

# FAITH TALK

Faith United Church of Christ

September 2019

Tripoli, Iowa

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We pray for the healing and well-being of these beloved children of God...

Logan Liddle  
Marty Smalley  
Lloyd Martin  
Karen Bolte  
Tony Muether (Phyllis & Nadine's cousin)  
Jim Volrath (Roger's cousin)  
Steph (Ashley Ollendieck's friend)  
Jackie Brummett (Susie & Dave's daughter)  
Nancy Edwards  
(Pastor Marilyn's aunt)  
Floyd Fowlkes

We pray for members and friends of the church serving in the military...

Shane Buchholz  
Brandon Burrows  
Matthew Coulthard  
Keenan Gienau  
Kristian Heidemann  
Ethan Henry  
Kaitlin Westendorf

We hold in prayer our members in home...

Jean Bentley  
Richard Buhr  
Betty Holm  
Betty Hills  
Orlyn Milius  
Gar Snyder

What a beautiful ending to the month of August! Sunny but not too hot. Breezy but not too gusty. Maybe a bit more rain would be nice...but at night, please?

Students and teachers have returned to the classrooms to begin another year of learning and participating and exploring life. Faith UCC will soon (Sept. 8) welcome our young ones to Sunday School. During the first five weeks students will experience **"Roar! Life is Wild...God is Good!"** as they explore God's goodness and celebrate of ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life! Look for more info and a registration form on pages 5 & 7.

Once again, Roger Goudschaal will be leading a Sunday morning class for adults (high school students to the most well-seasoned of us!) The first study of this church year will be a new release by Adam Hamilton, **"Simon Peter."** Beginning September 8 at 9:00 am, we hope you will join in on the conversation about this "flawed but faithful disciple."

The first **Women of Faith** meeting of the season will be on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:45 pm. All women of the church are encouraged to come and be a part of this group that provides to the church and the community the opportunity to experience God's love and grace through the work of the Women of Faith.

Our annual **Fall Meal** will be held on Sunday, September 15, from 4-6:30 pm. Fried fish, potato salad, baked beans, desserts – YUM! Plus the annual raffle. For more info, check out page 9.

The **Adult Choir** begins weekly practice on Wednesday, October 2 at 6:00 pm. Like to sing your praises to God? Please come and join the choir! The choir sings during worship on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month the NE Iowa Food Pantry truck pulls up to the back door of the connector carrying fresh, frozen, canned, and boxed food for distribution at Tripoli's **Mobile Food Pantry**. Volunteers are always invited to help unload and setup beginning at 4:00. Distribution begins at 5:00. All remaining food items are added to those we have collected at Faith UCC during the month and are taken to His Hands Food Pantry in Oran.

You can also help **His Hands** by attending the Annual Meal and Auction on September 28. See page 2 for more details.

So much activity in and around Faith UCC! I hope some of it speaks to your heart and you are able to join us!

Blessings,  
*Pastor Marilyn*

**OUTREACH AND THINGS TO DO**

The **WOMEN OF FAITH** bring to the church the monthly opportunity to support **HIS HANDS FOOD PANTRY** in Oran through monthly donations of food and household items. For the month of September, the food pantry has requested donations of

***Baking products: such as flour, sugar, oil***

Items may be placed in one of the designated containers located throughout the building.

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**MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

**His Hands Food Pantry (July)**

Pounds Distributed:	11,768
Individuals Served	320
Families Served	109

**Faith UCC Mobile Food Pantry – August**

Households Served	27
Individuals in Households	75
Volunteers	11



**His Hands Food Pantry**  
**Meal and Auction**  
will be held on September 28<sup>th</sup> with the meal from 5-7 pm,  
Silent Auction from 5-7 pm and  
Live Auction starting at 7:15.  
*All funds raised will go to His Hands to help area food insecure families.*

**NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)  
Family-to-Family Education Program**

A Free 12-week Class for Family Members, Partners, and Significant Others who have Adult Relatives with Mental Illness.

