



Living Faith
United Methodist Church

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Pastor Sandy Webster

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Who Needs Friends

Job 4-18 Selected verses

Prayer Requests

- **Transition for LF & All UMC's**
- **Megan Pfingsten** ~ Oral surgery March 18
- **Cindy Saylor & Family** ~ Death of husband, Todd (friends of Rita Pfingsten)
- **Donna, Tracy's mom** ~healing & strength
- **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
- **People living outside**
- **People working outside**
- **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**
- **Children's Sunday School**

From The Pastor

It certainly seems like there is never a dull moment at Living Faith UMC. That's good, because God did not call us to be lukewarm in ministry! This next Sunday we will celebrate the beautiful mural that Valorie Halsey painted on the nursery wall, and we will also consecrate it. If you have not yet seen the mural, treat yourself and peek into the nursery! Thank you Valorie for sharing your gifts and talents with your church, and thank you God for giving Valorie such artistic talents!

Wednesday Night Live continues with dinner, Lenten worship, and then either small groups or rehearsal for the Living Last Supper. Thank you to all who have volunteered to be in the reenactment or who will sing in the choir. Truly I tell you, it is the most beautiful music this side of heaven! Residents of Elk Ridge Retirement Center ask me all year long if we are going to perform the Living Last Supper again this year, and I am thankful that I can tell them YES!

I always look forward to casual time with our church family, and attending the Young At Heart luncheon on March 24 provides that opportunity. Please join us for a good meal, great company, and an educational segment. It's just a very good time! Thank you to those who plan it and provide it for us.

Soon we will be purchasing a new keyboard with funds pledged from a member of our church. God is so good, and God puts people in place to help us do effective ministry. We estimate that our current keyboard is approximately 25 years old and was moved around often before our building was built. It has served us well, but it is having technical problems now so it is time for a new one.

Time, what an intriguing notion. Time to get up, time to rest, time to take action, or time to be quiet. Time marches on and one thing that we can be certain of is that change is inevitable. Change is in the air for Living Faith so let's make the most out of each day and each ministry opportunity. God is so good, all the time!

Living Life in Him,
Pastor Sandy



**Do you have a high school or college student
graduating this spring?
If so, please let the office know!**

**The ones we know so far are:
Ben Earhart, Ben Hizer, Rebekkah Hale,
Cy & West Stewart, & Dylan Tipler**

Dedication of the mural in the nursery

March 15, 2020



Servants of our Lord, Jesus Christ, offer their gifts, talents, and resources for the glory of God. Today we gather to give thanks to Valorie Halsey for her gift of the mural in the nursery. We gather today to consecrate it and ask for God's blessings that it would bring glory and honor to Him as we pray for and invite children into the nursery.

Valorie, thank you for this wonderful gift to be enjoyed by all. May many people be blessed as they view the mural that you created for Living Faith UMC.

Let us pray:

Creator God,
You fashioned us in your own image
and remade us by your love in Jesus Christ.
We thank you for the creativity, skill and time
that has been offered in the production of this mural in our nursery.

May it be a blessing to those who see it and to those who will enjoy it's meaning and beauty for many years to come.

Dedication:

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ
I dedicate this mural to the glory of God;
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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?

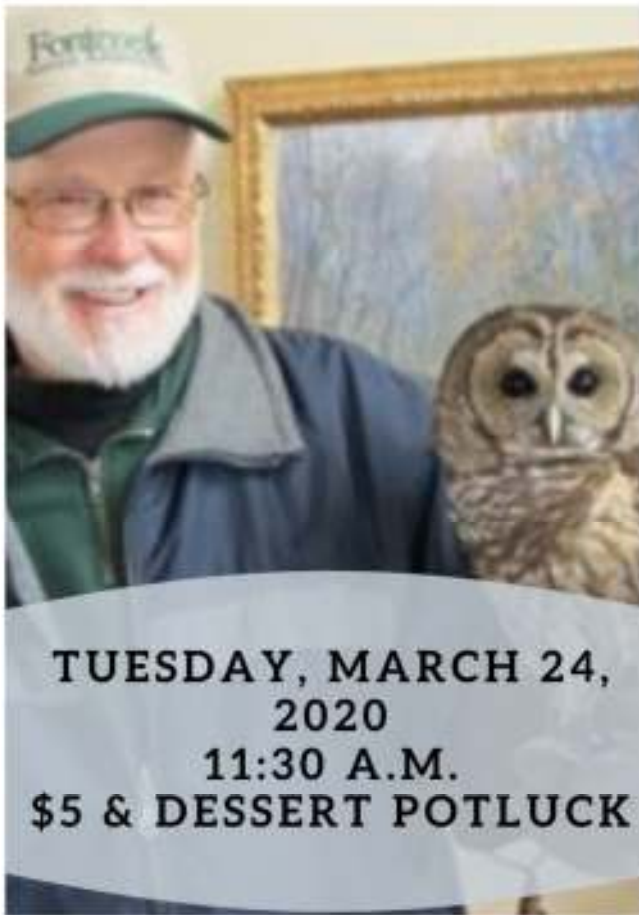
- ◆ SPRC (Staff Parish Relations)
 - ◆ Finance
 - ◆ Trustees
- ◆ Congregational Care
 - Membership
 - Prayer
 - Care of Member

