



Living Faith
United Methodist Church

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Pastor Jaime Farias

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Make A Highway For The Lord

Isaiah 40:1-11,

Mark 1:1-11

Prayer Requests

- **Pat Falk** ~ health & transition to Brighton Gardens
- **Tom Collin's youngest Son Kory** ~ health
- **All who are feeling isolated and lonely**
- **Bishop Ruben Saenz, Jr.** for his leadership and for modeling life in Christ
- **Transition for LF & All UMC's**
- **Protection from viruses and illnesses going around**
- **Shirley Morris** ~ healing, encouragement
- **Larry & Karen Lakeman** ~ healing & encouragement
- **Donna Chaney** ~ health & strength
- **Gloria Peterson** ~ health
- **Our nation, our leaders** ~ wisdom and discernment
- **Vernon Thomsen** ~ health, pain management
- **Elderly, shut ins**
- **Adeng , Annie, Julie Kristin, and Renson Michael Chen**
- **Pray for Marriages, Families, Relationships**
- **LFUMC, and all of God's churches**

Food Pantry

Thank you for your current donations.

We are in need of donations for our food pantry.

Pastor Jaime took the food pantry items to Living Hope last week. We are now collecting for Millard South's Food Pantry, we will deliver to them on December 15th.

We cannot accept food that is expired. Thanks!

From The Pastor

We are God's Ambassadors

For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. So, we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" (2 Corinthians 5:19-20 NLT)

An ambassador is a representative of a nation in a foreign country. Ambassadors also serve their own people who are living in a foreign land temporally or even if they are just having a vacation time in part of that country. They are important officials serving to their government as legal representatives and they must carry out the policies and will of the government they are representing in the foreign nation. They are under the authority of their government; therefore, they are not free to set their own laws or policies or speak by themselves. They are the voice or messengers of their own government leaders and rulers.

Likewise, we are God's ambassadors, and we are under God's authority. Jesus Christ is our Lord and King. We are living in this world as his ambassadors. He has called us to take his message unto all the nations that exist in this world. We cannot speak by ourselves or to carry out our own message and laws. We live in this land as foreigners and pilgrims. As Paul says, "You must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ." (Philippians 1:27).

God has called us to be his ambassadors in this world. He has given us the message of reconciliation to be proclaimed all over the world. As Christ's ambassadors we are his voice, and we represent his Kingdom here on earth. We speak for Him and we plead to all the nations in this world: "Come back to God." God wants to reconcile all humankind with himself through his Only Son Jesus Christ. He died on the cross and paid it all by his blood. God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. Our message is about God's gift of reconciliation through Jesus Christ. We may announce with apostle Paul, "For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ." (2 Corinthians 5:27 NLT). This Advent season we all want to share this message to those around us. As God's ambassadors, we may announce them the message of reconciliation He has given us in Christ.

Pastor Jaime

LIGHT THE
**ADVENT
WREATH**
(to count down the days)

