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FaithBytes

September 2026



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Sunday, September 6th—Services at 8 AM and 10 AM

Fall Schedule September 13 thru May 23, 2027

First Service - 8:00 AM

Fellowship in the Gym - 9:15 AM

Faith Classes for all ages - 9:30 AM

Second Service - 10:30 AM

Livestream - 10:30 AM



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FaithBytes

Issue 9 September 2026

FaithBytes is published monthly as the official connection to what's happening at Faithbridge. Inclusion of some information does not necessarily indicate endorsement by Faithbridge.

Submission Deadline for the October 2026 issue is:

Monday, September 28th



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Feedback is always welcome.



The weekly bulletin and monthly FaithBytes can be viewed online at www.faithbridgepr.org/resources

Worship Schedule beginning September 13th

8:00 AM Worship Service

9:15 AM Fellowship Time in the Gym

9:30 AM Faith Classes for all ages

10:30 AM Faith Kids and Faith Kids Jr.

10:30 AM Worship Service and Livestream

A staffed nursery is available in the West Wing for infants through 2 years.

LIVESTREAM
SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM
faithbridgepr.org



Faith Kids JR (3 Yr-2nd grade) will meet in the Cubbies Room during the 10:30 AM Service. Be sure to sign-in your children at the West Check-In Desk and pick up your children at the Cubbies Room immediately after the second service.

Note: FK JR starts September 6th at 10 AM and September 13th at 10:30 AM.

FAITH SENIORS

Seniors (50+) are invited to our Monthly Potluck on Monday, September 28 at 11:45 AM. We look forward to a great time of fellowship, good food and a presentation by Gail Ahart, Caregiver Support Navigator with Living at Home. We look forward to hearing of the opportunities available in our area. Invite a friend and bring a dish or two to share.

FAITH MISSION CIRCLE

Faith Mission Circle will meet on Monday, September 21st at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please come and join us as we meet to pray, to learn and to serve!



Thank you for your ongoing support of Summit Ministries Scholarships.

When you purchase the following items, the monies go into the Scholarship Fund. You may also donate by designating on the offering envelope to "Summit Scholarships". Scholarships help send a young person to the Summer Summit Ministry Conference, held in Colorado each year.

Available during the week in the East Foyer: Cards & Calendars (\$10) Notepad (\$3)

Sep.	Welcome Desk	Greeters	Welcome Desk	Greeters
	7:45 AM	7:45 AM	9:45 AM	9:45 AM
6	Haroldson	Doug & Mary B. Mike & Dee R.	Vredenburg	Lynda S. Steve & Deb A.
	7:45 AM	7:45 AM	10:15 AM	10:15 AM
13	Folkestad	Jim & Julie T. Miguel P.	Kriens	Sandy C. Sandra L.
20	Lundstrom	Ray & Barb K. Drew & Sarah M.	Diane J.	Tod & Renee B. Don & Sue G.
27	Trottier	Charlie & Judy P. Mark & Mari Jo L.	Amber L.	Pam K. Dan & Pat McG.

Sep.	7:45 Door Openers				
	N1	N2	E1	W1	S1
6	Dave V.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Steve M.
13	Becky M.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Ken & Evie O.
20	Frank S.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Diane S.
27	Dave V.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Steve M.
Sep.	9:45 Door Openers				
	N1	N2	E1	W1	S1
6	Youth	Help Needed		Youth	Youth
Sep.	10:15 Door Openers				
13	Munson	Munson		Munson	Sue P.
20	Bev S.	Help Needed		Help Needed	Denny S.
27	?	Help Needed		Help Needed	?

Sep.	Library
6	Judy Abby
13	Diane
20	Debbie
27	Kerry

NURSERY

Sep.	7:45		9:45	Faith Kids Jr.
6	Liz A.		Karen L. Lahana L.	Kelly Y. Sabina T.
	7:45	9:15	10:15	
13	Bev S.	Liz A. Amber L.	Lydia G. Jennifer O.	Sabina T. Kelly Y.
20	Sarah M.	Ava & Phillip R	Rita B.	Sabina T. Schmidgalls
27	Sue P.	Ava & Phillip R	Tammy P. Teresa R.	Jennifer O. Sabina T.

Dear Faithbridge Family,

It is hard to believe that summer is starting to wind down and back to school plans are starting to wind up. Folks are traveling to get their last fill of warmth, sunshine and vacation before the rhythms and the routines of going back to school begin.

I am reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to Timothy in his second letter to this young pastor. *"I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His Kingdom: preach the Word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming*



when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry," (2 Timothy 4:1-5, ESV).

The charge from Paul to Timothy was simple and to the point—PREACH THE WORD! Which word? The Word of God. And not just the parts that Timothy liked or agreed with, but the whole Word even the hard parts. The Word of God was so important to Paul that he prefaced his exhortation to preach the Word that *"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man [or woman] of God may be complete, equipped for every good work"* (2 Timothy 3:16-17, ESV).