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



YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

FROM THE CASUAL BACKYARD WATCHER TO THE AVID AVIAN WATCHER

**Clem Klaphake, Nebraska Master Naturalist Retired
Professor, Bellevue University Past President, Audubon Society Long
Time Volunteer Teacher Naturalist, Fontenelle Forest.**

**Learn more about tracking birds nationally and locally
and ideal bird watching locations.**

**Please RSVP by Sunday, March 22, 2020 Sign-up sheet in the
lobby or email, call or personally reply to: del Phillis,
Courtney Nixon and Carolyn Smith. They are all in the
directory.**



Maundy Thursday April 9th at 7:00 p.m.



**LIVING FAITH
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
5310 South 182nd Ave
Omaha, NE 68135
(182 Ave & Q St.)**

FREE ADMISSION

Set in the beauty of the classic painting by Leonardo di Vinci, *The Living Last Supper* brings to life the night in which Jesus and His disciples met in the upper room for their final Passover together.

The music passionately captures the pathos of the event while the disciples speak, expressing their innermost thoughts with brief but poignant monologues.

You are invited to this Holy Week Communion Service. You will never experience Easter in the same way again.

Some areas where help is needed!



Childcare volunteers needed for the Living Last Supper on April 9th from approx. 6:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Signs/Banners ~ we would like a group of people to volunteer to help put banners & corrugated signs out for different events that we do here at the church.

Decorating ~ help decorating the hallway/classrooms/WC for the different events that we do (Children's Sunday School, VBS, etc.)

Membership Class

April 11 ~ 9:00 a.m. - Noon

If you are interested in becoming a member of Living Faith UMC, please talk to Pastor Sandy or Ellen Ring



Wednesdays

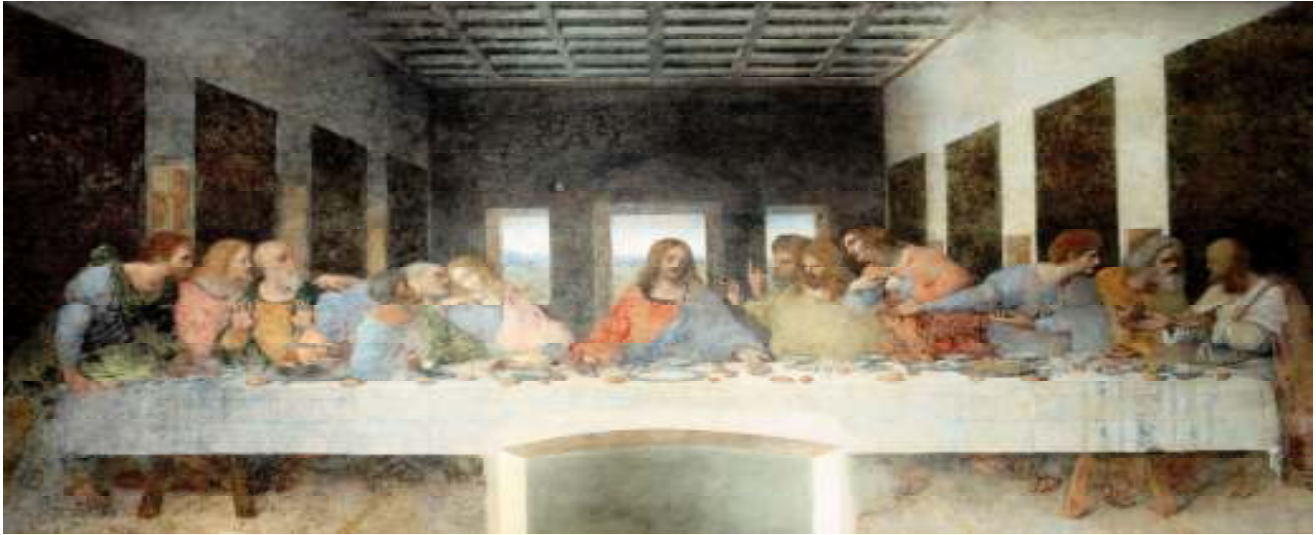
March 18, 25

April 1

6:00 p.m. Dinner

6:30 p.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. WNL



Please sing this beautiful music for this incredible night of outreach to our community.

