## Faith in Action June 2016 Volume II

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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.


6/02 Dan \& Zeanna Odens
6/04 Michael \& Roene Fox
6/04 Terry \& Sara Holoubeck
6/07 Jim \& Carmen Brewer
6/18 Chris \& Mandi Vasquez
6/20 Ed \& Rhonda Kohel
6/21 Quinten \& Roxann Clausen
6/22 Gary \& Marci Jo Lambert
6/25 Jon \& Karen McBride
6/29 Ross \& Lisa Finley


The family of Thelma Wise invites you to celebrate her 85th birthday with her on Saturday, July 2nd from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at
 the Eagle's Club ( 17 West 24th Street). She requests no gifts please!

## FAITHWORKS FIREWORKS STAND

We are once again sponsoring a fireworks stand to support our Christian Education programs. We will need volunteers to help us with this project from

Tuesday, June 28 through Monday, July 4.
Sign-up clipboards will be passed during both services.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance with this very important fundraiser.


## Summer Office Hours

Summer Office Hours June, July, August
7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
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FATHER'S DAY<br>June 19, 2016

Every June, we honor fathers. The first Mother's Day was celebrated in 1914, but a holiday honoring fathers did not become official until 1966, when President Lyndon Johnson declared that the third Sunday in June would be Father's Day. President Richard Nixon made this proclamation permanent in 1972. But this doesn't mean that the holiday was not celebrated before this time.

The idea for Father's Day is attributed to Sonora Dodd, who was raised by her father after her mother's death during childbirth. While listening to a sermon at church on Mother's Day, she thought about all her father had done for her and her siblings and decided fathers should have a day, too. Because Dodd's father was born in June, she encouraged churches in her area, Spokane, WA, to honor fathers that month. The first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane in 1910.

(Library of Congress)

# Haven's Chapel Ice Cream Supper 

Friday, June 17 160th Street and Antelope Road Serving 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

## Many Homemade Flavors Ice Cream and Cake FREEWILL DONATION



Ice Cream Social


WISDOM STORY
(Author Unknown)
Six year old Brandon decided one Saturday morning to fix his parents pancakes. He found a big bowl and spoon, pulled a chair to the counter, opened the cupboard and pulled out the heavy flour canister, spilling it on the floor.

He scooped some of the flour into the bowl with his hands, mixed in most of a cup of milk and added some sugar, leaving a floury trail on the floor which by now had a few tracks left by his kitten.

Brandon was covered with flour and getting frustrated. He wanted this to be something very good for Mom and Dad, but it was getting very bad.

He didn't know what to do next, whether to put it all into the oven or on the stove and he didn't know how the stove worked! Suddenly he saw his kitten licking from the bowl of mix and reached to push her away, knocking the egg carton to the floor. Frantically he tried to clean up this monumental mess but slipped on the eggs, getting his pajamas white and sticky.

And just then he saw Dad standing at the door. Big crocodile tears welled up in Brandon's eyes. All he'd wanted to do was something good, but he'd made a terrible mess. He was sure a scolding was coming, maybe even a spanking. But his father just watched him.

Then, walking through the mess, he picked up his crying son, hugged him and loved him, getting his own pajamas white and sticky in the process!

That's how God deals with us. We try to do something good in life, but it turns into a mess. Our marriage gets all sticky, or we insult a friend, or we can't stand our job, or our health goes sour.

Sometimes we just stand there in tears because we can't think of anything else to do. That's when God picks us up and loves us and forgives us, even though some of our mess gets all over God.

But just because we might mess up, we can't stop trying to "make pancakes" for God or for others. Sooner or later we'll get it right, and then they'll be glad we tried.



## FUN FACTS

Did you know that one talent of silver would be like having a bag of 3,000 half-dollars, weighing almost 75 pounds? In I Kings 9:14, we read that King Hiram sent 120 talents of gold -about four and a half tons of gold - to King Solomon for the towns Solomon gave him. That's more than the weight of nine of the largest Steinway grand pianos!

