



Faith in Action



CAPITAL FUND!



Our church has recently completed a very successful fund raiser. Early this year a member pledged \$50,000 if the congregation could raise an equal amount by May 31. Members, friends, and associates of the church contributed a little more than \$54,000. This virtually completes a drive, begun in 1993, for our endowment fund of \$300,000. The dividends generated are to be utilized to maintain and improve the physical property of the church at the discretion of the Trustees. Our generous benefactor, Bob Bradley, has offered this in memory of his wife Eldoris. Thank you, Bob, for your generosity- your gift has been a spark that has set us ablaze with hope!

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GaGa Ball!

You may have seen the new construction around the playground at church. The play structure that matches the one built by John & Shane Beatty as an Eagle Scout project was built by Scout Zac Keating for his Eagle Scout Project. The other new structure is called a "Pit" and is built and funded by the Youth Group so that they have a permanent place to play Ga Ga Ball.



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This game is a variation of Dodge Ball and is becoming very popular all over the U.S. at schools, camps and churches. Many thanks go to James Jennings, who spent several days digging through the hard dirt and large rocks to build the pit. Zak Jennings and David Reed also helped with much of the work. The youth would like to recognize James' dedication and hard work by calling our new structure "the James Jennings Ga Ga Ball Pit."



Happy Birthday

- 1 - Lorraine Mason
- Ross Finley
- Dan Schriener
- 2 - Thelma Wise
- Kayla Rains
- 3 - Gladys Henderson
- 4 - Happy Macwan
- 6 - Terry Holoubeck
- Ronald Cox
- Nolan Johnson
- 7 - Chris Vazquez
- 8 - Pat Bailey
- Kerri Miller
- 10 - Leah Isaac
- 12 - Ruth Chism
- 13 - Carol Reicheneker
- Mattie Curtiss
- 14 - Roene Fox
- Abigail Henderson
- 16 - John Gargan
- 17 - Katelynn Slack
- 18 - Virginia Christian
- 20 - Melissa Fox
- Michell Fox
- 22 - Vilene Lashley
- 24 - Jo Jones
- 25 - Megan Zwink
- Taryn Miller
- 27 - Ron Loebig
- 28 - Dan Odens
- Lora Chandler
- 29 - Greg Reed
- Devlin Isaac
- 30 - Alex Johnson
- Alex Vazquez

July

Anniversaries

- 5 Dean & Marcia Dahlke
- 4 Archie & Judy Holoubeck
- 17 Greg & Michelle Reed
- 18 Levi & Samantha Ramer
- 16 Dan & Rachel Brown
- 17 Rick & Jodi Pettit
- 19 Bryan & Julie Royle
- 21 Ed & Sherry Foley
- 10 Mike & Denise Streeter
- 13 Robb & Lee Carter
- 26 Lee & Patty McQueen
- 12 Rich & Annette Froid
- 31 Henry & Kathy Brisbin





Staying Healthy Through Gardening

"Doing something is always better than doing nothing. A seven-year study of 12,000 middle-aged men at high risk for coronary heart disease showed that those who kept up moderate, leisure-time physical activity for an average of 50 minutes every day were healthier than those who did little or nothing. One of the top choices of these active men was gardening."

The following are a few lessons you can learn from the garden:

- ⊕ A garden shows us the miracle of birth and rebirth.
- ⊕ A garden reminds us of the value of intention - plan, prepare, nurture.
- ⊕ A garden gives us the courage to take a leap of faith, trusting each seed we sow will sprout, grow and flourish.
- ⊕ A garden reminds us that process can be everything.
- ⊕ A garden teaches us patience.
- ⊕ A garden lets us work the soil, teaching us that everything is interrelated and interdependent.

Why not enjoy the company? It is never too late to plant a garden!

Announcements & Events

Missouri is Ready for Volunteers!



Joplin area is now ready for volunteers to help cleanup. If you are interested in putting a team together, please contact the office at (308) 237-2550 or faithumc@kdsi.net.

Open House Reception!

Please Join the Nansel & McBride Families
In Celebrating the Marriage of
Kasey Nansel & Kyle McBride



Sunday, July 24, 2011
2:00-4:00 PM
Fellowship Hall
Faith United Methodist Church

NOTE THIS CHANGE:

Finance Committee Meeting
July 11, 2011 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Please be sure to join us!

Want a hard copy of the Annual Conference Report? Contact the office.

