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**Correction on Calendar: UMW Mary Circle does not meet this month.

Special Points of Interest:

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

Administrative Assistant Office Hours:

Monday:
8:00 AM-4:30 PM

Tuesdays-Fridays
8:00-10:30 AM



Whatever Happened to That Spiritual Gifts Survey I took?

Eph. 4:11 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

We are each given gifts to build up the body. A few weeks ago you were given the opportunity to identify and learn what your spiritual gift or gifts are. The following represents our strengths and growing edges as a church based on the use of our spiritual gifts. These observations are based on the respondents who turned in their surveys. Each of the gifts is part of what we call a spiritual gifts cluster and each cluster has a certain focus which is driven by the gifts in that cluster.

NURTURING GIFTS..... 45

Nurturing Congregations Tend To Be Very Committed To Building Fellowship, Visitation, Small Groups, Sunday School, And Member Care. The Focus Is Primarily Turned Inward.

These are the gifts that form this cluster: Wisdom, Shepherding, Discernment, Faith, Exhortation..... 7 Helping/ Serving.....19 Compassion/ Mercy..... 19

OUTREACHING GIFTS..... 19

Outreaching congregations tend to be very missional in nature, serving the community in a variety of ways and reaching out to people in the area. The Focus Is on the World

These are the gifts that form this cluster: Apostleship, Evangelism, Working Miracles, Healing, Servanthood, Prophecy, Compassion/ Mercy..... 19

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Prayer Requests

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

Colony Court Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson, Dick Westrum

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg,

Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins, Fern Dahnert

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Hazel Henkensiefken

Latham Place: Liz Corchran

Oaklawn Health Care Center: Jim Keller

Tower Light, St. Louis Park: Darlene Lynch

Those who also need our prayers: Willie Mahler [Home Hospice]

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Bruce & Deb Hering, Peter & Verna Fog, Marilyn & Dan Possin, Chuck Youngberg, Millie White, Wally Ruedy.



For Sale By Bid:

For Sale: Toro Snow Thrower

Toro Snow Thrower

CCR 2000 2 Cycle (AS IS)

Please turn bids into church office by October 22nd. Trustees

Update on 2016 Special Ask

As of Oct 11, the amount paid, pledged, or otherwise promised is \$14,400. With additional pledges received after the 2016 budget was approved and diligent cost control, the shortfall was reduced from \$26,000 to about \$18,000. This leaves us with \$3,600 needed yet to be able to pay the bills in 2016. We can borrow money to pay those bills, but borrowing money to pay recurring operating expenses is a very slippery slope.

We thank all of those who have generously given to the 2016 Special Ask. If you haven't yet responded, please do so ASAP to help assure the financial health of Faith Church. Thank you.

Next UMW Unit Meeting

Our program is "Gratitude and You" (Bring a pen along). Come see what it is all about. We will also have our World Thank Offering and Election of officers. Ruth Circle will be our hostesses. Come and bring a friend on **Monday, November 21 at 2:00 p.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall**.

Faith Crafters and Stitchers

Faith Crafters and Stitchers will **not meet** in November and December. See you at the Bazaar!

Mark your calendar for Thursday, January 12, 2017 as our next meeting date.



Update on the Church Directory

We have been working on updating our church directory: removing, adding, and changing. And in this world of change, it's hard to keep up to date. We can use everyone's help

A paper directory is ready for distribution. This directory does NOT include cell numbers and email addresses. We felt permission was needed to publish information in the church directory. Even if it's easy to get this information, it's not always information we want out there. We state the information is not for public distribution, however it happens.

Cell/Mobile numbers and Email addresses can be added or updated by completing the page in the back of the paper directory. Indicate whether you want it published in the church directory or not.

We need your help. A more formal directory will be published in July. Please contact church office with corrections. Or if your information changes, give it to church office: call, email, or leave a message on answering machine. (Don't **tell** the pastor. He has enough to handle. 😊)

Annual Fall Mission Bazaar

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5

Our Annual Fall Mission Bazaar at Faith Church, sponsored by UMW, has now become an all-church event, so we are urging everyone in our Faith family to take part. There is great need for contributors and workers so please check the sign-up sheets for areas where you feel you could help. (Questions welcome) We will accept monetary donations as well.

