

# The Faith Flyer

Sunday Worship - 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. • Sanctuary & Drive-in • Livestream of a church service  
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FYI: Live streaming of the 8 a.m. worship service will begin on Sunday, June 28th through Sunday, September 6th.  
Live streaming of the 10:30 a.m. service will return on Sunday, September 13, 2026.

## Worship at a Glance

June  
2026



July  
2026

**7th Second Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Holy Communion* (self-contained units or intinction)  
OT: Psalm 33: 1-12  
NT: Romans 4: 13-25  
Message Lesson: Isaiah 44: 1-8  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon: God the Father

**14th Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19  
NT: Romans 5: 1-8  
Message Lesson: Hebrews 11: 1-16  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon: Father Almighty

**5th Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*Holy Communion* (self-contained units or intinction)  
OT: Psalm 45: 10-17  
NT: Romans 7: 15-25a  
Message Lesson: Galatians 4: 4-5  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon: Who Was Born

**12th Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 119: 105-112  
NT: Romans 8: 1-11  
Message Lesson: 1 Timothy 2: 5-6  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon: Crucified, Died, and Was Buried

**21st Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17  
NT: Romans 6: 1b-11  
Message Lesson: John 1: 1-18  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon: Jesus Christ His Only Son

**28th Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 13  
NT: Romans 6: 12-23  
Sermon: *Susan Burkett, Lay Leader*



**19th Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24  
NT: Romans 8: 12-25  
Message Lesson: Luke 24: 1-43  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon Title: On the Third Day He Rose Again

**26th Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
OT: Psalm 105: 1-11, 45b  
NT: Romans 8: 26-39  
Message Lesson: 2 Peter 1: 1-18  
Sermon Series: *This Is the Way*  
Sermon Title: Is Seated at the Right Hand

### Summer Music Ministry at Faith GMC

Submitted by Holly Kwaczala, Choir Director

-up sheet is on the choir door for any children, youth, or adults considering sharing their musical his summer. You may perform during the first, second, or both services.

ted to join a summer choir that will practice Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and perform throughout the summer. See Bud Robinson or Holly Kwaczala for details.



This July, I am officially declaring my Declaration of Dependence.

This summer, we'll celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. We will celebrate American independence and our unique culture. We will cheer for the USA at the World Cup (at least I will). We are lucky to live in such a prosperous and free nation. We live in the most individualized nation in the history of the world. That individualization has contributed greatly to our prosperity. We grow up with the American dream, believing that success is possible if we work hard enough and show grit.

While this rugged individualism has helped shape our culture and prosperity, it can be a hindrance to our faith. At the core of faith is this realization: we desperately need a savior. We cannot do it ourselves. We cannot pull ourselves up by our bootstraps and defeat sin. We cannot save ourselves. We cannot overcome our darker impulses. We cannot make ourselves worthy and more like Jesus. We cannot do it.

Too often, we make our decisions, then ask God to bless them. Or we approach Jesus like the rich young ruler. What can we do to inherit the Kingdom? What is in our control to get what we want? The question is flawed from the beginning, because it assumes we can do it. It wants to put our good ol' American work ethic and grit and apply it to salvation. What we really need is not to work harder. What we need is to surrender.

That is why I am declaring my Declaration of Dependence, and I invite you to do the same. Celebrate 250 years of American freedom and ingenuity. Then admit your total dependence on God. Surrender, and let God guide you to sanctification.

*Pastor Jonathan*

## Update on Our Mission to Support the GMC in Croatia

*Submitted by Pastor Jonathan*

We surpassed our initial goal to support the GMC in Croatia! Our church council chose to pledge ourselves to raising \$7,500 over three years (\$2,500/year). This commitment allows the pastor, Vatroslav Zupančić, to commit to ministry full-time. Although we have exceeded our first year goal of raising \$2,500, we continue to encourage and accept donations towards our ultimate goal of \$7,500. The generous support from Allegheny-West has helped tremendously in Croatia. On a recent Zoom call, Vatroslav reported they are exploring new ministry ideas, such as expanding their space for children's ministry. As we continue to raise funds for our partnership, we will explore new ways to help expand the great work being done.

Thank you for your generosity! As of 5/10/26, we have collected \$3,840.

**On Sunday, May 24, 2026, three of our youth joined Faith GMC:**

*Miranda Dell—Joanna Hanover—Madilyn Noel*

**We welcome and celebrate their commitment to faith and pray for the continued growth in their spiritual lives.**



### Reminder From the Church Office



The church office will be closed **Monday, July 6, 2026** in observance of Independence Day.

### There will be a GUEST EDITOR for the August issue of the Faith Flyer.



**From the Editor**

Articles, notes of thanks, and information for the August newsletter should be submitted to the church office by the **deadline of Tuesday, July 14th.**

## Sunday School Celebration Breakfast • June 7, 2026

Each year, the last Sunday of May marks the final morning for Sunday School classes at Faith Church to meet. It's been a tradition to have a celebratory breakfast the following Sunday for students, teachers, and their families as a time for fellowship and recognition of attendance awards.



Meet  
for  
Breakfast

This year, the Sunday School Celebration Breakfast will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 7th in Fellowship Hall. Joann Emanuele and her kitchen crew will offer a light breakfast of yogurt, fruit, breakfast rolls, doughnuts, and beverages to class members & their families and to ANYONE who would like to attend after the first worship service.



### Thank You, Sunday School Leaders!

We appreciate the outstanding corps of Sunday school teachers, leaders, and assistants we have at Faith Church. We are so very grateful for their leadership in guiding individuals to consider God's Word with our hearts and our minds. They are instrumental in developing our desire for "Sharing Christ's Love Through Faith."

#### A huge thanks goes to these teachers and facilitators:

- **First Steps of Faith Class** (Toddlers through Kindergarten) - *Stacey Vincler, Gina Biltz, Julie Kovacs, Holly Kwaczala*
- **Foundations of Faith Class** (Grades 1 through 3) - *Linda Sopcak, Charlene Schroder*
- **Builders of Faith Class** (Grades 4 through 6) - *Megan Hanover, Joann Emanuele*
- **Explorers of Faith Class** (Grades 7 through 12) - *Lynn Pyle, Bev Fensch*
- **Beacons of Faith Class** (Adults) - *Barb Hilty*
- **S.A.L.T. Class** [Sharing and Learning Together] (Adults) - *Marilyn Hults, Carrie Bortz*
- **Confirmation of Faith:** *Jonathan Hanover* with help from *Linda Loughner & Dave Morris*

**Children's Substitute Teachers** - *Linda Loughner, Lori Martz, Dave Morris, Lisa Popovich*

**Attendance Steward** - *Karen Morris*

*Diana Canzano* collects the attendance information to determine qualification for Sunday School attendance awards. Diana orders and distributes the pins, bars, and gift cards during the Sunday School Celebration Breakfast.

All of these people are in compliance with the requirements of Ministry Safe, the Global Methodist Church's official code of conduct for the protection of children, youth, and vulnerable adults.