*You are cordially invited to the
Celebration of Appointment Service*

In honor of

The Rev. Alan Davis

Gateway District Superintendent

Sunday ~ July 10, 2011

4:00 p.m.

*Kearney First United Methodist
Church*

4500 Linden Drive

Kearney, Nebraska

A reception will follow the service.

CASTING CROWNS



August 20, 2011 ~ 7 p.m.

@ the Viaero Events Center

Tickets are available for purchase June 3, 2011. Visit www.kearneyevents.com or call (308) 338-8011.

Prices are \$15, \$24 & \$34 (plus fees).



Chancel Choir Practice
Summer Break

Hobby Sunday

Break until further Notice.



CCF

Summer Break

Community Meal

July 31, 2011
12:00 p.m.



USHERS

THIS MONTH

8:45 AM

11:00 AM

- 3** - Steve & Suzann Christensen & Rick & Jacque Triplett. **Scripture** - Penny Buettner
- 10** - Steve & Suzann Christensen & Tyler & Chase Divan. **Scripture** - Suzann Christensen
- 17** - Bill & Alta Crapson, Darrell Pettit & Pat Bailey. **Scripture** - Zeanna Odens
- 24** - Rachel & Dan Brown, Jacob, Ashley & Shauna Brown. **Scripture** - Rachel Brown
- 31** - Steve Christensen & Rick Triplett
Scripture - Kathy Larson

- 3** - Jon Obermiller Family
Scripture - Charles Kelliher
- 10** - Mike Johnson Family
Scripture - Linda Johnson
- 17** - Lee & Patty McQueen
Scripture - Lee McQueen
- 24** - Tony Miller Family
Scripture - Madisyn Miller
- 31** - Jim Brewer Family
Scripture - Emma Brewer

July Youth Group Schedule

Wednesday nights 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

We will be meeting every week this month at the new time stated above. Come join us for fun, games and fellowship!



Youth Fellowship

**CAPITAL FUND: CONTRIBUTIONS
APRIL 17 - MAY 22, 2011**

In memory of Dallas Samp: *Mary Helen Samp.*

In memory of Buzz Wise and in honor of Thelma Wise: *John & Sue Divan.*

In memory of Eldoris Bradley: *Surviving husband Bob, and children, Barbara, Kay, Lee, and Tom.*

In memory of Sue James: *Gayle Vavra.*

In honor of Otto Lohrenz: *Steve & Suzann Christensen, John & Sue Divan, and Bob & Corrine Olmsted.*

In honor of Dayla Rhodus: *Bill & Alta Crapson, Rich & Annette Froid, and Peggy Mak.*

In honor of the matching donor: *Bob & Phyllis Bennett, Larry & Roberta Nansel, and Bill & Alta Crapson.*

In honor of Rich & Annette Froid and Otto Lohrenz upon their birthdays: *Larry & Roberta Nansel.*

In honor of grandparents: *Tony & Kerri Miller.*

In honor of Pastor Michelle: *Larry & Roberta Nansel.*

In honor of Fran Wilson and the choir: *Bob & Corrine Olmsted.*

In honor of the Praise Band: *Art & Millie Otto.*

In honor of Steve & Suzann Christensen: *Darlene Cerny.*

In honor of Kathy Larson: *Bob & Phyllis Bennett.*

Contributions without designee: *Eileen Anderson, Henry & Kathryn Brisbin, Bonny Ball, Robert & Lee Carter, Keith & Marie Danburg, Ryan A. Findley, Girl Scouts Troop # 694, Mark Gifford, Larry & Carol Hardesty,, Charles & Jeanine Kelliher, Carol McIntosh, Dan & Zeanna Odens, Kent & Tari Maaske, Pat & Jennifer Slack, Michael & Denise Streeter, Rick & Jacque Triplett, John & Holly Valentine, Thelma Wise, Steve & Suzann Christensen, and the Breakfast Club.*

Thank all of you for you generous support.

Otto Lohrenz, The Capital Fund



The 2011 gardening season is in full swing! Faith Garden has had remarkable response this year. All the plots are planted and growing. We had more requests for plots than we could fulfill!



This year, the garden was prepared by Chuck Sadler and the Boy Scouts. Donations such as seed, plants and tools have come in from a number of local businesses and residents.



WHO ARE YOU?

You may notice our new section in the newsletter that names recent visitors to our church. One thing that helps people feel welcome when they visit a congregation is if they can see your name! Please take a moment before worship to pick up your nametag and wear it on Sunday morning. And if you meet someone new, offer to help them with a temporary nametag (sticker) so that others can get to know them as well.

