



Special Dates

- March 15 Kids Sing in Worship
- March 29 Palm Sunday @ 10:45am
- April 2 Maunday Thursday Service @ 7:30pm
- April 3 Good Friday Service @ 7:30pm
- April 5 Easter Breakfast @ 9am
- April 5 Easter Sunday Worship @ 10:45am
- April 5 Easter Egg Hunt After Worship Service
- April 15 Newsletter Sent Out
- April 16 Book Club @ New Hope UCC 7pm

March 2026 Newsletter

Worship Service Start @ 10:45 am
Kids for Christ & Youth for Christ @ 9:30 am

Pastor Steve Scharnell

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Office Hours– Tuesdays 3:00pm-5:00pm

Thursdays 10:00am-2:00pm

Other Days & Times by Appointment

“Rev’s” Review!

I know Spring isn’t here yet but in my mind it is. We had that glorious run of beautiful weather in February. Now when the temperature dips or it snows a little, it doesn’t last as long. The days are longer. We gain about an hour and ten minutes of daylight in February alone. And no, I haven’t gotten the bike out yet. This time of year makes me optimistic. Spring makes me think about new

growth. This leads me to my topic. I’m going to update you on Baby Blessings because things are happening. What began as a quiet, steady outreach has suddenly grown in a powerful way! First, we now have consistent hours so families can count on us.

Baby Blessings is open:

First and third Tuesday of the month from 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Second Saturday of the month from 10:00–11:00 a.m.

We’ve also installed a new waterproof donation bin outside the door, so anyone may drop off diapers, wipes, and other baby essentials anytime that is convenient for them. People’s generosity makes this ministry possible. For many months, we were serving about 2–4 babies each time we opened. We were grateful for every family who came. But on Tuesday, February 17, the dam finally burst — we served 30–40 babies in one hour. It was busy. It was beautiful. It was holy work. Scripture reminds us why this matters. In Psalm 127:3 we read, “Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him.” And in Matthew 19:14, Jesus says, “Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them.” When we care for babies and support young families, we are participating in God’s own love and welcome.

I pray this surge is not a moment, but a movement. If February 17 is any indication, our community needs us more than ever. What a blessing that God is entrusting us with this work. The future of Baby Blessings is bright. With your continued prayers, donations, and willingness to serve, we can meet this growing need with joy and faith. We are not just handing out diapers — we are offering dignity, hope, and a reminder that no family walks alone.

God’s Peace,

Pastor Steve “Rev”

Thank You for your contributions to Faith UCC Church

Interested in setting up online payment? It’s easy go to, <https://tithely.com/give?c=6471448>

A window will appear to set up your giving and your account information. You will get 3 emails when you set yourself up for the first time. A welcome to Tithely email. An account set up email to confirm your email your email address. And finally a thankyou for your donation email. Inside the widget at the above you can even set yourself up for recurring donations. Also please consider covering the fees with your donation. This will help the church use your giving more efficiently.

(if you need assistance, let Paul Gordon know. Once your account is established it’s easy!) if you so choose to send a check please,

Mail your check to Faith UCC Church P.O Box 396, Slinger, WI 53086

Outreach Notes

Hello Faith Congregation,

We are happy to announce Faiths Outreach Committee has been established! With combined efforts the Advertising Committee has joined the Outreach Committee. The combined committee members are Cassie Strupp, Jenni Gordon, Beth Miller, Shelly Mayer and Amy Weiss. We met last month to brainstorm and are excited to start implementing community events at Faith. We wanted to share a few examples- soup cook off/ "Souper Bowl", bonfire/smore with pastoral stories, how to invest, camping skills, etc. Our kick-off event is the Easter Sunday Breakfast 9-10:30am followed by worship and the kids egg hunt. The Outreach Committee has posted an Easter Breakfast bulletin board, potluck sign-up sheet and flyers for the congregation to invite friends and family. Outdoor signs will be posted soon.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX TO BRING AN EASTER BREAKFAST SIDE DISH AND/OR DESSERT.

If you would like to help with Easter decorations, tables, beverages, food setup, and greeters please contact Amy Weiss at 262-424-2901 or amyweiss3@icloud.com. Continue reading Faith's newsletter for future Outreach Events.

Mission Committee Notes

The Mission Committee has a variety of projects happening this Spring. The Conference offering for One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) will be collected the remaining Sundays in March. If you don't find an envelope with your bulletin, you can pick one up in the narthex. The focus this year is on funding health, education, agricultural development, and emergency disaster relief. This year Faith's Lenten Denial collection will be going to The Threshold Birth to 3 Program. The Threshold provides in-home support and guidance for parents and caregivers of children who may be falling behind in their development. You can contribute in a variety of ways including dropping extra coins in the tower, filling an egg with your extra coins or cash, or write a check with the memo line Lenten Denial or Threshold. Another mission supported by Faith is Baby Blessings. It is housed at our partner church, New Hope and is open the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 11 to noon and the 2nd Saturday from 10-11. Baby Blessings provides diapers, wipes, formula, clothing, and other baby and toddler necessities at no cost to anyone in need. Wrapping up the first quarter of the year is a fun activity for all with a chance to win a nice basket of goodies. Guess the number of candy pieces in the containers at the back of church. Each week you can submit one guess per container. The last day to submit a guess will be on Good Friday. The winner will receive the corresponding basket and will be announced on Easter Sunday. Don't forget to submit your guess each week.