Did you know King Solomon was a very wealthy man? He received more than 25 tons of gold each year in taxes and tribute (I Kings 10:14). Kings of Arabia and the leaders of Israel also gave him gold and silver, yet he considered his spices a valuable part of his treasury.

COMMON SPICES USED AS CURRENCY: Many spices were valued for their medicinal benefits, and they were highly sought after. Spices were often used as a source of money. These are a few of the valuable and costly spices:

Aloes (John 19:39)
Calamus (Song of Solomon 4:14)
Cinnamon (Exodus 30:23-25)
Cummin (Isaiah 28:27; Matthew 23:23)
Galbanum (Exodus 30:34-35)

Nard/Spikenard (Mark 14:3)
Onycha (Exodus 30:34-35)
Saffron (Song of Solomon 4:14)
Stacte (Exodus 30:34-35)
Henna (Song of Solomon 4:13)

Cub Scout Pack 135, with the help of Boy Scout Troop 158, is undertaking a project to spruce up Faith's playground area. This is in part to say THANK YOU to FUMC for being our chartering organization for the past $30+$ years.

Any donations of materials or money will help make this project a success. The Scouts definitely can do the work, and will provide some materials and tools. The following list has the materials to do the entire project as planned, but Scouts will have to scale the actual work according to the donations they receive. It is their hope to be able to fully refurbish both playsets, the gaga ball pit, and the benches.

Scouts will be working on this during July and August and it will be completed when the amazing new addition to the building is ready.

Thank you and all the people of Faith for anything they can do to help us achieve this project.
Shawn Deiger, Cubmaster Pack 135

| Qua | Description | Unit Cost | Total Cost |  |
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| 11 | $1 \times 6 \times 6$ boards | \$5 | \$55 | (2) $\mathrm{m}_{0} \mathrm{CO}$ |
| 8 | $2 \times 4 \times 8$ boards | \$4 | \$32 |  |
| 2 | $2 \times 4 \times 12^{\prime}$ treated boards | \$8 | \$16 |  |
| 8 | $2 \times 4 \times 12^{\prime}$ boards | \$5 | \$40 |  |
| 1 | $2 \times 8 \times 1^{\prime}$ board | \$3 | \$3 |  |
| 11 | $11 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 36^{\prime \prime}$ dowels | \$6 | \$66 | 7 |
| 2 | $50^{\prime}$ of $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ nylon rope | \$16 | \$32 | Kearney, Nebraska |
| 15 | 4 pc coarse sandpaper sheets | \$4 | \$60 |  |

Former Faith custodian Bob Eberhard is having cataract surgery on June 27. For those of you who might wish to send him a card or give him a call, here is his contact information:

Bob Eberhard
9415 Cady Avenue


Omaha NE 68134-5821
(308) 236-1360


## FAITH SOFTBALL TEAM UPDATE

(Patty McQueen)
THANK YOU FANS! for coming out to support Faith's Softball team this year!! We are averaging 15-20 per game (counting a few Young Adult Bible Study babies, grandkids and Ryan/Carrie's dog Paisley!) Let's see if we can raise that number even more! Check the schedule and mark your calendars! The rest of the games are later in the evening, so hopefully it won't be so hot. Lee reminds the team that his dad always said it was better to be lucky than good ... at this writing we are 5-1!

The Team gives all credit to the Lord (no issues with over-confident attitudes) and the games are chestclutching! So come on out for an exciting evening! And if you can't come - please keep us and the safety of all players in your prayers!


## Faith UMC Confirmation Photo (Year 1978)

Evelyn Anderson's daughter, Lisa, is one of the confirmands. (She's in the back row on the far right hand side with her eyes shut.) Lisa shared this photo with Kathy Larson.

## CHURCH HUMOR

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play.
"Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances." During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need $\$ 4,000$ more. Any of you who can pledge $\$ 100$ or more, please stand up."

