



Faith United Church of Christ

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FELLOWSHIP Hall

10:30 am

Join us for coffee
and refreshments

WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 am

DECEMBER 2017



SHEPHERDS, ANGELS, AND A MANGER

The hundreds of sheep were quiet now, except for an occasional bleat. Night had fallen, stars were sharp in the nippy sky, and shepherds reclined on a steep hillside above Bethlehem, watching their flocks. The men talked quietly, their low voices soothing to the animals. Then they fell silent, and tugged their heavy cloaks about them to shelter them from the whistling wind. Their eyes were accustomed to the blackness. Every few moments they would look up to scan the hills for wolves or thieves. They weren't about to lose sheep by carelessness. All of a sudden their hillside was flooded by the light of a thousand arc lamps, blinding them with its intensity. When they could finally see, a man in shining apparel stood before them. "Do not be afraid," he declared in the ringing voice of a herald. "I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David, a Deliverer has been born to you. He is the Lord's Messiah." "The Messiah! The Deliverer!" breathed the shepherd. "He has come at last to set our people free." They could scarcely comprehend. Good news! Great joy! In the town of David, the Son of David is born this night. The Lord's Messiah! The shining man, glowing with the very Shekinah glory of God, had declared it. It must be so! The angel continued: "This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." What a strange sign. But there was no time to think. Now the shining angel drew himself to full height, and as he opened out his arms, the radiance and glory upon him began to spread until it covered rank after rank of angels, the heavenly host, the army of God himself — more and more, company after company, battalion after battalion, began to fill the sky. And now they began to chant, to shout in unison. "Glory to God in highest." The sound bounced off the hills and echoed from the valleys, like the rumble of thunder, like the roar of a great waterfall, the shout of triumph reverberated. The shout of worship, the shout of honor, the shout of glorious praise. "Glory to God in the highest," they shouted together with one enormous voice of worship. "Glory to God in the highest," they chanted in unison, the overwhelming resonance blotting out everything else and infecting shepherds with its utter joy. The host of God, overcome with awe at the archangel words, now shouted again, "Glory to God in the highest!"



GREETER

Donald Shook /Jennifer Stull

ORGANIST /PIANO

Mary Frances Bostian

ACOLYTES

Kevin Sunday /Ashlee Sunday /Jim Bostian

USHERS

Jim Bostian / Doug Sunday

ALTAR GUILD

Jim & Mary Frances Bostian

Weekly BULLETIN

Jennifer Stull

CHURCH TREASURERS

Jennifer Sunday / Shirley Bazan

NEWSLETTER / MAILING

Jennifer Stull

LABELS FOR HOFFMAN HOMES

Loberta Staley

HOMEWOOD Auxiliary Representative

Carole Houck / Loberta Staley

FELLOWSHIP MORNING

Jennifer Stull

CONSISTORY BOARD

Mary Catherine Martz, Carole Houck,
Doug Sunday, Kevin Sunday, Jim
Bostian, Jennifer Stull

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug
Sunday, William Houck

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Jennifer Stull



We offer our sympathy to Eddie Rice and Pam Ritmiller upon the death of Barbara Ann Klipp Rice. Barbara was a member of Utica Reformed Church and then Faith UCC for many years. Her parents, Mabel and Albert Klipp had been very faithful members of both churches as well. Barbara was well known throughout the Frederick area for the tours she organized within the United States and many countries in the world. She was a meticulous planner and you could be assured that on her trips the hotels and the areas around them would be of high quality and a safe area. Barb was a fun-loving spirit, had a great sense of humor, and a very contagious laugh. Barbara Ann was a cousin of Mary Frances Bostian and Mary Catherine Martz.

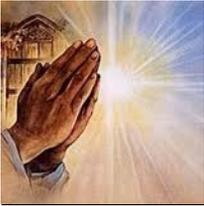


Congratulations to Margaret Sunday on celebrating her 95th birthday this year!



**CHRISTMAS EVE
SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 24th**

There will be our usual worship service at **11:00 am only**. There will be **NO** worship service in the evening.



FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS



TOM BAZAN
 PATTY BLANK
 BILLY BOWSER
 RILEY BRANNAN
 TRISH BRANNAN
 BETTY CANNON
 JOE CONRAD
 BRYAN DINKLE
 BRENDA DINKLE-WRIGHT
 MARION DOUGHERTY
 JOHN DREISONSTOK
 GRACE ECKER
 ROGER FARBER
 NOAH FINDLEY
 BRADLEY FLOOK JR
 ANGIE FORREST
 DOT GLASSCOCK
 BOB GOEDERT
 JERRY GOEDERT JR
 JERRY HAYES
 LILLIE BELL HOBBS
 DIANE JACKSON

ROBERT KALASKI SR
 SARA KNIGHT
 ANTHONY MAIN
 ROBERT MARSH
 PEGGY MEEUWSEN
 MARGARET PASLAWSKY
 JERRY PENICK
 DORIS PENROD
 KATHY PETERS
 MEHRL RAMSBURG
 THELMA RAMSBURG
 BOBBY REMSBERG
 EDDIE RICE
 PAM RITMILLER
 GARY SMITH JR
 MELVIN SMITH
 BARBARA SNOOTS
 SANDY SPENCER
 LINDA TROPE
 PATRICK VASOLD
 CALLIE WATKINS
 JOEL WILCOX

BILL WISSMAN
 HARVEY YINGLING
 HEATHER ZIMMERMAN

To **ADD** or **REMOVE**
names to :

- Prayer List
- Newsletter Mailing
- Birthday/ Anniversary

*Please contact Jennifer Stull
 mychurch.js@gmail.com
 301-788-1656*

Our In-Home Members

Betty Cannon lives at home, call to say hello! 301-663-4758

Grace Ecker lives at Somerford Place. Would enjoy visitors any day of the week anytime before 8pm.