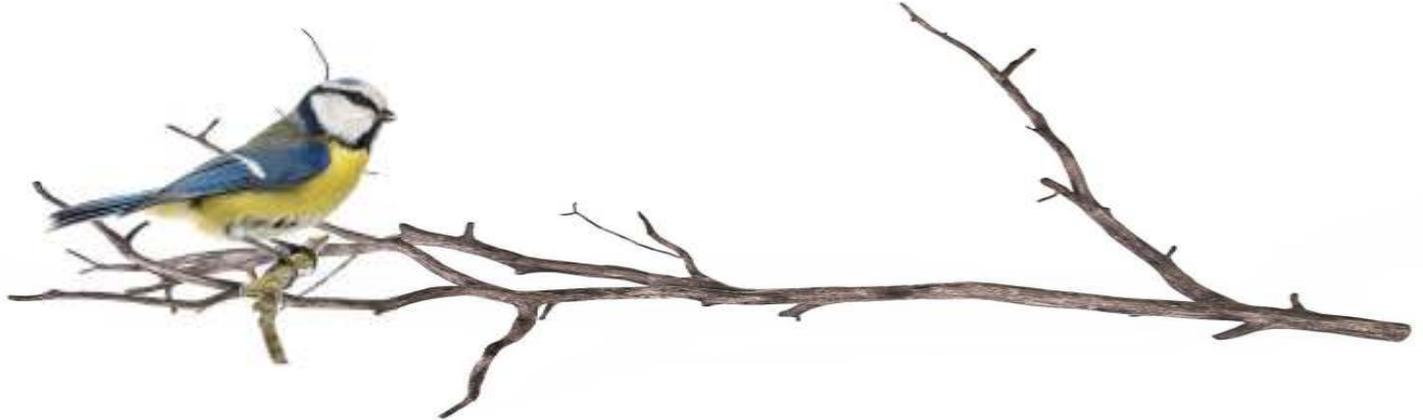


Dec 6th ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent
Dec 13th ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent
Dec 20th ~ 4th Sunday of Advent

GREETERS NEEDED



We need greeters before the 9:00
a.m. Sunday School and before the
10:10 a.m. Worship



Weather and Cancellations

Living Faith United Methodist Church
follows the policy of Millard Schools.
If the schools are cancelled, the church's daytime and
evening activities will be cancelled.



For cancellation information,
please check our Facebook
Page or our local TV stations.

In the case of threatening
weather on Sundays, the decision
to cancel worship will be made
by the Pastor.

Children's Ministry

BREAKING NEWS

BE ON YOUR
GUARD;
STAND FIRM
IN THE FAITH;
BE COURAGEOUS;
BE STRONG.
(1 CORINTHIANS 16:13)

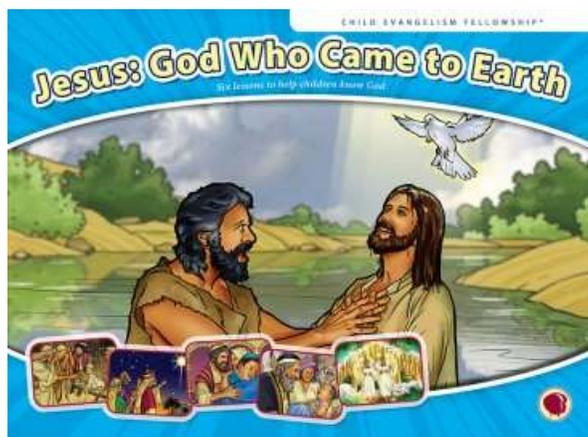
**BREAKING
NEWS**

Sundays at 10:00 am

Children's Worship Service

New Program Starting Sunday, December 13th

9:00 a.m.



Lesson 1: The Savior Is Born!

