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ANNOUNCEMENTS

C3 (Crafty Christian Chicks)

We are taking the summer off, but please join us for fun, food, fellowship and some crafts when we start back up in the fall.

Brotherhood

We invite all the men of the church to come join us. We will be meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday July 18th.

Women's Fellowship Church Wide Garage Sale

The church garage sale will be held this fall, late September or early October. Please save & mark your items to help the sale go smoothly. Please consider serving during the sale!

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Recharge: A Midweek Music Service

Please join us for Recharge on Wednesday July 26th at 6:30 pm.

OWLS

We will not be meeting in June, July, or August.



July 10-14 from 6-8:30pm

Join us for a fun filled week learning about how
God built us for a purpose!

Dinner served nightly.

Invite your friends!

*Register to attend on our webpage, www.faithstjoe.com

From The Pastor's Desk

“A SUMMER OF GOODIES”

There are a lot of good things going on at Faith this summer, and I just wanted to make sure that you are aware of them.

First up, we will be hosting Vacation Bible School the week of July 10th-14th. The theme for this VBS is the “Maker Fun Factory.” I know for a fact that Heidi, Joed, and the crew have been putting in a lot of time and it is going to be fantastic. If you have not registered for this exciting week then you still have time to do so. We have made registration a very easy process. Just go to our website, www.faithstjoe.com and click on the VBS link that is on the front page. If you know of families, and friends, who have children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade then give them a call and get them signed up! This will be a week for them to remember!

The second ministry that we will be hosting this summer is our Miracle Hills Children's Camp up in Bethany, Missouri. It is for children who have completed 1st-5th grade. The last couple of years we have seen an increase in the number of children who attend and we are expecting the same kind of attendance this year. The dates for camp will be July 27th-July 29th. We will be limiting the number of children who can attend to the first 50 to sign up so you better get your name in fast. Again, we have made the registration process easy where you will find the link to register on the above website. Our theme for the camp is “Do Something!” Our camp verse is found in Jeremiah 1: 7-8. It says, ***“The LORD replied, ‘Don't say, ‘I'm too young,’ for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you. ⁸ And don't be afraid of the people, for I will be with you and will protect you. I, the LORD, have spoken!”*** It's actually a challenge for us all!

The third ministry is something that we are currently hosting right now on a once-a-month basis called, “Recharge!” It is a mid-week worship experience made up of singing, prayer and a short devotion. If you love to sing and worship God, then you will love “Recharge!”

The final ministry that I would like to highlight for you is something that we are hosting on a weekly basis called “Portions.” Lamentations 3:24 says, ***“The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait on him.”***

The Old Testament writer, Asaph, writes in Psalm 73: 25-26, ***“Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever”*** As Asaph looked around and saw how unfair the world seemed to be, he remembered that he is only a pilgrim on earth. He has an inheritance—a portion—that is greater than any wealth the wicked possess. His portion is God Himself. So how do you receive your portion from God while you are still here on earth? We come to know the heart of God through music and His Word. That is our hope and prayer as we have seen this ministry take off after only our first offering. We have seen more than 2100+ hits through Facebook. If you have not had an opportunity to watch “Portions” on our Facebook page, then you are in luck, it is now available on our website. We live in a world that is increasingly filled with trouble and violence, and it's easy to become discouraged with the circumstances we must face daily as Christians. On those days, it is helpful to remember that God is our portion. If we have Him, we need nothing else.

Besides these four “highlighted” ministries taking place this summer, we will also be taking our Junior High and Senior High students to Student Life Camp in Arlington, Texas the week of July 16. Please pray for the 15 students and leaders who will be traveling to hear one of our favorite speakers, David Nasser. It is always a week of fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth.

Another ministry our students will be participating in this summer is “No Hunger Summer.” We will be serving at various locations over the course of the next three weeks. Pray that God will continue to open our eyes to ways we can “Go into all the world” as he directed us to do!

Be God's!

Pastor Jim

Phase One Completed!



THANK YOU'S

I wanted to thank Faith United Church for the graduation cake and reception for the graduates. Sadly, I was unable to attend due to playing baseball at K-State. Thank you to Joan, Carolyn, and Ruth for insisting that my Mom take cake home for me!!

Thank you for all your support and prayers!

Stetson Brant

Thank you for letting us come & worship with you. We love to sing praises to our Lord and Savior! Thank you for your generous love offering. It will really help us continue our mission of sharing God's word through song. We ask God's blessings on each & every one of you.

