

# Faith United Methodist Church

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“Place Faith In Your Heart”

Voice of Faith is a monthly publication of Faith United Methodist Church. The editor reserves the right to edit any material submitted.

We welcome you to worship with us!

Sundays

Worship 9:30

Sunday School 9:30

Pastor's Bible Study 5:00 pm

(See inside calendar for changes)



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### Pastor Kevin's Korner

Greetings and blessings to you dear readers of the Voice of Faith! Daniel, and I pray that you and your families have had a blest Christmas celebration and are enjoying the beginnings of a new year.

I do not know when this was aired on Good Morning America, but they were once again talking about the Mayan calendar and its reference to the date December 21, 2012 as the possible day when time will run out and the world will end. As I write this

article it is November 30, 2011 which means we have 387 days left. I am sure as 2012 dawns and as the supposed ominous date approaches we will be hearing much more about apocalyptic things. I do not know how people will be – nervous, indifferent, wild and crazy. Who knows and for some “who cares.”

As a Christian I know that the scriptures speak about the return of Jesus Christ in glory. He

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### Annual Sledding party Herring's House

January 15  
After church until sunset

Lunch, hot cocoa and  
dessert provided

All families welcome to  
bring a sled and join in  
on all the fun!





## January

### Sundays

Prayer in Chapel 9:00

Worship 9:30

Sunday School 9:30 (not on the 1st)

Pastor's Bible Study 5:00 (not on the 1st)

### Wednesdays

Ladies Bible Study 9:30

Dollar Dinner 6:00

Faith Kids 6:30

Jr/Sr Youth Groups 6:30

Chimes Choir 6:45

Adult Choir 7:30

1 - New Year's Day

Communion

5 - SPRC 6:30

7 - Girl scouts 8:30-12:00

8 - Potluck

Trustee & Finance 11:00

12 - Girl Scouts 3:15-6:00

15 - Ad Council 11:00

Newsletter Deadline

Sledding Party

16 - Women of Faith 1:30



We are in need of donations for the pop machine. Diet and Regular Mountain Dew, Diet and Regular Coke, Orange, Sprite and Root Beer!

## LOOKING AHEAD...

## February

### Sundays

Prayer in Chapel 9:00

Worship 9:30

Sunday School 9:30

Pastor's Bible Study 5:00

### Wednesdays

Ladies Bible Study 9:30

Dollar Dinner 6:00

Faith Kids 6:30

Jr/Sr Youth Groups 6:30

Chimes Choir 6:45

Adult Choir 7:30

5 - Communion

12 - Potluck

Trustees and Finance 11:00

Newsletter Deadline

14 - Valentine's Day

19 - Ad Council 11:00

20 - President's Day

22 - Ash Wednesday Service 6:30

A big "THANK YOU" for the ladies that helped making diapers for Haiti: Kay DeMars, Robin Heinle, Estell Helgeson, Kay Hoepner, Joyce Mitchell, Florence Mohn, Dee Parker, Elaine Sprute, Gretchen Swanson and Elaine Wikstrom.

Remember to stay in touch with and pray for those who are in care centers and homebound.

Eugene Clay

Ethel Holten

Walter Klaus

Jean Olson

Audrey Smith

Darlene Skallerud

Ruth Stapf

Viola Becker

Hazel Pietsch

Phyllis Peterson

Mary Ann Stapf

Dale Switzer

Jean Siple



If you know someone who would appreciate a visit from the pastor or someone whose name needs to be added to the above list, please see Pastor Kevin or contact the church office at (651) 460-6110.

One of the big Coffee Pots is missing from the church kitchen.

If you have borrowed it, could you please return it ASAP!!!

Coffee Pots are NOT to be removed from the Church!



## Haiti Info...

Haiti Mission Trip:

February 18-25, 2012

If interested see Jim Switzer or Jacob Champion.

**Check your closets, ask your neighbors**

**and friends!** We are looking for men's dress ties and baseball type hats (appropriate logos - no beer advertisements please). We are also in need of embroidery thread.



## January 2012 Birthdays:

Bob Drewry...3  
 Victoria Ehlen...3  
 Paul Harvey...4  
 Aaron Nymeyer...7  
 Baily Opsal...7  
 Vanda Pressnall...7  
 Jim Switzer...7  
 Derrel Warner...7  
 Jeff Partington...12  
 Elizabeth Phillips...12



Heather Herring...19  
 Shelley Forsyth...20  
 Eric Kratz...21  
 Steve Duff...22  
 Brandon Chant...23  
 Viola Becker...24  
 Kathy Gunderson...25  
 Ted Swanson...26  
 Gordon Chant...27  
 Susan Simon...27

## January Anniversaries:



Stan & Marge Ehlers...10  
 Jim & Vickie Switzer...18  
 Tim & Allison Rausch...29

If you notice anyone missing from these lists,  
 please notify the church office.

