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# **OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2025**



## October 2025:

- 3- Cheryl Cates
- 6- (ANNIV) Brandon & Virgie Erdmann (ANNIV) Russ & Tawn Howe
- 12- Ben Heath
- 18- Melanie Burger

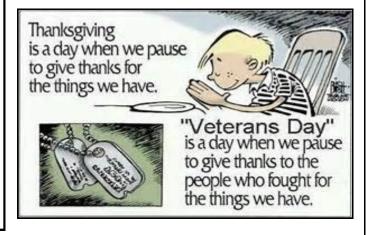
## November 2025:

- 16- Tonya Skeen
- 18- Donna Nye
- 26- Paul Fournier
- 29- (ANNIV) Chuck & Donna Nye

## December 2025:

- 19- Bonnie Merklin Liz Schissler
- 23- Gene Lamb
- 24- (ANNIV) Chuck & Melanie Burger
- 25- LuAnn Wall
- 26- Chuck Nye
- 29- Brandon Erdmann







# Seeds of Faith United Methodist Church Oct - Nov 2025

<u>The Vision of Faith United Methodist Church</u> is to empower all people to seek the fullness and assurance of God's Love.

<u>The Mission of Faith United Methodist Church</u> is to invite everyone into a loving community, explore the Good News of God's Love, and serve God and our neighbor throughout the world.

Fall is here and if you are like me, I am definitely not ready! No matter how prepared I want to be it seems the end of the year is nearing fast as the speed of light. Speaking of light, it gets darker earlier and I know we all are a fan of that!

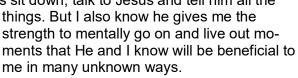


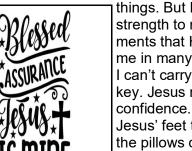
Key to Heaven



Despite the new year approaching, Fall is my favorite time for reflection. I walk a little slower to the coffee pot, light some scented candles and think about how much cleaning I will get done. Notice I said think about, and not actually doing. This scenario reminds me of Martha, Jesus, and Mary, you know, the story about Jesus coming to visit and Martha rushing around to get things just right for her Lord. Mary makes the decision to sit at the feet of Jesus and Martha is exasperated with her laziness.

Clergy orders, Orientation to Ministry, and District Gathering are on the horizon for the Month of October in quick succession. I can relate to Mary. All I want to do is sit down, talk to Jesus and tell him all the





I can't carry on without Him but in all things one step at a time is the key. Jesus reminds me to come back to him for encouragement and confidence. I am sure that Martha just needed some time to sit at Jesus' feet too. I don't think that Jesus would have cared too much if the pillows didn't get fluffed out or if he had to stand and wait until she saw how many chairs were needed for every one.

☐ We can come to Jesus; the one who gives us rest and assures us

that our hearts can be at rest with His divine strength and power to watch over us, walk the path with us, and converse with us at every moment in life.

And I am sure He stops to smell the roses along the way.

Rest assured, Pastor Virgie









The Guatemala Mission Team will be taking orders for Eileen's cookie dough in October for delivery on November 1st. Orders must be placed by **Sunday October 19th.** 

They will also have a booth to sell items from Guatemala at the Afflerbach Elementary School Fall Craft Show on *October 11th*.

Contact Janet Cutler if you have any questions.





# A Note from United Women in Faith (UWF):

A big *Thank You* to all of you for supporting our Mission projects.

Our next meeting will be <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 22nd at 6:30 pm</u>
In the Upper Fellowship Hall. Please join us!



We are celebrating Laity Sunday on <u>Oct. 19, 2025</u>. For those not aware, we are all members of the "Laity" of Faith UMC. Laity is defined as "common people", anyone not ordained, not a clergy person. This Sunday gives the church a special time to celebrate our folks who do a lot of work, usually behind the scenes, that helps our pastor in ministry in our community, not just in this building.

Also, we are trying to have someone from one or two of the missions we support come and tell us about their work as well.

We will be putting out the Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes on <u>Oct. 19th</u>. They will need to be filled and returned by <u>Nov. 16th</u>.

If you would like someone to do the shopping for you we will gladly do that. Just give a donation of \$20 to UWF. Also, if you fill a shoebox and don't have the \$10 for shipping, we will cover it. There will be a bulletin insert of the items that you can fill the boxes with as well as the items that are not allowed.(Also we will be selling the 2026 calendars soon for \$10)



All women of the church are cordially invited to attend our UWF meetings. We focus on Missions and care opportunities within our community. We want to again thank everyone for your generosity in providing school supplies for Hebard Elementary School. The teachers and staff were amazed and very thankful! The Sundae Sunday was a **BIG HIT** too!



# United Women in Faith School Supply Drive for Hebard Elementary School

Thank you to everyone who generously donated educational supplies for the children in our neighborhood.

The kids, parents, and teachers who attended the Sundae Sunday celebration were surprised and pleased with the support.

# PASTOR APPRECIATION



October is set aside as Pastor Appreciation Month, but our pastors should be encouraged, celebrated, and graciously thanked all year long. So let's shower Pastor Virgie with love, understanding, and support every day of the year! We are so blessed to have her leading worship and caring for Faith's Flock in such a loving way.

One of the most important ways we can support Pastor Virgie is through prayer. Let's strive to continually lift her up in our prayers.