Lesson 2: Wise Men Worship The Savior

Lesson 3: Jesus Obeys His Heavenly Father

Lesson 4: Jesus Is The Promised Savior

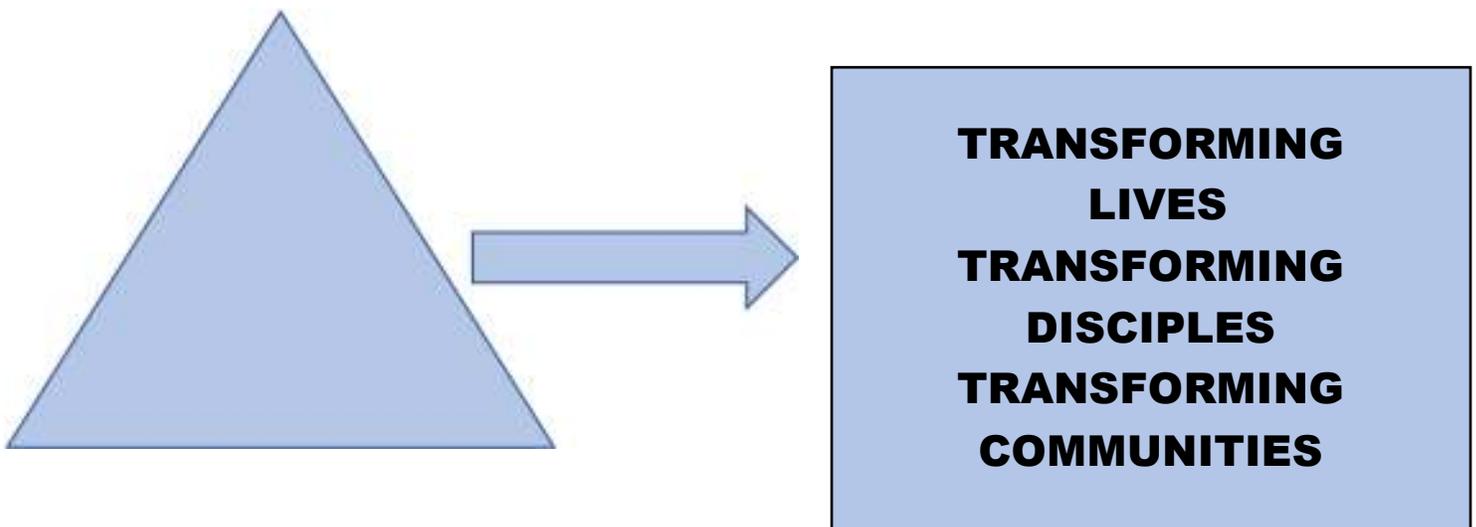
Lesson 5: Jesus Is The Sinless Savior

Lesson 6: Happy Birthday review Party!

TransforMission Vision

Jesus also used this illustration: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like the yeast a woman used in making bread. Even though she put only a little yeast in three measures of flour, it permeated every part of the dough.” Matthew 13:33 NLT

Our Vision is to build up a church with a holistic worldview and a broad understanding of the kingdom of God. Through an Environment for Growth, We will lead the church by tenaciously creating a spiritual environment which will enable the entire congregation to remove the obstacles to believe in God’s Word, and to experience the Holy Spirit power to change lives and to transform this community with the influence and communication of Jesus’ gospel. We will make this church to become like the yeast permeating every part of the dough. Our vision is to see the Kingdom of God growing from within each life into a new creation. Our church will not be shaped by today’s culture, rather it will make a cultural transformation through the supernatural activity of God’s transforming power.



THEOLOGY OF VISION

SYMBOLIC PRISM= HOLY TRINITY

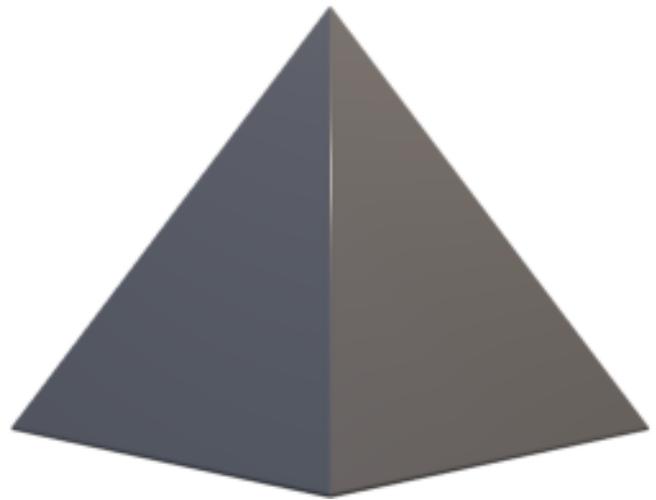
FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT

MINISTRIES DEVELOPMENT

SIDE A: SCRIPTURES

SIDE B: PRAYER

SIDE C: DISCIPLESHIP



TRANSFORMATION VISION

TRANSFORMING LIVES

TRANSFORMING DISCIPLES

TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES



This group is studying Hebrews

9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall



Read through the Bible, Study Together

9:00 a.m.
Room D

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Join us every Sunday morning for

Children Worship Service

9:00 am

And Sunday School classes

at 10:00 am

Nursery - Room G

Preschool – Room F

Kindergarten - 2nd grade - Room A

3rd, 4th and 5th grades - Room B



All children are **WELCOME**

HELP NEEDED

Vacuuming & emptying trash
in the Fellowship Hall, Sunday
School Rooms (except F & G)
and empty Kitchen Trash

We clean our own church. Can you help?

