

Faith United Church of Christ



MAY 2019

SUNDAY

Fellowship

10:30 am

Join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

WORSHIP

SERVICE

11:00 am



"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."

Romans 10:17

JACOB'S LADDER

This Bible story begins as Jacob is sent away from the Promised Land of Canaan by his mother Rebekah when she learns of Esau's intent to kill his brother. Esau is resentful of Jacob's blessing from their father, Isaac, and plans to murder him as vengeance. In addition to avoiding Esau's wrath, Jacob is sent away to find a wife in the land of Haran to propagate the lineage of Abraham.

As Jacob flees from Esau on his way to Haran, he comes to a "certain place" and lays down to rest for the evening as the sun is setting. He then dreams of a magnificent ladder that is set up on earth and reaches to heaven on top. Jacob witnesses angels traveling up and down the ladder making their way to earth and back to heaven. He then sees the Lord standing above, who says to Jacob "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and your offspring." God tells Jacob that his offspring shall spread across the world and that "in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed." God informs Jacob he will stay with him wherever he goes and will eventually bring him back to the land where he is having the dream. Jacob awakes and proclaims "How awesome is this land! This is none other than the house of God and the gate of heaven." Jacob would rename that land "Bethel" meaning the house of God.

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MEANING OF JACOB'S LADDER

The significance of the ladder and dream has been argued, but most accounts recognize that it distinguished Jacob with the responsibilities and heritage of the ethnic people chosen by God, as known in Abrahamic religions. The ladder signifies the divine connection between God and the earthly realm, specifically Jacob's family. The dream's significance was to remind Jacob he had received God's graces and encourage him to fulfill the destiny of his people. Jacob makes a vow afterward saying, "If God will be with me and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear so that I come again to my father's house in peace, the Lord shall be my God."

From the Bible...

GENESIS 28:10-22

10 Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. **11** When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. **12** He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. **13** There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. **14** Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. **15** I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." **16** When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." **17** He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." **18** Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. **19** He called that place Bethel, though the city used to be called Luz. **20** Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear **21** so that I return safely to my father's household, then the LORD will be my God **22** and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ali Wright who will graduate on May 12, 2019, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the West Virginia University Eberly College of Arts and Sciences. Her major is in Social Work with a Sociology minor.

Congratulations to Kevin Sunday who will graduate on May 23, 2019 with an Associates Degree from Frederick Community College. His degree is for Business Administration.

Best wishes to you both for your future and may the Lord guide you in your journey to your careers.



*"I call on you, my God, for you
will answer me; turn your ear to
me and hear my prayer"*

Psalm 17 : 6

MARIANNE BALTROTSKY

TOM BAZAN

PATTY BLANK

JIM BOSTIAN

BILLY BOWSER

RILEY BRANNAN

TRISH BRANNAN

CLARKE BURELL

AL CAMERON

BILL CLEM

BRYAN DINKLE

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JERRY HAYES

LILLIE BELL HOBBS

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MARY FRANCES MAIN

ROBERT MARSH

PEGGY MEEUWSEN

MARGARET PASLAWSKY

JERRY PENICK

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KATHY PETERS

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BOB STANLEY

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PATRICK VASOLD

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SANDY WETZEL

JOEL WILCOX

BILL WISSMAN

HEATHER ZIMMERMAN

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

- Prayer List
- Newsletter Mailing
- Birthday/ Anniversary

*Please contact Jennifer Stull
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Our In-Home Members

Margaret Sunday lives at home, visitors welcome - call first 301-304-0214.

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

Bob Warner lives at home, call to say hello - 240-490-5343



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Consistory News

The Consistory approved the purchase of a riding mower for use on the church grounds.

The next Consistory meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8, at 7:00pm.

Save the Date!

Saturday, JUNE 15 - BINGO

Start telling your family, friends and neighbors to save the date for this Bi-Annual FUNdraiser! Bingo games, bake sale table, food from Lewistown Hall will be on sale. Details in the June newsletter. Come join us!

Thank You!

And whatever you do whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:17

Thank you to our mowers, **Jim Bostian** and **Bill Houck**, for keeping the church grounds looking great!

Thank you to **Mary Catherine Martz** for the monetary donation for the refreshments for Fellowship morning.