*Faith Church is blessed to have these folks faithfully lead and teach the Sunday School participants. Please extend your words of gratitude and encouragement to them when you see them in church.*



# Congratulations, Graduates!

At Faith GMC, we have three young adults who have graduated from high school and/or institutions of higher learning. The following students have informed us of their achievements and were honored by their church family during our worship services on Sunday, May 31st:

## 2026 High School Graduates

- **Audrey Wolfgang** - daughter of Russ and Heather Wolfgang - graduating from Kiski Area High School – will attend University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg campus, for Nursing.

## 2025 / 2026 College Graduates

- **Cassidy Glunt** – daughter of Chip and Janine Glunt – graduated December 2025 from University of Pittsburgh with a Masters of Science in Physician Assistant Studies - working as a PA in the neonatal until placed at Philadelphia’s Children’s Hospital.
- **Jordan Glunt** – daughter of Chip and Janine Glunt – graduated May 2026 from University of Pittsburgh with a Bachelor of Arts in Public and Professional Writing and a BA in Media and Professional Communications - moving to Japan as an assistant language teacher.



Please join us in recognizing the accomplishments of these young adults. A PowerPoint presentation introduced them to our congregation on Graduate Sunday. We celebrate their achievements and pray for their steadfast Christian influence in the world!

*(While there may be other graduates from our church, please know we cannot presume to automatically identify individuals nor will we include their information without receiving specific permission to do so.)*

## Sunday School Perfect Attendance • April 2026 •

*Submitted by Karen Morris*

### First Steps

**Students:** Amelia Gonder—Mia Soemer  
**(Teachers:** Stacey Vincler, Julie Kovacs, Gina Biltz & Holly Kwaczala)

### Foundations of Faith

**Students:** Anne Teslevich  
**(Teachers:** Charlene Schroder & Linda Sopcak)

### Builders of Faith

**Students:** Wesley Hanover—Alex Patrick—Owen Scalise—Jane Teslevich  
**(Teachers:** Megan Hanover & Joann Emmanuele)

### Explorers of Faith

**Students:** Joanna Hanover  
**(Teachers:** Lynn Pyle & Bev Fensch)

### Beacon Class

**Students:** Andrea Ewing—Sam Popovich  
**(Teacher:** Barb Hilty)

### S.A.L.T. Class

**Students:** Irene Hanna—Mark Hanna—Jay McIntyre—Linda McIntyre—Connie Schrag  
**(Teachers:** Carrie Bortz & Marilyn Hulst)



# Recognition for Exemplary Attendance

Submitted by *Diana Canzano*

During the 2025-2026 Sunday School year, those participants who missed 3 or fewer classes will receive recognition and a small gift during the Sunday School Celebration Breakfast on June 7, 2026. Their unwavering presence and dedication to learning every week are truly admirable. Those students receiving this special recognition are listed below.

## First Steps of Faith

Amelia Gonder

## Foundations of Faith

Anne Teslevich

## Builders of Faith

Wesley Hanover    Alex Patrick  
Jane Teslevich

## Explorers of Faith

Joanna Hanover

## Beacon of Faith

Russell Fair            Jim McMahon  
Barb Hilty              Sam Popovich

## S.A.L.T.

Irene Hanna  
Mark Hanna



## Visions & Dreams: "Dogs" on the Porch

Wednesday, June 24, 2026 • 5:30 p.m.



Sign up to join us for HOT dogs & kielbasa, alone or on buns with various toppings available. Our dinner will also include baked beans, macaroni & pasta salads, watermelon, and bagged chips. Dessert will be ice cream sandwiches.

The deadline to sign up for this event is Sunday, June 14th. All the food will be provided by Visions & Dreams. However, if you are willing to contribute a pasta/macaroni salad, please let Marcy Wagner know so we can assure a variety. If you wish to contribute to the expenses, a donation may be made in cash or by check to "*Faith GMC Fellowship Group*." (On the memo line write: *Visions & Dreams*) Our group has a special account at S&T to cover food expenses for our Vision & Dreams activities; Visions & Dreams does NOT receive any money from the church's general expenses.

Plan to be outside on the porch, but in case of inclement weather, we will meet in Fellowship Hall. If you have a yard game or some game that you think others might enjoy playing, consider bringing it to ANY Visions & Dreams event.

Printed name tags will be provided for you to wear to help us all learn & remember names of our Faith Family friends & members. Remember to bring a lawn chair if you want to sit around the fire pit. A cushion or stadium chair allows for more comfortable seating on the porch benches.

The sign-up sheet is located on the Action Table in the Gathering Area.

Any questions or desires to assist should be directed to Marcy Wagner, chair of the Visions & Dreams Fellowship Group.

## Visions & Dreams: Pizza & Salad on the Porch Wednesday, July 22, 2026 • 5:30 p.m.

We will be displaying 6 different pizza choices from Fox's Pizza Den in Delmont for our third event of 2026. When you sign up, you will need to place a tally beside each flavor choice to indicate how many slices you think you might eat of each particular pizza choice. The tallies are going to determine what size and how many of each pizza will be ordered. The choices will be: Plain Cheese—Pepperoni & Cheese—Deluxe—Hawaiian—Veggie—Taco (new choice in '26). A tossed salad & fixings will be available. Ice cream sandwiches will be provided for dessert, along with an assortment of beverages. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, July 12th.

It is important that we have an accurate number so that we have enough tables, chairs, salad, pizza, beverages, and ice cream sandwiches for everyone.

If you have attended previous Visions & Dreams events, the same routines and advice for comfort hold. Donation jars will be available for your contributions toward our expenses. We plan to have the firepit operating for those who enjoy relaxing around the fire after dinner.



Any questions or desire to help should be directed to Marcy Wagner, chair of the Visions & Dreams Fellowship Group.

### Remaining 2026 Vision & Dreams Scheduled Events:

Wednesday, August 19 @ 6:30 p.m.

*Ice Cream on the Porch*

Thursday, October 1 @ 5:30 p.m.

*Tacos & Game Night* (in Fellowship Hall)



### MC2 Offers Spring Community Bible Study

*Submitted by Dan Plance*



Two meetings of the MC2 Community Bible Study remain: **June 2 & 9, 2026 from 3:30–5 p.m.** at the Murrysville Christian Concern Community Outreach Center at 5778 Kennedy Avenue, Export, PA 15632. (adjacent to the Friends Thrift Shop) You are still welcome to join us for the last two Bible studies.

Call 724-325-1559 or email [MurrysvilleChristianConcern@gmail.com](mailto:MurrysvilleChristianConcern@gmail.com) to make sure that you can receive a study guide for **Every Thought Captive: How Renewing Your Mind Can Change Your Life**, by Kyle Idleman.

The following is an excerpt from the study guide:

The stakes couldn't be higher when it comes to taking our thoughts captive. What we think about shapes our emotions, drives our actions, and determines the course of our lives. When we align our thoughts with God's truth, we unlock the potential for profound change and abundant living. Our study will help you identify toxic thought patterns, interrupt negative mental loops, replace lies with God's truth, implement healthy thought habits, and cultivate a mindset that leads to peace and purpose.



