

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
OF ORLAND PARK

FAITH MATTERS

July

Caleb's Celebration



Good Luck to Pastor Caleb, Sarah, Lydia and Abby!

HELLO, MY NAME IS

- Let's all help Pastor Conway out by wearing our name tags regularly. We only have to know his name. It is going to be a lot harder for him to remember all of us.
- If you have lost or would just like a new name tag, replacements are \$5.00 Stop in the office and let Sally or Michelle know. It takes about 10 days to receive the new tags.
- **WARNING:** Please remember if you wear a pacemaker, you need to Request a different fastener than the magnetic one, that is standard.



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**Family  
Ministries**

## Faith Family Excursions

Join us at the 9:00 service and then meetup at the location after church! Bring your own lunch/snacks

**Sunday 7/9**  
Centennial Park - Tinley Park  
10:30-12:00

**Sunday 7/23**  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
10:30 - 12:00

**Sunday 8/13**  
Lake Katherine  
10:30-12:00



Noland  
John  
6/10/23

## Local Service Days

**Who? 7th - 12th Grade,  
Parents/Adult Volunteers**

**Tuesday 7/18 -  
The Bridge Teen Center 9-12**

**Wednesday 7/19 -  
Feed My Starving Children  
9-10:45**

**Thursday 7/20 -  
HHH Ranch 9-12**

**Register online or with a paper  
form located near room 4**

Local Service Day sign up link:

[https://www.cognitofrms.com/  
FaithUMCOPKids/LocalServiceDays2023](https://www.cognitofrms.com/FaithUMCOPKids/LocalServiceDays2023)





### Disciple Bible Study Program

A Disciples 1 Bible Study small group will be forming this fall. The weekly group will be led by Nancy and Dale Carver using a program focused on becoming disciples through studying the Bible, starting with the Old Testament. More information will be available later this month.

### Summer Reading:

The Faith Church library has many fiction books you may like for your next summer read. You can find these books and more in room 13. Take, enjoy and return them when you finish. **Happy reading.** We gratefully accept donations of appropriate books.

### Suspense novels

You may like the bestselling *Left Behind Series* by Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins. This very popular series tells the story of The Rapture set in contemporary times. The first book in the series is titled *Left Behind* and was made into a movie by the same name. We have several books in the series available in Room 13. Reviewers say: "Page turner, characters are wonderful, combines Tom Clancy-like suspense with touches of romance, high tech flash and biblical references." (New York Times) You can go to [www.tyndale.com](http://www.tyndale.com) for more info.

This Christian suspense novel may keep you cool on a hot summer day: *Beneath the Ice* by Alton Gansky: "At the bottom of the world lies a secret: a mysterious object buried three miles beneath the Arctic ice. Famed engineer Perry Sachs and his crew must dig up the object while facing the dangers of a polar winter....It's a game in which severe conditions, unknown threats, and the rise of a mysterious adversary have escalated the stakes to a deadly level." (Amazon) Find more info at [www.altongansky.com](http://www.altongansky.com)

### Christian historical fiction

Check out *Martha* by Diana Ellis Taylor. "Perhaps one of the most misunderstood and misrepresented characters in the New Testament is Martha. This touching, well-researched portrayal of Martha of Bethany, sister of Mary and Lazarus, unveils the woman within the Bible Character." There are other similar historical fictional novels about women of the bible available in room 13.

Author Lynn Austin is a historical fiction writer and book club favorite. Folks familiar with her work say her novels are "Full of adventure, mystery, love and faith". Austin has a way of weaving a story without the reader knowing where she is going." We are fortunate to have several of her novels available for you to enjoy. Our Literary Ladies Book Group read Austin's *Though Waters Roar* this past spring and gave it several thumbs up. You can find out more at [www.Lynnaustin.org](http://www.Lynnaustin.org)

### Jigsaw puzzle give away:

*There are many jigsaw puzzles in Room 13 which have been donated for your enjoyment. You can "give one, take one" or pass it on when you've finished.*



There has been a lot of activity going on around the church that is being done by the trustees although most of it is not apparent.

Hopefully everyone has noticed that the canopy is looking better. There is still some work to be done and we hope to have it finished soon!