Thank you to **Jennifer Stull** for shopping for the items for the Easter Baskets for the church home members and children, putting the baskets together and making sure all the cards got signed.

Thank you to our Easter Basket deliverers! **Mary Frances Bostian** for delivering to Bob Warner, **Mary Catherine Martz** for delivering to Sandy Wetzel and Brenda Dinkle Wright, and **Jennifer Stull** delivering to Margaret Sunday. We were blessed to have Marianne Baltrosky with us on Easter Sunday!

Many thanks to **ALL** for bringing in food and drinks for the brunch and especially to **Mel and Cindy Schall** for the delicious ham, which was an extra treat! Thank you to **Jennifer Stull** for setting up for the brunch and the extra help from **Cindy Schall**.

A special thank you to **Chad Weddle** for officiating our Easter Service that was enjoyed by all!



GREETER

Donald Shook

ORGANIST /PIANO

Mary Frances Bostian

ACOLYTES

Kevin Sunday/Ashlee Sunday/Jim Bostian

USHERS

Bill Houck / Doug Sunday / Jennifer Stull

ALTAR GUILD

Jim & Mary Frances Bostian/Carole Houck

Weekly BULLETIN

Jennifer Stull

CHURCH TREASURERS

Jennifer Sunday / Shirley Bazan

Monthly 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, Jim Bostian, Calvin Woodward, Jennifer Sunday, Jennifer Stull

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, William Houck

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Jennifer Stull

THE KITE STRING

By ERMA GROVE

*One windy day a tow-haired boy
Was happily sailing his kite;
He scampered on, and soon the breeze
Had lifted it out of his sight.*

*Although unseen in its drifting,
No fear crossed the face of the boy;
Then his Dad, thinking it broken,
Asked, "Son, have you lost your new toy?"*

*But the lad just grinned and replied,
"You can't see it, but one sure thing—
I'm positive that it's still there,
"Cause I feel the pull on the string."*

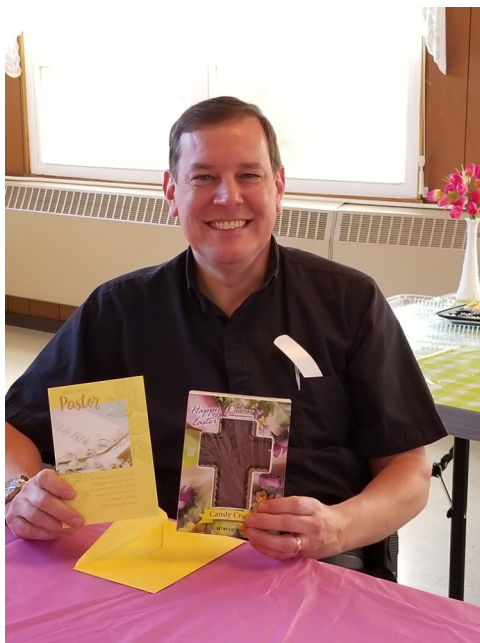
*Except we become as this child
We shall miss the truth imparts;
Unseen, unheard, we know God's near
When we feel Him tug at our hearts.*

Happy Birthday!



**MAY 1 - BRENDA DINKLE WRIGHT
MAY 10 - WILLIAM HOUCK
MAY 20 - ALI WRIGHT
MAY 24 - FRANCIA STANLEY
MAY 27 - MARY CATHERINE MARTZ
MAY 27 - LINDSEY STANLEY**

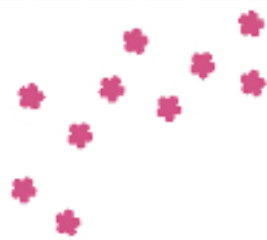
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DO YOU KNOW HIM? →

DONALD SHOOK CURRENTLY LIVES AT GENESIS CARE CENTER IN WALKERSVILLE. THEY RECENTLY PUT UP FRAMED PICTURES ON A WALL IN THEIR LOBBY TO HONOR THEIR RESIDENT VETERANS. THEY HAVE PLACED HIS MILITARY PICTURE... HERE HE IS!





Mother's Day Word Search

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APPRECIATE
CAKE
CARD
CHERISH

CHOCOLATE
FAMILY
FLOWERS
GIFT

LOVE
MOM
SUNDAY
THOUGHTFUL

