



**Focus on Faith**  
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**PASTORAL PONDERINGS**

“So I will call you Peter, which means "a rock." On this rock I will build my church, and death itself will not have any power over it.” ~ *Matthew 16:18 CEV*



How many of you like it when people use your name? How does it make you feel?

We are a church family. And as many families do, we are ever growing and ever changing. We have visitors who grace our presence. We have members who have not even been here a full year yet. We have others who come when they can, even if it is once a month.

What happens when we don't spend much time together? We don't learn one another's names. I can't tell you the number of times I hear "You know, the one(s) who sits in front of so and so." Or "I don't know their names, but...."

I understand some of you have been here for a longer period of time than others. And some of you are really good at knowing names. (Truth be told, I even hear the above comments from some of you who have been here for decades.)

So, how do we remedy that? If you were with us for Pentecost on June 9, we celebrated our first Being a Friend to Church Sunday. We had 8 friends who joined us! On that day, we pulled out the name tags.

While most of you embraced the use of them, I still heard comments that were not so friendly toward "having to wear them again."

I understand how hard change can be. (I have a son leaving home for Montana within the next month or so!) But friends, if we are going to be the welcoming church we claim and strive to be, changing the way we do things now will open us up to new and wonderful things! It's like the new chairs in the back of the sanctuary. Again, I have heard several of you say how much you don't like them. But I would encourage you to speak to those who use them. Ask them what it means to them to be able to sit comfortably while worshipping God. Sometimes, we need to do things we don't feel like doing in order to make one another feel welcome.

I challenge you to think about this: what did Jesus do when people were hungry? Or thirsty? Or lame? Or blind? Jesus met them where they were, gave them what they needed. He fed them, gave them water—living water, and healed them. But even more than that, I challenge you to think about who, or what, are we truly worshipping if we can't be open to these changes. Are we being welcoming to all of God's beloved children?

What if it was you who were visiting, and you were able to see the names of those who were worshipping with you, or you needed a more comfortable place to sit, and it was available?

Radical welcome—what we claim to be as a church. But are we really?

~ Always Peace, *Pastor Heidi*

**FROM THE COUNCIL:**

**Church Council Highlights – June 11, 2019**

**Property:**

Council will present a roof proposal to the congregation on July 7.

**Outreach:**

Share-A-Meal served 53 on May 31.

**Spiritual Life:**

Pentecost was beautiful!

**Christian Education:**

Confirmands attending General Synod in Milwaukee.

**Other Business:**

Judy has returned to the office.

**Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, July 9, 2019**



July Birthdays

- 1 Jan Hannel
- Lindsay Ozmon
- 2 Jan Johnson
- 3 Thomas Ertel
- Lois Wellendorf
- 4 Judy Cummings
- 6 Maureen Miller
- 10 Henry Pepper
- 14 Karen Risler
- 17 Marianne McBride
- 18 Vicki Ertel
- 22 David Hulme
- 23 Michael McBride
- 24 Adrian Banks
- 30 James Sullivan

**From the Council President**

As summer moves forward, it's time for vacations and family activities. Just remember church is still gathering and even if you are unable to attend, please pray for us. Also remember that you don't have to be in church to fulfill your pledges. You can now do that online.

Todd Ozmon,  
Council President



IN NEED  
OF PRAYER

**Our loved ones:**

- Bob Cobb Paul Dammeier Mary Fox
- Hazel McBride Lois Wellendorf Harry Stroupe
- Arlene Barclay & Family

**Our home bound:**

- Dorris Adams Helen Wiese Jack Kohrs
- Millie Allison Millie Middleton

**Our World:**

Columbia, Ecuador Venezuela, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama, Belize, Guatemala. Honduras, Mexico, The Caribbean: Antigua, Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic,, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts, Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent, Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad, Tobago

**Treasurer's Report May 2019**

PLEDGE ACCOUNT	MO.PLEDGE	MAY	GIVEN YTD
General Fund	\$ 5,805.00	\$ 6,331.00	\$ 28,772.00
OCWM	\$ 205.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 1,056.15
Maintenance Reserve	\$ 210.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 1,521.49
Non-Pledge Gen Fund	\$ -	\$ 680.25	\$ 3,532.25
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$ 6,220.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,478.25</b>	<b>\$ 34,881.89</b>

GENERAL FUND	MO BUDGET	TOTAL YTD	
Pledged & NP Giving	\$ 5,805.00	\$ 7,011.25	\$ 32,304.25
Misc Gen Fund Giving	\$ -	\$ 177.37	\$ 12,505.84
<b>Total Gen Fund Inc</b>	<b>\$ 5,805.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,188.62</b>	<b>\$ 44,810.09</b>

Pastor Expense	\$ 6,216.00	\$ 6,005.58	\$ 29,771.82
Employee Expense	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 781.72	\$ 5,856.65
Church Ministry Exp	\$ 313.00	\$ 157.59	\$ 704.84
Office Expense	\$ 283.00	\$ 360.95	\$ 1,511.84
Property Expense	\$ 1,337.00	\$ 720.06	\$ 7,399.27
<b>Total Gen Fun Exp</b>	<b>\$ 9,569.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,025.90</b>	<b>\$ 45,244.42</b>

<b>Net General Fund</b>	<b>\$ (3,764.00)</b>	<b>\$ (837.28)</b>	<b>\$ (434.33)</b>
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Submitted by Martha Watters