Welcome June 2011 Visitors!

8:45 AM

Socorro Arroyo * Xemena Diaz * Irie Jesch
Roger & Karen Gauef
Larry & Peggy Mak
Paul Mikkelsen * Lee Ann Young
Paul & Betty Lou Obermiller
Melody Rockefeller
Willie & Mary Ann Weber

11:00 AM

Eva Borsholm * Carrie Bruggeman *
Becky Marshall * Kylie Jo Jennings * Bob
Eberhard
Dixie Hall * Mike & Cassandra Heuertz
Paul Mikkelsen * Jim & Renae McKeon
McKayla, Ryan & Sandra Young
Secundino & Vicky Morales
Emily Robbins * Ken & Sherilyn Treptow

My Faith Family:

Just a note to let you all know how much all your prayers and cares meant to me. Your love and kindness is overwhelming. Thank you for your visits at the hospital, at home, so many calls, the food and cards. Thanks to John Divan for the neck brace & collar.

God Bless - Keith Danburg

Thank You



Dear Faith Church: I want to thank you for the blanket you sent me for my graduation. It was thoughtful of you to remember me. Your gift will be very useful when I'm in college! ~ Melinda Bray

A BIG Thank you goes out to everyone that was involved in the Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School. A special thanks goes out to all who signed up to volunteer their time, creativity and patience.

The opening and closing assembly leaders were Regan Jennings and Pastor Michelle

Reed. Cousin Minnie Pearl (Regan) helped keep the Ranch energy and fun alive! Zak Jennings and David Reed were our cowboy musicians playing guitar for our music. The **group leaders:** for the 4+ aged children were Blanca Korb, Brooke Rishel, Julie and Brian Royle. K - 1st grade leaders included: Mindy Lester and Moriah Chandler. The 2nd & 3rd grade group leaders included: Carmen Brewer, Rachel Brown and Jesse Harris. The 4th & 5th grade was led by Kim Graham and Beth Ann Reed. **Session leaders:** The Lesson was taught by Rich Chandler, Video by Janelle Beatty, Games by Madisyn Miller, Bre Obermiller, Courtney Crawford, Jon Obermiller and Tony Miller. Crafts by Roene & Melissa Fox.

Suppers during the week were provided by Christian Ed & donations from the congregation and served by Men of Faith, James Jennings and Steve and Suzann

Christiansen. Lora Chandler stayed every night to help set up and clean up. **Sound and video** was operated by James Jennings. Zeanna Odens created the power point with pictures taken by several individuals. Thanks to Lyle & Linda Henderson for donating leather cowboy boot key fobs and for demonstrating leather craft making. Thanks to all of those who donated items to be used as props and supplies to be used during VBS. The children gave money to the Volunteers in Mission UMCOR to help all who have been affected by the Spring storms. Thank you individuals and families for your support!! It was a successful 4 days of fun serving 48 different children!!

Roene Fox and Kerri Miller ~ VBS Coordinators

I would like to thank everyone for the nice cards and comments and pats on the back with my award for the Gateway District. There are a lot of other people that help me do all these projects, so even though I am accepting the award, there are many of you that help with the Quilt Program (and I couldn't do it without you!), CCF, Nurture and all the other things I organize. I guess God has given me the gift of organization and I try to use it for His glory. I thank the people who will be joining me in Lincoln to accept the award and I thank the Crapsons, who took my advice last week and decided to use the money they would spend going to Lincoln to the banquet and gave it to the Capital Fund instead! :) Great idea guys!

There is no doubt that Faith is the best and is a SO blessed to be a part of this church with such great and caring Christians. Thank you again for the honor of receiving this award and mostly, thank you to all the people that help me do all of these great projects. I would love to start mentioning names, but I am sure I would forget and I don't want to offend anyone.

You know who you are and more importantly, God knows who you are and that you are serving HIM.