## Updates From the Worship Ministry Team

*Submitted by Karen Morris, Chair*

### Are You Interested in Giving a Sunday Morning Children's Message?



The weekly children's message is often enjoyed by not only the children but by the adults. Please consider being a part of the rotation of adults who provide a special message to the children of our church. We currently have five volunteers, but more willing presenters would be greatly appreciated. Call the church office or Pastor Jonathan with any questions or to be placed on the list.

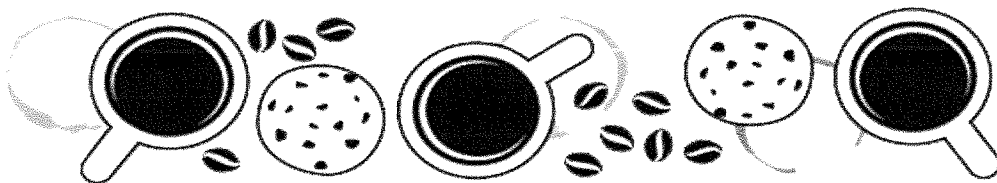
### Additional Ushers Are Still Needed

The request for additional ushers for the second worship service in addition to funerals remains. If you are interested in helping for either the 2nd worship service and/or funerals, please speak with Dave Hilty



### Take Advantage of the Second Podium in the Narthex.

In order to help cut down on the congestion when people are signing in, getting prayer requests, and picking up worship bulletins, a second podium was added in the Narthex as you enter the front doors. You are encouraged to use either podium before entering the sanctuary or checking out the Action Table.



### Sunday Morning Coffee Hour Continues Through the Summer Months

9-10 a.m. • Fellowship Hall



Faith members, friends, and visitors are encouraged to join the group that gathers together to share news, joys & concerns. Grab a hot coffee and some pastries / desserts. Visit with old & new friends after the first service or before the second service.

### Attention Bakers! Yummy Treats Needed During Fellowship Hour!

We continue to extend the invitation to bakers to consider sharing a favorite recipe with the Coffee & Fellowship Hour participants who meet together each Sunday morning from 9-10 a.m. to enjoy fellowship in the social hall. If you want to contribute but don't wish to bake—purchase something tasty to share so that we can continue to enjoy a variety of yummy treats.



There is a sign-up sheet on the table in Fellowship Hall.  
Any questions may be directed to Karen Morris.

## Monthly Saturday Prayer Group • 9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

Consider attending Faith Church's prayer group that meets each month in *The Quiet Room* (the first room on the right when you enter the Narthex using the front doors). This is a time for fellowship, an opportunity to share joys & concerns, and to join together in intercessory prayer. Carrie Bortz facilitates the meeting, but the goal is for the Holy Spirit to be present and guide the group. As we pray, there is the opportunity for everyone to pray aloud if they feel led to do so, but it is not required of anyone.

Upcoming meetings of the Prayer Group during the summer months:

First Saturday in June—**June 6th**

Second Saturday in July—**July 11th**



## Faith GMC Mourns the Loss of One of Its Faith Members

We extend our sincerest condolences and our prayers to...

*Family and friends of Richard "Dick" L. Bush (4-23-2026)*



*"Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints."*

~Psalm 116: 15

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

*Submitted by Mary Schindler & Cindy Plance*

Thank you to everyone who continues to support this ministry. The recipients of the shawls, lap blankets, and baptismal blankets appreciate your efforts.



We currently have enough prayer shawls. Please concentrate on making at least 36 inch square lap blankets made in the design and color of your choice. If you are looking for a new pattern, you can pick up an easy one from the Action Table.

Our lap blankets are given to the residents of Ark Manor Personal Care Home at 105 Sandra Drive in Delmont.

## Faith Global Methodist Men's Group "Faith Warriors"

*Submitted by Jim McMahon*

The *Faith Warriors* continue to meet weekly, on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at the church. They encourage any men who wish to further their walk with God in a setting that encourages accountability, openness, and fellowship to join them in their discussions.

Currently, the group is doing a study led by Jim McMahon on the New Testament book of Colossians, which should last until mid-June. The group may continue to meet afterwards during the summer for informal time together.

Make note that the *Faith Warriors* encourage any persons or groups that need a helping hand to reach out to this men's group for possible assistance.

**MEN'S  
GROUP**

## First Aid Items Available in the Church

*Submitted by Debbie Sicari, RN, - Health Ministries Chair*

For the safety and well-being of our church family, we want to remind everyone that first aid resources are available throughout the church building.

There are 12 **first aid bags**, located in various rooms and public areas for easy access. A complete list of the bag locations is available in the church office and posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside of the office. These bags contain basic supplies intended for minor first aid needs, such as small cuts and scrapes, minor burns, pain relief, and assistance with low blood sugar.

In addition, the church has **one blood pressure cuff** and an **Automated External Defibrillator (AED)**. Both are located on the shelf in the hallway outside the church office and are available for use in an emergency until professional help arrives.

Please note that these first aid supplies are meant for basic, temporary care only and are not a substitute for calling 911 or seeking professional medical help in the event of a serious or life-threatening emergency. The vast majority of our church members are not medically trained, so first aid should be provided only within one's comfort level and abilities. When in doubt, do not hesitate to call 911 for the assistance of paramedics.

Note: All first aid bags and supplies are regularly inventoried and maintained, and contents are kept within their recommended "use by" dates to ensure readiness when needed.



Thank you for helping us keep our church a safe and caring place for everyone.

## Friends Kitchen Community Meals

MC2 continues to offer sit-down dinners from 4-6 p.m. (while supplies last) at Laird Hall, 3202 North Hills Road (just off Old William Penn Highway) across the street from the Murrysville First Presbyterian Church.

Take-out meals are also available, but you need to park and come into Laird Hall to pick up your take-out.

Participation is not based on economic need.



The menu on Wednesday, June 3rd features chicken patty sandwich—macaroni salad—chips—cookie.

The menu on Wednesday, July 1st features ham BBQ sandwich—potato salad—chips—cookie.



Murrysville Christian Concern announced that there is a blood drive **Monday, July 27, 2026 from 12 p.m.—5 p.m.** at the **Outreach Community Center** in Export beside the Friends Thrift Shop. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Blood**

To register ahead: Schedule an appointment on the *American Red Cross* website using Drive Code MCCCOC

## Offer the Gift of Sight

Lions International has been a champion in helping combat vision impairment and blindness since 1925. It is only through the kindness of donations that Lions International can continue to offer the gift of sight to those in need.



Donate your used glasses, including sunglasses and reading glasses. A collection box is located in the Gathering Area.

## Faith Church's "Five by Five" Program Is Available to Help

*Submitted by Ed Washburn*

"Five by Five" envelopes are in the pews and also available on the Action Table. Just place your name—envelope number—and dollar amount on the special envelope. You can place cash or a check payable to *Faith GMC* in the envelope and drop it in with your offering. If you are including your payment in your regular offering envelope, remember to write "5x5" on the line marked "*Special*" on the envelope and indicate the amount to go to the "Five by Five" church account. As of May 10, 2026, there is \$4,142 in the "Five by Five" account.



