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WHAT COMES NEXT?

Special Points of Interest:

- August Monthly Meetings, Back Page
- August Birthdays and Anniversaries included with Calendar

Administrative Assistant

Summer Office Hours:

Mon. through Fri.:
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

What comes next? We are always looking for the next thing. What will the next day, week or month be like? Where will God lead us in the future?

For the Waters family, 2020 will be year of celebration and change. Eliot will graduate from The University of Wisconsin Stout and I will be retiring from 20 years of ordained ministry on July 1, 2020.

It has been a great joy and an honor to serve in the United Methodist Church for the last 20 years and the last 8 years here at Faith UMC. The coming year we will be a time of saying good-bye and anticipating God's leading in the future. It will be a time of building for the future as our church and our denomination prepares for a period of transition.

I am excited to work with our church leadership to strengthen our church as we continue to engage our community with the gospel, equip those who respond to become disciples of Jesus Christ and empower strong leadership for the future.

It has been an honor to serve you these last eight years and to walk with you into a fruitful future. Thank you for the love and encouragement you give our family. I am looking forward to what God will do in our church in the coming year as we serve Him together.

Pastor Victor

Prayer Requests

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

Bridgewater Memory Care: Gloria Tollefson

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Muriel Jenkins

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran, Leona Quast, George Kubista

Latham Place: Lucille Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: JoAnn Eggness, Nicki & Jon Schultz, Leona Quast, Gloria Tollefson, Gordy Miller, all who are battling cancer, all who have chronic pain.



Administrative Assistant Hours

Stacy's summer hours through September 6 are Monday through Friday 9:00 am to Noon. Stacy will be out of the office the following dates in August: 7 - 9, 16 and 19 - 21.

Faith Crafters & Stitchers

Faith Crafters & Stitchers will **not** meet in August.

Thank You

Thank you to all my church family who were able to help me celebrate on July 7th. You are a big part of why there was a celebration. I'm blessed to share this life with you.

Edy Barber

Choir Reminder



Reminder to choir members — We will be singing on Sunday, August 25.

Please meet for practice at 9:00 a.m.



Faith at the Park

Join us for worship and a potluck at Clear Lake Park in Johnson Pavilion on **Sunday, August 11 at 9:30 a.m.** Special Music will be provided by Bob Stephan and Co. Come and enjoy great music and a fun get-together with friends. Please bring a dish to pass that can be shared with your family and others.



Rock Party

There were fifteen people at the Rock Party that was held on Monday July 15th. We had two ladies who saw our invitation to the Rock Party on our website. We painted a lot of rocks and hopefully will have some at church for people to hide around Waseca.

A big thank you to Mary Jane and Bruce, who prepared a great meal for the group. It was very tasty.

There is another Rock Painting Party scheduled for **Monday, August 12th**. It will be from 4:00 until 7:00 with a meal being served at 5:30. You can stop in any time to paint rocks. You would be surprised how many rocks you can paint in just 15 minutes. Some of the regular rock painters have brought friends and they appear to enjoy painting rocks. Kids enjoy the event also. Any time you can spend with us painting rocks is great.

If anyone would like to help hide rocks around Waseca, let Roberta know.

Soap Box Race

Soap Box Race was held on July 6th. It was a great day for soap box races, sunny but lots of shade. There were about nine cars or so this year. They have two groups; under 14 years old and 14 and over. The kids appeared to have a great time.

Some of the other activities they had for the kids were face painting, fishing for a prize, badminton, corn hole and many other activities.

Faith Church had free water available for the people and we got rid of every bottle of water ,

Fellowship Event

The Fellowship event for September will be 'Collectors Showcase/Mission Sunday'. We will be asking the congregation and friends to bring things they collect, make, or any items they would like to share with the rest of the congregation. Even if you brought something in past collectors showcase and would like to show them again, that would be great. There are different people that attend our church and some of the rest of us would just like to see them again. Wouldn't it be great if we could say that our events are getting **THE BIGGEST AND THE BEST?** So watch next month's newsletter and the bulletin for more information.

Hospitality Meeting

Hospitality meeting will be held **Monday, August 5th at 10:00** in the Lakeview room. You do not need to be a member of this group to attend. We would like to have people come and perhaps share some ideas on things we can do to continue to have Faith Church a welcoming church.

Thank You

Thank you! To all FUMC staff and members who served in any way for the visitation, funeral and lunch.

*For all the kindness you have shown,
We thank you very much,
For sympathy in sorrowing days,
For friendship's healing touch
With gratitude, our hearts are full,
Though words cannot convey
The tender thoughts and thankfulness
We hold for you today.*

The family of Anna Swenson

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to sign up to decorate the bulletin board in the Narthex. The sign-up sheet is located on the white board, next to the UMW bulletin board. There are some supplies and idea books located in the choir storage room on the storage shelves. Many ideas can also be found online. Please consider signing up.

Guest Night

Once again, the UMW has planned a wonderful Guest Night which will be held on **Tuesday, August 20th at 7:00 p.m.** Our speaker will be **Jurgen Peters**, a former high school teacher in Waseca. The title of his talk will be **Stewards of the Land**.

Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend this interesting and informative event. You are encouraged to ask friends and neighbors to join us. Coffee will be served in the Fellowship Hall following this presentation.

The company you keep will determine the trouble you meet.

