Lakeview United Methodist Church

A Week of *Faith*

Our Faith Continues Through Us

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

November 3-7

Five days. One message.
A faith that goes with you.

TUESDAY–SATURDAY DEVOTIONALS

Christ's Community in Action with Love for All
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Welcome to This Week's Devotionals

Life gets busy, but there's always room for a moment with God. Our Tuesday–Saturday devotionals connect Scripture with everyday life through reflection, a question to consider, a practical step, and a closing prayer.

Read one each day, share it with someone you care about, and carry Sunday's message into the week ahead.

Your next step in faith begins here.

THIS WEEK'S THEME

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TUESDAY

November 3

The People Who Helped Shape Us

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 12:1–2

DEVOTIONAL

Every one of us has people who helped shape the person we are today. Perhaps it was a parent who taught us to pray, a grandparent who demonstrated kindness, a friend who encouraged us through a difficult season, or someone whose quiet faith left a lasting impression.

On All Saints Sunday, we remember that our faith is part of a much larger story. We didn't arrive here on our own. Others shared their wisdom, love, and faith with us, helping prepare the way for the lives we live today.

Their influence continues in the choices we make and the kindness we extend to others. As we remember those who helped shape our faith, we are also reminded that we have an opportunity to become that person in someone else's life.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

Who helped shape your faith, and what is one thing about their example you still carry with you?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Take a few minutes today to remember someone who made a difference in your life. Consider sharing a memory or thanking someone who continues to encourage your faith.

A CLOSING PRAYER

God of generations, thank You for the people who have shared their faith, wisdom, and love with us. Help us recognize the gifts they left behind and find ways to pass those gifts along. May our lives become an encouragement to others, just as others have encouraged us. Amen.

WEDNESDAY

November 4

The Ministry of Noticing

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:4–5

DEVOTIONAL

Faith isn't always demonstrated through big gestures or extraordinary accomplishments. Sometimes it begins with something as simple as noticing another person.

We move through our days surrounded by people. Neighbors, friends, familiar faces at church, and even strangers we encounter along the way. Yet we don't always know what someone else is experiencing. A person who seems perfectly fine may be carrying loneliness, worry, or a difficult burden.

Being a witness to God's love begins when we take time to truly see one another. We listen, ask questions, offer kindness, and recognize that we belong to a community where we can care for one another.

We aren't expected to solve every problem or meet every need. We simply need to be willing to notice and respond in whatever way we can.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

Is there someone in your daily life who might need a little extra attention, kindness, or encouragement?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Make a point of reaching out to someone today. Ask how they're doing, listen to their answer, and give them your full attention.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Loving God, open our eyes to the people around us. Help us recognize the needs that may go unnoticed and give us willing hearts to respond. Remind us that we are part of a community called to care for one another. Amen.

THURSDAY

November 5

Five Words That Can Change a Day

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:29

DEVOTIONAL

"I'm glad you're here."

Five simple words, yet they can mean more than we realize. Someone may walk into a room feeling uncertain, lonely, or unnoticed. Hearing those words can remind them that they matter and that they belong.

During Sunday's message, the congregation experienced this firsthand. The first time those words were spoken, there was excitement and laughter. The second time, something changed. The words became more personal, and the moment became more meaningful.

We sometimes underestimate the influence of our everyday conversations. A kind word, a genuine compliment, or a simple expression of appreciation can stay with someone long after the conversation ends.

Our faith continues through us when our words offer encouragement, hope, and reassurance to others.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

When was the last time someone's words made you feel welcomed, appreciated, or encouraged?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Tell someone today, "I'm glad you're here," or find another genuine way to let someone know they are valued.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Gracious God, guide the words we speak today. Help us use our voices to encourage rather than discourage, to welcome rather than overlook, and to remind others that they are loved. May even our simplest words reflect Your goodness. Amen.

FRIDAY

November 6

Your Story Is Worth Sharing

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1:5

DEVOTIONAL

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Every one of us has a story worth sharing. Our stories include moments of joy, difficult seasons, unexpected kindness, and times when faith helped us keep moving forward.

Sometimes we hesitate to share those experiences because they seem ordinary or because we don't think our words will make much difference. But we never know what someone else might need to hear.

A story about someone who helped us, a moment when we experienced grace, or a time when faith carried us through uncertainty may offer hope to someone facing a similar situation.

We don't have to have all the answers. We simply have to be willing to share what we have experienced and allow our stories to encourage others.

The people who came before us shared their faith with us. Now we have an opportunity to do the same.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

What experience in your life might encourage someone else if you were willing to share it?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Share a meaningful memory, a lesson you learned, or a story about how someone made a difference in your life with a friend or family member.

A CLOSING PRAYER

God of grace, thank You for the stories that make up our lives. Give us courage to share our experiences honestly and lovingly. May our words bring encouragement to those who need hope and remind others that faith can carry us through every season. Amen.

SATURDAY

November 7

The Witness We Leave Behind

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:14–16

DEVOTIONAL

When we think about the people who shaped our lives, we often remember the little things. A kind word, a favorite recipe, a helping hand, or the way someone made us feel welcome. Those everyday moments become part of the legacy they leave behind.

One day, someone may remember us in much the same way. They may remember a conversation that came at just the right time, an act of generosity, or simply knowing that someone cared.

We don't have to accomplish something extraordinary to leave a meaningful legacy. Our witness is built through the everyday choices we make and the love we show to the people around us.

Sunday's message reminds us that God's work continues through each of us. The question isn't whether we have an opportunity to make a difference. It's whether we recognize the opportunities already in front of us.

REFLECT & CONSIDER

What would you hope someone remembers about the way you shared God's love?

PUT FAITH INTO ACTION

Choose one small way to make someone's day brighter today. Offer encouragement, lend a hand, make a phone call, or simply let someone know they matter.

A CLOSING PRAYER

Loving God, thank You for allowing us to be part of a story much bigger than ourselves. Help us live with kindness, generosity, and purpose. May the way we treat others leave a lasting reminder of Your love. Let our witness continue through the lives we touch. Amen.

Keep the Journey Going

A few quiet minutes with Scripture can change how we approach the day ahead. We hope this week's devotionals have encouraged you, challenged you, and reminded you of God's presence in your life.

CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

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