

# Faith's Blessings

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September 2021

As I write this month's article, I noted that we are in the midst of what has often been referred to as "the Dog Days of summer". If you are familiar with this expression then you might also relate it to the hot, steamy summer days that the Farmer's Almanac refers to as the peak period of hot and humid weather occurring during late July and August. For the



Greeks and Romans of ancient times, the "Dog Days" were believed to be a time of drought, bad luck, and unrest, when dogs and people alike would be driven mad by the extreme heat. Growing up, my heart would sink a bit because it meant we would soon be back at school, the street lights would come on sooner requiring us to put our bikes away and head inside, and late night television would be no more. In essence, it signaled a time of transition when everything "summer" would soon start moving in the other direction – cooler nights, marching band practice, county fairs and scanning the newspaper for homeroom assignments. As a gardener, it meant the season's harvest was about to peak too with plants giving their last hoorah before fall planting took its place.

The longest season of the church year—Ordinary Time—when the paraments that dress our sanctuary are in a "state of green" for what seems to be forever, coincides with the summer months. Without a major feast day for the season until Reformation in October, Ordinary Time can *feel* like "the dog days of summer". Ordinary Time and the dog days of summer, however, do not mean we have to be at a standstill as the calendar year invites us to move into action in other ways – the school year, for instance – and in faithful ways. Writer, Jack King, notes, "As with the landscape of the home, so also with the landscape of the heart, there is always work to be done in one's life to conform our lives into the likeness of Christ, adjusting to place our hope, not in the things of the world, but trusting in the guidance of God."

Here at Faith, the calendar invites you, as do I, to adjust your schedule a bit and take a small step forward into the life of the church: attend the upcoming Family Banquet, get involved in the worship liturgy (altar guild, assisting minister, lector, acolyte, usher, choir), the Heartstrings ministry or Youth in Action, attend a movie matinee or participate in the upcoming text studies "HeBrews". This time of year can be a season for spiritual renewal, "even with the limitations we sense in the weather of the heart' - and of the world".

In grace and peace, Pastor Kathy +



During the month of August, we lifted the following persons in prayer:

Family and friends of Alice Bowers, Shirley Airesman and Bernice Walker who entered the Church Triumphant.

Sheri Olds, Calvin Walker, Jack Loeffert, Kelly Prinkey, Garrett Prinkey, Clifford Spangler, Adie Schrock, and Patrick Stump for strength, comfort and healing.

### **Pastoral Care**

Pastoral care visits are a means of bringing the presence of Jesus Christ into the lives of our community of Faith at times of acute illness, pending surgery, long-term care and rehabilitation of care, as well as hospice care. We rely on family members, friends, and neighbors to let the church staff know when someone is in a hospital or other facility; please call the church office 814-443-3179 and provide the name of the individual, name of hospital or care facility, and room number if known; and it is also helpful to give time/date of surgery. After office hours you may call Pastor Kathy directly at 814-483-3097.

Thank you,  
Pastor Kathy

### **September Second Offering**

The second offering for September, designated for Camp Sequanota, will be collected Sept. 12.

This offering donated will help with any expenses the camp incurs. Thanks!

### **Sunday, Sept. 12th**

We will present Bibles to our 3rd graders: Charley Domer, Lakin Friedline, Kolton George, Colton Henry, Gannon Shepley and Clare Walker.

### **WELCOME**

If you happen to notice 2 new faces among the congregation, say "hello" and introduce yourself to Carmen Jimenez and Jidam Moon.

Carmen is an exchange student from Spain, who is being hosted by the Brant family.

Jidam is an exchange student from South Korea who is being hosted by the Maust family.

WELCOME to Somerset  
Carmen & Jidam!!

