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**JUNE
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*Faith United Methodist Church
“Faith by the lake and beyond!”*

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Scripture Only

The Psalmist wrote this about the importance of God’s Word to our lives.

11 *I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.*

12 *Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!*

Psalm 119: 11-12

Yet it is becoming more difficult in our culture to find those who store up God’s Word in their hearts. **We are living in a culture that is becoming Biblically Illiterate.** In his recent book *Religious Literacy: What Every American Needs to Know—and Doesn't*, Stephen Prothero reports that more than 10 per cent of Americans believe that Joan of Arc was Noah's wife. Only 50 per cent can name one of the four Gospels and less than half can name the first book of the Bible.

When asked if they think reading the Bible is important most Christians will say yes. But the our actions do not back up our words. Ask one hundred church members if they have read the Bible today, and eighty-four of them will say no. Ask them if they have read the Bible at least once in the past week, and sixty-eight of them will say no. Even more disconcerting, ask those one hundred church members if reading or studying the Bible has made any significant difference in the way they live their lives. Only thirty-seven out of one hundred will say yes. George H. Guthrie. **Read the Bible for Life**

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Sound Board

We are in need of **interested people** who would like to **learn our sound board operation** here at the church for Sunday worship. I will be holding a short training session on **June 2nd at 6:30 p.m.** If this date cannot work for any interested parties, the date can be changed to accommodate. Please contact me directly at 507-461-3482.



Bob Stephan

Thank You

You may have noticed the beautiful banners on the west wall of the sanctuary. Faith Church has been blessed by the creativity, talent, and generosity of Sherry Scholljegerdes. Her designs have brought aspects of nature into our house of worship. The themes of JOY, PEACE, and HOPE are found abundantly in our Bible and resound in our hearts as we gather to praise our Lord.

We extend our sincere thanks to Sherry and are certain that we will enjoy these lovely hangings for years to come.

Faith Crafters and Stitchers

Faith Crafters and Stitchers will meet on **Thursday, June 12, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall**. You are welcome to bring your own project to work on. We will also try to have some Bazaar 2014 projects to work on if you wish. Bring a friend and join us for work time, fellowship, coffee, and snacks! If you have questions, please call Sandy Voshell at 835-4122.



Monthly Prayer Requests

Remember our church members & friends who are less mobile and are unable to join us as often as they would like, including:

Koda Living Community, Owatonna: Elaine Flathers

Colony Court Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson,
Rosalind Peterson, Gerri Peterson

Colony Court: Millie Groh, Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Laurel's Peak: Paul Krause

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI: Marlene Rietfort

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler, Jerry Krause

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Leona Quast, Rodger and Vada Dahnert,

Dick and Elaine Westrum, Marie Wells, Roberta Walker's sister in law Rose, Bruce and Deb Hering



Men of Faith Meeting Minutes

The Men of Faith Meeting was held at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 8, 2014 in the Fellowship Hall at Faith United Methodist Church. Those present were Rodger Dahnert, Peter Fog, Paul Lohse, Mark Norby, Clair Voshell, Keith Smith, Roger Walker, Victor Waters, Les Wells, and Dick Westrum.

The meeting was hosted by Paul Lohse and Clair Voshell.

Paul Lohse read a devotional passage and Mark Norby gave an opening prayer.

The Men of Faith will serve fellowship for Mothers Day. Rodger Dahnert will order the treats and supply a banner. Les Wells will be M. C.

Victor Waters suggested potted plants for all the ladies next year.

Roger Walker commented on our participation at the Million Meal Marathon. There were six church members participating at Centenary Methodist church in Mankato. About 2700 meal pouches were filled in a two hour period. Many people helped from other area Methodist churches.

Peter Fog stated that Neighborhood Service Center representatives will be at our June 12 meeting. They will discuss the needs of the poor and homeless in the Waseca area. This relates to our Matthew 25 Project.