The big news is that by the time you read this newsletter our parsonage will be sold. We sold the parsonage for our asking price and will net \$278,022 from the sale! This money will be invested to be used for future pastoral housing needs.

Finally, we have a roofer under contract to provide a new flat roof on our church. The new roof will keep us dry and save us some additional money on our utility bills. Right now this work is scheduled to be done in September.

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**Veterans Voices:** Join a group of veterans of the armed forces of the United States. We support each other & the greater community of veterans in the area and the U.S.A. Check out the Veterans Voices Website: [www.veterans-voices.org](http://www.veterans-voices.org) . May we never forget their service to our country.

**General Membership Meeting:** There will be no meeting in July. Enjoy and celebrate our Independence Day. Our next meeting will be August 3.

**Honor Flag:** We raise the honor flag in honor of a deceased veteran. Registration forms can be found outside Room 4. Contact Dale Carver at (762) 218-7657 or [veteransvoicesop@gmail.com](mailto:veteransvoicesop@gmail.com) for more information.

Questions? Contact Gary Lang @ 708-638-5213.

*Happy 4th of July.*



*to all my friends!!*



**Men of Faith United Methodist Men** Activities for July 2023, and beyond!

**Men of Faith Sunrise Breakfast:** The Sunrise Breakfast will be on Sunday, 7/9, at 7:30 AM. Breakfast will be provided. We will eat breakfast, review upcoming events, and Dale Carver will present a short devotional.

**Promise Keepers Breakfast:** Wednesday, 7/19, 8:30 AM at Stacks Restaurant. Stacks is located at the corner of Harlem Avenue and 183rd Street. Jim Simmons will lead the meeting.

**Lake South District UMM Wednesday Night Bible Study:** The Bible Study group is going on summer hiatus starting 6/1, restarting on 9/6 with 1 Kings. We will be using the study guide, "1 and 2 Kings" published by LifeChange. Questions? Contact Dale Carver.

**Lake South District UMM Monthly Meetings:** These meetings are taking a summer break, resuming on 9/9, 8:30 AM, at Wesley UMC, 201 E. 95<sup>th</sup> St, Chicago, 60619.

**Northern Illinois Conference Spiritual Congress:** 9/15-9/17, Williams Bay, Wisconsin. BE THERE!

Questions? Contact Dale Carver @ 762-218-7657 or [aonemanshow@comcast.net](mailto:aonemanshow@comcast.net)

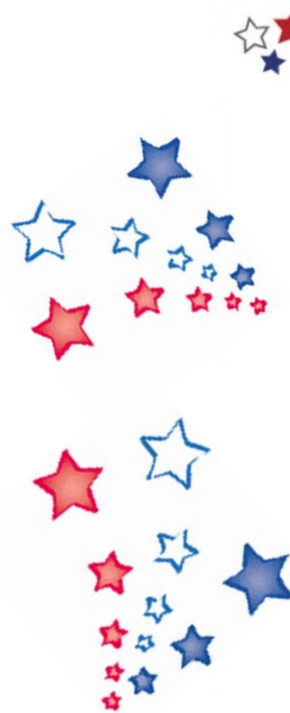
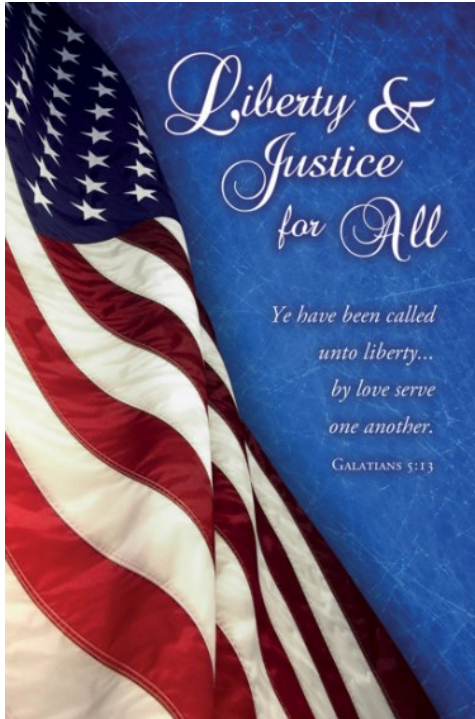


## Worlds of DC/Marvel

Looking forward to meeting everyone interested in comics and related subjects at our next meeting on July 11th from 7-8 PM. We will share our personal preferences for DC or Marvel comics. We'll talk about building our own personal collections. If you have any special comics you'd like to share with the group, please bring it/them with you to the meeting.