## CELEBRATING IN SEPTEMBER

*Happy Birthday!*

Rodney Will	Sept. 2		Patricia Brant	Sept. 19	<b>86 yrs.</b>
Donald Raupach	Sept. 3		Lindsey Shaffer	Sept. 20	
Hazel Moore	Sept. 3	<b>94 yrs.</b>	Derrike Black	Sept. 21	
Carl Schrock	Sept. 4	<b>83 yrs.</b>	Dakota Weyant	Sept. 21	
Jack Loeffert	Sept. 6		Casey Romus	Sept. 22	
Doris Lehman	Sept. 8	<b>81 yrs.</b>	Shawn Shaffer	Sept. 22	
Aaron Rhodes	Sept. 8		Jane Pugh	Sept. 23	
Gary Tataleba	Sept. 10		Paul Will	Sept. 23	
Jacob Fochtman	Sept. 11		Charley Domer	Sept. 24	
Brian Trent	Sept. 11		Catherine Tims	Sept. 25	
Hudson Hillegas	Sept. 12		Khloe Lohr	Sept. 26	
Oakleigh George	Sept. 13		Ross Auman	Sept. 27	
Lily Walker	Sept. 13		Kyle Weaver	Sept. 27	
Lisa Phillips	Sept. 14		Casey Carpenter	Sept. 30	
Brianna Trent	Sept. 18		Lenny Miller	Sept. 30	
Charles Brant	Sept. 19	<b>87 yrs.</b>			

*Happy Anniversary!*

Joan & Clarence Weyant	Sept. 3	<b>50 yrs.</b>
Michael & Kaitlyn Sulkowski	Sept. 6	<b>7 yrs.</b>
Missy & Brad Lenart	Sept. 10	<b>16 yrs.</b>
Irma & Blair Walker	Sept. 11	<b>50 yrs.</b>
Stephen & Jamye Matolyak	Sept. 15	<b>3 yrs.</b>
Clair & Loretta Weyant	Sept. 20	<b>12 yrs.</b>
Michael & Brandy Shepley	Sept. 21	<b>8 yrs.</b>
Clay & Cheryl Cramer Jr.	Sept. 25	<b>45 yrs.</b>

## Mark your calendars ...



Sunday, **Sept. 12**, Outdoor Worship at Pavilion (weather-permitting); Pavilion re-dedication; Backpack Blessing; 3rd Grade Bible Presentations

**Also Sept. 12**, Faith's Annual Family Banquet, at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall; we will honor our "Golden Club" Members.

Monday, **Sept. 13**, 7 pm, WELCA meeting, text study and fellowship. We will continue with Part 2 from our Love L.I.F.E. series as we travel with Paul on the road to Damascus and experience his life-changing transformation.

Thursday **Sept. 16, 23, 30** HeBrews, come enjoy a hot or cold beverage and text study with Pastor Kathy, at 10:30 am

Saturday **Sept. 25**, Special Council Meeting, 10:00 am — Constitution and By-Laws Review

Sunday, **Sept. 19**, Baptism; Reception of new member; installation of new Bishop to be live streamed—Pastor Kathy will be attending on behalf of the congregation, further details as we move closer to that date.

Wednesday, **Sept. 22**, all Somerset Area Congregations invited — Reception for newly installed Bishop Paula Schmitt at Friedens Lutheran Church, 6 p.m. Please join Pastor Kathy in welcoming her to Somerset.

Sunday, **Sept. 26**, Healing Service; Movie Matinee at 2 pm - "The Greatest Showman"

Monday, **Sept. 27 thru Oct 1** Desserts for **Meals on Wheels**, watch for sign-up sheets.

Sunday, **Oct. 3**, Youth in Action: "Are We there Yet?" Camping Out with Moses, from 4-6 p.m.

## **Worship Liturgy Updates**



Beginning on Sunday, September 19th, we will be moving to the blue hymnal for the fall season leading up to Advent: With One Voice, Setting 5. Additionally, we will move back to continuous communion with two communion lines.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ...**

Ally and Austin Custer who were married August 21  
Austin Custer on joining Faith as a new member on Sept. 19  
Navy James Everett and Asher Scott Custer,  
received as new members through  
Holy Baptism