We discussed ways we could increase attendance at our regular meetings. Les Wells said we should start our outdoor sanctuary project and determine how to do an outdoor cross by the lake. Roger Walker will call a meeting with those who volunteered for the cross committee. It was also suggested to e-mail the regular attendees to remind them of the monthly meeting.

Fellowship servers for the fourth Sunday in June will be Les Wells and Dick Westrum.

Our next meeting will be June 12 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Pete Fog and Les Wells will host.

Submitted by Roger Walker

Photo Recap



2014 Executive Council for Caregiver Services



Community Outreach



Men Helping out at the Luncheon



Spring Luncheon Workers

"Hats off to Summer" Tea Party

You are cordially invited to a 'Hats off to Summer' Tea Party featuring Anne Jans, 'The Hat Lady' from Waterville. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, June 7, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.** Anne has been collecting women's hats, hatboxes and hatpins for 21 years and will speak on the history of her hats. Her large collection (approximately 1800 hats, 375 hatboxes and 500 hatpins) dates from the 1840's through the 1960's. She thoroughly enjoys her collection and sharing it with others. Tea (or coffee) and delicious Treats will be served following the program. You are encouraged to wear your hats and 'tea attire' if you wish. Reserved tickets are limited and the cost is \$5.00 per person. They can be purchased in the Narthex next Sunday, June 1st before and after our worship service. Consider purchasing a ticket for a friend or two.



Parish Nurse Notes



It's a glorious day! The sun is shining and the temp is above 65 degrees and no wind. Perfect! God is good! After such a long winter, we relish these days. And we should.

Put away your household chores, your indoor work and go outside. Nature is good for the soul and our bodies too! Enjoy God's creation, from the budding flowers to the green grass.

Summer is a time to rejuvenate, to soak in all it has to offer. Plan to set aside some special time during these three short months, before your schedule gets filled with meetings and usual activities.

We plan to devote time to camping and boating. So we need to get moving to arrange where we're going and get campsites. You, too, should plan for your activities or the time just gets away.

Remember God wants us to enjoy his creation, and be good stewards of that which He has given us.

"Rejoice and be glad."-Psalm 118:24

Your Parish Nurse,

Sherry Scholljegerdes



P.S. Check out the free dental clinic to be held in Mankato and pass the word on, thanks.

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M^Nission of Mercy

Minnesota Dental Foundation

Touching lives through smiles

Dates

Set up: July 24, 2014

Treatment: July 25-26, 2014

Teardown: July 26, 2014

Place

Verizon Wireless Center

1 Civic Center Plaza

Mankato, MN 56001

Mission Statement

- Providing free access to dental care while placing a high priority on patients suffering from dental infections or pain.
- Raising public awareness of the increasing difficulty low-income children and adults have accessing critical dental care.
- Challenging policymakers and dental professionals to work together to reduce the disease burden and improve the oral health of Minnesota residents, especially those facing barriers to care.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart of a Mission of Mercy and Minnesota will rely on the generous help of more than 1,000 volunteer dentists, dental hygienists and assistants, lab technicians and other nondental community volunteers during the three days.

Questions? Contact Vicki Capistrant at 800-950-3368 or mnmom@mndental.org.

Volunteer registration opens on April 28, 2014.

Visit **www.mndental.org/mnmom** for more information and to register.

Financial Support

Tax-deductible financial donations and in-kind contributions are critical to the success of a MOM event. To help cover necessary dental equipment and supplies, pharmaceuticals, and food costs for the four-day event, \$215,000 in cash and in-kind donations is needed. Please consider making a donation and making a difference in the lives of patients in need.....they will thank you from the bottom of their hearts.

To make a donation please visit **www.mndental.org/donate**.



