

# e-news of Faith

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## Week of November 8, 2023

Faith UMC Eyota presents a weekly e-news to keep you informed about what is happening at Faith and ways to keep growing in faith. If you have anything to add, please e-mail the church office and we will include your event or information.

Wednesday, November 8	1:00 P.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Worship at Arbor Gardens Confirmation Midweek Meditation on FB
Thursday, November 9	11:00 – 1:00	Office Hours
Saturday, November 11	11:00 – 1:00	Veterans Day
Sunday, November 12	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Faith Ringers Practice Worship & Faith Kids Class Veterans Dinner, FH
Monday, November 13	7:00 p.m.	Special Session of MN Annual Conference - Disaffiliations
Tuesday, November 14	9:00 - noon	Office Hours

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY IS THE VETERANS DINNER** – We will be holding a Veterans Dinner on Sunday at 11:30 a.m. for veterans, families and friends. This is our way of honoring those who have served our country. If you know of anyone who would like to attend, please let us know ASAP. All are welcome. We can also use help with serving and clean-up.

**MANY THANKS** – Blessings to all who helped with Trunk or Treat and with Seniors Together this past week. We are able to have these programs because of your help!

**WEDNESDAY IS CONFIRMATION** – you are invited to share a meal with the confirmation students at 5:30 p.m. then stay to allow them to interview you about your life and faith. We are looking for people of all ages so please let Pastor Laurie know if you can take part in this event.

**NOVEMBER MISSIONS** – This month is all about showing our gratitude to God, to one another, to our community. Missions and Outreach for November include the **Veterans Dinner** on Sunday, **Gifts for church members unable to be in worship**, and taking part in the **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service** with other churches in Eyota. This service will be held on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church.

If you would like to help deliver gifts to our church members, this will take place on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Please let Irene Vehrenkamp know if you would like to help deliver these Thanksgiving gifts.

**LAST CHANCE** - Would you be interested in seeing the play in Rochester on Saturday after Thanksgiving? It's the Church Basement Ladies Christmas play which is always so entertaining. **We will be purchasing tickets on Thursday!** If you are interested in either of these activities, please let Jeannine Flies or Pastor Laurie know.

**CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE** – We still have plenty of time before Christmas, but since this is a unique year, we wanted to let you know about the schedule for Christmas Eve. December 24<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday this year, so worship at 10:00 a.m. will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent. For Christmas Eve Faith will have **ONE service at 5:00 p.m.** This will be preceded by handbell and choir music beginning at 4:30 p.m.

**LOOKING FOR SINGERS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE** – With one service this year, Faith is presenting a concert of handbell and vocal choir music at 4:30 p.m. If you are planning on attending the Christmas Eve service and would like to join the choir for 3 songs, WE NEED YOU! There will be a couple of practices after worship in December. Please let Russ Jones or the office know if you would like to be part of the Faith Choir for Christmas Eve.

**NEXT WEDNESDAY IS THE WIDOW/WIDOWER LUNCH GROUP** – With November 1<sup>st</sup> having been a Wednesday, all of our Wednesday activities are happening earlier than they usually do. That being said, next Wednesday is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday and we will gather at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and fellowship. *If you need transportation please contact Pastor Laurie.* Whether you were widowed a month ago or 30 years ago, all are welcome.

**RUBY'S PANTRY IS THURSDAY** – Ruby's Pantry, sponsored in St. Charles by St. Charles UMC, is set for Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Brookwood Park. It is \$25 for a share, and you will want to bring boxes and bags for all of the groceries you will receive.

In 6 months Ruby's Pantry has distributed more than 110,000 pounds of food to 1,512 families! It is a great way to supplement your groceries and anyone can participate. If you would like to VOLUNTEER to help at Ruby's pantry please contact David Hinckley at St. Charles UMC, 507-932-5427 or drh427@hbcsc.net. Ruby's Pantry will continue through the winter.

### **PRAYER & THANKSGIVING REQUESTS**

- o Thanksgiving for Donna and Jack's granddaughter who is getting married on Saturday.
- o Prayers for Pastor Keith Mercer who was in the ER on Sunday with issues with his hands
- o Prayers for all who are suffering from cancer and illnesses. It is so hard to be patient and calm, but God is with you all.
- o Continued prayers for Pam Littlefield who is recovering from her car accident. She will be moving to a nursing home in Winona for recuperation.
- o Thanksgiving for Trick or Treat for UNICEF participants. Over \$300 was raised to help children around the world.

### **THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: 1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.

**Blessings for your week!**