

Faith in Action July 2016 Volume II

Faith United Methodist Church
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MISSION STATEMENT: At Faith United Methodist Church our mission is to worship God, teach the Word, and care for one another in Christian love by nurturing individuals in their spiritual journey.



7/01 Ross Finley
7/01 Lorraine Mason
7/01 Dan Schriener
7/02 Isabella Hamaker
7/02 Kayla Rains
7/02 Thelma Wise
7/04 Happy Macwan
7/06 Ronald Cox
7/06 Terry Holoubeck
7/06 Nolan Johnson
7/06 Avery Webster
7/07 Chris Vasquez
7/08 Kollins Evans
7/08 Kerri Miller
7/10 Leah Isaac
7/13 Mattie Curtiss
7/13 Carol Reicheneker
7/14 Roene Fox
7/14 Abigail Henderson
7/14 Kealan McBride
7/16 John Gargan
7/17 Katelynn Slack
7/18 Carrie Findley
7/19 Larry Johnson
7/20 Melissa Fox
7/20 Michell Schoneman
7/21 Kira Findley
7/22 Isabelle Runge
7/24 Jo Jones
7/25 Megan Herman
7/25 Taryn Miller
7/28 Judy Johnson
7/28 Dan Odens
7/29 Devlin Isaac
7/30 Alex Johnson
7/30 Alex Vasquez



7/04 Archie & Judy Holoubeck
7/06 Dean & Marcia Dahlke
7/09 Gabe & Hannah Evans
7/12 Rich & Annette Froid
7/13 Robb & Lee Carter
7/16 Dan & Rachel Brown
7/17 Rick & Jodi Pettit
7/18 Levi Ramer & Samantha Shultz-Ramer
7/19 Bryan & Julie Royle
7/21 Ed & Sherry Foley
7/23 Kyle & Kasey McBride
7/26 Lee & Patty McQueen
7/28 Robert & Patricia Cook
7/31 Henry & Kathy Brisbin Jr.



HEALTHY CONGREGATIONS PROGRAM

The Healthy Congregations Program was developed by the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund to promote health and sharing ministries in Great Plains United Methodist Churches. The program reflects the connection between the health ministries of local United Methodist churches and the four dimensions of holistic health: spiritual, physical, social, and mental/emotional.

How do we get started? Kathy Larson has agreed to be a team leader. She needs two (or more) interested persons who will assist her in developing a plan for Faith UMC.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact the church office (308) 237-2550 or office@kearneyfaith.org.



Why didn't Noah go fishing?

He only had two worms.

What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?

It's Christmas, Eve!

Where is the first baseball game in the Bible?

In the big inning. Eve stole first, Adam stole second. Cain struck out Abel. The Giants and the Angels were rained out.



**Faith's own
Keith Danburg
and
Sarah Jones
in concert at
A NOTE-Worthy
Studio on
July 7, 2016**

Faith Softball Finishes Second in Church Coed League



Faith Softball finished its season Friday July 8, winning a double header. There was a five-way tie for first place going into the evening. That was reduced to a three-way tie, leaving Common Ground, New Life Grey and Faith in the running. Kearney Parks/Rec determined the placing by the teams' records. Common Ground had defeated both New Life Grey and Faith head-to-head during the season. Faith had defeated New Life Grey during the season. Thus Faith finished second in the League with a record of 9-2! Faith's Sportsmanship Score (which includes our fans as well as the team) was a perfect 4.0! And I will add that 8 out of the 10 teams received a 4.0! Way to go all teams! The goal is fellowship and showing the Love of God! We averaged 18-20 fans each game with 28 on the last evening (and those were late games!) The team would like to thank you for your continued support and fellowship with this mission. Coaching staff Lee McQueen, Marv Hilton and Patty McQueen would like to thank all our players and fans for representing our Lord and our church well.



MARK AND PAM FISHER


-In Concert-

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 AT 3:00 PM

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1623 CENTRAL AVE * KEARNEY * 308-237-2550

KEARNEYFAITH.ORG * NO TICKETS REQUIRED

Visit us at www.markandpamfisher.com or  facebook.com/markandpamfisher

Can't Be Any Simpler

In Mark 9:38-41 (CEB) we have a story of who is in and who is out. The disciples, under the influence of the culture they lived in, wanted to maintain strict boundaries on who could and could not possess the power over evil in Jesus' name.

They came upon a man who was exorcising demons in Jesus' name but who "was not following us". It is interesting that they do not say who "was not following Jesus" but who "was not following us". This royal "we" is not a substitute phrase for the Messiah, but it does point to the cultural influence of the disciples for wanting to keep the power of God contained and exclusive to their inner circle.

Jesus' response?

"Don't stop him ... Whoever isn't against us, is for us." Jesus doesn't mind this "other" casting out demons in his name. His use of "us", this time, is inclusive of the disciples and those who may not walk with them but have clearly shown their belief in Jesus' name. Even though the disciples have shown that they are woefully lacking in the ability to exorcise demons, Jesus still includes them. (Mark 9:14-29)

The only ones Jesus does not include in His community are demons. Pharisees are welcome. Temple priests are welcome. Sadducees are welcome. The poor, sick, dying, dead, prostitutes, sinners, tax collectors, Galilean fishermen all are welcome to follow Jesus in his quest for fundamental inclusion. In a time when people had to pay to be in community or let back into community with sacrifices, alms, and tithes, Jesus has the radical notion that all are included in the Beloved community. There is no price one can pay save acting with the Love of God, Love of neighbor and Love of one's self.