Question, please call or text Dave at 708.439.4250 or Steve at 708.915.9878.



4TH OF JULY

Word Search



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|--------------|---------|-----------|
| AMERICA      | FREEDOM | COLONIES  |
| BARBECUE     | FOURTH  | LIBERTY   |
| DECLARATION  | JULY    | FLAG      |
| FIREWORKS    | PARADE  | SUMMER    |
| INDEPENDENCE | STATES  | PATRIOTIC |

**Pastoral Emergency Fund**

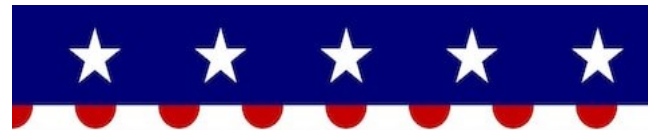
**Objective:** Provide monetary assistance to our neighbors in need.

**Background:** Faith currently has a designated fund that provides bill assistance and gift cards to our neighbors who express need. By donating to the Pastoral Emergency Fund, your resources will be used by Faith's pastor to assist with bill payments and gift card assistance.



**How to help:** You can donate to the Pastoral Emergency Fund by mailing a check to Faith United Methodist Church, 15101 S. 80<sup>th</sup> Ave., Orland Park, IL 60462. Please make checks payable to Faith United Methodist Church. In the memo line of the check write Pastoral Emergency Fund for your donation to be used towards bill assistance. Or, in the memo line of the check write Pastoral Emergency Fund - Gift Cards if you would like for your donation to be used to purchase gift cards for assistance.

You will be credited on your giving statements for donations to the Pastor Emergency Fund.



**Thankful Thursday**

*We will be taking a break for the summer. Watch for information about the picnic in September.*

*Enjoy your summer!*

*If you have any questions about the Thankful Thursday group, contact:*

*Dorothy Wertzbaugher  
at  
708-370-7504*





## UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP & SINGLES EVENTS

Sunday, July 16 @ 1 PM

*Lunch at the Melting Pot in Downers Grove*

sign up outside Room 4, CARPOOL. Cost about \$104 per 2



Sunday, September 17 @ 12:30 PM. Church Picnic Day, Join us at Union Creek Park on 80th Avenue in Tinley Park. (3 playgrounds and restrooms available and plenty of parking) Watch for flyers about this event...

\*nancyclemenson@gmail.com or 309.337.9174



Tee Up for Youth will be Sunday, Aug. 6th this year. We are changing things up a bit. Mini golf & regular golf will be available. Dinner will be pizza, salad & desserts and will be at the church in the fellowship hall.

We will also have our famous silent auction items. They will be available to view & pre-bid on Sunday, 7/30 & 8/6. Registration forms are included in this newsletter & will be outside room 4.

We will be taking registration forms in the lobby starting on the weekend of 7/8 & 7/9. If you are unable to attend but wish to financially contribute, you will be able to make a donation. Look for the display in the lobby, you can purchase a flag for par (\$10), birdie (\$25), eagle (\$50) & hole in one (\$100).

If you know a business who might like to sponsor our event or contribute an item for the silent auction, the forms are available in Sandy's office.

This is going to be a FUN, FAMILY event. Mark your calendars!





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15101 S. 80th Ave., Orland Park, IL

**23rd Annual  
"Tee-Up-For-Youth" Golf Outing & Dinner  
Sunday, August 6, 2023**

**Golf: White Mountain Golf Course**

9901 179th St., Tinley Park, IL 60487  
Dinner: Faith UMC  
15101 S. 80th Avenue, Orland Park

Golf, Dinner, Silent Auction, Games for Children



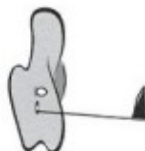
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**23rd Annual  
"Tee-Up-For-Youth" Golf Outing & Dinner  
Sunday, August 6, 2023**

**Mini Golf: Tinley Junction Mini Golf**

80th & 170th Pl., Tinley Park, IL 60487  
Dinner: Faith UMC  
15101 S. 80th Avenue, Orland Park