This program supports our pastor's efforts to help a church member when a financial emergency occurs and a request for help is made. The "5 x 5" monies are available to whomever might need some help. In addition, if someone outside of our Faith family contacted the church and asked the pastor for help, our pastor could make the decision to help and how much, using the "Five by Five" funds available.

The opportunity to participate in the "Five by Five" program is an option at anytime throughout the year. If you have any questions about this opportunity, please contact Ed Washburn at [turfed15626.com](mailto:turfed15626.com) or by phone at 724-396-1414.

## First Responders Program at Faith Church

*Submitted by Ed Washburn*

Our church's *First Responders* program is for dramatic emergencies when substantial assistance may be needed. This opportunity for assistance is open not only to our Faith Family but to residents of Delmont and the surrounding communities. If you wish to be notified when such an emergency arises, please email our church office at [faithchurch@faithdelmont.org](mailto:faithchurch@faithdelmont.org) or give the office staff a call at 724-468-0040. Your name will be placed on a list to be contacted for a possible donation, if able, of **\$50 (minimum)** to help provide financial support from Faith Church. Our goal is to have 50 "*First Responders*" that can be called in case of a financial emergency. We continue to need more people willing to be part of this program that can be approached if a need arises and the *First Responders* choose to participate.



If you have any questions about this program and opportunity to help our neighbors in need or our own Faith Church members experiencing financial need, please contact Ed Washburn at [turfed15626@gmail.com](mailto:turfed15626@gmail.com) or by phone at 724-396-1414.



Congratulations to *Maddie White*, daughter of Jody & Jordan White, who was named **2026 Outstanding Young Citizen Awardee** by the Tribune-Review!



Maddie will be a senior next school year at Hempfield Area High School. After graduation from high school, she plans to attend school for a double major in special education and elementary education and continue to remain involved with the Special Olympics.

There will be a special offering on Sunday, June 14th, for the 2026 Miracle Offering. As of May 10, 2026, \$620 has been received for this mission partnership with the West Congo Conference.

## A Call to Give Generously from Our Conference Superintendent

Greetings, Friends, in the name of Jesus!

We are once again asking our churches, clergy, and lay members to participate in a **Miracle Offering** during annual conference.

Our Conference Council has recently agreed to enter a mission partnership with the West Congo Conference—a body that spans 25 of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's 26 provinces, with its headquarter in Kinshasa. We are partnering in this effort with the North Carolina Conference. The West Congo Conference is doing the same thing we did three years ago—starting a new annual conference—but they are doing it in a world where the average wage is \$1 a day. They need our help.

The West Congo Conference has 192 congregations and 48 prayer places where they intend to plant churches—yet they own just one building. Their congregations are served by 18 ordained elders, 4 ordained deacons, and 218 lay preachers.

Our conference budget includes \$50,000 designated to provide five years of transitional support—covering the salaries of the Conference Superintendent, Conference Secretary and other staff, as well as the Presiding Elders, the Conference office in Kinshasa, and the costs for their annual conference gathering.

Our **Miracle Offering** for 2026 will go toward meeting some immediate needs through the Allegheny West/Democratic Republic of Congo Conference Mission Partnership. Rev. Henriette Okolo, the Conference Superintendent, and her leadership team have identified the following pressing needs:

- ◆ **Clean Water—\$50,000:** 1,000 water filters at \$50 each, providing clean drinking water for families or small rural communities. Lack of clean water is the leading cause of health challenges in the DRC.
- ◆ **Motorcycles—\$13,500:** 10 motorcycles at \$1,350 each, enabling the ten Presiding Elders to travel their circuits.
- ◆ **Transportation—\$35,000:** One used SUV to give Conference Superintendent Rev. Okolo dependable transportation as she travels across the conference. Those who are familiar with the DCR say that this is an absolute necessity.
- ◆ **Education—\$19,950:** The West Congo Conference is currently supporting 4 doctoral students (\$1,200/student/year for two years), 1 master's student (\$450/year for two years), and 7 bachelor's students (\$450/student/year for three years). A total of \$19,950 will see all 12 students through to completion and fund the faculty needed to train the conference's 218 lay pastors.
- ◆ **Micro-Business Loans—\$10,000:** A revolving loan fund providing grants of up to \$500 to help start businesses that will sustain local churches and pastors.
- ◆ **Partnership Escrow—\$30,000:** A bridge fund to help meet needs while we build direct connections between circuits in Allegheny West and West Congo.

**Our Miracle Offering Goal is \$160,000.** I believe this is easily attainable. I've already been informed by three small churches that they raised enough to pay for a motorcycle each. Another church designated 100% of their Easter offering for the Miracle Offering of 2026. I also know of an additional small group that's decided to provide at least \$450 to help pay for a pastor's education. Amazing!

God bless you in advance for your generosity!

*Jeff Greenway*, Conference Superintendent



## All Hands on Deck!

*Submitted by Carrie Bortz, Prayer Point Person*

Our Allegheny West Annual Conference (AWAC) will be held at Mount Vernon Nazarene University from **June 24-27**, and the GMC General Conference is scheduled for **August 30-September 5** in Johannesburg, South Africa. Both are vital events in the life of our church.

Extensive planning goes into gatherings like these, bringing together leaders, clergy, delegates, and volunteers for several days focused on the mission and ministry of the GMC. Pastor Jonathan and Frank Shoup will be attending AWAC for Faith Church.

Even if we are not directly involved, we each have an important role to play through prayer, lifting up all who participate to be equipped, strengthened, encouraged, and protected. We know that when the church is doing the Lord's work, the enemy, Satan, will try to come against it.

So, I invite each of you to answer this call for "all hands on deck," and join me in lifting these conferences and the participants in prayer using some of the many encouraging words found in Scripture. I have listed a few here, and you may have some favorites as well.

- **Colossians 1: 9** (for wisdom & guidance) *"...We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of His will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives."*
- **Ephesians 6: 10-11** (for integrity & moral protection) *"...be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."*
- **1 Peter 5:2** (for leadership & diligence) *"Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be..."*
- **Isaiah 41: 10** (for protection of family & health) *"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."*

Remember **1 John 5: 14-15**: *"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of Him."*

## Walk Thru the Bible ntLIVE • Saturday, August 29, 2026

**9 a.m.—12 noon • Faith GMC Sanctuary**

Certified Instructor: Chuck Hildbold, retired pastor

What if there were a fun and effective way to engage with the Word of God that would launch you into daily Bible reading? In three hours, *Walk Thru the Bible* covers the 400 years prior to the New Testament Gospels. We will learn some highlights of the life of Jesus and that of the Apostle Paul and his missionary journeys. The first five books of the New Testament will be the major focus. Using our hands, we will learn 40 of the major people, places, and events. Chuck uses numerous modes of instruction (hearing, visual, moving, interacting, and repetition) to help participants learn and retain the big picture of the entire New Testament—and have fun doing it.