## September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>Second Offering is for Camp Sequanota</b>		<b>1</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 6:30 pm  <b>PASTOR</b> _____	<b>2</b>   <b>KATHY</b>	<b>3</b>   <b>IS</b> _____	<b>4</b>   <b>ON</b> _____
<b>5</b> Worship 9 am <b>Donut Sunday</b>  SCS 10:30 am  <b>VACATION</b> _____	<b>6 Labor Day</b>  <b>Office closed</b>  _____	<b>7</b>   _____	<b>8</b> Caring Workers 10 am	<b>9</b> Council 7 pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Worship 9 am <b>2nd off (Sequanota)</b> <b>Backpack Blessing</b> <b>3rd Grade Bibles</b>  Family Banquet 11 am Fellowship Hall	<b>13</b>  WELCA 6 pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 6:30 pm	<b>16</b> HeBrews Text study 10:30am	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Worship 9 am Baptism; receive New Member  SCS 10:30 am	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Caring Workers 10 am	<b>23</b> HeBrews Text study 10:30am	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Council: Special Meeting;</b> Constitution and By-Laws 10 a.m.
<b>26</b> Worship 9 am <b>Healing Svc.</b>  SCS 10:30 am  <b>Movie Matinee</b> <b>2 pm</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Caring Workers 10 am  Choir 6:30 pm	<b>30</b> HeBrews Text study 10:30am		

Youth In Action gathering moved to Oct 3rd

**We thank those who are willing to serve**  
**for the month of September**

**September 5**

Altar Guild	Karen/ Elaine	Reader	Brenda Maust
Assisting Minister	Brenda Maust	Acolyte	Annalina Brant
Council Person	Carl Schrock		

**September 12**

Altar Guild	Brenda	Reader	Richard Walker
Assisting Minister	Will Brant	Acolyte	Jack Loeffert

**September 19**

Altar Guild	Brenda	Reader	Jane Pugh
Assisting Minister	Dave Pugh	Acolyte	Olivia George

**September 26**

Altar Guild	Karen/Elaine	Reader	Jack Loeffert
Assisting Minister	Jack Loeffert	Acolyte	Arianna Ohler

**Please remember that if you cannot be here and have  
a “job”, find a replacement!**



# HeBrews!

Jesus, stirring up conversations for over 2,000 years...

A time to gather with a cup of your favorite “brew” (coffee, tea, iced or not, water, pop) and to “sip in” His Word...

Thursday mornings, beginning on September 16th, at 10:30 a.m. Mark your calendars and join in conversation with Pastor Kathy as we will look at some of Jesus’ most challenging teachings. You are welcome to bring your favorite “mug” or “cup” and let the Holy Spirit fill it to overflowing!



## Coffee, Tea and He

Every sip you take  
Is a time to pray;  
To renew your mind,  
Praising all the time  
With every sip you take...

Every cup you make  
Is a time to wait;  
Pray unto the Lord,  
Start to feel restored  
With every cup you make.

Every sip you take,  
Every cup you make;  
Take in God's great love,  
All that He's made of  
With every sip you take.



FAITH'S  
ANNUAL FAMILY BANQUET 2021  
Sunday, September 12th at 11 am  
In the Fellowship Hall

It's time to celebrate "Faith" and honor our "Golden Club" Members!

Tickets are available from the office until August 31. Adults \$15; our Golden Members and children 12 and under are free - as honored guests for the day!

Menu includes shredded roast beef, glazed ham, garlic mashed potatoes, green bean almonndine, glazed carrots, salad, rolls, beverage and cake. Children can enjoy chicken nuggets and mac 'n cheese. Catering provided by My Girls Catering. Entertainment will be provided by Heart 'n Soul!

Join us for good food, good music, good fellowship and the celebration of family and friends here at "Faith" - serving Christ and community for over 50 years!

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**LET'S ALL GO TO THE MOVIES!**

Sunday, September 26th, at 2:00 p.m.

Another opportunity for fellowship and fun as we watch "The Greatest Showman", an action-packed musical based on the life of P.T. Barnum and the first Circus!

Rated PG, it is family friendly entertainment that includes life lessons about loving people for who they are.

There will be refreshments, of course—what's a movie without popcorn after all!





Meet Michelle Graham  
Faith's New Parish Administrator

Hello! I am excited to join the people of Faith Lutheran as your new Parish Administrator. I am new to Somerset County, having spent 40+ years in Central Pennsylvania in Clearfield County.

My husband, The Reverend Tyler Graham, and I , along with our daughters Riley 17 and MaKenna 15 and rat terrier Renegade moved to Salisbury in May 2020.