**Our deepest condolences go to Bob Cobb and family on the death of Twila Cobb on Saturday, June 8.**

**Please contact the church office if you or someone you know needs a pastoral visit or is going to be in the hospital. 563-391-5726.**

**Share-A-Meal**  
**5:15 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, July 30, 2019**

August Newsletter deadline is  
**Sunday, July 21**  
 Mailing date is  
**Wednesday, July 31,**



**Office closed**  
**Thursday, July 4**  
**in observance of**  
**Independence Day**



	<u>Usher</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Liturgist</u>
7/07	Gary Hoker	Marlene Long	
7/14			
7/21			
7/28		Linda Martin	
Acolytes: Youth		Sandwich makers: Kay, Linda, Myrene	



Our church is offering a convenient service for contributions! Online Giving is a web-based application and is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge other than how to access the Internet. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our church website at [www.faithuccdavenport.org](http://www.faithuccdavenport.org) and click on the Donate/Give Link get started.

**Handbell Ringers Wanted**

Can you count to eight?  
 Know your right from left hand?  
 Join us for practice & summer performance. Sign up sheet is on bulletin board, or contact Morgan Barclay or Susan Senn



**Don't Forget Your Name Tag**



**We need your Help!.....Please Volunteer!**

Ushers, Greeters, and Liturgists along with Fellowship Hour Host/Hostess are needed. Cookies for fellowship hour are needed, homemade or store bought are fine.

**2019 Council Meetings**

Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

July	9	August	13	Sept.	10
October	8	Nov.	12	Dec.	10

# Meeting

Sunday, July 7 following Worship  
Congregational Meeting to discuss  
and vote on Councils proposal  
to repair the sanctuary roof.

Sunday, July 21, -7:00 p.m.

[TOBYMAC](#)

## Great Jones County Fair

Be a part of a Night of Christian  
Music including guests

[WE ARE MESSENGERS](#)

See bulletin board for more  
Information.

## “Together We Can Solve Hunger”

**What:** Mobile Pantry (River Bend Foodbank)

**Date:** Saturday, June 29th

**Time:** 9:30am-12:00pm

**Where:** Davenport Friends Church

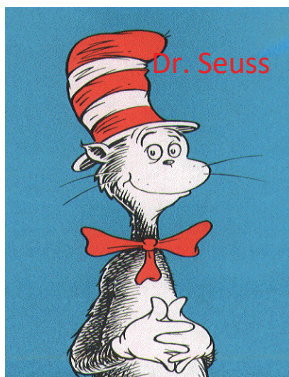
**Address:** 1915 Ridgeview Drive, Davenport IA 52806

The Mobile Pantry is set up like a farmers market style setting. Each station has certain foods that will be passed out to signed up families in need. Our jobs will be to check-in persons, set up, maintain, distribute, manage, clean up, and help take down each booth while getting all foods in the correct order to the families in need. You will only need to show up in comfy clothes and ready to work/serve! You can [Click this link for the Faith United Church of Christ specifically reserved group registration](#). If it asks for an “Event Reservation Code” it is **FaithUnited**. Or sign up on bulletin board at church. Or contact Jeff Banks email: [jbanks179@mediacombb.net](mailto:jbanks179@mediacombb.net) or text or voicemail to Jeff’s cell – (563) 528-2915 and let him know number of people and names of all attending to help. Or if last minute and day of, just show up and help! Hope to see you there!!

## HOLD THE DATE!

It’s almost time,  
It’s going to be great!  
VBS is coming,  
I can’t wait!

More information will be coming,  
So just you wait!  
We will wear red and white stripes  
And have green on our plate!



Vacation Bible School  
will be held on  
the evening of August 16  
and the morning of August 17.  
There will be a VBS led worship  
In the park on August 18.

## Cinemark Davenport 53rd Summer Movies

7/1-7/4	Smallfoot	
7/8-7/11	Kung Fu Panda	
7/15-7/18	The Lego Movie	
 7/22-7/25	Spongebob Squarepants Out of Water	
7/29-8/1	Sherlock Gnomes	

All Shows start at 10:00 a.m.  
\$1 per show or 10 shows for \$5

# Thank you!

Thank you, Faith Family for all your support during this adventure! The confirmands had a wonderful time during General Synod! It was a wonderful experience for these kids! Thank you to the Ozmons for allowing us to use their van. It worked really well for what we needed it for!

Thank you Faith Family, for all of you support!

Thank you to those who came to my graduation party and/or gave me the wonderful gifts I received! I will miss you all in Montana, and will gladly keep you updated on myself!

Sincerely, Jarrod Hulme

# July 2019

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p>Confirmation July 21 @ 4 pm</p>	<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7 10:00 a.m. Worship/ Communion  Congregational Meeting following Worship</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 6:30 p.m.  Council</p>	<p>10 9:00 a.m.  Quiet Time</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> 	<p>13</p>
<p>14 10:00 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p>	<p>17 9:00 a.m.  Quiet Time</p>	<p>18 5:30 p.m.  Basket Class</p>	<p>19</p> 	<p>20</p>
<p>21 10:00 a.m. Worship  Deadline for Bakeless Bake Sale donations Newsletter Articles due</p>	<p>22</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24 9:00 a.m.  Quiet Time</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 10:00 a.m. Worship  Birthdays and Anniversaries</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 5:15 p.m.  Share-A-Meal</p>	<p>31 9:00 a.m.  Quiet Time  Newsletter goes out</p>			