HAVE you ever seen an empty oyster shell? You may have wondered, *How did the oyster get out?* You might look for a very small hole in the top of the shell. Such a hole is made by a whelk. This little ocean creature has an appendage that works somewhat like an auger. With it, the whelk bores into the oyster shell and then sucks the oyster through the hole, little by little, until it has devoured it all. Though small, a whelk can do great harm!

Very often, we allow another person's angry outbursts to bore a hole into our good nature and rob us of our otherwise sunny disposition. If we aren't careful, we can become irritated to the point where genuine anger and bitterness begin to seethe in us. When that happens, we are in very real danger of experiencing disease, disharmony, and discord.

One of the best things you can do is to simply avoid those people whom you find irksome, continually critical, or habitually angry at life, as well as those who seem to delight in needling you. In other words, stay out of the way of whelks. You'll be healthier for it!

*Make no friendship with an angry man;
And with a furious man though shalt not go:
Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.*

Proverbs 22:24 - 25

From "God's Little Devotional Book"

Bible Word Search: COUNTRIES OF THE BIBLE

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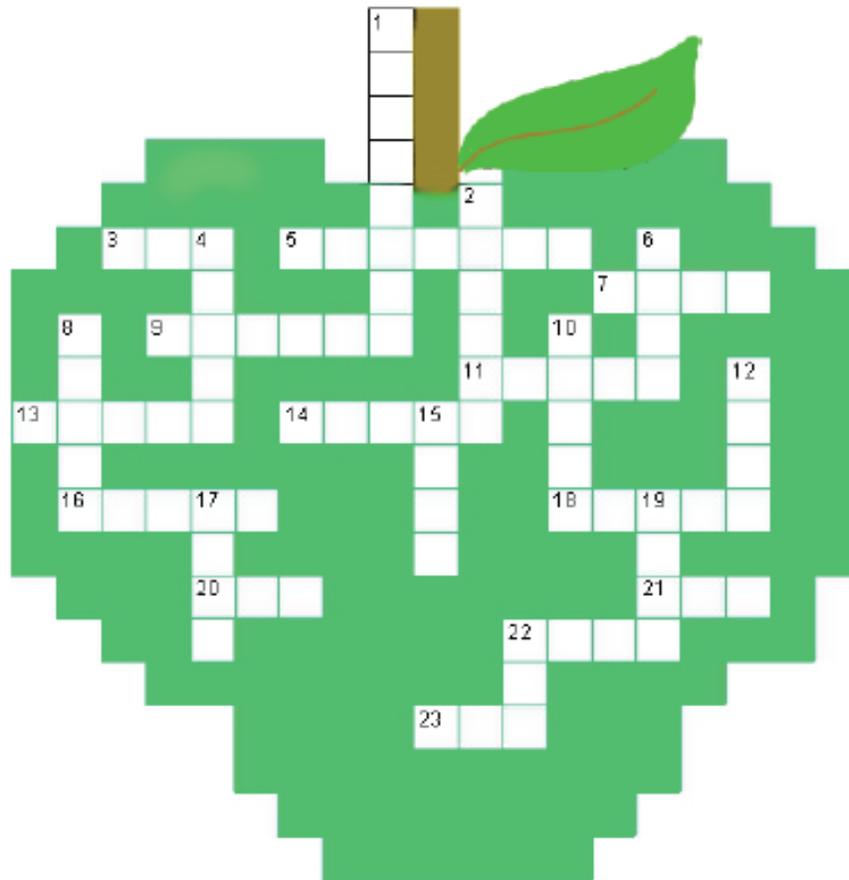
JUDAH

Instructions:

Find and circle the words from the list. Words may be forward, backward, vertical, or diagonal within the puzzle.

Note - This list was obtained by searching Wikipedia and other sites. The modern equivalents are: Assyria (Iraq); Canaan (Israel); Babylon (Iraq); Persia (Iran); Togarmah (Germany); Tarshish (Spain); Rosh (Russia); Achaia (Greece); Macedonia (Greece); Put (Libya); Asia Minor (Turkey); India (India: Esther 8:9); Galatia (Central Turkey); Philistia (Gaza Strip); Samaria (Golan Heights); Cyprus (Cyprus); Crete (Crete); Ethiopia (Ethiopia); Melita (Malta: Acts 28:1); Egypt (Egypt); Judah (Israel).

Creation



Across

- 3. God removed one of these from man to make woman
- 5. Creatures
- 7. What God used to water the Garden
- 9. To make from nothing
- 11. Our planet
- 13. Healing type plants
- 14. Eve was the first one

- 16. Little night lights
- 18. Grew in the garden; one was of life; one was of the knowledge of good and evil
- 20. The heavens
- 21. First woman
- 22. The lesser light that rules the night
- 23. The greater light that rules the day

Down

- 1. Another name for the Garden of Eden
- 2. The _____ of Eden
- 4. They fly in the air
- 6. These swim in the seas
- 8. These are sown to grow plants; fruits reproduce by these

- 10. Apples, oranges, and bananas
- 12. God created our earth in 6 of these
- 15. First man
- 17. What God did on the 7th day
- 19. Where God planted the first garden
- 22. Adam was the first one



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Come Worship with Us
We have room.

MONTHLY MEET-UPS:

Elizabeth Circle

Elizabeth Circle will not meet in August.

Ruth Circle

Ruth circle will be meeting **Tuesday, August 13th at 10:30 a.m.** at Linda Griffin's home. Roberta Walker will provide the program and Lorraine Wick will provide the devotions.