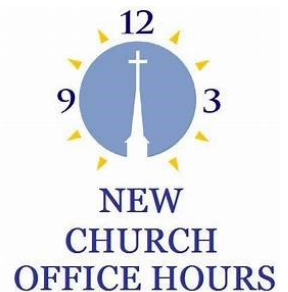
Professionally I have worked as a Human Resources Manager, in the in-home care field, for the 9+ years prior to our move. I am a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Salisbury . In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family kayaking and hiking.

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Beginning the week of September 20 NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS  
Tuesday through Friday 9 am to 1 pm.

Pastor Kathy and Michelle will not be in the office on Mondays.

Pastor Kathy continues to remain available for pastoral care and emergencies 24/7.



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### **Meals on Wheels—Serving Christ and Community!**

Faith will be providing desserts for Meals on Wheels Sept. 27 thru Oct. 1. A sign-up sheet will be available for you to volunteer to bake. No time? You may also donate cash or even cake mixes, quick bread mixes and the baking will be done for you. (Please note: no chocolate flavors or nuts).



*deliver a difference*

The day you sign up to bake is the day the items need delivered to Calvary Methodist Church between 6:30 and 8:30 am. We also have the option to deliver all of our items on Monday if that suits your schedule better. If you need assistance with getting items delivered, contact Pastor Kathy.

Thanks for helping with this outreach that helps the "seasoned" adults in our area with getting meals!

## **WE GIVE THANKS TO**

Ken Will for trimming the bushes and pulling weeds.

Richard Walker for cutting back our Spring perennials.

Rodney Will, Gene Hillegas and Carl Schrock for installing  
and painting the new choir room door.

Caring Workers for their generous donation to purchase an Urn Pall

WELCA for hosting the church annual picnic and all those who  
turned out for a great time of fellowship and food

Caring Workers for hosting the rostered and lay leaders of the  
Laurel Highlands Conference for their monthly meeting. The break-  
fast and lunch were greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all.

Ryan Maust and Allen Stump for scraping, caulking, and painting  
door and garage trim and installing storm doors at the  
parsonage.

Brenda Maust for over 8 years of service as Parish Administrator

All who have assisted with the collection for Faith's Heartstrings  
Ministry—with special thanks to CVS, WELCA, Caring Workers,  
and the Worship Committee

We give Thanks to God – for all these gifts –  
shared in serving Christ and community  
in community with one another.  
We ARE Church – TOGETHER!

### **Bible Trivia ... "Moses and Miracles"**

1. What bird served as miracle food for the Israelites?
2. What did Moses do to bring forth water from the rock at Kadesh?
3. What miraculous thing happened to Moses' hand?
4. What everyday substance was changed into a plague of lice?
5. What plague was sent upon the Egyptians' cattle?

**Watch next months newsletter for answers ... Good Luck!**

Youth in Action  
Doing God's Work with Our Hands  
In Fellowship and Fun



**“ARE WE THERE YET?”  
CAMPING OUT WITH  
MOSES**

**\*DATE CHANGE\***

**Sunday, October 3rd  
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.**

Camping is one of the many tools God uses in the lives of His people. He uses wilderness type experiences to mold us, to build character, and teach life lessons to those of us He has called to serve Him. Join us as we “camp” with Moses and learn about his camping trip that lasted 40 years!

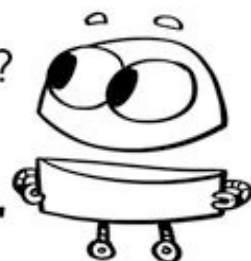
The children and youth will be burning the palms with Cliff and Louise Spangler in preparation for Ash Wednesday as part of our “campfire” as we talk about the “burning bush”. So **get your backpack ready for a journey through the desert** and an afternoon that includes crafts, the Lenten service project, games, laughter and a light supper!

There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby at church or just give us a call at 814 443-3179 and let us know you'll be here!

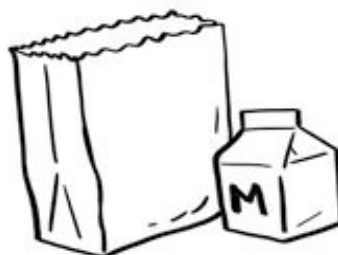




Can you find all the back to school words?  
Circle them when you find them!



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Apple Homework Books Bag Desk

Recess School ~~Teacher~~ Read Write



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Sunday Worship 9 am  
Sunday Church School 10:30 am