To register, visit the church website or fill out a registration form which can be found on the Action Table. The deadline for registration will be August 16th. The registration fee is \$25 for adults and \$10 for those between 8 - 18 years. (Children age 8-12 must be accompanied by a participating adult.) The registration fee covers the cost of our instructor, materials, and the light refreshments. Cash or checks are accepted. Please make checks payable to *Faith GMC* with "WTTB" on the memo line.

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LEARNING**

Simple snacks and refreshments will be available in the social hall during the two 15-minute breaks.

# Friends Thrift Shop

*Submitted by Dan Plance*

If you are trying to keep the clutter at a minimum at home or are looking for a few gently-used items or clothes, stop by the Murrysville Christian Concern's (MC2) Friends Thrift Shop in Export on Old William Penn Highway / Kennedy Avenue. The Friends Thrift Shop is a charitable organization staffed by volunteers, "people helping people," that accepts clothing, furniture, household goods, and children's items in order to assist people, families, and the communities of Murrysville, Export, and Delmont.

Store hours are Mondays—Saturday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Furniture donations may be scheduled online at [FriendsThriftShop.com](http://FriendsThriftShop.com).

If anyone in our neighboring communities is in need of assistance, they may contact Jack Battenhouse, Social Services Coordinator at 412-373-8845.

Emergency food can be picked up by calling MC2 at 724-325-1559.

## 2026 OUTREACH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### June & July

- Pack an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox
- Donate items for the Blackburn Center

### August

- Pack an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox
- Donate items for Blackburn Center
- Participate in Delmont Daze

### September

- Donate items for College & Military Care Boxes
- Pack an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

### October

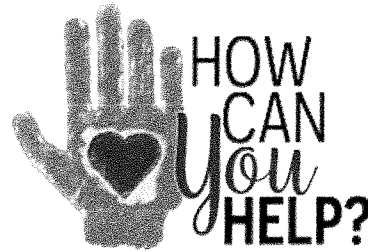
- Donate desserts for Delmont's Meals on Wheels
- Pack an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox
- Donate socks, underwear, & winter coats for the Delmont Food Pantry and Friends Thrift Shop
- Participate in the Westmoreland Food Bank "Grab & Go" food distribution on 10/5/2026
- Donate funds for processing the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes
- Fill a Christmas Breakfast Bag for the Mother of Sorrows Community Food Pantry

### November

- Donate Christmas Presents for the residents of Delmont's ARK Personal Care Home
- Fill a Christmas Breakfast Bag for the Mother of Sorrows Community Food Pantry

### December

- Participate in the Pilgrimage on 12/5/2026 and 12/6/2026



## Delmont Food Pantry Donations Needed



The Delmont Food Pantry would appreciate donations of the following items:

- Pop Tarts—saltine crackers—soup—canned pasta—
- cookie / brownie mixes—canned chicken—
- winter coats for children & youth

## Collecting for the Blackburn Center

Since 1976, Blackburn Center, located in Greensburg, has been providing services to victims of domestic and sexual violence and other types of violence and crime in Westmoreland County. The center provides an emergency shelter for victims of intimate partner violence - counseling and therapy - accompaniment and support during medical and legal proceedings.

**The TABITHA CIRCLE will be collecting items for the Blackburn Center during the months of June, July, and August.**

NEW items are needed throughout the year for Blackburn Center's clients & shelter residents.

<u><b>Kitchen</b></u>	<u><b>Bathroom</b></u>	<u><b>Baby &amp; Child Items</b></u>
<p><b>Food*</b>                      Silverware sets                      Drinking cups/glasses                      Glass baking dishes                      Kitchen utensils (spatulas, etc.)  <b>Lidded 13-gallon trash cans</b>                      Pots &amp; saucepan sets                      Skillets                      Hand-held can openers                      Small appliances: microwaves, crock pots, air fryers, etc.  <b>Zip-lock bags—2.5 gallon size only</b></p> <p><i>(Not needed at this time: toasters, coffee pots, mixers)</i></p> <p>*Food items we especially need include: single-serving shelf-staple items, cans or pouches of cooked meat/fish, canned soups, microwavable shelf-staple meals, juice boxes, shelf-staple milk, sugar, powdered coffee creamer, and all condiments. We can only accept donations of <i>non-perishable goods</i></p>	<p>Bathroom rugs                      Anti-slip bathtub mats                      Shower curtains <i>and rings</i>                      Small unlidded trash can                      Tampons</p> <p><i>(Not needed at this time: shampoo, body wash, bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, travel-size items, towels, toilet paper, paper towels)</i></p> <p><u><b>Bedroom</b></u></p> <p>Pillows Sheet sets (twin)                      Alarm Clocks  <b>Sports bras—all sizes, especially XS, S, and M</b>  <b>Underwear—women's sizes XS, S, and M</b>  <b>Pajamas—women's summer and winter weight (all sizes, especially M)</b>  <b>Pajamas—children's sizes 10+</b>  <b>Pajamas—men's summer and winter weight (all sizes)</b></p> <p><i>(Not needed at this time: comforters, throw blankets, bed in-a-bag sets)</i></p>	<p>Baby monitors                      Car seats                      Collapsible umbrella strollers</p> <p><u><b>Miscellaneous</b></u></p> <p><b>Air Mattresses w/pump full/twin</b>  <b>Brooms &amp; dust pans</b>                      Small stick or handheld vacuums                      Mops &amp; buckets                      Collapsible/pop-up hampers                      Duffle bags                      Extension cords/surge protectors  <b>Gasoline cards (Sunoco)</b>  <b>Gift cards (Giant Eagle, Walmart, Shop 'N Save, Target, &amp; Amazon)</b>                      Square Sterilite Laundry baskets                      Tool kits  <b>TracFones phones (new)</b>  <b>TracFone cards</b></p>

**Please put the items that are in *bold print* at the top of your shopping list.**

The donation of the above items from the needs list helps Blackburn Center sustain the shelter program and helps to maintain the support groups the agency provides for women and children. In addition, some of these items are made available to women and their children who are establishing their own homes and need support with the basic household items. For more information about donation opportunities, contact 724-837-9540— [www.blackburncenter.org](http://www.blackburncenter.org)— Blackburn Center Against Domestic & Sexual Violence, P.O. Box 398, Greensburg, PA 15601

For Blackburn Center's services, call the 24/7 Hotline: 724-836-1122 or 1-888-832-2272

# Plans for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes in 2026

You decide the age and gender of the child or children for which you are packing. Shoeboxes are available in the small room off of the Gathering Area. Take as many shoeboxes as you plan to fill. Filled shoeboxes should be returned to the same room no later than Sunday, October 4, 2026.

**NOTE:** When packing, please remember to remove as much packaging as you can so that we don't contribute to another country's trash problems.

A gift-filled shoebox can be the first present a child ever receives, so it is important to uniquely pack each gift and make it **FUN, FULL, and PERSONALIZED**. Consider praying for the recipient, adding a photo, and a personal note. Delivered by local church partners, shoebox gifts provide an opportunity to present the Gospel to boys and girls in an understandable, child-friendly manner.

Listed below are suggested items to help you when shopping to fill your shoebox.

