



Living Faith
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Sunday, May 10, 2020

Fan The Flame

John 14:1-14

Prayer Requests

- Praise for a healthy baby girl born to **Terry Unterseher's daughter Sarah. Welcome Lillian Joy!**
- **Pastor Jaime Farais** and his family for transition from his current churches to Living Faith
- **Pastor Sandy and family** for transition into retirement and future endeavors
- **All who are feeling isolated and lonely**
- **Our children, teenagers, and young adults** who are learning online rather than in physical classrooms.
- **Voters, volunteers, and voting location hosts** on May 12
- **Bishop Ruben Saenz, Jr.** for his leadership and for modeling life in Christ
- **Discernment and guidance for Living Faith UMC**
- **Transition for LF & All UMC's**
- **Joanne Raterman** ~ continued healing, Praise! Scans came back good on 2/19!
- **Protection from viruses and illnesses going around**
- **Ender** ~ health & strength
- **Shirley Morris** ~ healing, encouragement
- **Jon Davis—family friend of Pastor Sandy** ~ health, back in hospital
- **Larry & Karen Lakeman** ~ healing & encouragement
- **Donna Chaney** ~ health & strength
- **Gloria Peterson** ~ health
- **Rob Oesterle** ~ lung cancer
- **Wava Jean Carl** ~ strength
- **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**

Until further notice, we will not be meeting in person for Worship Services, Sunday School or Wednesday Night Live. Please watch sermons Sunday mornings at 10:10 a.m. on our church

Facebook page.

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From The Pastor

Happy Mother's Day to all! We all have some connection, whether that being that we are a mother, have a mother, or perhaps we have filled in for mothers. Raising children truly does take a village of people and every person contributes using their skills and abilities. Life is filled with relationships and our Scripture for Sunday, May 10 is again Jesus in relationship with His disciples and He is comforting them and preparing them for when they would no longer see Him. Jesus knew He would be leaving soon and that the people would miss Him, especially those in His inner circle.

My inner circle for these past seven years has been the people of Living Faith. The weeks until I retire are not flying by like they would in normal times, but they are passing and our time for goodbyes looms ahead of us. Please know that I will always hold each of you close in my heart regardless of whether or not I am serving you as your pastor. It helps me to believe that God is bringing a loving and capable pastor to you and that sweet changes are in the air for you as a congregation. Pastor Jaime is happy and anxious to serve at Living Faith and I believe he will be perceptive to your spiritual growth needs and desires.

Some of you have made tremendous progress in your spirituality during my time with you and I continue to be very impressed with your Bible knowledge and your hunger and desire to learn more. I am grateful for our times together in worship and I am deeply impacted by our times together to study the Bible. Keep at it, keep growing in God's Word, and keep sharing it with others!

This week during the sermon I will be asking you to read the fourteenth chapter from the Gospel of John each day. There is value in reading the same Scripture each day as we hear something new or hear something differently each time we read it. I also will be asking that you prayer Psalm 130 each day. Read it and pray it.

And let's remember to join our Bishop and our fellow Christians in prayer each day at noon as we pause to say The Lord's Prayer.

Be blessed this week! Discover what good surprises that God has in store for you!

Living Life in Him,
Pastor Sandy

**Rummage Sale Dates June 11, 12, 13 are canceled,
NEW DATES TBD**

On Sunday, May 17 during online worship we will pray over and honor our 2020 graduates. Please take a minute to write a note or send a card to each of our Living Faith graduates. They are:

High School Graduates 2020:

Ben Earhart ~ Son of Tom & Dorinda Earhart
Kaleigh Ertz ~ Daughter of Dan & Heidi Ertz
Rebekkah Hale ~ Daughter Of Keith & Charlene Hale
Ben Hizer ~ Son of Mark & Lynn Hizer
Cy Stewart ~ Son of Mark & Schann Stewart
West Stewart ~ Son of Mark & Schann Stewart
Dylan Tipler ~ Son of Eric & Shirley Tipler



College Graduates 2020:

Austin Hizer ~ Son of Mark & Lynn Hizer
Ashley Thomsen ~ Granddaughter of Vernon & Grace Thomsen
Alison Greenfield ~ Granddaughter of Bob & Joan Greenfield
Hope Greenfield ~ Daughter-In-Law of Bob & Joan Greenfield

United Methodist Course of Study Graduate 2020:

Pastor Dick Webster ~ Husband of Pastor Sandy Webster

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank You for our graduates! We ask that you bless them, care for them, and guide them as they enter the next phase of their lives. We lift them up to You and we are grateful that each has successfully completed their studies. We pray today in Jesus' name, Amen.


You may send your cards/letters/notes/gifts directly to our graduates, or you may drop them off at the church or mail them to the church and we will deliver them.

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Let's celebrate education with our graduates!



**We will be continuing online worship for the
upcoming Sundays:
May 10, 17, 24, & 31**



Debbie Beavers small group is willing to shop for any congregation members who are not wanting to or can't get out.

**You can email Debbie directly at
pemberly01@gmail.com**

Every Morning

**You have two choices: Continue
to sleep with your dreams or
wake up and chase them.**

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Committees

Living Faith has a structure of committees to do our work. We have great volunteers, but attending evening meetings is difficult so attendance is low.

How would you re-structure?

- ♦ SPRC (Staff Parish Relations)
 - ♦ Finance
 - ♦ Trustees
- ♦ Congregational Care
 - Membership
 - Prayer
 - Care of Member

What would make it easier for you to serve?

What keeps you from volunteering?

What could change that would turn your “no” to “yes” for committee work?

Please send and email to Tracy
info@livingfaithumc.com

**Pray
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Bishop Saenz has asked all United Methodists to unite

In prayer each day at noon.

Pray The Lord's Prayer at 12:00 noon everyday.

**We lift our prayers together—
one body, one LORD.**



Habitat for Humanity is a mission that many of us feel passionate about, even though we no longer go to the worksite together as a team.

If you want to volunteer, go to their website and sign up for the date & time you'll work.
They will be glad to have you!

<https://habitatomaha.org/volunteernow/>



Rummage Sale

**Training Dates:
TBD**

Sale Dates TBD



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*...a fundraiser where every dollar you spend supports
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**1st Sunday Prayer
Following Worship**

**Personal individual prayer
with two people.**

Meet in the FH

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

Scripture and Sermon Titles

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

Sunday, May 10

Fan The Flame

John 14:1-14

Sunday, May 17

Spread Wildly

John 14:15-21

Sunday, May 24

Start More Fires

John 17:1-11

Sunday, May 31

Pentecost

John 7:37-39

Acts 2:1-13

Sunday, June 7

Live A Life Worthy Of Your Calling

Ephesians 4:1-7

Sunday, June 14

Now THIS Is Eternal Life!

John 17:1-5, 17-24

A Look Ahead

May 12 ~ Mother's Day

May 25 ~ Memorial Day

May 27—30 ~ Annual Conference

Finance March Update:

If you buy 50 rolls of toilet paper, how many should you give to the church? 5!

Tithing has not been cancelled.

Thank you for faithful giving!

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