### January Team

Team Lead: Herb & Barbara Carson  
 Valerie Klotz  
 Kristine Sullivan  
 Gary & Leeann Smith  
 Jason & Michelle Smith

### February Team

Team Lead: Dee Parker  
 Opsal Family  
 Terry & Carol Knapp  
 Kratz Family

will gather together those that love him, friends, and in you; and by cultivating he will wage and win the final battle an attitude of gratitude. I want to begin over Satan, and the each day with the desire to Kingdom of light will ... "I plan to use honor my Savior through be established forever. these next 387 days praise, prayer, and service. I No more darkness, no to get to know God want to find ways of blessing more sadness, no more better through my wife and child. And I injustice, no more death. reading His Word; want to find ways, even if The scriptures speak of by praying small, to make the difference these things, but one everyday..." in the life of someone I do not thing we also know know for the sake of Christ. I while there may be signs of his return, admit I want to do these things anyway we do not know the day or the time. regardless if there were 387 days, 38 All we know is that it will come sud- days, or 3870 remaining to the world. I denly. But lets assume for a moment just want live each day as a gift from we have 387 days left and December God. Dear friends 2012 will prove to 21, 2012 is the decided time – what will you do with it? I know that be an interesting year to be sure, let us I plan to use these next 387 days to get not waste any moment, let us not lose to know God better through reading any chance of loving Jesus Christ and His Word; by praying everyday, by sharing him with others. May God looking to see the God-given blessings bless you and Happy New Year! that are around me in my family, my Pastor Kevin



The Prayer Team of Faith Church extends a personal invitation to each of you to join us in prayer at 9:00 am Sundays in the Chapel. Please join us in silent prayer, you will not be asked to pray aloud. Our leaders will do that. Some concerns include the upcoming Natural Church Development Plan for our church, (includes the Congregational Ministry Plan which will reflect our goals for the next 3 to 5 years, the Ministry Map to improve communications between committees, staff and congregation and a Covenant of Loving Relationships that states how we will be in community with one another), the Connection Service, Prayer Wall concerns, for our Sunday School Teachers.

Women's Bible Study, led by Phyllis Betzold, meets at the church Wednesdays at 9:30 am. We are studying "All the Men of the Bible". All are welcome to attend!

Pastor's Bible Study, Sunday nights at 5:00 pm. - Studying the book of Revelation. All are welcome to attend!



### Teddy Bears: Prayer Hug Ministry

Share a Prayer Hug! Thank you to all of you who have been bringing in teddy bears for our "share a prayer hug" ministry. People have been blest by this ministry! Please feel free to take a prayer bear to someone who might be struggling, having a bad day, or someone who you wish to say "thank you for blessing my life." Attached to each bear is an encouraging statement as well as contact information for the church. Share a prayer hug, share a part of Faith Church! Thanks!

**Reorganization of the Connection** We are looking for anyone who has any form of musical talent, especially singing, playing the bass guitar, and running sound equipment. Through God's grace and help, we hope to have the service back up and running early in the new year. Please be in prayer as we seek to fulfill God's call in reaching for Jesus Christ new people of any age! Please see Pastor Kevin for more information.

## Upcoming Sermons:

### New Series - "Unshakeable Faith" - The story of Daniel

- 1/1: In a Hostile Environment
- 1/8: When You Don't Know What to Do
- 1/15: When Life Gets too Hot
- 1/22: When Life is Going Great
- 2/29: When the Writing is On the Wall



Faith Youth wants to send a big THANK YOU to everyone that participated in the bake sale on **Dec 11!** It was a great success!

We are still looking for people willing to volunteer an hour of time from 6:30-7:30 on **Wednesday** Nights for our Jr. & Sr. Youth. No experience necessary! They are a great group of kids needing someone to help lead in discussion and activity. Please contact me if you are interested! We need people starting in January!

**January 15th** is the sledding Party at the Herring's house (20404 Eaves Way, Farmington) right after church until sunset. Lunch, hot cocoa and treats are provided. All families are invited to bring your sleds and join us!

**January 28** Farmington Expo

Before you throw out the old and bring in the new - please remember the Church Garage Sale coming up this spring! More details coming your way!

Please call Lisa Schultze if you have any questions about the Youth Activities - my home phone number is [952-431-9951](tel:952-431-9951) or my email address is [schultzelisa@hotmail.com](mailto:schultzelisa@hotmail.com). Please feel free to contact me.