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Starting August 31, 2017
"Celebration Singers" Rehearsals
Thursdays at 7:30pm
Do you enjoy singing?!

Then come, join the "Celebration Singers" as they begin rehearsals to participate in Sunday Worship each Sunday. If you have any question, talk with director, Sara Zeigler. Sara would welcome the opportunity to walk with you about singing with the "Celebration Singers."



Faith Witness



We, as disciples of Jesus Christ, live by faith to worship and witness for Jesus through Christian love, fellowship and service.

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Walking with Grandma
(author unknown)

*I like walking with Grandma,
Her steps are short like mine.
She doesn't say "now hurry up"
She always takes her time.*

*I like to walk with Grandma
Her eyes see things like
mine do,
Wee pebbles bright, a funny
cloud,
Half hidden drops of dew.*

*Most people have to hurry,
They do not stop to see.
I'm glad that God made
Grandma
Unrushed and young like me!*

Walking with Grandpa
(author unknown)

*I like to walk with Grandpa...
He takes his time you see
His steps are little just like mine;
He stops and waits for me.*

*He lets me ask him questions
He lets me hold his hand.
He makes me feel 10 feet tall
And I think that he is grand.*

*He says there's no one like me
And gold is what I'm worth.
When I get to walk with Grandpa
I'm the luckiest kid on earth!*



*Mark Your Calendar
for
Annual Church Conference
October 22, 2017
3:00 – 6:00 pm

First United
Methodist Church
21st and J Streets*

Faith Church' Annual Church Conference is the annual business meeting of our church. Members and constituents are presented a review/report of programs, finances and activities for the year 2017 (up to the time of the Conference).

The Annual Church Conference is an important meeting for the church family and it is hoped that all of you will plan to attend.



*The Healing Ministry of Jesus
(September's Focus)*

"O Lord and Master Jesus Christ, Word of the everlasting Father, you have borne our griefs and carried the burden of our weakness; renew us by your Spirit the gifts of healing in your church, and send forth your disciples again to proclaim the Good News of your kingdom, and to cure the sick and relieve your suffering children, to the praise and glory of your holy name. Amen." Liturgy of Saint Mark

One only needs to look at our own lives, those we love, those in our congregation, and those outside Faith's walls to know that there are a lot of people suffering, physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. As followers of Christ, we are called to continue the healing ministry of Jesus in the world today. We are to be a people of compassion, be a place of compassion, a place of sanctuary for all people. Jesus healed because he cared about people and suffered when they did. He could not care without wanting to show mercy, forgiveness, and healing. It is said that in cultures and places where the Spirit of Christ has not been felt, this compassion is often conspicuously lacking.

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Faith's New Cell Groups

Something NEW is happening at Faith Church! Everyone is in Cell Groups which meet after worship service for about 15 minutes (before the Fijians go for their Bible study and Worship Service). There are three adult groups and one for the children and young adults. The groups were randomly put together (everyone picked a number), except for couples which were separated. Initially the focus was on praying and getting to know one another. Then the groups will be discussing on how they can bring new people to Faith; and ways the group can improve worship and other areas of Faith's ministry. Then once a month each group will report during worship what they have been doing.



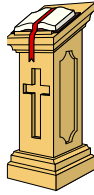
*Healing Service
Once a Month*

In the Pastor's Reflections, it was noted that on the last Sunday of every month there will be a Healing Service, as part of the regular worship service. There will be prayer stations where you can go to be anointed with oil (if you desire) and be prayed for. There will be candles for you light, as well.

All are invited! Invite your family and friends, too! Come and join us for this new ministry.

Scriptures Readings for September 2017

Read these ahead of time so that
you are prepared for worship



Scriptures for September 3-30:

Sept 3: 13th Sunday-Kingdomtide
Matthew 15:21-28

“The Canaanite Woman’s Faith”

Sept 10: 14th Sunday-
Kingdomtide
Luke 8:26-29

“Healing the Gerasene Demoniac”

Sept 17: 15th Sunday-
Kingdomtide
Mark 10:46-52

“Healing Blind Bartimaeus”

Sept 24: 16th Sunday-
Kingdomtide
Matthew 8:5-13

“Healing the Centurion’s Servant”



1. **Jim & Joan Miller**...continuing prayers
for healing and strength
3. **Sue Wilcox**...strength, encouragement
4. **Mary Dess**...healing and strength
5. **Carol Saylor**...continuing prayer for
encouragement and healing
6. **Celia Garcia**...comfort as she recovers
from a fractured spinal bone
7. **Rev. Barbara and Revival Team** ...as
they work to plan for new ideas to grow
Faith UMC and its Christian mission

A number of members of the Faith
family are not able to attend worship.
Please remember them in your prayers:

**Mary Dess, Celia Garcia,
Barbara Granum, Joan & Jim Miller
Carol Saylor, Sue Wilcox**



The Healing Ministry of Jesus (September's Focus)

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The healing ministry is the logical result of the incarnation: God so loved the world that God gave the essence of the divine in Jesus to be Savior for suffering human beings. Jesus so loved that he healed.

