer Needed</i>

Sunday, November 17

Worship Leader: Pastor Paris	Accompanist: Judy Wilson
Liturgist: Sue Johannsen	Children's Moment: Pastor Paris
Ushers: Pat Pagel & Mark Odell	Greeter: Mary Odell
Refreshments: Alice Huss	Altar Flowers: <i>Volunteer Needed</i>

Sunday, November 24 Christ the King/Thanksgiving

Worship Leader: Pastor Paris	Accompanist: Judy Wilson
Liturgist: Julie Emerick Kundel	Children's Moment: Melissa Schumaker
Usher: Dave Wangberg	Greeters: Tammy & Paul Ales
Altar Committee: Nancy Wangberg	Altar Flowers: <i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Refreshments: Dave & Margie Kundel (60 th wedding anniversary)	

Faith Singer and Ringer Choirs

We are currently advertising for a new director for our Faith Singers Choir, and Handbell Choir.

If you or someone you know is interested in this part-time, flexible position, don't hesitate to contact the church office!

The Faith Singer Choir sings during Sunday morning Worship one to two times per month. They rehearse on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, September through May.

Bell Choir practices on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and plays one Sunday once a month.

The choir is always glad to welcome new members!



Schumaker Fundraiser

Dear Faith Family, it's that time of year again when we are helping sell products to fund-raise the programs we are involved in. Here is what we have to offer:

Choir Cards—McKenna has discount choir cards for just \$20. These cards offer great discounts to 20 local businesses. (Plus, for every purchase \$5 will go toward helping McKenna go on the choir trip to NYC.) You can easily get your money back in just a few uses.

FFA Fruit: We are both doing horticulture this year and are selling boxes of assorted FFA fruit, beef sticks jerky, wreathes, and poinsettias that we grew!

Koeze band nuts: Claire plays the trumpet in the MHS band and is selling their famous nuts and chocolates that make great Christmas gifts.

If you would like us to come sell to you, please let one of us know. Thank you for always helping support our activities! McKenna and Claire Schumaker. Call the church for their contact information.

FFA fruit orders and money have to be turned in by November 7th and we would like to wrap up band orders by Thanksgiving.

**Daylight Saving Time
Ends Nov. 3rd**

Remember to set your clocks back or you may just end up an hour early for worship!



A Chat with Pastor Paris and Alan Arkema during the worship service in October.



Nov. 28th and 29th

The Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. Blessings

Halloween Party Fun at Faith



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