We need VOICES!

Please sign up in the lobby

(Please indicate if you have the music book & if not singing and you have one please turn it back in, thanks)

Living Last Supper

On Thursday, April 9 7:00 p.m.

Rehearsals Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m.

Dress Rehearsal Wednesday, April 8

Easter Flowers



If you would like to purchase an Easter flower in honor or memory of a loved one, please pick up an envelope in the lobby or office and include your \$15 check or cash. Please make the checks payable to: **Living Faith UMC and designate "Easter Flower" on the memo line.**

Please place your completed order in the basket in the office.

Orders due April 5th

HOW TO USE THE TAGG APP

The free "Together A Greater Good" mobile app allows you to support local organizations by simply taking pictures of your receipts at hundreds of participating businesses. To find a list of participating businesses and organizations, visit togetheragreatergood.com or use the search feature on the app.



Search the app store for "Together A Greater Good" and download the app.



Press "Continue" and create an account using your email address, Facebook account or Twitter account.



Press the circular orange icon on the bottom of the screen



Allow TAGG to access your location or manually type in your city and state in the location field every time you "TAGG."



Find your organization of choice in the top search bar. After selecting an organization, you may want to select a sub-organization or individual member when applicable.



Search for the participating business you visited and select it.



Allow TAGG to access your camera or gallery to upload a photo of your receipt.



Take a picture of your receipt or select it from your phone's gallery.



Optionally give the business feedback and share your good deed on social media! View your Transaction History by clicking "My TAGG" in the bottom footer.

LIVING FAITH UMC

JOIN US FOR EASTER

Have a blessed and joyful
Easter celebration!

April 12 ~ Easter

7:30 a.m. Sun Rise Worship

8:30 a.m.. Brunch

10:10 a.m. Easter Worship



**Emmaus Gathering
March 20th 7:00 p.m.
Living Faith UMC**



Whether you have attended an Emmaus weekend or not, please join us for praise & worship, a message, Holy Communion, food & fellowship. Come and experience an evening of love.



YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN OUR

Easter Brunch

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH
8:30 A.M.

Signup sheet available in
the lobby if you would
like to bring something!

Christian Ed Advisory Team

Meeting Mach 15 at 11:30 a.m.

Please consider the important ministry of Christian Education.

This team will help choose curriculum, plan events, and oversee educational opportunities at Living Faith.

We will meet monthly right after worship.

We need your expertise, ideas and experience!

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:
Tuesday, April 28**

3:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

June 10 - 13 Sale Dates



Wednesday Nights at Living Faith UMC are designed for:
ALL Ages: Families, Singles, Young Adults, Teens, & Children

Lent

March 4 - April 6 (6 weeks)

Adult Study #1: The Bait Of Satan

Adult Study # 2: TBD

April 15 ~ Guest Speaker

April 22 - May 20 (5 weeks)

New Classes

May 27 FUN NIGHT! (Pastors are gone!)
Last Night of WNL before summer break.

WNL~ Resumes August 19

Cleaning crew

We clean our own church. We have one area that we still need to fill.

Can you help? Contract the church office at 402-393-2321

Smiles & Blessings Ministry ~ Please keep our homebound members in your prayers and feel free to send a card or a note: *Wava Jean Carl, Maxine Hall, Bob Mortenson, Ann Rutherford, Blanche Sederburg, Vernon Thomsen.*



Happy Birthday Vernon Thomsen ~ March 19!

Volunteer Opportunities

Cleaning Crew ~ see Tracy for more details (One area still needing filled)

Nursery Scheduler & nursery caregivers needed ~ see the office for more details

Offering Counters Needed ~ Please contact Tracy Neidig in the office.

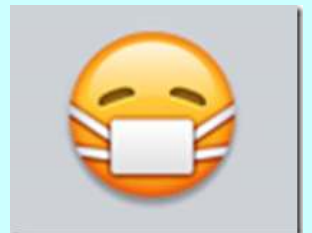
Ushers Needed! ~If you would like to join the Usher Ministry, contact the office!

What's the best way to prevent the spread of illness this time of year?

Stay home if you are sick!

Bringing your illness to church, school, shopping or work will lead to more sick people in your community, and some may not be able to fight it.

