

Events & Announcements



Adult Study Group: Deep Roots

Sundays, 10:30 am, Talbert Building

Join us on Sunday mornings after the 9:00 am service for a new 6-week study: Deep Roots, an in-depth look at some of the most pivotal stories in Scripture. Contact Patti Hong or the church office for a study guide!



Bloom Girls Group

Sunday September 17, 12:00 -1:00 p.m. (Pine Lake Starbucks)

Middle and high school girls are invited to our Bible Study at the Pine Lake Starbucks! We will start a new Bible study, get some coffees and chat. Let Abby know you're coming!

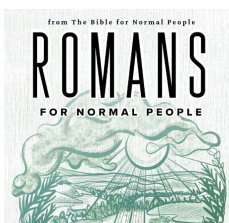


GriefShare Support Group

Sundays, September 17 - December 10, 3:00 - 4:30 pm

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Email hello@faithunited.org for more information.

You are not alone.



Romans for Normal People

Starting September 17th, Talbert Building

Sundays, 5:30 pm dinner, 6:00 pm discussion

Join us on Sunday evenings for a shared meal and Bible discussion! This fall, we'll be following Daniel Kirk's "Romans for Normal People Bible."

Childcare is provided!



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Creating a community where people connect with Christ and Partner with God in making things right.

Gather Our Hearts

Welcome & Introduction

Rev. Ric Shewell

*Call to Worship from Psalm 98 †

Geoff Joosten

*Opening Prayer

Geoff Joosten

*Self-Giving God (Walter Brueggemann) †

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (UMH #98) †

Music Team

*Build My Life (Yunker, Martin) †

Music Team

Today's Music Team: Emily Cowgill, Robert Brawn, Steven Hennings, Brian Bauman, Sara Bauman, Greg Rolette, and Harrison Walters

* Indicates to stand in body or spirit.

† Words will be on the screen.

Form Our Desires

Prayers of the People †	Rev. Ric Shewell
The Lord's Prayer †	
<i>Build My Life, reprise (Yunker, Martin) †</i>	Music Team
Children's Time (during 2nd service)	Abby Kleinknecht
<i>After Children's Time, children in 5th grade and younger are invited to a lesson and activity with Abby in the choir room, returning at offering.</i>	
Introduction to Offering	Rev. Ric Shewell
<i>Instrumental</i>	Music Team
* <i>Doxology (UMH #94) †</i>	Music Team
*Prayer of Thanksgiving †	Geoff Joosten

Inspire Our Minds

Prayer for Illumination	
Genesis 15:1-18 (CEB) †	Geoff Joosten
"Trusting the Process"	Rev. Ric Shewell

Move us to Love

Invitation to Communion	Rev. Ric Shewell
The Great Thanksgiving Prayer †	
Instructions for Sharing the Sacrament	
<i>When I Breathe In (Jones) †</i>	Music Team
Announcements	Rev. Ric Shewell
*Benediction	Rev. Ric Shewell
* <i>Take to the World (Webb/Tate) †</i>	Music Team

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Message Notes

God's Long Term Rescue Project: *to save the cosmos from within the cosmos.*

All Abram had was a promise, but what if the promise isn't

_____?

God doesn't argue his case, God gives a sign that expands our

_____.

God's chosen mode of self-revelation is fire:
the smoking pot, the burning bush, the pillar of fire ...

In the ancient covenant ceremony, _____ walks between the animals.

Three assertions:
The Promise will be kept;
the Promise will be delayed; and
there is no need to be anxious about the delay.

Action Steps:

- Devotion: Pray this breath prayer: I am blessed / to be a blessing.
- Connection: Plan for the big dreams at Faith Church. What is our unique calling? How are *you* a part of that?
- Action: Watch Bishop Bridgeforth's messages on "Ministry that Matters" and consider attending our "Housing Symposium" on Nov. 4. More info at pnwumc.org.

Suggested reading:

About the Bible: Short Answers to Big Questions (Exploring Christian Faith) by Terence Fretheim
Sabbath as Resistance: Saying No to the Culture of Now by Walter Brueggemann