

# Faith United Church of Christ



## OCTOBER 2019

SUNDAY

Fellowship

10:30 am

Join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

WORSHIP

SERVICE

11:00 am



" The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."

Lamentations 3:22-23

## The Abrahamic Covenant

The [Abrahamic Covenant](#) Bible story is from the book of Genesis and begins with **Chapter 12** as God calls upon Abraham to go the land of Canaan where he promises to "make of him a great nation," a blessing unto to mankind through his descendants all families of the world shall be blessed.

**Chapter 15** further describes the blessings that will be bestowed upon Abraham with God appearing to him in a vision declaring that he will have many offspring as there are stars in the sky. Abraham then asks God how will his people rightfully claim the land of Canaan as it was occupied by many others at the time. A sacrificial ceremony is performed and God informs him that his offspring will be servants of another place, foreshadowing the slavery of Israelites in Egypt, but will return to Canaan in four generations with great possessions and will rightfully rule over the promised land.

In the final portion of the story, from **Chapter 17**, God formally announces that he will establish an eternal covenant with Abraham and his offspring that will be signified by circumcision. All males of Abraham's house were then circumcised as the covenant was brought to fruition.

All 3 Chapters : Pages 2 & 3

## Genesis 12: 1-9

## From the Bible

**1** The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. **2** "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. **3** I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." **4** So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. **5** He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there. **6** Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. **7** The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him. **8** From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD. **9** Then Abram set out and continued toward the Negev.

## Genesis 15

**1** After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward. " **2** But Abram said, "Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" **3** And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir." **4** Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." **5** He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." **6** Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness. **7** He also said to him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it." **8** But Abram said, "Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?" **9** So the LORD said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon." **10** Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. **11** Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away. **12** As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. **13** Then the LORD said to him, "Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. **14** But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. **15** You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. **16** In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure." **17** When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. **18** On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates— **19** the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, **20** Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, **21** Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites."

## Genesis 17



**1** When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty ; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. **2** Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers." **3** Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, **4** "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. **5** No longer will you be called Abram ; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations. **6** I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. **7** I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. **8** The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God." **9** Then God said to Abraham, "As for you, you must keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come. **10** This is my covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: Every male among you shall be circumcised. **11** You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you. **12** For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from a foreigner—those who are not your offspring. **13** Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant. **14** Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant." **15** God also said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. **16** I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her." **17** Abraham fell facedown; he laughed and said to himself, "Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?" **18** And Abraham said to God, "If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!" **19** Then God said, "Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him. **20** And as for Ishmael, I have heard you: I will surely bless him; I will make him fruitful and will greatly increase his numbers. He will be the father of twelve rulers, and I will make him into a great nation. **21** But my covenant I will establish with Isaac, whom Sarah will bear to you by this time next year." **22** When he had finished speaking with Abraham, God went up from him. **23** On that very day Abraham took his son Ishmael and all those born in his household or bought with his money, every male in his household, and circumcised them, as God told him. **24** Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised, **25** and his son Ishmael was thirteen; **26** Abraham and his son Ishmael were both circumcised on that very day. **27** And every male in Abraham's household, including those born in his household or bought from a foreigner, was circumcised with him.



*"May my prayer be set before you, like  
incense; may the lifting up of my hands  
be like the evening sacrifice"*

PSALM 141 : 2

MARIANNE BALTROTSKY

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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





GREETER

Donald Shook

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ALTAR GUILD

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Weekly BULLETIN

Jennifer Stull

CHURCH TREASURERS

Jennifer Sunday / Shirley Bazan

Monthly NEWSLETTER & MAILING

Jennifer Stull

LABELS FOR HOFFMAN HOMES

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Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, William Houck

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Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Jennifer Stull

*AUTUMN'S  
FLING*

*By ERMA GROVE*



*Before the sober winter  
Gay autumn takes a fling,  
And with her gaudy paintbrush  
She brightens everything.*

*The oak she paints in russet,  
The maple turns to gold,  
The sumac colors crimson-  
A patchwork to behold.*

*Pale goldenrod adds contrast  
To purple gentian's hue,  
As silver milkweed airships  
Float through the cloudless blue.*

*Soft brown are corn-shock tepees,  
Bright pumpkins scattered near;  
Green velvet grows the new wheat,  
Though pasture fields are sere.*

*She sprinkles scarlet berries  
And fills the air with spice,  
Adorns with frost the windows,  
Bedecks the streams with ice.*

*All though the somber winter  
Let hearts recall with awe  
This pageantry of color  
No artist e'er could draw.*



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*THE NEXT  
CONSISTORY MEETING  
IS SCHEDULED FOR  
WEDNESDAY,  
OCTOBER 9, AT 7:00PM.*

# Thank You!

*"As every man hath received the gift, even  
so minister the same one to another,  
as good stewards of the  
manifold grace of God"*

*1 PETER 4: 10*

Thank you to **Bill Houck** for having the large maple tree to the right of the church pruned and trimmed.

Thank you to **Kevin Sunday** who found on EBAY a hanging light fixture that matches the others in the church. This fixture will replace the one that fell and broke several years ago.



OCT 10 - STEVE STULL

*With Sympathy...*

We express our sympathy to Jennifer Sunday on the death of her Aunt Brenda Baldwin. Many years ago, she lived with the Sunday family and took care of Corey and Kevin when they were little.



Congratulations to Sgt Kyle Stull on the graduation from training as Marine Security Guard. He rated #19 out of 138 students. He was home for the last weekend in September and will not receive anymore leave for at least a year.



# BINGO!

Saturday,

OCTOBER 19, 2019

FALL  
FUNDRAISER!



Held at Lewistown Fire Company

Doors Open : 4:30pm

Games Start : 6:00pm

*CASH/BASKET/PURSE* Bingo —Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Door prizes and King Tut games! Baskets for specials and raffles are filled with great items. Bake Table items such as pies, cookies, brownies and oatmeal no bakes for sale by Faith Church. Great food, sodas and water will be sold by the Lewistown Fire Company.

Always a wonderful opportunity to gather together for this fellowship and fun. Invite friends and family! **Call Jennifer Sunday @ 301-788-2427 for tickets.**



## HOMWOOD AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2020!

It is time again for the annual Homewood Auxiliary Membership Drive. The Auxiliary is the heart and soul of Homewood. Your dues are used for various activities for the residents in the Healthcare Center and Assisted Living. Projects supported by the Auxiliary include the following: bingo prizes, music therapy, robotic pets, and so much more. The dues are \$3.00 per person. Cash or checks made out to "Homewood Auxiliary" are due to Carole Houck by Sunday, November 3.



Thank you to ALL who have supported our community outreach food donation basket! The Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays are upon us and Food Banks are always looking to replenish their shelves. Thank you to **Jim and Mary Frances Bostian** for delivering the items to Thurmont. These products are always needed:

**PAPER PRODUCTS - CANNED GOODS - BOXED DINNERS - CEREAL**

# Fall Word Search



ACORN  
APPLE  
AUTUMN  
CHESTNUTS  
CHILLY  
CIDER  
COBWEB  
FALL  
FOOTBALL  
GOURD

HALLOWEEN  
HARVEST  
HAY BALE  
HAYRIDE  
LEAVES  
MAIZE  
NOVEMBER  
NUTS  
OCTOBER  
PUMPKIN

QUILT  
RAKE  
SCARECROW  
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THANKSGIVING

