



What's Working @ Faith
Friday, May 15, 2026

Faith in Action

A MUSICAL AFTERNOON WITH ANN BARTLOW

Saturday, May 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of music on May 16 at 3 p.m. at Faith United Methodist Church. Ann will bring the sanctuary to life with the piano and organ featuring works by Bach, Boulanger, Giacchino, and Vierne — a blend of classics and charm. A reception will follow.



And if you cannot make it in person, the concert is being livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch/LyTeRakwVbo>.

SHINING BELLS, JOYFUL SOUND: OUR HANDBELLS ARE RESTORED



Faith's Schulmerich Handbells have been professionally refurbished and returned for us to enjoy! We are thrilled to once again be playing our beautifully restored, shiny bells. The Bells of Faith extend our heartfelt gratitude to the congregation or your generous support in helping us achieve this goal. We invite you to join us next fall, as we will have a few openings in the ensemble. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Kuhn at Nancykuhn@gmail.com.



UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

Sunday, May 31 following worship

UWF believes love in action can change the world. Join us in rooms 205/206 as we work to influence and impact our community.



United
Women
in Faith

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Nancy Kneisly, chair at kneislynancy@gmail.com.

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Emily Peck

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-13

Rev. Emily A. Peck, Th.D. (she/her), Faith UMC member, is Visiting Professor of Christian Formation and Young Adult Ministry at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C.



She also serves as Director of Research and Education at the Hub for (Re)Imagining Ministry and as co-director of the Children and Youth Ministry and Advocacy program. Her most recent book is a collaborative volume entitled *Nobody's Perfect: Redefining Sin and Mistakes in Adolescent Christian Education*. When she is not working, you can find Emily hanging out with her three kids: Ezra, Phoebe and Zoe.

LIVESTREAM SERVICE

How do I get to the worship service on the Faith website?

There are three ways to access our worship experience on Sunday mornings through our website. [Click here](#) to learn about those options.

PREVIOUS SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

[Listen and watch last Sunday's online worship service.](#) See and hear the worship service, led by Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, from last Sunday's worship service featuring music, scripture, and prayers.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Graduation marks an important milestone—a time to celebrate accomplishments and to honor the transition into a new chapter of life. Sunday, we will recognize graduates during the worship service.



SUNDAY SCHOOL



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Sunday School for
Children and Youth
learn, explore, grow

Children and youth are invited to begin their Sunday morning in the sanctuary for the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Middle and high school students are dismissed prior to the Children's Message, while children in kindergarten through 5th grade are dismissed following the Children's Message.

All Sunday School classes return to the sanctuary after the sermon to rejoin the congregation for the remainder of worship.

We joyfully welcome children in worship. Whether your child prefers to remain in the pews or spend time at the kids' table at the front, they are warmly invited to participate in our worship gathering in the way that feels most comfortable to them.

Kindergarten-2nd Grade: *Location: Room 203, Curriculum: Godly Play*

3rd-5th Grade: room 200

Middle School (6th-8th Grade): room 206

High School (9th-12th Grade): room 205

LEADERSHIP BOARD MEETING

Sunday following worship

The Leadership Board, consists of the eight members below and the Pastor. This Board was created to simplify the church's leadership structure and allow people to focus their gifts and free up more time for acts of service and compassion.

Bill Maas, Chair

Tamara James Fish, Lay Leader

Brian Jones, Lay Member to Annual Conference

Laura Norvell, Pastor

Mike Coppersmith

Rachel Hedrick

Kathy King

Janelle Veazy

Jennifer Young

YOUTH MINISTRY END-OF-YEAR PICNIC

Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

We invite youth (middle and high school) and their parents to join us for our end-of-year picnic at Cabin John Park this Sunday evening. We'll gather from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Pavilion B for a potluck dinner, fellowship, and fun activities for all ages.



We look forward to seeing you there! Contact Suzanne Smedberg, Youth Ministry Coord. at ssmedberg@FaithWorksHere.com.

TUESDAY, MAY 19

OUTREACH TEAM MEETING

Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

The Outreach Team meets the third Tuesday of every other month via zoom. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Kneisly, chair at Kneislynancy@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

The CCM team will meet Wednesday via Zoom. This Ministry focuses on supporting the spiritual and emotional well-being of individuals and families within the church community.

THURSDAY, MAY 21

CHANCEL CHOIR

Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The Chancel Choir rehearses every Thursday from 7:30-9:00 p.m. under the direction of Dr. Michael Wu, Faith Music Director, in the sanctuary.

SATURDAY, MAY 23

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Participants meet for the final session in rooms 205/206. Confirmation will be celebrated during worship Sunday, June 7.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please email your prayer requests to Prayer@FaithWorksHere.com. Our Congregational Care Ministers (CCM), Tamara James-Fish, Jim Johnston, Susan Keller, Emily Sama-Miller, Chuck Spencer, and Kristen Wayne will receive your request.

Prayers for Faith UMC members: Jason Smith and Sue Walters

Prayers for those dear to us: Karen Balman (neighbor of Bill & Lloydie Zaiser); JR (friend of Janelle Veazey); Family of Nancy Helfrich (former Faith UMC member) passed away April 25 in NY; Seren Hemmings and her staff; for those who parent children with a diverse array of disabilities; Jim Howard (brother of Kay McCarty) and Haydee Hidalgo (friend of a friend of Kay McCarty).

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS: May 15-30

May 17: Julia Evans

May 18: Birkir Jónsson and Barbara Wege

May 19: Brian Hahs

May 21: James Hedrick

May 23: Sunny Keene

May 25: Jim Pearson

May 26: Sue Ann McCarty

May 27: Keshika Dias

May 29: Hannah Schmidt

May 30: Alex, Charlie & Will Balian and Phoebe Peck-McClain

May 31: Marijka Spriggs

ANNIVERSARIES: May 15-30

May 19: Brian & Susan Jones

May 21: Kim & Michael Medina

May 22: Glen & Melissa Lauber

May 24: Chuck & Jan Spencer

May 27: Jeremy & Stephanie Balian

May 29: Ann & Howard Bartlow



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Faith United Methodist Church is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network.



We seek to welcome and include all people in the life of this congregation. Our building and gathering spaces are accessible to people who use wheelchairs and walkers. Large-print hymnals and Bibles, FM wireless assistive listening devices, sensory friendly items for children, and gluten-free communion elements are available during worship.