Golf, Dinner, Silent Auction, Games for Children



### GOLF AND DINNER REGISTRATION

Name	Email & Phone	<input type="checkbox"/> Golf only	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner only	<input type="checkbox"/> Golf & Dinner	Entry Fee per person
					\$
					\$
					\$
					\$
					\$
<b>Total Fees Enclosed</b>					\$

Fees	
Dinner only	\$15
Golf only (9-holes)	\$30
Dinner and Golf (9-holes)	\$40
Golf Cart, if available (first come, first served)	\$10/person

Office use only:  
Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Circle one:  
Check  Cash

Last day for registration is July 30th  
11:30 pm – Beginning of tee times  
4:00 pm – Social Hour  
Silent Auction begins  
5:00 pm – Dinner starts promptly

### MINI GOLF AND DINNER REGISTRATION

Name	Email & Phone	<input type="checkbox"/> Mini Golf only	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner only	<input type="checkbox"/> Golf & Dinner	Child's Age	Entry Fee per person
						\$
						\$
						\$
						\$
						\$
						\$
<b>Total Fees Enclosed</b>						\$

Fees	
Adult Dinner only	\$15
Adult Mini Golf only	\$10
Adult Dinner and Golf	\$20
Child (age 3-10) – golf only	\$7
Child (age 3-10) – dinner only	\$10
Child (age 3-10) – golf & dinner	\$15

Office use only:  
Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Circle one:  
Check  Cash

Last day for registration is July 30th  
12:30 pm – Beginning of tee times  
4:00 pm – Social Hour  
Silent Auction begins  
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Please make checks payable to Faith United Methodist Church. Questions? Call or see Phil or Linda Bitzer – (708) 208-2007.

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We will be hosting a blood drive on July 23rd from 9:00 - 1:00 in the fellowship hall. Please prayerfully consider donating the gift of life. You can make an appointment online with Versiti. We will also have a sign up sheet in the narthex on July 9th and July 16th.

## Tai Chi:

Meetings at the church on Mondays & Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 AM.  
Call Bill Grizzle for more information.  
708-636-5330.

## “Witness to Fitness”

meets Monday, Wednesday & Friday, at 9:00 AM for exercise, fellowship and walking class. Call Darryl Wertheim with questions 708-781-9696. God Bless !!



If you're still wondering what our RaiseRight program is all

about, please stop by our table in the church lobby between services on Sundays. I would be happy to explain how buying gift cards helps fund our adult and youth mission trips. A list of all the cards we offer can be picked up at the table. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Blessings,

Genie Lang  
*RaiseRight Coordinator*



*Faith United Methodist Church is a church family dedicated to bringing people to Jesus Christ through worship, education, mission, and fellowship.*



## Church & Society Committee SWIFT Interfaith Picnic

The Church & Society Committee invites members of the church to join the SWIFT Interfaith Picnic on Sunday July 30, 2023 at Peace Memorial Church 10300 W. 131<sup>st</sup> Street, Palos Park, IL 60464 from 1 - 4 PM on the grounds east of the church. Come share an afternoon with people of other faiths. Activities for children of all ages will be available. Families coming are asked to bring a side-dish (salad, pasta, chips, fruit, other similar items) or dessert. Bring enough for your family plus a little more to share. Provisions are made for dietary requirements of all faiths groups. (Halal/Kosher/Vegetarian etc.) Hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, water, & lemon aid will be provided. Food will be available from 1 - 3 PM Any questions and number that will be attending contact Jim Simmons at [jwsimengr@comcast.net](mailto:jwsimengr@comcast.net) or

call 1-708-334-6189.

**Welcome**  
TO  
**PASTOR CONWAY**

JOIN US FOR A  
MEET & GREET RECEPTION  
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL  
AFTER EACH SERVICE.

*July 15 & 16*  
*Cake and light fare will be served.*





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Saturday Service: Blended - 4 PM  
Sunday Services: Traditional - 9:00 AM  
Contemporary - 11:00 AM  
Nursery - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Church Office Hours:  
Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM —3:00 PM  
Friday 8:30 AM—12:00 PM

Jacques Conway: Pastor  
Beth Ridderhoff, Director of Music  
Jamie Meehan, Director of Family Ministries  
Jim Sandberg: Director of Congregational Care  
Sally Puzon: Office Manager  
Sandy Ward: Program Coordinator  
Michelle Babics: Director of AV Ministries  
Rolf Moan: Choir Director  
Renee Powers: Custodian

Please submit newsletter articles by the 15th of each month. Articles can be e-mailed, or submitted in MS WORD format.