## TOYS

- Foam ball—hacky sack—tennis ball
- Etch-A-Sketch—kaleidoscope
- Baseball—jump rope
- Yo-yo—building blocks—Slinky
- Small Frisbee—small kite
- Toy cars, truck, or boat—LEGO sets
- Plastic dinosaurs, animals, or action figures

## CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Puzzles—magnets—card game
- Binoculars—compass
- Tool set with work gloves
- Brightly colored rope or twine
- Jump rope—marbles—playing cards
- Beads/craft set
- Sewing kit—fabric (1-2 yds.) & ribbon
- Play-Doh—stickers
- Drawing pad—coloring book

## PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Hairbrush—comb—toothbrush
- Non-liquid lip balm
- Water bottle
- Nail clipper & file
- Blanket
- Washcloth
- Fun adhesive bandages
- Non-breakable compact mirror
- Flashlight
- Small backpack or purse
- Drawstring bag
- Hairbands—ribbons—clips

## CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Clothing
- Flip flops—socks
- Hat—scarf—mittens
- Sunglasses
- Bandana—decorative hat
- Bead jewelry—bead kit
- Wristwatch

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils—erasers
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Colored pencils—pens (red & blue)
- Pencil case
- Crayons—markers
- Notebooks—blank index cards
- Solar-powered calculator
- Scissors—ruler—protractor—compass
- Glue stick (no liquid glue)

## A "WOW" ITEM

- Doll & accessories—stuffed animal
- Soccer ball & pump
- Interactive game—small board game
- Small musical instrument

**DO NOT INCLUDE:** soap—food—candy—  
toothpaste—gum—used or damaged items—scary  
or war-related items such as guns, knives, or  
military figures—wearable camouflage—seeds or  
organic matter—drink mixes—liquids or lotions—  
medications or vitamins—breakable items—  
aerosol cans—matches & fire starters—money

**STEP RIGHT UP! THE GREATEST SHOW AT FAITH!**

*Submitted by Stacey Vincler*

Grab your tickets and get ready for the spectacular summer event!  
Join us under the big top for games—snacks—music—epic Bible Heroes.  
We are rolling out the circus train for a full day of faith—fun—fellowship!

**Where:** Faith Global Methodist Church

**When:** Saturday, July 11, 2026 from 12:30 p.m.—5 p.m. There will be a picnic and foam machine after 5 p.m. for the campers and their families.

**Who:** Ages 3 through 6th grade. We ask that parents of 3 & 4 year old children experience the day with them.

**Call to Action:** Don't clown around!  
Secure your seat in the front row!  
Registration will be available soon!



***Under the Big Top: Bible Heroes • Vacation Bible Camp Registration Form***

**Saturday, July 11, 2026 • 12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

*Return to the Church Office or VBC Coordinator Mailbox*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Can your child's photo be used: On our website? \_\_\_\_\_ In our newsletter? \_\_\_\_\_

Other Information/Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

## Opportunities to Provide Altar Flowers



Are you interested in purchasing a floral arrangement for the altar on a particular Sunday in remembrance of or in honor of someone special to you? Check the Floral Calendar posted in the Gathering Area outside of the sanctuary for available dates. Mark your name beside your selected date. The floral arrangement is yours to take home after that Sunday service.

Take the special envelope provided and enclose cash or a check payable to *Faith Global Methodist Church* for the amount of \$35. Make note of who you are remembering or honoring on the envelope, and make sure the church office knows of your wishes by the Monday prior to the Sunday you are having the flowers placed on the altar. The church office has arrangements with a florist for the delivery of flowers to the church each week.

## Our "Shut-In" members love hearing from their church family.

If you would like to send them a card or call them, please contact the church office for a current listing of all of our shut-in members. Or you can contact *Sylvia Babb* to get involved in our church's *Shut-In Ministry*. Remember to pray for our homebound.



## Our Caring Hearts & Hands Ministry Is There for You



The Peter Room chest freezer (off of the Fellowship Hall where the icemaker is located) continues to be stocked with main meals and soups. We, at Faith Church, want to share God's compassion through the offering of prepared meals to our Faith members and friends who could benefit from some meal help.

A list is posted on the chest freezer in the room that names the types of soups and main dishes available. Please mark the food items that you remove. This record helps us know when more soups or meals are needed in order to assure that there is always ample variety available. There is also a sign-out sheet to note date, who took the food, and for whom the food will be given.

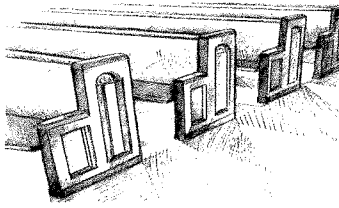
If you have any questions or need assistance, please see or contact Marcy Wagner or Cindy Plance.

*Thanks to everyone who helps us keep the freezer filled with an abundant selection of meal choices.*

Our church's **Shut-In Ministry**, led by *Sylvia Babb*, continues to be part of the Caring Hearts & Hands Ministry for the purpose of reaching out to those members unable to attend church at Faith GMC. Sylvia enjoys reaching out to them by phone calls, visitations, and sending cards. She provides feedback to Pastor Jonathan so they can work together sharing the love of Christ to those who can't get out to church.



Sylvia encourages others to join her in this ministry of visiting, calling, and getting to know those members of our church who are unable to attend church in person, letting them know that they are not forgotten and are kept in our thoughts and prayers. Sylvia would love to hear from you.



# A VIEW FROM THE PEW

By Barb Hilty

It's time for the annual Faith Fishermen's Canadian Fishing Trip. To get ready for a stay in an "off-grid" cabin, lots of supplies for the trip have been gathered and thus have been "littering" corners in our den and shoved under the pool table. Seeing all the stuff sitting around and ready to go north brought to mind a "View From the Pew" from the June/July 2017 *Faith Flyer*. Here's that article from the archives.

## "DEH" -

Dave puts his initials on everything. His tools, his personal items, his equipment and supplies of all types are emblazoned with "DEH." You may have noticed the unattended Styrofoam cup of coffee at church which has DEH on its side. Family and friends are accustomed to seeing DEH on all kinds of objects. The story is still told when one of our nephews was at our home for a family barbecue. When he glanced at the weights used to tie down the picnic canopy, he incredulously stated, "He even initials concrete blocks?!" Yep.

I guess Dave doesn't want anyone to question who owns all of his stuff. His belongings can be easily identified, so it will never be mixed up with someone else's possessions.

That's why each of the many containers Dave packs for the guys' annual Canadian fishing trip are labeled with large DEHs. Cliff tells of one trip when they had their gear lined up on the dock ready for loading onto a bush plane to fly back to their rented lakeside cottage. Another group was there as well, and as those men walked past the pile of our guys' gear, they kept making remarks like, "D E H. What's with all the DEH stuff?", or, "Who's this DEH guy?", and, "DEH? Does that stand for Development of Ecosystems for Huron?" They all joke about it, but the fishing buddies have never left a case of food behind, and no one else has gotten their batteries or skillet by mistake. All confusion is eliminated with things so obviously labeled.