The Bazaar will feature the following booths: *Baked Goods, *Cookies, * Gifts & Crafts, *Gently Used, * Silent Auction.

We ask you to please observe the following guidelines:

*Gently Used booth --NO CLOTHING; all items must be in very good condition

*Silent Auction

-- Donated items must have a value of \$20.00 MINIMUM

-- Items may be brought to church Sunday morning, Oct. 30 OR between the hours of 2:00 & 4:00 on Weds. Nov. 2

-- Sign-up sheets for Auction items will be available for several weeks prior to the event.

-- BIDDING will take place the day of the Bazaar, Sat. Nov. 5 only, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and closing at noon.

Our luncheon includes homemade vegetable soup, freshly-baked bread, assorted pies, and coffee.

We thank our local community for their support, but remember it takes the time, talents, and resources of our whole church for a successful event! May we count on your help? Thank you!



Volunteers for Nursery Needed Help Wanted



Six pleasant, enjoyable, joyful people are needed. There are a few little ones who need someone to care for them while Mom and Dad attend church. Currently about six people alternate Sundays in the nursery. If six or more people would volunteer, your service would be every three months in the nursery. Consider this opportunity to serve your church and the Lord.

Whatever Happened to That Spiritual Gifts Survey I took?

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WITNESSING GIFTS..... 14

Witnessing congregations tend to emphasize worship, Christian education, and church growth. Faith sharing is central to the life of the fellowship. The Focus Is Local

These are the gifts that form this cluster: Knowledge, Faith, Prophecy, Evangelism, Healing, Teaching..... 7
Exhortation..... 7

ORGANIZING GIFTS..... 35

Organizing congregations tend to be highly structured, very organized, and program-rich. Committees and work teams involve large numbers of people. The Focus Is On The Institution.

These are the gifts that form this cluster: Knowledge, Leadership, Wisdom Administration..... 8 Giving..... 1
Helping/Serving..... 19 Teaching..... 7

Our Strongest Spiritual Gift Clusters according to the gifts we identified

NURTURING GIFTS..... 45

This area is our greatest strength. We are good at Building Fellowship, Small Groups, And Member Care. Our ministry Focus Is Primarily Turned Inward towards taking care of each other.

ORGANIZING GIFTS..... 35

Our next area of strength is that we are good at taking care of the building and the organizational aspects of the Church. We take care of the Institution and make sure the organization is running smoothly and the bills are paid on time.

OUTREACHING GIFTS..... 19

We are mission minded and do a good job of supporting missions through the UMW and UMC askings.

WITNESSING GIFTS..... 14

Our growing edge is worship, Christian education, and church growth both numerically and spiritually. Faith sharing needs to become central to the life of the fellowship. We need to focus more of our energy on how to engage our community with the gospel of Jesus.

A Nurturing Church tends to attract those whose gifts are in the nurture cluster. In our sample there were 19 people who had the gift of Mercy and 19 who had the gift of Helps, by far the predominant gifts among those who were surveyed. These are wonderful gifts and give us a great base to work from but if we are to grow numerically and spiritually let us pray..... *37Then He said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest." Matthew 9:37-38*

Pastor Victor

Nurse's Notes

In October I was privileged to attend a Chaplain and Parish Nurse day retreat at Holy Spirit Retreat Center outside Janesville. It is a day of renewal and learning that I always look forward to.

One of the presenters was Amy S. Hedman, PhD. She presented on "Cultivating Hope, Simple Activities to Become a More Hopeful You!"

Here is a part of her Powerpoint Presentation.

Please remember the Holy Spirit is ever present with us. Sherry Scholljegerdes, RN,
Your Parish Nurse



"Through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures, we might have HOPE." ~Roman 15:4

Nurture/Seek Healthy Relationships

- ☞ We were created to love and be loved
- ☞ Broaden your social circle! Get to know others through community enrichment activities; examples include community education, arts programs, or local travel tours; Get to know those around you: fellow parishioners, coworkers, neighbors, and community members
- ☞ Surround yourself with positive people who are supportive and righteous; who love and serve the Lord
- ☞ Share your hope with others; lifting them up with encouragement

Cultivate Hope Handout: Question 1

Meditate on God's Love for You

- ☞ Reflect on God's unconditional love for you and His desire for a closer relationship with you
- ☞ Study the Bible and what is written about God's love for you
- ☞ Journal about the ways God has demonstrated His faithfulness to you
- ☞ Spend time listening to favorite hymns or songs that remind you of His great love
- ☞ Focus on His presence with a short affirmation and breathing ("You are my Hope," "You are with me.")

