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Sent with a prayer to:

Dear God,

*Though Christmas Day has passed, the reason we celebrate Christmas continues every day. Your gift of love, grace and mercy to us is never ending. Thank you that we can count on that every day of our lives. Amen*



# JANUARY 2019

B=Birthday  
A=Anniversary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <b>New Year's Day</b>	2	3	4 B= Carolyn Winter	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 <b>Celebration of Faith Church</b>  <b>POTLUCK</b>	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 (after service) <b>Undecorating of the church</b> with <b>Pizza Lunch</b>	21 Martin Luther King Jr Day	22	23	24 <b>6:30 pm UMW</b>	25	26
27 B= Xen Blackmore	28	29 A= Dale & Colleen Pettit	30 B= Montana Davis	31		



# *Seeds of Faith* Faith United Methodist Church January 2019

The Vision of Faith United Methodist Church is to empower all people to seek the fullness and assurance of God's Love.

The Mission of Faith United Methodist Church is to invite everyone into a loving community, explore the Good News of God's Love, and serve God and our neighbor throughout the world.

## **A Prayer for the New Year of 2019!**

Lord, Whether we're leaving behind a year of joys  
and blessings or trials and difficulties,  
We pause to give thanks.  
We thank You that You are always with us every  
Single day of every single year.  
Please remind us of Your presence in the  
Year ahead, even when life is busy.  
We are so thankful that we serve a God  
Who makes things new and gives us the grace  
Of fresh starts and new beginnings.  
Be glorified in our lives this year.  
In Jesus' name, AMEN



### ***Treasure***

The Smiles, Good Times and Memories,  
Leave behind the disappointments,  
Hard-times and enemies,  
Hold onto Faith, Hope and Beliefs,  
And may your New Year be filled with  
**LOVE, JOY AND PEACE!**

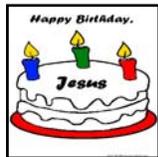


*Here's to the blessing  
of the year,  
Here's to the friends  
we hold so dear,  
To peace on earth,  
both far and near.*



## UMW/ Outreach News Update

The members of the **UMW** would like to thank everyone who supported us in our efforts during the holiday season. The **Lion's Club Christmas dinner** was enjoyed by all, thanks to our great volunteers.



The **Birthday Party for Jesus** was a fun time of fellowship and **LifeChoice** will appreciate the generous donations.



The **Mitten Tree** is loaded and donations will be taken to the Salvation Army soon.



Thank you for your purchases of **God's Creation calendars**-we still have some available! All of these things further our goal of supporting missions.



Our first meeting of 2019 will be on **Thursday, January 24 at 6:30 pm** in the Fireplace Room. We would love to see some new faces-please join us as we plan for the new year and enjoy fellowship with one another.

Our Church Conference on **Saturday, December 1st** at Frontier UMC was attended by several United Methodist churches in our conference. It was a good time of fellowship. Our District Superintendent, Jeff Rainwater, presided over the meeting and thanks to those from Faith Church that attended this important annual meeting.



A new slate of officers was selected for church leadership for 2019. Faith Church has a bounty of people willing to accept the calling of leadership and their hard work is very much appreciated. A listing of the church leadership is available at the church if you want one upon request.



**We are all the church together!**

**JOIN US ON THIS VERY SPECIAL SUNDAY!!**

## FAITH CHURCH CELEBRATION

**Sunday, January 13th, 2019**



On **Sunday, January 13th** during the 11 am worship, we will celebrate the past year in the life of Faith Church and recognize our church leaders and committee members.



Following the service, we will continue our fellowship with a **potluck lunch**, so bring your favorite dish to share! As good Methodists, we always do food well!

***Please plan to be here to join in the celebration!***

**Best wishes and blessings in 2019!**

From Pastor Gracie Marske and her family to all the friends and families of Faith United Methodist Church!

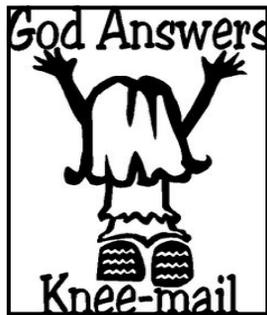


Pastor Gracie, Larry and Emma flew to Alaska for the Christmas holidays and are enjoying their holiday visiting family. We wish them a joyful holiday season and safe travels back home.

Please keep these in prayer for health, safety, and wellness:



Ministry of Faith UMC  
Places facing War and Unrest  
Bishop Oliveto and  
Conference Leaders  
Our Government Leaders  
Norma Wilkins & family  
Sharon Cloyd  
Bernice Acheson  
Ilene Windom  
Mary Hart  
Marc Woods and Family



Please keep these families in prayer who grieve:

Xen Blackmore  
Colleen Pettit  
Mike Daharsh  
Family & Friends of Joan Allen  
Jeff & Vicky Hildreth  
Family & Friends of Del Hansen



Please continue to keep in your prayers, Nathan Kissack, oldest grandson of Ken & Bonnie Merklin, who was diagnosed with lymphoma and spent 3 months at a hospital in Denver. He is now at home in Gillette, and is having chemo treatments there. Nathan has a long road ahead to recovery and your prayers are very much appreciated.