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Live Well At Home Rapid Screen[®] – Family Caregiver

Older Adult Name:		Family Caregiver Name:	Screen Date:
1.	Does <name of older person (NOP)> need help from someone else to do the following? a) Walking b) Getting out of bed/chair c) Going to the bathroom d) Bathing e) Dressing f) Eating	Answers: a, b, c, d, e, f If 2 or more circled → SCORE = 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	During the last 6 months, has <NOP> had a fall that caused injuries or engaged in behavior problems such as wandering, verbal or physical disruption, or other behaviors that require supervision? Yes No NOTE: "Injuries" means fracture or joint dislocation, head injuries resulting in loss of consciousness and hospitalization, joint injuries that led to decreased activity, internal injuries that led to hospitalization OR 3 or more of any falls.	IF YES circled → SCORE = 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Does <NOP> have a family member/friend give help when she/he needs it? Yes No	If NO circled → SCORE = 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	(if caregiver) Do you feel overwhelmed or stressed because of the care you provide <NOP>? Yes No	If YES circled → SCORE = 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Have you/<NOP> thought about moving <NOP> to other housing? Yes No If YES, where has <NOP> considered moving to?	If answered NURSING HOME or ASSISTED LIVING (i.e., Housing With Services) → SCORE = 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Does <NOP> live alone? Yes No	If YES circled → SCORE = 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Do you or your family have concerns about <NOP's> memory, thinking, or ability to make decisions? If YES, are you: Very concerned Somewhat concerned Not concerned?	If VERY CONCERNED circled → SCORE = 2 If SOMEWHAT CONCERNED circled → SCORE = 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTAL SCORE (Sum of Scores For Items 1 Through 7) =			<input type="text"/>
Score and Risk Category			
0 = No Risk 1 = Low Risk 2 = Moderate Risk 3 and higher = High Risk			

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1. We need to read the Bible to know the truth. We want to think clearly about what God says is true and valuable (2 Pet. 1:20–21).
2. We read the Bible to know God in a personal relationship (John 17:3; 1 Cor. 1:21; Gal. 4:8–9; 1 Tim. 4:16).
3. We read the Bible to live well for God in this world, and living out His will expresses our love for Him (John 14:23–24; Rom. 12:2; 1 Thess. 4:1–8; 2 Tim. 3:16–17).
4. We read the Bible to experience God's freedom, grace, peace, and hope (John 8:32; Rom. 15:4; 2 Pet. 1:2).
5. We read the Bible because it gives us joy (Ps. 119:111).
6. We read the Bible to grow spiritually, as we reject conformity to the world, and are changed by the renewing of our minds (Rom. 12:1–2; 1 Pet. 2:1–2).
7. We read the Bible to minister to other Christ followers and to those who have yet to respond to the gospel, experiencing God's approval for work well done (Josh. 1:8; 2 Tim. 2:15; 3:16–17).
8. We read the Bible to guard ourselves from sin and error (Eph. 6:11–17; 2 Pet. 2:1–2).
9. We read the Bible to be built up as a Christian community with others in the body of Christ (Acts 20:32; Eph. 4:14–16). George H. Guthrie. *Read the Bible for Life*

Here Is a Simple Plan For Reading and Applying Scripture.

1. Find a readable translation - English Standard Version; the Message.
2. Begin with the Psalms and the Gospel of John.
3. Start with a short section – one or two verses.
4. Pray and ask God for understanding.

Apply what you learn.

The Bible is vital to our lives. It is God's Word and the final authority in all areas of faith and practice. When we study Scripture and store it in our hearts, our lives are shaped and transformed by the Holy Spirit and we in turn can go out and transform our community and our world.

Pastor Victor



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MONTHLY MEET-UPS

Elizabeth Circle

UMW Elizabeth Circle **will not meet** in June.

Mary Circle

UMW Mary Circle will meet on **Monday, June 16th, at 2:00 p.m. at Char's cabin.** Please meet at Ardella Draheim's at 1:30 p.m. to carpool. Mary Circle will not meet in July or August. They will meet in September.

Ruth Circle

UMW Ruth Circle will meet **Wednesday, June 18th, at 9:30 a.m.** at the home of Mary Lou Sahlstrom.

Men of Faith

Our next Men of Faith Meeting will be on **Thursday, June 12th, at 6:30 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall** of Faith United Methodist Church. The meeting is open to all men. Bring a friend!



Roger Walker