So, for the Sundays in September we will be preaching on the healing stories of Jesus. Please see the list of healing stories we will be talking about. Since there are so many of them, we may continue this next month.

Christ came to bring healing and wholeness to our relationships on earth and in heaven, specifically the broken relationship with God. Do you have relationships that are broken that need the healing power of God? Are you estranged from certain persons and need God to heal it and reunite you again? Maybe you have a broken relationship with God – God can bring you healing!

Faith, healing, and love need to be intertwined in how we live our lives and how we serve one another and those in our midst. While it is from God that healing love flows, we can be vessels or instruments of that love and healing; however, we must open ourselves for God to use us. So, what about at Faith Church? What kind of healing ministry can we provide to those in need? There are many who do have the spiritual gifts of healing and compassion. How can we be healing vessels for God to use?

On the last Sunday in September, we will have a **Healing Service** within our regular service. You will be anointed with oil and prayed for, if you desire. There will be prayer stations that you can go to for prayer and even light a candle. Please join us for that powerful service. And we look forward to seeing you in September as we focus on healing. Maybe you are one who needs healing in your life.

*Holding you in prayer,
Rev. Barbara*









California Statehood – Admission Day

In February of 1848, Mexico and the United States signed a treaty which ended the Mexican War and yielded a vast portion of the Southwest, including present day California, to the United States. Several days earlier, January 24, 1848, gold had been

discovered on the American River near Sacramento, and the ensuing gold rush hastened California's admittance to the Union. With the **Gold Rush** came a huge increase in population and a pressing need for civil government. In 1849, Californians sought statehood and, after heated debate in the U.S. Congress arising out of the slavery issue, **California** entered the Union as a free, nonslavery state by the Compromise of 1850.

California became the 31st state on September 9, 1850.

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 September 4	 September 10	 September 17	 September 21	 September 22	1 8pm-Prayer Meeting	2
3 9am-Bible Study 11am-Worship 12:15pm-Fellowship Hour 12:30pm-Fijian Bible Study 1pm-Fijian Worship	Labor Day 4 7pm-Alcoholics Anonymous	5 10am-Bible Study 12pm-Alcoholics Anonymous 7pm-Food Addicts in Recovery 8pm-Prayer Meeting	6 10am-Elizabeth Circle	7 7:30pm-Celebration Singers Rehearsal	8 8pm-Prayer Meeting	9  Admission Day
Grandparents Day 10 9am-Bible Study 11am-Worship 12:15pm-Fellowship Hour 12:30pm-Fijian Bible Study 1pm-Fijian Worship	11 7pm-Alcoholics Anonymous	12 10am-Bible Study 12pm-Alcoholics Anonymous 7pm-Food Addicts in Recovery 8pm-Prayer Meeting	13 5:30pm-Board of Trustees	14 7:30pm-Celebration Singers Rehearsal	15 8pm-Prayer Meeting	16
Citizenship and Constitution Day 17 9am-Bible Study 11am-Worship 12:15pm-Fellowship Hour 12:30pm-Fijian Bible Study 1pm-Fijian Worship	18 7pm-Alcoholics Anonymous	19 10am-Bible Study 12pm-Alcoholics Anonymous 7pm-Food Addicts in Recovery 8pm-Prayer Meeting	20	International Day of Peace 21 7:30pm-Celebration Singers Rehearsal	22 First Day of Autumn 8pm-Prayer Meeting	23
24 9am-Bible Study 11am-Worship and Healing Service 12:15pm-Fellowship Hour 12:30pm-Fijian Bible Study 1pm-Fijian Worship	25 7pm-Alcoholics Anonymous	26 10am-Bible Study 12pm-Alcoholics Anonymous 7pm-Food Addicts in Recovery 8pm-Prayer Meeting	27 6:30pm-Church Council	28 7:30pm-Celebration Singers Rehearsal	29 8pm-Prayer Meeting	30



Happy Birthday to those with a birthday in September

- 1- Ashton Jones
- 3- Leonard Schmidt
- 5- Mariellen Layne
Loring Pollock
Heather Galimba
Brook Weisser
- 6- Mickey Weisser
- 7- Sally Mensching
Kelly Scarberry
- 10- Patricia Tolley
- 12- Brandon Yee
- 16- Amy Randolph
- 17- Clarence Kunz
- 18- Jessica Pollock
- 20- Susan Driver
- 21- Charles Kale
- 25- Diane Buckendorf
Jack Korvink
- 27- Kenneth Nunes