Donald Shook lives at Glade Valley Center. Would enjoy visitors any day of the week anytime before 8 pm or call to say hello! 301-898-4336.

Margaret Sunday lives at home, would enjoy visitors—*please call first 301-304-0214.*

Brenda Dinkle Wright lives at home, call to say hello! 301-663-8341.

CONSISTORY NEWS



JANUARY 21, 2018

Snow Date :

January 28, 2018

- The following members of Faith have volunteered to be on the Consistory for a two-year term beginning in 2018: Carole Houck, Mary Catherine Martz, Jennifer Sunday, and Calvin Woodward. Jennifer and Calvin will replace Doug and Kevin Sunday whose terms will be ending. Carole and Mary Catherine have volunteered for another two-year term. Election of Consistory members will take place at the Annual Congregational Meeting.
- The website for Faith UCC went live on July 10, 2017. It can be accessed as follows: FaithUCCFrederick.org. Thanks again to Jennifer and Kevin Sunday for setting up the website.
- Faith received a request from an organization called Listen Love Pray Foundation, Inc., to use Faith's facilities on an occasional basis as a place to pray for people. The Consistory approved this outreach opportunity. Their website is: listenlovepray.org and on Facebook at Listen Love Pray Foundation.

Next CONSISTORY MEETING

DECEMBER 13th

7:00 PM



- DEC 2 - DASTAN ZANGANAH
- DEC 2 - BOBBY STANLEY
- DEC 6 - MONTIE CLEM
- DEC 8 - CAROLE HOUCK
- DEC 8 - JOAN WOODWARD
- DEC 15 - MARY FRANCES BOSTIAN
- DEC 15 - MARGARET SUNDAY
- DEC 18 - LCPL COREY SUNDAY



- DEC 16 - DOUG & JENNIFER SUNDAY



Please turn in any receipts you have that you may want to be recorded as contributions to Treasurer Shirley Bazan *as soon as you can*. She will provide us with our contribution forms in January.



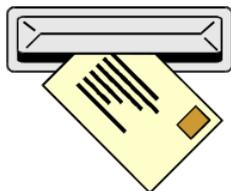
AUXILIARY

The 2018 Homewood at Frederick Auxiliary Membership Drive has been completed. Faith UCC had a total of 14 members joining this year! Thanks to all for your continued support of this very worthwhile program.

DECEMBER 15th



Lifeline Screening is held here at Faith Church. A flyer is in the arcade bulletin board and in the December newsletter. Pre-Registration is required—1-888-653-6450.



THANK YOU CARD
RECEIVED FROM PASTOR
BOB.

*Dear Friends,
I thank you very much for the gift cards I received for Mountain Gate and Carriage House restaurants. It was a privilege and pleasure to serve as Supply Pastor for the past ten months. My best wishes & prayers are with you as you move into the future.*

*Sincerely,
Pastor Bob*



“Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people” Colossians 3:23-24

Thank you to **Jim and Mary Frances Bostian** for organizing the Fall supper. Thank you to **ALL** volunteers, **all** who donated items and monetary contributions. We served 274 guests and 32 carryout dinners and had a wonderful bake table. We raised \$3,041.84! We are blessed to have such a dedicated group and hard working volunteers! Our next Spring Supper is scheduled for April 14, 2018.

Thank you to **Jim Bostian** and **Carole Houck** for setting up the sanctuary Christmas tree and to **Carole Houck** for decorating it.

Thank you to the **Mizo Wesleyan Church** for decorating the Fellowship Hall beautifully for Christmas!



The holidays are upon us! Families need our help to make their holidays a little more special, a little more brighter and warmer. If you can spare extra items for the Thurmont Food Bank, it is all appreciated. Thank you to all who have contributed to this important cause! Thank you to **Jim and Mary Frances Bostian** for delivering the items.

PAPER PRODUCTS - CANNED GOODS - BOXED DINNERS - CEREAL



Lord's Prayer Word Search

A N L N S S E N E V I G R O F
N T A L K T D A N L H V O R P
Y E V E I L E B N H P A E Z R
T Y A R P B U H E Y E M N Q A
I L I S T E N S C Y W A A D I
M U F E E L P M I S E H V X S
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ANYTIME
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ASK
BELIEVE
COMMUNICATE
DAILY
EXAMPLE
EYES
FORGIVENESS
HANDS

HEARS
HEAVEN
LISTENS
POWER
PRAISE
PRAY
SIMPLE
TALK
TEMPTATIONS