At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner".
And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!


## MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

## Men: Do less to improve your health!

National Men's Health Week is celebrated the week leading up to Father's Day, which is June 13-19, 2016. During this week, individuals, families, communities, and others work to promote healthy living among men and boys.

Here are six ways to do less of some things or quit others to improve your health.

1. Decrease alcohol use.

Men are more likely than women to drink heavily. Excessive alcohol use increases your risk of injury and cancer, can interfere with male hormone production and sexual function, and can result in hospitalizations, and death.
2. Quit using tobacco.

Smoking harms nearly every organ in the body and causes most lung cancer. It also causes other cancers and heart and respiratory diseases. In $2014,26 \%$ of men used tobacco products every day or some days. If you are ready to quit, call 1-800-QUITNOW (1-800-784-8669) or visit Quit Smoking for free resources, including free quit coaching, a free quit plan, free educational materials, and referrals to other resources where you live. Get tips from former smokers.
3. Avoid drowsy driving.

Up to 6,000 fatal crashes each year may be caused by drowsy drivers. Commercial drivers, shift workers, drivers with untreated sleep disorders or those using sedation medications, and drivers that do not get enough sleep are more likely to drive drowsy. Prevent drowsy driving. Get enough sleep to prevent drowsing driving-7 or 8 hours each night; seek treatment for possible sleep disorders, and refrain from drinking alcohol or taking sedation medications before driving.
4. Reduce number of sex partners.

Reducing your number of sex partners can decrease your risk for sexually transmitted diseases. Be sexually active with only one person who has agreed to be sexually active only with you. Get tested because most STDs don't have symptoms and often go undiagnosed and untreated. Find free, fast, and confidential testing near you.
5. Avoid prolonged exposure to the sun.

Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. Most cases of melanoma, the deadliest kind of skin cancer, are caused by exposure to ultraviolet light. In 2011, more than 38,000 men in the United States were diagnosed with melanomas of the skin. To protect you and your family from the sun, seek shade, wear protective clothing and sunglasses, and wear a broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 15.
6. Reduce stress

Physical or emotional tension are often signs of stress. They can be reactions to a situation that causes you to feel threatened or anxious. Learn ways to manage stress including finding support, eating healthy, exercising regularly, and avoiding drugs and alcohol.

## What Men Can Do

Lead by example. Eat healthy, be physically active, get vaccinated, be smoke-free, prevent injuries, sleep well, and manage stress.

Get checkups, and be seen for health problems before they become serious.

> http://www.cdc.gov/men/nmhw/

## BIBLICAL HUMOR

Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?
Samson. He brought the house down.
What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?
Your mother ate us out of house and home.
Which servant of God was the most flagrant lawbreaker in the Bible?
Moses. He broke all ten commandments at once.

## Vacation Bible School:

Please join us Sunday, July $\mathbf{1 7}$ through Thursday July 21 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a fun week of Deep Sea Discovery as we learn that God is with us wherever we go! Supper WILL BE provided for all the children and helpers. There are flyers at the church. Please grab one for your children/grandchildren/neighbors. There are postcards that we ask you to fill out if you are thinking about sending your child/children to VBS. These will assist us with numbers so we can be prepared. If you need a postcard, please contact the church office. We will send out registration forms toward the end of June and we ask that you send those back by July 4th. If you have ANY questions, please contact Lauryn at kids@kearneyfaith.org. If you need to reach me quickly, e-mail me or contact the church office for my cell number.

Looking forward to all the fun activities that are coming our way!
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## Monthly Mission for June: Nebraska Youth Camp

Nebraska Youth Camp is a non-profit organization of Christians who joined together in the early 1960's to provide opportunities for young people to enjoy camping in a Christian setting. The campsite is just north of Fort Kearny where the Oregon Trail, the Oxbow Trail,
the Nebraska City Cut-Off and the Pony Express Trail came together.
Nebraska Youth Camp has been serving the greater Nebraska area for the past 50 years, providing 8 weeks of youth camping each summer at Trail Junction along with several activities for families. The camp is governed by fifteen directors who are chosen by the general camp membership at its annual meeting in September.