**September 5 to November 21, 2019**  
**First Congregational Church**  
**608 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Waterloo**  
**Every Thursday 6-8:30 pm**

To register, contact NAMI Black Hawk County by August 15 at 319.235.5263 or namibh@questoffice.net

*For further information, see the flyer on the north Narthex bulletin board.*



**Women of Faith** will meet on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 pm. All women of the church are invited.



**Faith UCC Choir** will begin practice on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. You are invited to join the fun and share our voices with the church.

Council Minutes

Faith United Church of Christ
Council Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2019

Members In Attendance: Steve Hill, Keith Stahlhut, Trevor Johnson, Brian Bunce, Roger Goudschaal, Juanita Mohlis, Rich Milius, Lisa Chapin, Marlene Snelling, and Ashley Penrod

Also In Attendance: Don Bunce, Marlys Biermann, Phyllis Schnurstein, Barb Hill, and Pastor Marilyn Sargent

Member(s) Absent: Tracy Buchholz and Dean Shinstine

Opening Prayer: Pastor Marilyn Sargent

Memorial/Endowment Committee:

Reviewed timeline of events leading to tonight's discussion.

Review of Les Bock Endowment and wishes. The money is currently invested into the stock market. His will was to have the money left in CDs. Letter was sent to Attorney General for input if we have violated his will.

After lengthy discussion about the Memorials and Endowments the Council passed below measures:

Steve Hill motioned to move Les Bock Endowment to American Savings Bank and be placed into CD, second by Keith Stahlhut. Motion Carried.

Marlene Snelling motioned to:

Transfer General Endowment to American Savings Bank and be placed into CD.

Transfer \$8,000 of Memorial Fund Investments to American Savings Bank and be placed into CD and remaining account into Memorial Fund Savings.

Transfer Buchholz Endowment from Johnston Financial Service to Edward Jones under Mike Johnson.

Motion was second by Steve Hill. Motion Carried.

Minutes of July 1, 2019:

Motion - Brian Bunce; Second by Lisa Chapin. Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

\$2,000 has been borrowed for operation.

About \$1,200 was collected from Tripoli Days luncheon.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Trevor Johnson, Second by Keith Stahlhut. Motion Carried

Also In Attendance: Barb Hill, and Pastor Marilyn Sargent

Trustee's Report:

No new business was brought forth.

Elder's Report:

Education Committee is working very hard on Bible School Props.

Tripoli Days Luncheon went very well and we served about 180 people. There is leftover meat and we will find a Sunday to serve.

Fall Dinner is September 24. [UPDATE: September 15.] The fish have been purchased and in the freezer.

Liaison's Report:

No new business.

Pastor's Report:

As of July 1, Pastor is now on Medicare and a Medicare supplement. The annual cost savings for Faith is \$7,300. However, under the new plan Pastor has lost dental and vision. Brian Bunce made a motion to cover Pastor's dental and vision costs up to \$600 a year. Second by Ashley Penrod. Motion Carried. Amanda Bunce will be here Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> to preach.

Old Business:

New smoke and carbon dioxide detectors are in.

New Business:

None

Adjourn:

Motion by Marlene Snelling, Second by Lisa Chapin. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian Bunce, Recorder

These minutes have not yet been approved by Council.

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Tripoli Days Noon Lunch

Thank you to all who donated food items, helped prepare the food, helped serve the food, helped in the dining room, did printing for us, ran errands for us, or however you helped – all of this was so greatly appreciated. Thank you to our Faith Family!!





Dear Parents –

Fall is right around the corner and it is time for the 2019 – 2020 Sunday School year to start! We hope everyone has had a great summer!

**Classes will begin on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> and will go from 8:30 – 9:50 AM.** This will be our vacation bible school program and will run for the first 5 weeks of Sunday School. The Bible School celebration will be held on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> during our 10:00 worship service. Please plan on joining us for the fun!!