Consistory Notes

In an effort to try and improve communication within the church, a consistory member will be a point of contact/liaison for the various committees/roles within the church. Attached is a list of the committee/roles within the church and the consistory member liaison. If the church committee/role has any questions, comments or concerns they should reach out to their consistory member liaison, and the consistory member liaison will then bring it to the consistory. The goal is to help streamline communication within the church. If there are any other areas of the church that need a consistory liaison let a consistory member know.

Cemetery Committee	Barb Markiewicz
Building Committee	Jeff Weiss
Scrip	Paul Gordon
Kids/Youth for Christ	Sam Kuhaupt
Advertising/Outreach	Jeff Weiss
Mission Committee	Barb Markiewicz
Pastor	Paul Gordon
Worship/Altar Committee	Karen Reinders
Clerk	Sam Kuhaupt
Treasurer/Financial	Jeff Weiss
Check Writer	Paul Gordon
Church Events	Karen Reinders

Kids for Christ & Youth for Christ Notes

"Lent... is a Journey that Moves us towards the Cross"

Kids Singing in Worship March 15

No KFC or YFC Easter Sunday

The unit for the littles is learning about Jesus's Decuples, then working on The Road to Emmus after Easter. The big kids are getting into Holy Week along with lessons in between! As teachers we are so very blessed to have a great group of Kids that are so willing to learn all we have to teach in Jesus's name and through God's word, they are willing to learn and are one of a kind!

"KIND" being the main word! So VERY KIND!

Special Notes

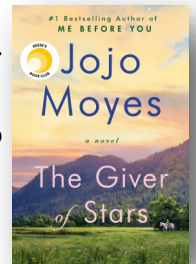
Please if there is any information that you would like to be in the next newsletter contact Christa Wendorf @ tcwendorf@yahoo.com No Later then April 12!!!

Something New for members to enjoy is Bible Study happening every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month, 6:00pm @ New Hope UCC, led by Paster Steve all are welcome!

The Joint Book Club will be on April 16, 7:00pm @ New Hope UCC look for the flyer in the narthex! Reading "The Giver of the Stars", By JoJo Moyes All are welcome to join, have a snack and hear about the next book, meetings last about 1 hour.



Help Requested! After worship on Sunday March 22 please join us in Fellowship Hall to stuff Easter Eggs, Eggs, candy and trinkets will be provided and we need help stuffing them. Jenni will be placing them around the church Easter Sunday before worship for the kids to do the hunt after worship.



Readers/Communion Usher/Altar Set Up

Mar 15—Christa Wendorf

Mar 22—Nancy Schilling-Genz

Mar 29—Karen Reinders

Apr 2— Altar Marilyn & Jodi Nadelhoffer

Apr 3—

Apr 5—Cathy Schmidt Altar Marilyn & Jodi Nadelhoffer Sam Kuhaupt & Paul Gordon

Apr 12—Mylie Wendorf

Apr 19—Wesley Gordon

Apr 26—Barb Markiewicz

Kids Sing in Worship

Palm Sunday

Maunday Thursday

Good Friday

Easter Sunday

Script

Gift Cards Available! Help us Fundraise! Do most of your shopping with gift cards that you purchase from us or buy them as gifts for others! Proceeds go to the church (kickbacks range from 2%-12% of the amount depending n the store). Whenever Paul or Jenni Gordon attend church, gift cards will be available for sale for select grocery stores, gas, retailers & restaurants.

You can also pre-order gift cards, just contact the Gordon's.

Here is the FULL LIST of what is available:

<https://www.raiseright.com/c/Shop/Product/BrandAlphabeticalList>



Home Bound

This is the updated list for all of our members that are home bound-

Joyce Herther—Cedar Community The Willows @ Cedar Lake Assisted Living 5577 Home Dr Apt #1522 West Bend 53095

Jean Happel-Aspen @ Cedar Lake 5555 Cedar Bay Dr. West Ben WI 53095

Don & Sandy Jackson— 6657 Weis St. Allenton 53022

Marilee Lehman— 1755 N Barker Rd Room #303 Brookfield WI 53045

Darlene Endres- 1202 Ease Sumner St. Hartford WI 53027

Please if you know of any of our other members that are "Stuck at Home" Please contact Pastor Steve or Elaine Burg Thank you!

Cemetery Committee Notes

Spring is a coming, Soon there will be first hints of green coming to life! The first crocuses, daffodils, tulips, budding trees, birds singing, scents of fresh, sunlight & warmer air & green landscapes. There will be clean up needed ath the Faith Church yard, the Ackerville & Faith Cemeteries. There are branches, sticks, and raking to do. We appreciate anyone's help before the lawn cuttings begin. Reminder please have all debris & Holiday decorations form your loved one's gravesite. There is still a search for someone who would like to take over for the Sec/Treasurer position on the Cemetery Committee. Dan is willing to work with the transition. Contributions for lawn care and upkeep can be made to Faith UCC Cemetery Fund.

Cemetery Committee:

Jim "JJ" Markewicz—President

Dan Newburg—Sec/Treasurer