Stay home, get rest, and go back when you won't be putting others at risk.





MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR SPRING PLANT SALE

*...a fundraiser where every dollar you spend supports
our school garden education programs!*

April 16th - May 16th
9am-2pm every Thu, Fri, Sat
5602 Read Street, 68152

- high-quality vegetables, herbs, and prairie plants
- organically-grown in our greenhouses
 - wide variety of heirlooms
- cash, check, and credit card accepted

BigGarden.org/plant-sale-2020



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, March 15

Who Needs Friends

Job ~ selected verses from chapter 4-18

Wednesday, March 25

Righteousness & Truth

Job 1:1-12

Wednesday, March 18

Delight In The Lord

Psalm 1:1-6

Sunday, March 29

The Lord Speaks

Job 38:1, 4-12

Sunday, March 22

Job's Final Defense

Conversation

Wednesday, April 1

The Lord Restores

Job 42:1-6, 10-12

A Look Ahead

Mar 15 ~ Christian Ed Advisory Team

Mar 18 ~ 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship/WNL

Mar 20 ~ 7:00 p.m. Emmaus Gathering at Living Faith UMC

Mar 21 ~ Great Plains Laity Summit ~ First UMC Kearney, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Mar 24 ~ 11:30 a.m. Young At Heart Luncheon

Mar 25 ~ 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 6:30 p.m. Lenten Worship/WNL

Mar 28 ~ Noon –3:00 p.m. Bly Facility Rental

Mar 29 ~ Troop 405 Court Of Honor

Apr 5 ~ Palm Sunday

Apr 9 ~ Maundy Thursday, The Living Lord's Supper

Apr 10 ~ Good Friday ~ Office Closed

Apr 11 ~ Membership Class 9:00 a.m.—Noon

Apr 12 ~ 7:30 a.m. SonRise Worship, 8:30 a.m. Brunch, 10:10 Easter Worship

Apr 28 ~ Rummage Sale Training 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.



May 7 ~ National Day of Prayer

May 12 ~ Mother's Day ~ Accepting small items for rummage sale

May 17 ~ Accepting big items for rummage sale

May 25 ~ Memorial Day

May 27—30 ~ Annual Conference

Mar 15 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship/Nursery Mural Dedication Christian Ed Advisory Team
Mar 16 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Mar 17 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Church Council ~ FH 
Mar 18 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Noon 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Men's Bible Study ~ Room D Dinner Lenten Worship/WNL Worship Team Practice
Mar 20 Fri	7:00 p.m.	Emmaus Gathering ~ LFUMC
Mar 21 Sat	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Great Plains Laity Summit ~ First UMC Kearney
Mar 22 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship
Mar 23 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Mar 24 Tues	11:30 a.m.	Young At Heart Luncheon ~ FH
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Mar 27 Fri	1:00 p.m.	West O Auto Show Meeting
Mar 28 Sat	Noon—3 p.m.	Bly Facility Rental ~ FH
Mar 29 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship Troop 405 Court of Honor
Mar 30 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Apr 1 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Noon 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Men's Bible Study ~ Room D Dinner Lenten Worship/WNL Worship Team Practice
Apr 5 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Palm Sunday Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship/Holy Communion Prayer ~ FH 

Apr 6 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Apr 7 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting ~ CR
Apr 8 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Noon 7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Men's Bible Study ~ Room D LLS Rehearsal
Apr 9 Thurs	7:00 p.m.	Living Last Supper
Apr 10 Fri		Good Friday/Office Closed
Apr 11 Sat	9:00—Noon	Membership Class
Apr 12 Sun	7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Easter SonRise Worship ~ Gazebo Easter Brunch Easter Worship
Apr 13 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Apr 15 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Noon 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Men's Bible Study ~ Room D Dinner/Wednesday Night Live Worship Team Practice
Apr 19 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship
Apr 20 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Apr 22 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Noon 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D Men's Bible Study ~ Room D Dinner/Wednesday Night Live Worship Team Practice
Apr 24 Fri	1:00 p.m.	West O Car Show Meeting ~ CR
Apr 26 Sun	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:10 a.m.	Adult/Children/Youth Sunday School Fellowship Time Worship
Apr 27 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Apr 28 Tues	3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Rummage Sale Training Rummage Sale Training



Committee Updates

Finance ~ Please pray for and give generously to your church.