**There will be a blessing for all staff & students on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> for the upcoming year. Please join us for worship at 10:00.**

The theme for our VBS program this year is *Roar! Life is Wild . . . God is Good!* This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life!!

After completing our 5 week Bible School program, we will return to our normal class time of 9:00 – 9:50 AM for Sunday School. Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup>, will be our first Sunday with classes beginning at 9:00 AM.

Please complete the attached Registration Form for your child/children and send with them on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> or mail it to the church office at PO Box 14, Tripoli, IA 50676. See you on the 8th!!!



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# Registration Form

(One Per Child)

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Last school grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home church: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew number or name (for church use only): \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_



In case of emergency, contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Faith United Church of Christ

## FISH FRY



Sunday, September 15  
Serving 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm

### Menu

Potato Salad	Baked Beans
Salads	Potato Chips
Desserts	Rolls

Beverages

Take-outs available

<i>Adults</i>	<i>\$10</i>
<i>Children age 5-12</i>	<i>\$5</i>
<i>Younger</i>	<i>Free</i>

*Advance tickets available (but not required) by calling*  
*319.231.8554* *319.239.0205*  
*319.239.1251* *319.882.3783*



### Fish Fry Fall Raffle

With the Fish Fry comes the Fall Raffle! We are currently accepting items to be raffled off. Please bring your donated items to the church office Mon-Thurs. or to the church narthex on Sunday morning. Holiday decorations, gift cards, planters, kitchen items, artwork – all types of items are welcomed! Following tradition, there will also be a quilt included in the raffle. This year the quilt has been donated by Marian Lampe, Dolores Schmidt and the quilters in memory of Edna Drewis.

Questions? Contact Dolores Schmidt, Mary Chapin or Barb Hill, or call the church office.

*Raffle tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 and will be available for purchase on Sunday mornings or by contacting Dolores, Mary, or Barb.*

**SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS**

HEAD USHERS: Rich Milius &amp; Roger Goudschaal

**Ushers:**

- 1 Joan & Larry Struck  
 8 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***  
 15 Leland & Wilma Timmerman  
 22 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***  
 29 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***

**Greeters:**

- 1 Susan Cline  
 8 Jean & Jay Ranard  
 15 Donna & Bob Sassman  
 22 Joan & Larry Struck  
 29 Marlene & Jerry Snelling

**Liturgists:**

- 1 Karen Milius  
 8 JoEllen Snelling-Behn  
 15 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***  
 22 Larry Struck  
 29 Don Bunce

**Fellowship**

- 1 Kaye Osborn  
 8 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***  
 15 Fish Fry  
 22 ***AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!!***  
 29 Judy Buhr and Ken & Juanita Mohlis

**Sunday School Treats**

- 8 Bonnie Travers  
 15 Wilma Timmerman  
 22 Karen Milius  
 29 Sandra Snyder

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Lisa Chapin  
 Orlyn Milius  
 3 Peyton Benson  
 4 R.J.Ott  
 5 Vern Bolte  
 8 Travis Buhrow  
 9 Brad Bunce  
 Jennifer Dillon  
 12 Wendy Hawes  
 15 Cheyanne Moore  
 16 Rich Milius  
 Gar Snyder  
 Adelaide Lang  
 17 Jan Heidemann  
 19 Roger Buchholz  
 21 Amy Drewis  
 22 Justin Dillon  
 24 Randy Rinkenburger  
 27 Sue Schwarze  
 28 Delores Meier

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**Faith UCC**

**Council**

President Roger Goudschaal  
Vice-president Steve Hill  
Recorder Brian Bunce

**Elders**

Marlene Snelling (Chair)  
Brian Bunce  
Lisa Chapin  
Roger Goudschaal  
Juanita Mohlis  
Dean Shinstine

**Trustees**

Rich Milius (Chair)  
Tracy Buchholz  
Steve Hill  
Trevor Johnson  
Keith Stahlhut  
Ashley Penrod

**Staff**

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Phoebe Drape  
Dawn Holm  
Mary Jo Rathe