Can it be any simpler?

<http://umcdevelopmentcenter.org/news/cant-be-any-simpler>

Dear Friends in Kearney,

I really appreciate all that you have done for me. I haven't written sooner because I am no longer able to write legibly, but I have a granddaughter who is typing for me. I can't name the number of things you've done for me plus the monthly newsletters.

I don't feel like I quite know the church any more since so many of you are new. I wish I was there to meet you. We have a chapel at the place I live, but it is a Catholic church. We have a Protestant meeting on Friday mornings, and a preacher comes in. On Sunday, we have people come in and give us communion. There are only about 12 Protestants out of the nearly 100 residents here.

I wish I was back in Kearney, but I can't be so this is a nice place to be. It is a well-kept home and I'm very grateful to be here. We are currently short-staffed, but things are still running smoothly.

Keep up the good work with the church. I love seeing all of the new improvements! I'm very happy you are adding on!

I'd love to hear from any of you who want to write! I'm enclosing my address.

With fondest memories,
Mary Helen Samp

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I would

ABSOLUTELY LOVE

to hear from you

EMBRACING ALTERNATIVES TO THE DEATH PENALTY

Saturday, July 23
7:00 p.m.
Faith UMC
1623 Central Avenue
Kearney NE 68847



Journey of
Hope
Nebraska

From Violence to Healing

The Journey of Hope empowers murder victim family members, exonerated death row survivors, and others to share their personal experiences with capital punishment.

Come hear these powerful stories and learn about the decision you can make about the death penalty this November.

For More Information

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(402) 477-7787

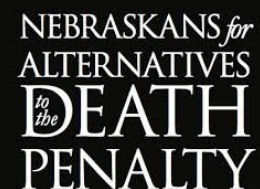
Speakers are individuals who are members of the non-profit, Journey of Hope . . . From Violence to Healing. Their names are Bill Babbitt, Randy Gardner and George White. It is they who will be speaking against the death penalty from their personal stories and experiences of it.

The whole intention behind this event is to get as many people as possible to attend so that they can have their consciences informed both factually and personally.

The Journey of Hope . . . From Violence to Healing tour will be spending 10 days in Nebraska supporting the effort to retain the end of the death penalty. From

July 15 – July 23, murder victims' family members, death row exonerees, and the family members of death row inmates will crisscross the state sharing their stories and why they support alternatives to the death penalty

<http://nadp.net/journey-of-hope-from-violence-to-healing/>



NEBRASKANS *for*
ALTERNATIVES
to the DEATH
PENALTY

You are cordially invited to the
Celebration of Appointment Service
In honor of

the Rev. Cindy Karges
Gateway District Superintendent

Sunday, August 7, 2016
3 PM

Kearney First United Methodist Church
4500 Linden Drive
Kearney, Nebraska

A reception will follow the service.

Please share this invitation via newsletter or other announcement with your church family. All clergy and laity of the Gateway District are welcome to attend.

Dear Church Friends,

Thank you for the beautiful gold prayer blanket. I think of all of you when I see it. Thank you, Kim and Dayla, for bringing it to me.

Thank you, Kim and Lois, for bringing muffins — they were delicious! Thanks to my dear friends Suzann and Steve for all you have done for me. You are loved and appreciated.

Thank you for all the beautiful get-well cards. Thank you to Rosalee Mickelsen for the lovely flowers. And thank you to the Tuesday Morning Bible Study ladies for meeting at St. Luke's.

My love and blessings to you all.
Mary Garrison

St. Luke's Good Samaritan Village Room 306
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Mark Your Calendars!

United Campus Ministry will be hosting two exciting fundraisers this fall. Check out our website: ucmunk.org and/or Facebook page: United Campus Ministry at UNK for more information.



UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY (UCM)

at the University of Nebraska Kearney (UNK)

GOLF SCRAMBLE



SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 11th: Tee Time 1 p.m. UCM will be hosting our FIRST ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE at Prairie Hills Golf Club. We invite all you "Golfers" to register for FOUR-PERSON TEAMS. There will be exciting Flight and Flag prizes. Teams may also purchase Team Mulligans. Attached is our UCM Golf Scramble Poster for teams to register and advertize the event in your church, bulletins, and newsletters.



UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY (UCM)

at the University of Nebraska Kearney (UNK)

DINNER THEATER



SUNDAY-OCTOBER 2ND: 5:30-7 p.m. – UCM will be hosting a DINNER THEATER at First United Methodist Church Kearney. UCM will be serving a wonderful meal and entertaining you with faith meaning skits. More information will be coming soon for ticket sales and prices on our website.

UCM is looking forward to the upcoming school year for the opportunity to connect with your students and be part of their faith journey while they are at UNK.

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United Campus Ministry is sponsored by: Kansas and Nebraska United Methodist Churches, Nebraska Churches of the Presbyterian (USA), Disciples of Christ, and United Church of Christ

July 2016

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