## Donation Requests

## Kitchen

Heavy Duty Pot Holders
Gently Used Dish Towels
Scotch Brite Scrubber Pads-No Sponge
Trash Bags 55 Gallon
Trash Bags 32 Gallon
Laundry Soap
Dryer Sheets
Gallon Jug of Vinegar
Zip Locks One Gallon Size
Zip Locks Quart Size
Antibacterial Pump Soap
Paper Napkins
Big Bottles of Dish Soap-Antibacterial
Toilet Paper

Cabins
Brooms and Dust Pans
Crafts
Magic Markers
Glue Sticks
Colored Pencils

Beach
Life Jackets
Canoe Paddles


## ANSWERS FROM KIDS TO SUNDAY SCHOOL QUESTIONS . . .

- Noah's wife was Joan of Ark.
- Unleavened bread is bread made with no ingredients.
- The seventh commandment is "Thou shalt not admit adultery".
- Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
- The epistles were the wives of the apostles.
- A Christian should have only one wife. This is called monotony.

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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|  |  |  | 1 <br> 12:15 W.W. <br> 6:00 Praise Team | $2$ 5:45 W.W. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 8: 30 \text { W.W. } \end{aligned}$ |
| 5 <br> 8:45 Worship <br> 10:00 Sunday <br> School <br> 11:00 Worship <br> Faith BBQ (Home of Deb and Doug Jesch) | 6 <br> Double Header 6:45 Faith Softball Harvey Park Field 1 7:45 Faith Softball Harvey Park Field 2 | 7 <br> 9:30 Women's Bible Fellowship <br> 4:30 W.W. <br> 5:30 Trustees <br> 6:00 Finance | 8 <br> 1 <br> 12:15 W.W. <br> 6:00 Praise <br> Team | 9 5:45 W.W. | 10 <br> 6:45 Faith Softball Harvey Park (Rainout Reschedule) | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \\ & 8: 30 \mathrm{~W} . \mathrm{W} . \end{aligned}$ |
| 12 <br> 8:45 Worship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship | 13 <br> 5:30 Christian <br> Ed <br> 6:45 Faith Softball Harvey Park Field 4 | 14 <br> Flag Day <br> 9:30 Women's Bible Fellowship 4:30 W.W. | 15 <br> 12:15 W.W. <br> 6:00 Praise Team | $16$ <br> 5:45 W.W. <br> 7:00 PFLAG | 17 | $\begin{aligned} & 18 \\ & 8: 30 \mathrm{~W} . \mathrm{W} . \end{aligned}$ |
| 19 <br> Father's Day <br> 8:45 Worship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship | 20 <br> First Day of Summer <br> 5:30 Nurture <br> 6:30 Ad Board <br> 8:45 Faith <br> Softball <br> Harvey Park <br> Field 1 | 21 <br> 9:30 Women's Bible Fellowship 4:30 W.W. | $\begin{aligned} & 22 \\ & \text { 12:15 W.W. } \end{aligned}$ | $23$ 5:45 W.W. | 24 | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \\ & 8: 30 \mathrm{~W} . \mathrm{W} . \end{aligned}$ |
| 26 <br> 8:45 Worship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship | 27 <br> 6:30 SPRC <br> Double <br> Header <br> 6:45 Faith <br> Softball <br> Harvey Park Field 2 <br> 7:45 Faith <br> Softball <br> Harvey Park <br> Field 2 | 28 <br> 9:30 Women's Bible Fellowship <br> 4:30 W.W. | 29 <br> 12:15 W.W. <br> 6:00 Praise Team | $30$ 5:45 W.W. |  |  |