Admittedly, we all label our property to claim ownership. We put our kids' names in their jackets. I label my Tupperware pie carrier. Proof of ownership prevents confusion and eliminates doubt. Our very names label us in the same way. When we married, I took Dave's name, which identifies me as his wife. I belong to him, for better or for worse, and am a member of the Hilty family, also.

When the Hebrew people were in exile in Babylonia, God, through the prophet Isaiah, tells them: *You are mine. I'll guard you, protect you, and bring you back to me.* We, too, as children of God, are His possessions; and He doesn't hold His property loosely. Jesus explained He knew His "sheep" (His followers) and no one would snatch them from His care. (John 10: 27-29)

We are called Christians; we bear the title given to God's Son and are adopted into God's household. Labeled thusly, people should be able to easily identify us as we go about **Sharing Christ's Love Through Faith** because we have God's character imprinted upon us. When we live as a member of God's family, there's no mistaking us for anything else. Revelation promises, *I will write on him the Name of my God, and, His Name shall be on their foreheads.* How reassuring to know God puts His initials on us. We belong to Him, our loving Father, our kind Protector.

But getting back to that "DEH." Depending on who looks at those initials, they could stand for Department of Environmental Housing or David Elvin Hilty. Since God claims Dave as His own, from His perspective, they might possibly mean Deity Embracing Humanity.

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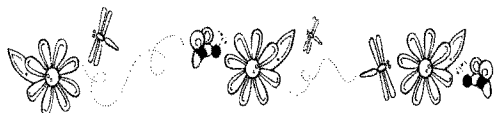
*But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel:  
Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; **You are Mine.***

~ Isaiah 43:1

# Birthday



# Blessings



June



1 Dominick Emanuele	10 William Bronson Justin Retter	16 Carol Fabrizi Shirleen Johnston	25 Jeffrey Hilty
5 Nancy Murtland Barbara Smith Bill Sonafelt	11 Bill Graham Joy Spang	19 Katelyn Patts Natalie Synan	27 Roberta Gonos
6 Marcy Wagner	12 David Neely	20 Richard Berlin Joe Cigich	29 Robert Fyock Leslie Korn
9 Edward Hudak Brian Synan	13 Bob Zacharias	24 Lisa Fair	



3 Debra & Randy McDevitt	18 Nancy & Ron Smalley Diane & Regis Synan
5 Paula & Chris Kalmar	23 Julie & Rich Lewis
6 Nancy & Mark Murtland Cindy & Doug Plance	26 Eileen & Wayne Baughman Ally & Matthew Boe Sue & Bill Sonafelt Robin & Alan Tarr Jean & Ken Thom
11 Cheryl & Bob Hoffman	27 Martha & Wilbur Ashbaugh
14 Leslie & Michael Korn	28 Megan & Alan Weigand
15 Laura & Jack Crescenzo Stephanie & James Peil	
17 Irene & Mark Hanna	

# Birthday



# Blessings



July



3 Bryleigh Nixdorf	8 Maegan Kochasic Karen Morris Jordan White	16 Julie Lewis Patty Thomas	26 William Hobaugh Jean Thom
4 Cassidy Glunt Linda Loughner Loren Rivers	9 Sharon Bronson Chip Glunt	17 Judy Ernst	27 Logan Eck
5 Jonathan Burkhart Lindsay Kotchey	11 Russell Fair Ronald Schindler	18 Gina Biltz	31 Ron Spinelli
6 Roger Coldren	13 Trent Patrick Russell Wolfgang	23 Sarah Raptosh	
7 Joan Nellis William Thurston		24 Brenda Keenan	
		25 Laura Crescenzo George Stevenson	

## July Anniversaries



2 Heather & Russell Wolfgang	21 Amiee & Jesse Emanuele
3 Debbie & John Behun	25 Marsha & Robert Fyock
6 Jacquelyn & David Shaw	30 Kathy & Cliff Kosmatine
7 Gloria & Bob Whitesel	31 Carol & Mike Fabrizi Janine & Chip Glunt
8 Gayle & Michael Kochasic	
16 Patty & Howard Thomas	

# IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

*Please lift up these people in your prayers for comfort, healing, and the strength that is possible through our faith in God.*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pat Bush</li> <li>• Nick Coppage</li> <li>• Dave Morris</li> <li>• Joan Nellis</li> <li>• The White Family</li> <li>• Fred Roach</li> <li>• Straw Soffronoff</li> <li>• Beth Tyson</li> <li>• Pam Scalf</li> <li>• Michael Scoletti</li> <li>• Bill &amp; Mary Weyel</li> <li>• Joe Ramus</li> <li>• Julie Kovacs</li> <li>• Linda (Barb Kaufman's cousin)</li> <li>• Mindy Shaw</li> <li>• Diane Brown</li> <li>• Bud Murray</li> <li>• Jeff Retter</li> <li>• Ken Thom</li> <li>• Sally Wareham</li> <li>• Sharon Bronson</li> <li>• Alice Burkhart</li> <li>• Karen Klanica</li> <li>• Melissa Stauffer</li> <li>• Dick Berlin</li> <li>• Matt</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bob Zacharias</li> <li>• Shirley Fabrizi</li> <li>• Stephanie Taczak</li> <li>• Helen Robbins</li> <li>• Irene Hanna</li> <li>• Dennis &amp; Gerrilynn Butterfield</li> <li>• Martha Koval</li> <li>• John Womer</li> <li>• Norma Murphy (Carrie's sister)</li> <li>• Jean Loughry</li> <li>• Martha Ashbaugh</li> <li>• John &amp; Janet Brodahl</li> <li>• Marie (Janet's sister)</li> <li>• Joey Kasunic</li> <li>• Donna Earnest</li> <li>• Judy Magill</li> <li>• Lynn Francis</li> <li>• Gene Kovacs</li> <li>• Joanne Bruno</li> <li>• Theresa</li> <li>• Chuck Robinson</li> <li>• Bryson (Linda &amp; Jay's great nephew)</li> <li>• April</li> <li>• Luci &amp; Tom</li> <li>• Lidia (Linda Kunkle's granddaughter)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary Schindler</li> <li>• Louise Gladkowski</li> <li>• Sue &amp; Ron</li> <li>• Samantha Hohn</li> <li>• Charlotte Graham</li> <li>• Dennis Urban</li> <li>• Robin Dorman</li> <li>• Gloria</li> <li>• Serenity Conlon</li> <li>• Tracey Albert</li> <li>• Sue Shaw</li> <li>• Sue Cuenca</li> <li>• Bev Fensch</li> <li>• Karen Connors</li> <li>• Debbie McDevitt</li> <li>• Todd (Lawanna's son)</li> <li>• Loretta Schroder</li> <li>• Beth Muri</li> <li>• Maury &amp; Mary Fey</li> <li>• Lisa Fair</li> <li>• Sharon Eisele</li> <li>• John &amp; Polly Negich</li> <li>• Elvin</li> <li>• Tony DiNizo</li> <li>• Martin Lashen</li> </ul> |
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## Daily Prayer Chain Procedures

Faith GMC has an established process for putting someone on the **daily** Prayer Chain. If you have a prayer request during regular church office hours, please call or email the office, and we will pass along your request, via phone and email. If it's after the regular office hours and not an urgent request, please leave a message on the voicemail and we'll pass it along the next business day.