Love,

The New Generation Singers

Calendar of Events

- June 30th - Pastor Jim on vacation 6/30-7/6
- July 1st - Last day to turn in Scholarship applications
- July 4th - Independence Day Office Closed
- July 9th - Communion Sunday
- July 9th - Lay Life Luncheon/VBS Kickoff 11:30 am
- July 10th - VBS 6:00-8:30 pm
- July 11th - VBS 6:00-8:30 pm
- July 11th - Food Kitchen 5:00 pm Team # 1
- July 12th - VBS 6:00-8:30 pm
- July 13th - VBS 6:00-8:30 pm
- July 14th - VBS 6:00-8:30 pm
- July 16th - B.I.G. leaves for Student Life Camp
- July 18th - Brotherhood 7:00 pm
- July 20th - Leader's night 7:00 pm
- July 22nd - B.I.G. returns from Student Life Camp
- June 20th - Brotherhood 7:00 pm
- July 26th - **Recharge 6:30 pm**
- July 27th - Miracle Hills Children's Camp 7/27-7/29

Communion Assistants

July 9th - Teresa Kidwell and Amy Bryson

Acolytes

- July 2nd - Brodie DeSchepper & Josh Oswald
- July 9th - Rawlins Brant & Montana Frakes
- July 16th - Jordan Hill & Josh Oswald
- July 23rd - Brodie DeSchepper & Rawlins Brant
- July 30th - Montana Frakes & Jordan Hill

Van Drivers

- July 2nd - Corey
- July 9th - Brent
- July 16th - Corey
- July 23rd - Roy
- July 30th - Corey

| Financial Report | Current Fund | Building Fund |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| May 28 th - | \$4,230.12 | \$225.00 |
| June 4 th - | \$3,197.00 | \$680.00 |
| June 11 th - | \$1,506.00 | \$125.00 |
| June 18 th - | \$3,759.00 | \$25.00 |
| Totals: | \$12,692.12 | \$1,055.00 |

\$11,860.00 needed each month to meet current expenses.

| Attendance | Service | Sunday School |
|-------------------------|---------|---------------|
| May 28 th - | 63 | 28 |
| June 4 th - | 71 | 20 |
| June 11 th - | 205 | 13 |
| June 18 th - | 83 | 28 |

ENCOURAGING VERSE FOR THE MONTH!

“Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.”

Psalm 34:8

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Praises: God's continued presence in the World & never absent; friendships formed through our relation to God and his Son, Jesus Christ! Our Recharge Worship service; Portions Worship on Facebook & our website; Baby dedication for Maddox Martinez; Kyle & Melanie Vulgamott welcomed their twin girls (Savannah Rose & Sofia Jo) to their new home; Mark Torres got a job with Herzog.

Cancer Patients: Rob Gregory; 13 year old Riley Whittington-chronic cancer; Paul Bridenstine (chronic leukemia); anonymous friend- recently diagnosed with cancer and very distraught; Co-worker of Missy West, the Lockridge family- recently learned wife has cancer and has been given 6 months to live; Andrew (5yr. old son of Central High teacher Mr. Hart)- inoperable brain tumor; administrator at Living Community; Roy Nolan's cousin, Christie Amos (40) -breast cancer; customer of Denny cobb diagnosed with stage IV pancreatic cancer; Dale Arn's brother, David- cancer has returned.

Other: Continued prays for Glenn Spitzer – family unity & health & friends & his son, Brett, is being deployed for a year in Kuwait; Donita Sunderland- chronic health issues; Heidi DeSchepper- chronic health issues; Tom Vanlone- home with home health; the family of Linda Trapp; Coleman Collins (Linda Trapp's great-nephew)- 12 yr. old- prayers for serious heart problems; Linda Trapp- decisions; Carole McClellan's brother- Gary Battelle –dementia & his wife Lee, having trouble walking & standing; Janice Curran- bone graft surgery postponed; All suffering from severe depression; The Catron Family; Elizabeth Schoenlaub; George Fischer- Surgery in July; Darline Langemach- rehab after hip surgery; Leonard McCall- broken rib & other injuries suffered in a fall at home; Pastor Jim's aunt Margie- Complications from knee replacement; Scotty Sharp's dad- fluid around his heart; Lorrie Derr- broken shoulder.

Traveling Mercies: Andrew Powers (K-State Grad) going to India to do mission work; the hill family- to Colorado; Julie & Jim Oswald.

Sympathy: Pastor Jim & family in the death of his Aunt Betty; Carole McClellan's nephew & his wife in the death of her 23-yr-old son; Rumpf/Brant/Freeman families in the death of former charter member of Faith, Frankie Rumpf; the family of Peg McGinness who passed away from metastasized breast cancer; the family of Johnny Cathcart who died of brain cancer; 3 High School classmates of Jim Wood.

Finally: all our people & programs; Recharge Worship Service & Portions Worship series; VBS; our church staff & their families; attitudes- may we live as Jesus told us- “love one another as I have loved you”; be open to compromise and **DO Something!**