God Bless! ~ Dayla



Faith UMC Family Spotlight



Lindsay was born & raised in Kearney. Her parents are John & Sue Divan & her grandmother is Thelma Wise. She has one older sister Heather; 3 nephews - Chase, Tyler, Keegan & 1 niece - Lily. Lindsay has a lab puppy named Hattie, which means rules the home. Hattie is a little sweetie with an ornery streak & a ton of fun! Lindsay graduated from Kearney High School in 1998 & attended college at UNK. She spent a semester attending the University of Rhode Island thru the National Student Exchange Program. Lindsay graduated in December of 2002 with a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing. After graduating college she moved to Denver, CO & worked for a company called Arrow

Electronics & lived there for 3 years. While living in Denver Lindsay played on an indoor soccer league & enjoyed snow boarding in the winter & mountain biking & hiking in the summer. Currently, she is employed at Buzz's Marine. Lindsay started working there in high school cleaning boats & doing a lot of grunt work. Her Uncle contacted her while she was out in Denver to see if she would be interested in moving back to work in the family business again. Lindsay decided it was time to move back home & has been back in Kearney for 5 years now. Lindsay enjoys spending time with family and friends. The activities she enjoys include water skiing, wakeboarding, snowboarding, running (if she can stay injury free Lindsay plans on completing her first ½ marathon this year), biking, soccer & most anything outdoors. Lindsay coaches recreation soccer for U13 girls/boys for the Kearney Soccer Club. She also enjoys traveling and would like to visit all 50 states in her lifetime.

Lindsay & Divan

Jack, son of Charles & Gertrude (Gitch), was born & raised in Kearney. He has a twin brother, retired Lt. Col. Patrick & older sister Mary Brown. He graduated from Kearney High in 1979 & attended UNK studying kitchen & bath design. Jack & Janelle have owned Jack Beatty Constructions for 25 years. His hobbies include camping, rock climbing, anything outdoors & the Boy Scouts.

Janelle Scheetz Beatty, daughter of Ellis & Bertha Scheetz, was born & raised in Kearney. She has two sisters; Betty Scheetz & Ann Thomas. Janelle graduated from KHS in 1977, worked at Baldwin

Filters for 18 years & has worked as a KPS bus driver for the last 10 years. She likes to scrapbook, swim, travel, watch movies & Facebook. Janelle has been a member of Faith Church for 40 plus years. She has served on various committees; at present time she is on Christian Ed & Memorial Committees. Jack & Janelle were married on May 26th at Faith Church & have two grown sons. John, 22, lives in Kansas City MO & is a senior at the University of Missouri Kansas City where he is majoring in Political Science & Communications. John loves to play disc golf & going to concerts. Shane, 21, lives in Lincoln NE, attends college at SCC & is majoring in Criminal Justice. He is a mall cop for Gateway Mall in Lincoln. Shane loves all sports & music; he plays the cello & bass guitar. Both boys have been members of Faith since May 26, 1987 & are Eagle Scouts. You can see their



Jack & Janelle Beatty Family projects on the south side of the church; the play ground set & two benches.



Faith UMC Family Spotlight



Tony works at Platte Valley Communications in the DISH Department and is in charge of company marketing. Kerri is a substitute teacher. Madisyn and Taryn attend Amherst Public School. Madisyn is 13, a 7th grader and is actively involved in volleyball, basketball, track, softball, band, choir, piano, singing, dance, UMYF, 4-H and friends. Taryn is 8, a 2nd grader and stays busy with basketball, dance, softball, CCF, piano, singing, 4-H and friends.

Tony volunteers as an elementary Amherst girls basketball coach and the Riverdale softball coach. He is a member of the church Van Drivers, Saturday Morning Men's Group, and serves on the Trustee Committee.

Kerri volunteers with CCF, UMYF, Vacation Bible School and is a member of the Christian Education Committee.

The Millers have been members of Faith since 1998. Both Madisyn and Taryn were baptized here and they have attended Sunday School, VBS and all other programs.

Tony & Kerri Miller Family

Dick & Kathy both grew up in the Axtell area. They were married December 9, 1961 and have two sons: Morgan, wife Natasha and grandson Jayden of Ralston, NE and Cass of Kearney, NE. Over the years they have lived in Lincoln, Minden and Holdrege before settling in Kearney. They transferred to Faith UMC in 1986 from First Lutheran.

Dick is retired law enforcement, a career he spent 40 years in. He now works part-time at the law enforcement center. Dick enjoys reading and collecting guns.

Kathy is a retired RN, where she worked for the schools and Bryan Memorial in Lincoln. Kathy enjoys reading, cross stitching, sewing and crossword puzzles. She is Faith UMC's Parish Nurse, has served on Ad Council, Finance/Renovations, participates in visiting house-bound members and assists at Prime Festival, the Lawn & Garden Show and Art in the Park.

Kathy also volunteers as the Secretary for Nebraska Health Ministry Network and at Ascera Hospice.



Dick and Kathy share a love of animals and enjoy walking their dog Tate, a Jack Russell Terrier.

Dick & Kathy Larson