If there is an urgent request after hours, please call the Prayer Chain Contact - Barb Kaufman at 724-468-4999, and she will pass along the request via phone and email.

If you would like to participate in this important ministry, please contact the office and we will add you to the **daily** Prayer Chain email list.

## CONTINUAL Prayer List Needs to be Kept Current

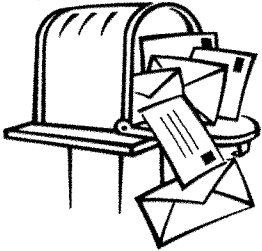
The CONTINUAL Prayer List is listed monthly in the Faith Flyer. This list is longer & different from the DAILY Prayer Chain. There are some people who want special support in prayer for an **extended** time period. If you want someone to be on the CONTINUAL Prayer List, please tell the office of that request when calling in with your prayer request that is shared that day.



In an effort to be as accurate as possible with those who are listed on the CONTINUAL Prayer List, **the church office will be reviewing the CONTINUAL Prayer List quarterly (every 3 months).** The desire is not to discourage continued prayer (We all need prayer!) but to reflect the most accurate list of immediate prayer needs.

If you see any names on the CONTINUAL Prayer List that should be removed, or names that should be added to the list, please let the church office know.

### Church Mailbox



Dear Faith Friends,

Thank you so much for the signed Thinking of You greeting card from my friends at FGMC. You have no idea how happy it makes me to be remembered by you.

Thank you also for the birthday and Easter cards.

They are all appreciated. I miss all of you.

Love & Blessings,  
*Yvonne Taczak*

Thank you to the following people who assisted the Salem Lutheran Church's Grab & Go that was held in our Faith Church parking lot on Monday, April 27th:

*Ron Smalley—Nancy Smalley—Julie Kral—Ed Kral—Dennis Urban—Alyce Urban—Ed Washburn—  
Patty Thomas—Jan McFate—Bill Sonafelt—Marcy Wagner—Tom Burkett*

That day, we helped the Westmoreland County Food Bank serve 126 families.

*Joy Spang, Outreach*



Thank you to the following individuals for providing desserts for Delmont's Meals on Wheels during the month of May:

*Diane Goebbel—Dennis Urban—Margie Bazella—Hettie Robinson—Sam & Lisa Popovich—  
Sue Smolett—Michele Dellapenta—Mindy Shaw—Melissa Kalmar—Donna Loughner*

The clients are grateful for you efforts.

*Joy Spang, Outreach*



On Thursday, May 7, 2026, members of the Tabitha Circle prepared 436 chocolate-covered pretzel rods for sale on Mother's Day. The proceeds (after tithing) will be donated to the Life-Way Pregnancy Center in Latrobe. Thank you to everyone who generously supports our missions.

*Joy Spang, Tabitha Circle president*



**Thanks to the volunteers who helped make our Monday, May 18th  
Westmoreland Food Bank Grab & Go at Faith Church a success!**

*Jackie Shaw—Marcy Wagner—Tom Burkett—Roger & Sandy Schreiber—Ron & Nancy Smalley—  
Cindy Weaver—Joyce Pass—Kathy Thurston—Linda & Jay McIntyre—Colton Kalmar—  
Nancy Gombos—Ed Washburn—Dennis & Alyce Urban—Linda & Steve Sopcak—Randy McDevitt—  
Julie & Ed Kral—Jack Crescenzo—Bud Robinson—Marilyn Hulst—Lawanna Abraham—  
Bonnie Ramus—Bill & Sue Sonafelt—Joann Emanuele*

The next Grab & Go at Faith GMC will be Monday, October 5, 2026.

*Thank you* to everyone who helped pack food boxes on Sunday, May 10th in Fellowship Hall. Those boxes of food were to be handed out at the May 18th Grab & Go food distribution as needed. The boxes of food not distributed were donated to the Delmont Food Pantry—Friend’s Thrift Shop—Loaves & Fishes Emergency Food Pantry in the Newlonsburg First Presbyterian Church.



**FGMC “Spirit Wear” T-Shirts  
Available for Sale at the Church Office**



**SHORT-SLEEVE SHIRTS**  
Youth Small—Adult XL \$11  
2XL \$13.50

**LONG-SLEEVE SHIRTS**  
Youth—Adult XL \$15  
2XL \$17.50

**Just Keep Moving During the Summer Months!**

*Submitted by Lynn Pyle & Alyce Urban*

**Just Keep Moving** had their last session on Thursday, May 7th before taking a summer break. We appreciate those from our church and Delmont community that participated this spring.

You are encouraged to *keep moving* throughout the summer by walking outside and getting fresh air or use in your home the exercise videos on YouTube. There is a variety of options available beyond the ones we used in class. Exercise plus nutritious eating and quality sleep are important to our overall health.



During our weekly classes, we always started with a slow warm-up for 10 -15 minutes which helped to prepare our bodies for exercising by increasing the heart rate, blood flow, and joint mobility. Then using YouTube, we worked on strengthening our legs and balance with Jessica Vallant, a physical therapist, for 15 minutes. This was followed by a 20-minute walking routine with New Castle, PA native, Leslie Sansone.



Enjoy your summer, and we hope to see you in September for our **Just Keep Moving** classes.

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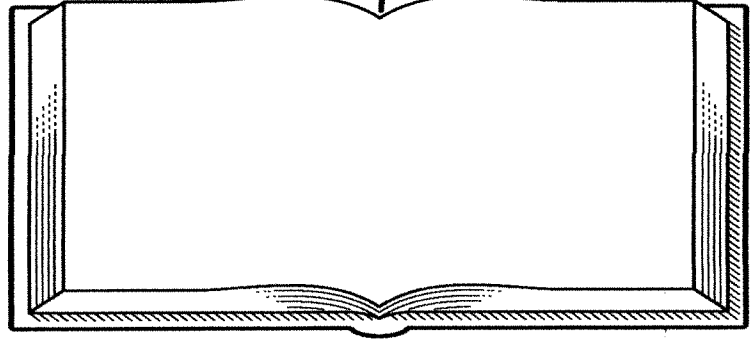
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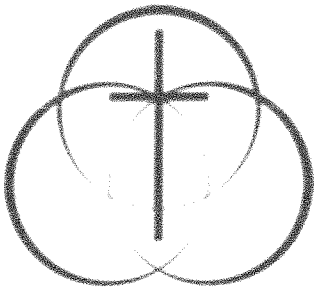
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# The Faith Flyer



## Sharing Christ's Love Through Faith

*Dear God,* thank you for being with us on our journey.

Help us through the challenges we face.  
Teach us how to wait with patience and hope.

*Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.*

~ Joshua 1: 9 NIV

We are each faced with a choice:

Do I succumb to fear or do I trust the promise that I can do all things with God's help?

~ The Upper Room