Dear Lord, Bless Pastor Virgie with Your peace that transcends understanding, and renew her spirit each day. May Your strength be her comfort, Your Word her guide, and Your love her constant companion. As she pours out, let her be replenished tenfold, reflecting Your divine generosity. Thank you for the blessing of Pastor Virgie in our church. Amen



# Congregational Meeting October 26, 2025 after Worship

Congregational

Join us for a potluck lunch, fellowship, and discussion. Your input is important.

# Pumpkin Prayer



(ut off the top: Lord, open my mind and fill me with Your wisdom and guidance.

Scoop out the yuckies: Lord, take out all my fussies and frownies and fill me with Your love.

(arve out the eyes: Lord, open my eyes to see all of the beautiful things You have made.

Carve out the nose: Lord, help me to be a sweet fragrance for You.

(arve out the mouth: Lord, help me to always speak Your words of love and kindness.

Place in a candle: Lord, let me be a light to others For You have filled me with Your light.



Thank you all for the Surprise Birthday party!! You made my birthday extra special!

Jim Kelley



# **Hello from The Helping Hearts Care Team**

We hope this finds you all well and doing good.

We are a great team of people wanting to help others in things they might need or would like. We help with calls to others, making meals if you have been sick or injured, giving rides to doctor's appoint-



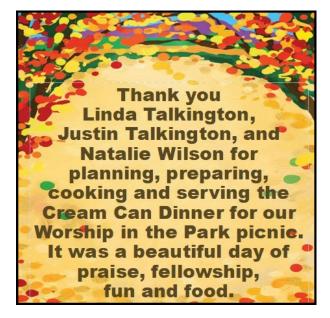
ments, the grocery store, sending cards out, listening, visiting if you have been in the hospital, care bags etc.

I want to thank our team very much for all of their caring and hard work. If you are in need of a heart to listen, a meal, a visit or some other various things, please give me (Mary Hart) a call. I will clarify your needs and contact the appropriate people in order to help you. We will work very hard to take really good care of you.

Sending out lots of caring and love to each one of you. Blessings to you all!

Mary C. Hart (307)286-4457

<u>Thanks</u> to Linda Talkington, Lois Hansen, Melanie Burger and Mary Hart for visiting <u>Norma Wilkins</u> on her <u>95th</u> birthday!





# Prayer Shawl Ministry:

If you know of someone needing a special "hug", please let Melanie know so the prayer shawl ministry can get to work on a shawl

or lap blanket. We need everyone's help to identify those who need some love.



United
Women
In Faith

Just FYI: the UWF Conference
Giving Report for 2024
Indicated that Mountain Sky
Conference pledged \$170,000
in Mission giving, Designated
giving and the Legacy Fund.
The total donated was

\$238,810.84 which was 109.59%. Praise the Lord for providing for all of us to share our blessings!



Thanks to everyone who helped with the church garage sale. A big thanks to those that donated items, got everything organized, stayed to help the customers, made signs for the sale, and for all your support.

A special **THANK YOU** to *Karen Staples* for all she did to make this a success. Future garage sales to be determined...

# **Laity Opportunities:**

If you are interested in having some training in serving within the church, please sign up for any of the many classes that are available. When I have at



least 8 persons (not just from our church) I will be scheduling classes. The first is a BASIC Lay Servants class, followed by a Spiritual Gifts class. From there we will discuss any interests you might have. This is not just for "speakers", but for everyone. God has given us Spiritual gifts to use in ministry. Come talk to me if you have questions about Lay Servant Ministries.

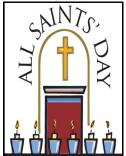
Melanie Burger

# Please help!

If you ...

- ◆Turn it on Turn it off
- **◆Unlock it Lock it**
- ◆Turn it up Turn it down Thanks!

### ALL SAINTS DAY



All Saints is a day of remembrance for the saints, with the New Testament meaning being "all Christian people of every time and place." We celebrate the communion of saints as we remember those who have gone before us, both of the Church universal and of our local congregation.

During worship on <u>Sunday, November 2</u>, we will honor and remember those loved ones who have departed us *in the past year* by sharing their photo, as well as ringing a bell and lighting a candle of remembrance, symbolizing our hope in Jesus Christ.

Please bring a framed photo of your loved one to the church by <u>October 26</u>. If you are unable to bring a photo to the church, or are unable to attend the service and have a name you would like us to lift up, contact Connie Fournier by October 30, at 307-631-3236

Please join us for this time of supportive fellowship as we celebrate lives and honor memories.





# Administrative Board Meeting November 9, 2025 - 12:30 p.m.

All who attend Faith UMC are welcome and encouraged to attend.

<u>UWF</u>: Next meeting will be <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 19th at 6:30 pm</u>. This will be our Thanksgiving meeting. All women are welcome to join us in the Upper Fellowship hall.



Faith Church has financial obligations that must be paid every month. Your offerings are needed to pay our bills. Please consider dropping off your check or mailing in your offering.

Thank You for your support!



# THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT IS NOVEMBER 30th

Prepare the way for the Lord. Get ready.
The Lord is Coming!

Advent is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas. Please join us as we begin our Advent journey with a special **Hanging of the Greens** service. We will celebrate with scripture and music as we decorate the sanctuary for this special season.

<u>Following the service</u>, the Hanging of the Greens will continue after a light lunch is served to all who stay to help finish decorating the church!

Please join us!!!!