Cultivate Hope Handout: Question 1

(More powerpoints can be seen on next page.)

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Nurse's Notes

Engage in Your Faith Community

- ☞ Being involved in church will allow you to grow spiritually, and connect with others while serving others
- ☞ Consider your interests and skills; perhaps you can help teach, greet, perform, or fundraise
- ☞ Join or organize a Bible study or small group
- ☞ Attend church events and special activities
- ☞ Invite others to attend your congregation; share your church's good works with others

Search for the Purpose in Your Strife

- ☞ Learn to love Jesus when it's most difficult to do; this is your test.
- ☞ In suffering, God's comfort and love are revealed. He is drawing us closer to Him.
- ☞ Your suffering has a purpose; God is equipping you for the future.
- ☞ When it seems, senseless, trust in the Lord that in His time the purpose will be revealed

Cultivate Hope Handout: Question 5

Be Active in Transforming Your Spirit and Mind

- ☞ God does not expect us to be passive in our faith nor in our life
- ☞ Reflect on your thoughts...are they uplifting or defeating? Work to focus on positive thoughts as the Bible instructs
- ☞ Do not let a failure define you
- ☞ Pursue spiritual growth; join a Bible study, read daily devotions, attend church regularly, find a spiritual mentor

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me--put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."
 Philippians 4: 8-9

M & M Night!
YES! Meal and Movie night returns to
Faith United Methodist Church!

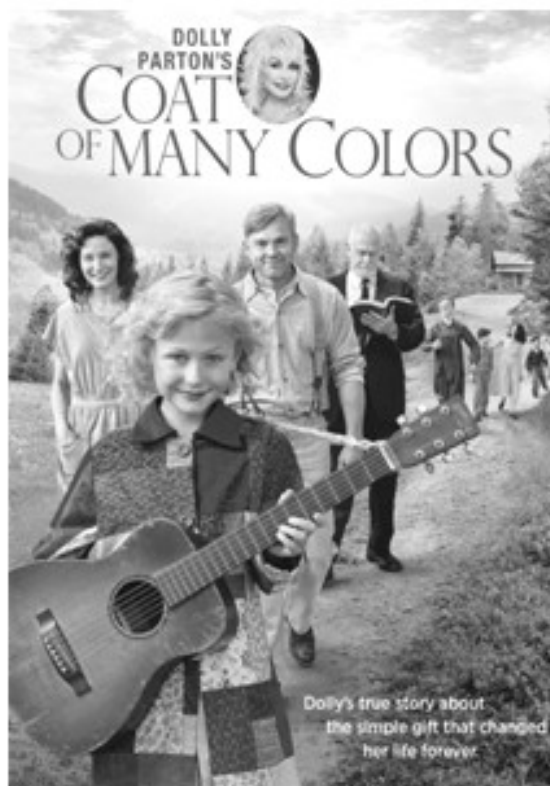
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Waseca, MN

Sunday, November 20, 2016

5:30 pm

Free Admission!



Featuring the film

Coat of Many Colors

Inspiring story of Dolly Parton growing up in Tennessee and the coat of many colors presented to her by her mother.



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MONTHLY MEET-UPS:

Elizabeth Circle

UMW Elizabeth Circle will meet **Wednesday, November 16** at **2:00 p.m.** in the **Lakeview Room**. Norma Buland will host with Linda Lohse leading devotions. Guests and visitors are welcome.

Ruth Circle

UMW Ruth Circle will be meeting on **Tuesday November 8, 10:30 am - Noon** at the **parsonage**. All ladies are welcome to visit! Call Patrice Waters 835.2535 if you have any questions.

Mary Circle

Mary Circle **will not** be meeting in November.