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**Scripture Thought:** 



# Happy Father's Day!

## The Faith Circuit Rider



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Since Pastor Sharon will have the honor of writing the July newsletter article, this is my last one. I am not good at good byes. Really, I detest them. Which is odd for a pastor and pastor's child. You would think that after a life time of saying 'good bye' to congregations, I'd be accustomed to it. I am not. There are just a few things I can say I ' hate' doing. Saying good bye, falls in that category.

So, I won't. In my attempt to reframe the act of leaving one another's presence, I looked up the origin of the word ' good bye". According to Webster's (which is a reliable source for such things) the parting saying started out in 1580 as "God be with you". That works for me!

Maybe you have heard the hymn **God be with you 'till we meet again.** The text was written by Jeremiah Rankin in 1880. Rankin was the minister for the First Congregational Church in Washington, D.C.

 God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

#### Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

- 2. God be with you till we meet again, 'Neath His wings protecting hide you, Daily manna still divide you, God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]
- 3. God be with you till we meet again, When life's perils thick confound you, Put His arms unfailing round you, God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]
- God be with you till we meet again, Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
   Smite death's threatening wave before you, God be with you till we meet again.

We still have the month of June to remind each other that for a Christian, we really never say, 'Good bye'. We just say, "Good be with you" and one day b\we will get to say "Hello" for eternity.

God be with you!

I hope to C U Sunday!! It is practice for that eternal "HELLO!!"

Agape',
Pastor Rob

# From the Lay Leader June 2019 "Change"

Well, it's June! That time of year for United Methodists to put into action giving up and receiving. You know what I'm talking about, the method of itinerancy.

Our year with Rob has been a time of challenge and spiritual growth. The distance between Waynesville and Murphy provided time for Rob to rehearse his message on Sunday morning but was also an obstacle. We give thanks to God for Rob's commitment to Him and to the Faith flock. We have gleaned much knowledge of the Bible over the past year as Rob has led us through a journey in faith. His thirty-six years in ministry proves his faithfulness to his call. Sundays provided a joyful worship time with his sense of humor, looking at God's people with a different set of eyes, sermons that struck a chord or hit a nerve, and always dismissing us to be the disciples of Christ we are called to be. And we remember God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called!

Closing with a heart of gratitude for Rob and his ministry among us!
Sad but hopeful...
Susan



Together in Christ.

#### Treasurer's Report



May 25, 2019

"I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and uphold it with my Frayers, my Fresence, my Gifts, my Service, and my Witness."

#### 2019 Budget \$51,739.00

Needed to date for budget\$20,695.60Received to date for budget\$22,308.00Ahead of Budget\$ 1,612.40Paid out to date for budget\$16,584.54

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS!



Beginning on June 9th, the JIF Class will set forth on a series of lessons based on a short treatise entitled "A Journey to Faith". The author states, "My goal is not to be an authority telling you what to believe, but to be a burr under your faith helping all of us to grow." Teacher John invites all who want to learn more about this thing called faith to join the JIF Class at 9:45 each Sunday.

There will be no Journey in Faith Class on Sunday, June 23.



The UMM will meet on a different day, Sunday, June 9th, immediately following the morning worship service.

Gerald



Our mission program for June will be socks and undergarments for our friends at pathways. I had read that they had received a large donation of socks so I called to see what they needed. Turns out the socks they received were all women's so they are still in need of men's socks etc. I will have a box out throughout June to receive your donations.

Beth



OPEN DOOR - 32 Commerce Street, Waynesville, Saturday, June 15th at 5:30PM.

# Colorful Ladies of Faith

The Colorful Ladies will meet on Thursday, June 20th, 10:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. We have an abundance of new cards to color and hope everyone will come and help.

Bring your own lunch...beverage and dessert provided.



Visit our website at **fumcwnc.org**It has been updated and is updated weekly! **New Feature**: You can click on the Upcoming Worship scripture and view the actual Pew Bible translation.



If any changes or additions need to be made please contact me by calling 828-456-6944 or email <a href="mailto:jlf21@charter.net">jlf21@charter.net</a>. Thanks, Judy

#### Flowers for Faith



We appreciate those who have signed the Flower Calendar list and those who will fill in the Sundays that are still available. The Flower Calendar is on the Bulletin Board.



First Monday Movie Matinee
The MMM's have been canceled for the summer months. They will resume in the Fall.

### June Servants:



**Greeters:** Chris Johnson

**Educational Entrance:** Committee of the UMM



Our church now has assistance for the hearing impaired. If you have trouble hearing the service, please pick up a hearing aid in the narthex.

### Rev. Robo Calling

Please be reminded to contact **Rev. Robo** (400-7947) if you have sickness, death, or any prayer needs.

It is a privilege for your Faith family to share your burdens or prayer concerns and lift you in prayer.

### June Celebrations



1-Rev. Paul Davenport
2-Donna McDonald
10-Conchita Poovey
16-Lynn Mintz
18-Charles Taylor
26-Donna Wheeler
30-Lynn Scarbrough



8-Lynn & Steve Scarbrough 30-Thurman & Trudy Blaine

# Happy Father's Day!



Psalm 103: 13
As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; (NIV)