**Blessing Box:**

Everyone is encouraged to keep the blessing box stocked with canned goods, non-perishable food items, personal items, etc.



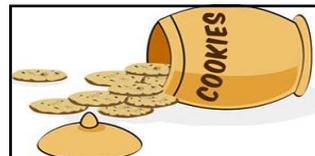
**We ask that you focus on individually wrapped items such as breakfast/snack bars, crackers, etc.**

Remember to bring items that **won't melt or freeze.**

We have observed that people are taking items that have been put on the shelves and hopefully others will want to add more items when they can.

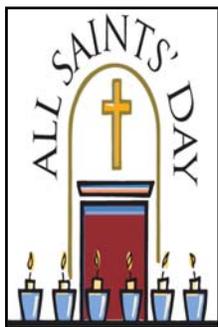
As the box says, ***"Take what you need, leave what you can."***

**Cookies for Davis Hospice**



Thanks to everyone who helped keep the Davis Hospice Cookie Ministry going in 2018. We would like to continue this ministry in 2019 and could use YOUR help. Be among the first to choose when you'd like to bring some cookie joy to the folks at Hospice! Sign-up sheets, details and containers are available in the back of the sanctuary.

**Thank You!**



The **All Saints' Day Celebration** on Sunday, November 18th went very well. It was a day of remembrance for our friends and family who went before us in the year. As part of the worship service, the congregation lifted up their memory by speaking their loved ones' names, a bell was rung and a candle was lit symbolizing our hope in Jesus Christ. This was a memorable service of supportive fellowship and honoring our departed loved ones.



*In Loving Memory*

*Those we love don't go away  
They walk beside us everyday  
Unseen, unheard, but always near  
Still loved, still missed and very dear*



Our **SEASON OF ADVENT** was an expectant time of waiting and looking forward to the birth of Jesus on Christmas. Thank you to the readers and those that lit the Advent candles, the greeters and everyone who attended our church services this Christmas season.

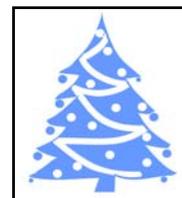
**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** Thanks to everyone who helped decorate the church for Christmas. The church service was inspirational with participation from the congregation. A delicious meal of chili and fixings was served for volunteers who stayed to finish decorating the church.



**WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM:** Thank you to the worship and music ministry team who planned the music, did the bulletins and to Pastor Gracie for her sermons this holiday season.

Special thanks to Pastor Gracie for her children's time messages which are enjoyed by all the kids that attend.

**LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE:** Thank you, Virginia Clark for giving the message for our Longest Night service. Thank you to everyone who attended this comforting service.



**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:**

The service was well attended and we enjoyed all the kids that showed up to be part of the program.

Thank you to the choir and **Tawn Howe, Virginia Clark and Connie Fournier** for the wonderful, inspiring songs for Christmas. Special thank you to Pastor Gracie for her message and to everyone who attended our Christmas service.



**Bernice Acheson**, who turned **99** years old on November 30th received a lot of cards and calls for her birthday. She was thrilled and thanks everyone who helped make this a very special birthday.

**THANK YOU, FAITH CHURCH!**



**If You Want to Kill the Church**

Never go to your church or meetings held there,  
If you do go, be late, it's no one's affair.  
If the weather is bad, either too hot or snowing,  
Just stay home and rest, for there'll be others going.

But should you attend, be sure and remember  
To find fault with the work, each official and member.  
Be sure to hold back on your offerings and tithes,  
The bills will be paid by the rest of the guys.

And never take office if offered the post,  
But eagerly criticize work of the host.  
If not on a committee you're placed, be sore!  
If you find that you are, don't attend any more.

When asked your opinion on this thing or that,  
Have nothing to say, just turn 'em down flat.  
Then after the meeting, shine out like the sun  
By telling the folks how it should have been done.

Don't do any more than you possibly can,  
Leave the work for some other woman or man.  
And when you see faithful ones work themselves sick,  
Then stand up and holler, "It's run by a clique!"

**There are four main bones in every organization:**

The wish-bones: Wishing somebody would do something about the problem.

The jaw-bones: Doing all the talking but very little else.

The knuckle-bones: Those who knock everything.

The back-bones: Those who carry the brunt of the load and do most of the work.



Churchgoer to pastor, "Your sermon reminded me of the mercies of God. I thought it would endure forever."



Good deeds are not done by walking into a church. They are done when you walk out of the church and help others.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian anymore than standing in a garage makes you a car.

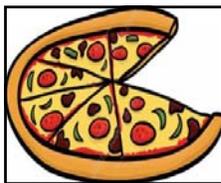
**CHURCH HURT**

If being hurt by church causes you to lose faith in God, then your Faith was in people...  
**NOT IN GOD**

**CHURCH IS NOT SOMETHING YOU GO TO,  
IT'S A FAMILY YOU BELONG TO.**

Your most powerful testimony is how you treat others after the CHURCH SERVICE is over.

WORSHIP is so much more than the songs we sing on Sunday morning. It is the life that we live the rest of the week.



**UNHANGING OF THE GREENS:**  
Sunday, January 20th



Please join us after the church service for a pizza lunch for volunteers who stay to undecorate the church and put all the Christmas decorations away until next Christmas season.