You only need to commit about 2 hours per
month, and you can clean at a time that works
for your schedule. (Currently cleaners are
requested to come Thursday - Saturday)



**CONTACT TRACY IN THE
OFFICE. 402-393-2321**

Scripture and Sermon Titles

You are invited to read the Scriptures prior to Worship Services.

Sunday, December 6

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Isaiah 40:1-11

Mark 1:1-8

A Look Ahead

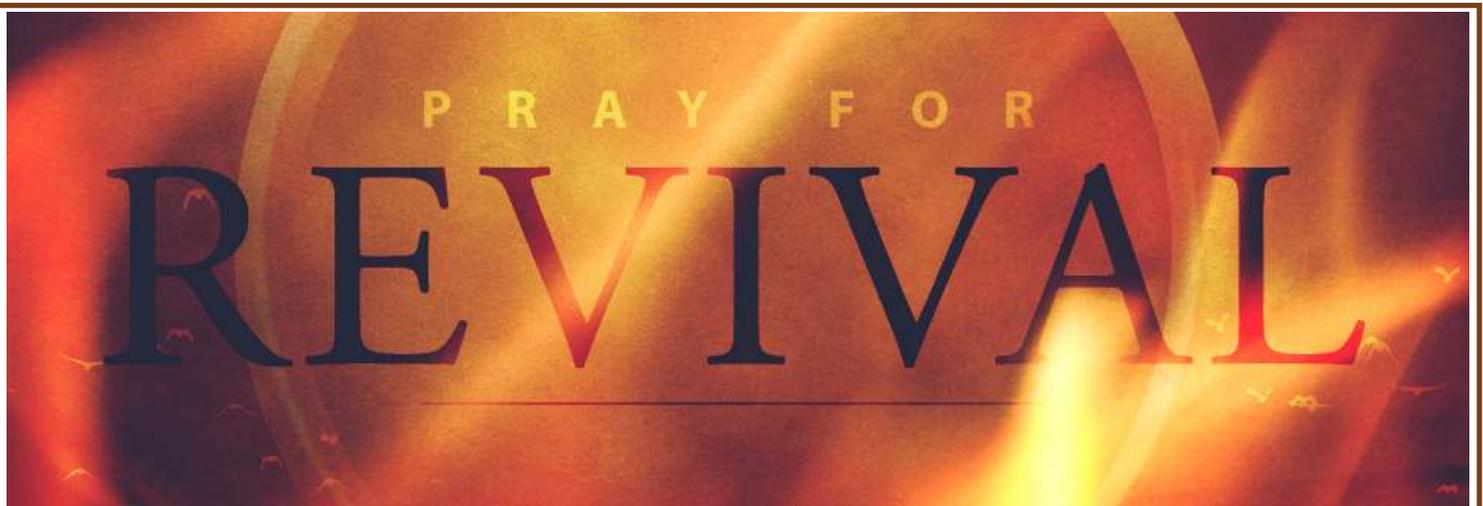
Dec 6 ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent

Dec 13 ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent

Dec 20 ~ 4th Sunday of Advent

Dec 24 ~ Christmas Eve Worship 5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.

Dec 25 ~ Christmas



Revival Prayer Meetings

Thursdays at 2:00 p.m.

Dec 3 Thurs	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Revival Prayer Meeting ~ WC Praise Team Practice
Dec 6 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	2nd Sunday of Advent Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship/Holy Communion
Dec 7 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Dec 9 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D
Dec 10 Thurs	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Revival Prayer Meeting ~ WC Praise Team Practice
Dec 13 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	3rd Sunday of Advent Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship
Dec 14 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Dec 16 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D
Dec 17 Thurs	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Revival Prayer Meeting ~ WC Praise Team Practice
Dec 20 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	4th Sunday of Advent Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship
Dec 21 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Dec 22 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Praise Team Practice
Dec 23 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D
Dec 24 Thurs	5:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship Christmas Eve Worship
Dec 25 Fri		Office Closed 