**Nursery Help Needed**



We are in need of a team of volunteers to help occasionally when one of our attendants is ill or on vacation. We want to ensure that our nursery is able to offer an excellent, inviting, and safe environment for our youngest children. Volunteers need to have attended a Safe Sanctuary class within the past 3 years. If you are willing to assist occasionally with this important job for Sunday services or have questions, please contact Kathy Broadhurst at (708)

**Check out our website: [www.faithumcop.org](http://www.faithumcop.org).**

Attn: All committee chairs should review their web page information to ensure accuracy of information. Provide updates to Michelle Babics

**Strategic Goals**

Bless Children & Youth  
Deepen Discipleship  
Broaden Missional Impact



**Deadlines**

Please forward all articles/information/photos for the monthly newsletter and for the Sunday bulletin to: [faith@faithumcop.org](mailto:faith@faithumcop.org). The deadline for all newsletter articles is noon **the 15th of each month**; the deadline for the bulletin information is **Wednesday at noon**. Be certain to indicate if the news is for the bulletin and/or the newsletter.

**Text Messaging Sign Up**



We are using a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that will help us share important **updates and reminders**. If you are interested in being added to this means of communication via text, please text to 81010 in "To" line & @faithum in message line. All personal information is kept private. You can opt-out of messages at any time by replying "unsubscribe @faithum". There is no charge for using this service if you have an unlimited text plan. If you have a specific text plan, each received message will be 1 text.

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## **Please keep our homebound in your thoughts and prayers:**

Nancy Jeutter, Garnet Suhs, Mario Vergara, Doreen Wardell

## **Please lift up in your prayers:**

For neighbors in Chicago & around the world impacted by gun violence  
For people of Ukraine and all parts of the world torn apart by war  
For healthcare workers, first responders, police officers, & fire fighters  
For all who struggle with sadness and depression  
For Pastor Jacques Conway & family in new chapter  
of ministry at Faith  
For Pastor Caleb & family for smooth transition to  
Rockford

## **For Health & Healing:**

Al Januszewski  
Amanda Steenvoorden  
Barbara Kellogg  
Bob Connolly  
Bob Fulton  
Carole & Chuck Kreuz  
Chelsea Castaneda prayers for friend Colette  
Dolores Genis  
Don Edgren  
Doris Fenton  
Harold Deneka  
Heather Nelson prayers for mother & father  
Herb & Carmen Mohn  
Jackie Konidaris  
James Verbiar prayers for brother, Paul  
Kip Hendrickson  
Laura Cardinal prayers for niece, Miranda & friends Kristin & Helen  
Lee McCasland  
Lita Hudik for brother, Larry  
Maury Junod  
Meriellen Anderson  
Rita Littmann prayers for grandson traveling to Israel & Poland  
Ron Drechsel  
Ron Libs for cousin, Colleen  
Sally Puzon prayers for friend Joe  
Sue Roessler prayers for friends Diane & Ken  
Terry & Steve Velten prayers for Megan in passing of Tom  
Tom Sjo  
Vanessa Leon  
Vicki Brudnicki prayers for husband Greg  
Wendy Koch

## **Condolences:**












Debbi Sumner prayers for friend Pat & family in loss of husband

## **Joys:**

Laura & Connor Powell's 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary  
Rolf & Becky Moan's 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary



# July 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <b>2</b> Worship 9 & 11 AM Disciple 1 10:15 AM Graduation Sunday Caleb's Celebration 12:30 PM OA 2 PM	<b>3</b> Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM	<b>4</b> AA 6:30 PM OFFICE CLOSED 	 <b>5</b> CODA 10 AM Upper Room 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM	<b>6</b> WW 9:30 AM RISE 7 PM AI Anon 8 PM	 <b>7</b> WW 8 AM WW 10:30 AM	<b>1</b> OA 8:30 AM WW 7, 8:30, & 10 AM Worship 4 PM
<b>9</b> Worship 9 & 11 AM Disciple 1 10:15 AM OA 2 PM Safe Sanctuary 3:30 PM Ruth Circle 5 PM (Dancing Marlin)	<b>10</b> Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM Church Council 7 PM UMM Quarterly Mtg 7 PM O'Green 7:30 PM	<b>11</b> AA 6:30 PM World of DC/Marvel 7 PM	<b>12</b> CODA 10 AM Upper Room 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM	<b>13</b> WW 9:30 AM WW 6 PM Trustees 7 PM AI Anon 8 PM	<b>14</b> WW 7:30, WW 10:30 AM 	<b>15</b> OA 8:30 AM WW 7, 8:30, & 10 AM Worship 4 PM
<b>16</b> Worship 9 & 11 AM OA 2 PM 	<b>17</b> Worship 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM The Chosen 6 PM SA 7 PM	<b>18</b> AA 6:30 PM 	<b>19</b> CODA 10 AM Promise Keepers 8:30 AM Upper Room 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM 	<b>20</b> WW 9:30 AM WW 6 PM Finance 7 PM Zoom Rise 7 PM AI Anon 8 PM	<b>21</b> WW 8 AM WW 10:30 AM	<b>22</b> OA 8:30 AM WW 7, 8:30, & 10 AM Worship 4 PM
<b>23</b> Worship 9 & 11 AM Blood Drive 9 AM - 1 PM OA 2 PM	<b>24</b> Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM	<b>25</b> AA 6:30 PM 	<b>26</b> CODA 10 AM Upper Room 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM Mary's Circle 11 AM SA 7 PM	<b>27</b> WW 9:30 AM WW 6 PM Rise 7 PM AI Anon 8 PM	<b>28</b> 	<b>29</b> 
<b>30</b> Worship 9 & 11 AM OA 2 PM Swift Picnic 1 PM	<b>31</b> Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM					<b>Note: Walking Club Witness to Fitness</b> meets every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9-10 AM

**Key:**  
 AI-Anon - Alcoholics  
 Anonymous Group for Families  
 ALS - Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis  
 CODA - CoDependents Anonymous  
 O'Green - Financial  
 SA - Sexaholics Anonymous  
 S-Anon - Sexaholics Anonymous Group for Families

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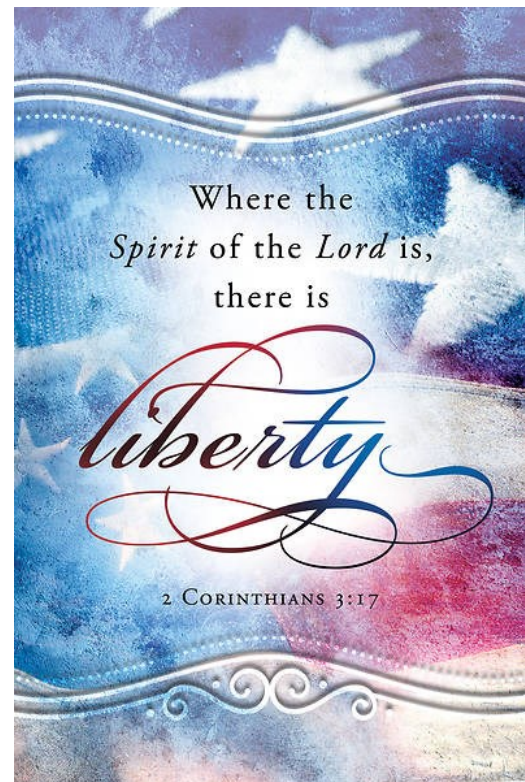
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### Special Upcoming Events

July	
4	Independence Day Office Closed
9	UMM Sunrise Brkfst 7:30 AM
10	Church Council 7 PM UMM Qrtly Mtg 7 PM O'Green 7:30 PM
11	Marvel Comics 7 PM
13	Trustees 7 PM
17	The Chosen 6 PM
19	Promise Keepers 8:30 AM
20	Finance (Zoom) 7 PM
26	Mary Circle 11 AM
30	SWIFT Picnic 1 PM



***Be sure to check bulletin for any changes and/or additions to the events listed here.***

Please check with the office or the committee chair for exact times and locations. See our website for other, regularly scheduled events & meetings.