Living Hope and Millard South High School Food Pantry Donations ~ Please drop off your donations of non-perishable food items and hygiene items in church lobby. If you'd like to help deliver items to Living Hope or Millard South High School, please contact the office. **Millard South Food Pantry** ~ In addition to non-perishable food, Millard South HS also is requesting the following items: White Athletic Socks, New Underwear, Gently used pants and shirts, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Lice Kits, Shaving Kits, and Feminine Products. **Please make sure that the items are not expired.**

Christian Caregiving Ministry ~ If you or someone you care about is struggling or suffering with a difficult life situation, a Lay Caregiver may be helpful. A Lay Caregiver can bring the unconditional acceptance and love of God to a hurting person. A Lay Caregiver will walk alongside you as long as it takes for you to find God's hope and peace in your situation. Call Pastor Sandy, or Joan Smith if you or someone you care about would like to have a Lay Caregiver help you. Pastor Sandy, 402-650-6950, Joan Smith, 402-689-8013

Support Our Missionaries Annie and Adeng as They Share Jesus in Japan ~ Please consider a monthly, regular commitment and make your checks payable to Living Faith UMC and write in the note line "Designated Mission Gift for Annie and Adeng." You may also support Annie and Adeng as our church's missionaries in Japan; by dropping your coins and bills in a specially marked jar in the communication center to the back of the fellowship hall. Thank you for supporting Annie and Adeng's ministries and missions in Japan, as they serve our Lord.

Safe Gatherings ~ Please consider becoming certified by Safe Gatherings, so you can work with our children! See Kirk Kingston if you have questions.

Finance March Update:

A generous member has committed to the purchase of a new keyboard. If this is something you would like to help with, please let Pastor Sandy or Tracy know.

Thank you for faithful giving!

**WE STILL HAVE ONE OPEN AREA TO FILL & FILL INS
FOR SOMEONE WHO CAN'T FOR A FEW WEEKS.**

HELP NEEDED

*Bathrooms *Classrooms *Lobby
*Fellowship Hall *Worship Center *Office
*Hallway

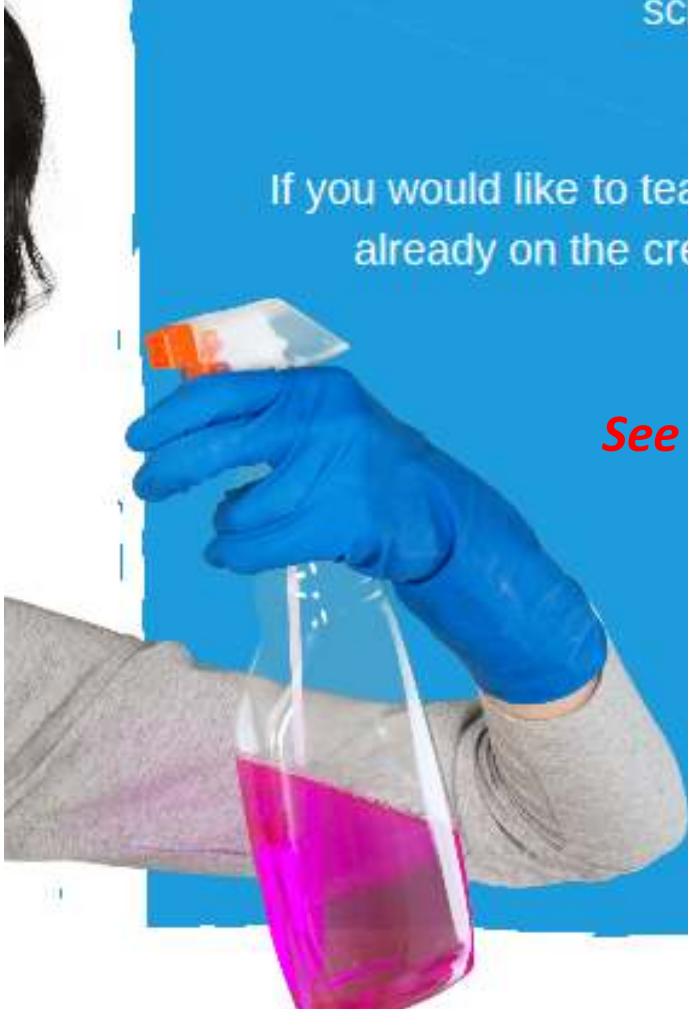
We clean our own church. Can you help?

You only need to commit about 2 hours per month,
and you can clean at a time that works for your
schedule.

If you would like to team up with someone who is
already on the crew, you can do that too!

***See Schedules on the white
board in the lobby.***

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



**Our mission is to make disciples
of Jesus Christ for
the transformation
of the world.**

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Sync up with our Google Calendar – look for us at info@livingfaithumc.com

Click the link below to get set up with our calendar:

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