Dec 27 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship
Dec 28 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Dec 29 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Praise Team Practice
Dec 30 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D
Dec 31 Thurs	2:00 p.m.	New Year's Eve Revival Prayer Meeting ~ WC
Jan 1 Fri		Office Closed 
Jan 3 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship/Holy Communion
Jan 4 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Jan 5 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
Jan 6 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D Prayer Service ~ Zoom
Jan 7 Thurs	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Revival Prayer Meeting ~ WC Praise Team Practice
Jan 9 Sat	2:30—5:30 p	Emmaus Gathering ~ WC
Jan 10 Sun	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Children's Worship Service Adult/Youth Sunday School Children's Sunday School Worship
Jan 11 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Jan 12 Tues	6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
Jan 13 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Confirmation Class ~ Room D

Amazon Christmas Shopping

Be sure to support Living Faith UMC

when shopping from Amazon!



Below are the instructions on how to get your Amazon account synced with supporting Living Faith UMC

Do you shop on Amazon?

If so, log in to:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-0817459>

This link will bring up :

Living Faith United Methodist Church by searching zip code 68135

Then when you want to shop on amazon instead of going to their regular site go to: www.smile.amazon.com

And Living Faith UMC will receive 0.5% donation from the Amazon Smile Foundation



OUR MISSION

To make disciples for Jesus Christ
to transform the world

OUR VISION

- 1) To be disciples for Christ
- 2) To bring others to Christ

OUR GOALS

- 1) Become & remain Spiritually Strong
 - a) Attend Worship Regularly
 - b) Be Part of a small group
 - c) Pray faithfully
- 2) Share God with our Community & the world
 - a) Mission Shares
 - b) Service to others
 - c) Reaching out
- 3) Interact with The Holy Bible Daily
 - a) Educate & guide our children & youth
 - b) Christian Education for all ages

REQUIREMENTS FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

During Covid-19

1. MUST WEAR MASKS ~ AVAILABLE IF NEEDED
2. CHILDREN REMAIN WITH FAMILY
3. ENTER/EXIT MAIN DOOR ONLY
4. USHERS WILL SEAT & DISMISS CONGREGANTS BY ROWS
5. BIBLES NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
6. TITHES & OFFERINGS IN DESIGNATED BOX IN LOBBY
7. BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SHEETS WILL BE PLACED AT SEATING AREAS
(Please place attendance sheets in box in the lobby.)
8. NO SINGING BY CONGREGANTS

FOR FULL PLAN SEE ATTACHED RETURN TO CORPORATE WORSHIP PLAN

Who is at higher risk?



Older adults



People who
have serious
chronic medical
conditions

Heart Disease
Diabetes
Lung Disease



Supplies to have at home:

- Necessary medication – ask healthcare provider about obtaining extra
 - If extra is not possible – consider using mail order
- Be sure to have over the counter medicines and medical supplies to treat fever and other symptoms
- Have enough household items and groceries on hand
 - Grocery stores with 'at-risk' hours
 - Consider ways of getting food brought to your house



Everyday Precautions

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - If soap and water is not available – use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching high touch surfaces in public places (elevator buttons, door handles, handrails, handshaking, etc)
- Avoid touching your face, nose, eyes, etc.
- Clean and disinfect your home to remove germs
- Stay home as much as possible



Symptoms and emergency warning signs:

- Pay attention to COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, and shortness of breath)
- Emergency warning signs:
 - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - Persistent pain or pressure in chest
 - New confusion or inability to arouse
 - Bluish lips or face



If you get sick

- Stay home and call your doctor
- Consult with your health care provider for more information
- Stay in touch with others by phone or email
- Determine who can care for you if your caregiver gets sick
- Know when to get emergency help

Need more information?

Douglas County Health Department
COVID-19 Information Line
(402) 444-3400
www.douglascountyhealth.com

United Way
Resource Hotline
211

Nebraska Department of Health and
Human Services Information Line
(402) 552-6645

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