



Dear Faithfuls,

Your Worship and Fellowship Teams are excited about an upcoming event. Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, July 30, at 10:00 am**. Yes, that's a Sunday, a regular worship time. However, we are going to worship outside in the church yard, and have a delicious lunch after the service.

Since we will be outside, the worship service will focus on creation. It will be an experiential service – anticipate some fun activities during the worship service. **John O'Brien's** blue grass band will lead music – a huge thank you to this musical group!

And, after the service, we'll enjoy a meal together. Our Fellowship Team will provide the meat and bread. They are asking all of you to bring a dish to share – a salad or dessert, or even a vegetable.

Faithfuls, this is an opportunity to invite a friend, or relative, or neighbor to join us at Faith Church. We want to share the love of Christ with others. Worship and fellowship are two great ways to do this. Offer to give the person you invite a ride to the church, so that they don't have to arrive alone and wander around. Let them know you'll 'buy' them lunch. Share with them one thing you especially love about Faith Church and let them know you want them to have a similar experience in their life. And, let them know that for this service, they don't have to "dress up for church." Shorts will be comfortable!

Let's rejoice in the amazing work that our Creator God has given to us – and let's share this with others.

Peace,
Becky

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Session Highlights

The elders had a light meeting – even adjourning after 55 minutes!

Decisions and actions that the session took:

- With sadness, removed Charlotte Selmer from the rolls; may God continue to comfort her family
- Canceled the July meeting; the next session meeting will be in August
- Approved closing two checking accounts that haven't been used in years, and moving the money to the church checking account (Questions? Please talk with **Peter Svoboda**.)

A couple updates: the roof is completed, and the final walkthrough will be Tuesday, June 20.

Let us give thanks for the ministry that our elders do on behalf of this congregation.

Is God Calling You to be a Commissioned Pastor?

More and more, smaller churches are calling Commissioned Pastors to lead their congregations. Our own Al Zimmerman served Florence Church as a Commission Pastor for many years.

Our presbytery is offering course work to become a Commissioned Pastor. If God is nudging you to serve the church in a new way, please go to <https://www.pmr.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023>

AcademyBrochure.pdf for more information.

You might also talk with Al about what a rewarding experience he had serving Florence Church.

Your Session

Clerk of Session - Joe Seda

Discipleship	Shayla Hall
Facilities	Matt Kasprzak Jim Willett Doug Bogenhagen
Fellowship	Tracy Kristensen
Human Res	Bob Meyer
Mission & Ev	Terri O'Brien
Support	Peter Svoboda
Worship	Al Zimmerman



LUNCH BUNCH

Anyone of any age gathering together for fellowship.

Fun and lunch on Friday, **July 7th** at 12:00 noon at **Moran's Grill**,
3909 Twin Creek Drive, Bellevue (north of 42nd & Hwy 370, across from Target)

Contact Sharon Fleming at
402-709-2103 or sfleming43@aol.com by July 5th
for your reservation and if you need a ride.



Lunch Bunch at Spaghetti Works
June 2

Pastor Becky,

Thank you so much for providing the gym for us to host our Wednesday morning clubs. We are so grateful for your partnership, enabling us to reach these middle school students and lead them to Christ. We are grateful and truly blessed to share this mission with Faith Presbyterian.



*Thank you!
Jake, Darren,
and Campus Life*

Church Picnic Mark Your Calendar!

Our Fellowship Team is hosting a church picnic, immediately following the worship service on July 30. The Team will provide chicken - the congregation is asked to bring a dish to share. Please watch for more information to come!

Clothing Giveaway Update

The overwhelming, continued support for the Clothing Giveaway has been a blessing to Faith Church and the community.

The next Give Away is July 15th from 9:00 - 11:00 am. We will be sorting on July 12th and July 26th from 9:00 - 11:00 am. There is a job to fit everyone, we have things that you can do, sitting or behind the scenes.

Currently we have an overflow of donations--if you have stuff to donate, it would be great if you could hold it for a month or so. We can always use donations of new underwear or monetary donations to purchase underwear. Please put "Clothing Give Away" in the memo line of your check.

Thanks again for all your support.

John and Terri &
the Mission and Evangelism Team



Sightings

John O'Brien was seen kneeling under the dishwasher, with all sorts of tools surrounding him. Thank you, John, for changing the switches for the dishwasher to make it much easier to use!

Ranae Overton, and her granddaughters, **Daisy Augustus**, **Layla Augustus**, **Jeana Svoboda**, and her grandson, **Wyatt Torres**, **Becky Balestri**, and her grandson, **Ezekiel Robinson** enjoyed a morning of coloring. Their artwork adorns our first floor hallways. Thank you for bringing color to our building.

A large group of people helped sort clothes for the clothing giveaway. Thank you to **Debbie Ziegler**, **Ruth Tresemer**, **Susie Melonis**, **Sharon Fleming**, **Sung Jo**, **Terri and John O'Brien**, **Ezekiel Robinson**, and new worshiper **Cheryl**. Many of these people, plus others, were at the clothing giveaway on June 17 - a huge thank you to all who are making this ministry a gift to our community.



Matt Kasprzak was seen on top of a very tall lift, replacing a lightbulb in the FLC. Thank you, Matt, and thank you **Doug Bogenhagen** for supervising from the floor.


Streaming Sunday Worship Service 10:00am

We continue to broadcast the worship service on Facebook. If you do not have computer access, you may listen to the service by calling 1-844-855-4444 and entering access code 716966#.

JULY

2023

**Sunday
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10:00 am**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9:00 am Current Events 5:00 pm Table Tennis - FLC	3 6:30 pm Pickleball - FLC		5 10:00 am Yesterday's Kids	6 1:00 pm Pickleball 4:30 pm Worship meeting 5:30 pm Discipleship mtg 7:00 pm Facilities meeting 7:00 pm Fellowship meeting 6:00pm Table Tennis - FLC	7 8:30 am Donuts & Dialogue 12:00 pm Lunch Bunch Moran's Grill, Bellevue	8 8:00 am Men's Breakfast Village Inn (72nd & Giles) 1:00 pm Omaha Christian Social Group
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