It is hard to miss the utmost urgency and importance of Paul's exhortation to his young protégé. The Word of God is never out of season for apprentices of Jesus. When we lose sight of God's Word, when we lack the discipline of reading and meditating on His Word, we become vulnerable to the possibility of no longer enduring sound teaching from the Word. In that vulnerability we can become more easily deceived and persuaded by things that sound like truth or that seem to make sense but are contrary to the clear teaching of Scripture.

If we fall into the snare of "itching ears" and seeking teachers that scratch that itch, then Paul makes it clear that we "will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths." Anything that sounds good to us will be that which we pursue and affirm even if it is not in the Word of God. Can you think of examples of this in today's church culture? Have you inadvertently wandered into "myths" because you are neglecting the Word of God in your life?

The good news is that it's not too late! Pick up your Bible, grab a notebook and pen, and start reading and jotting down questions and/or thoughts that jump out to you. Then grab a friend or two, a cup of coffee or tea, and then talk about what you've read and how it has impacted you. Then commit together to pray for one another and hold each other accountable to living out the truth of God's Word that you are reading together.

I'd love to hear your stories as you jump into God's Word—what you're reading, what you're learning, and how you're growing in your relationship with Christ. Just connect with me on a Sunday or shoot me an email so that I can celebrate with you and cheer you on. May the Lord bless the reading and applying of His Word in our lives and in the life of our church!

Grace and peace, Pastor Jeff



Bible Study Fellowship



Encounter God. ~ ~ Build Friendships.

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) is a free interdenominational 30-week study for all ages and levels of Bible knowledge to explore God's Word in community. We teach, train, and mobilize individuals to know and love God and others through His Word. Learn more at bsfinternational.org. You are invited to join us for a Women's BSF Bible Study of *Romans —From Guilt to Grace*. We will begin on Thursday, September 17th, 10:00-11:30 am at Faithbridge Church in Park Rapids. Enter at doors N2 or W1.

Register today at join.bsfinternational.org.
Questions - Contact Brenda at 218-252-1952.

Note: There is a BSF group for men in Osage.
Contact: Richard Swanson rsbompiano@gmail.com



We Need Your Help and a Willing Heart

Awana -

A great place to show the Love of the Lord during the school season. There are many ways that God can use your gifting for the discipleship of our Awana students. If you're interested in how you can join this incredible TEAM please sign-up online or chat with Pastor Mike.

Faith Kids Ministry - If you're interested in how you can be a part of this INCREDIBLY AMAZING TEAM of people, please contact Pastor Mike or Tracee. We are looking to ADD:

- Sunday School Teachers - PreK-6th grades (9:30 AM only)
- Nursery TEAM members - inf-2 years (8 AM, 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM)
- FaithKids JR. TEAM members ages preK-2nd grade (10:30 AM only).

Release Time Teacher for Grade 3 & 4

Helpers needed (Men and/or Women)
Wednesday 1 PM – Grades 4-5-6
Wednesday 2 PM – Grades 1-2-3



Faith Student Ministry



FSM - students 7th-12th

FSM Wednesdays- We begin another amazing year on **September 9th at 7 PM - 8:30 PM.**

All the new 7th Graders - High school graduates are welcome to attend. We will meet every Wednesday from 7 PM-8:30 PM, who will you invite to come and join us!?

Save the Date - Reality Apologetics Conference November 13th-14th.
Price of Early Bird Tickets \$59 through September 18th.
Check out how to register on OUR website on the Events page.



Faith Moms

Hard is not always bad...
How to walk through hard things with a new perspective.

FaithMoms 2026-2027
Starts Tues. Sept. 22nd
9:15-11:15am

Join us as we dive into a year of studying scripture to help us deepen relationships with Jesus and each other

We will meet the 2nd and 4th Tues. of the month with gym days the 1st and 3rd Tues 10-11:30 am in the Faithbridge gym.

FaithMoms will include Bible-study, Brunch, Coffee, and Childcare!
Register you and your kids online at faithbridgepr.org.
Contact Jessica Lange or Whitney Hall with any questions
Jessica-(619)861-8516, Whitney-(901)485-0892

FAITH MOMS
2026-2027 Dates

Meeting Dates: 9:15-11:15

Sept. 22
Oct. 13 & 27
Nov. 10 & 24
Dec. 8 (No 12/22)
Jan. 12 & 26
Feb. 9 & 23
Mar. 9 & 23
Apr. 13 & 27
May 11

Gym Dates: 10-11:30

Sept. 29
Oct. 6 & 20
Nov. 3 & 17
Dec. 1 & 15 (No 12/29)
Jan. 5 & 19
Feb. 2 & 16
Mar. 2 & 16 (No 3/30)
Apr. 6 & 20
May 4

The Months of July and August were fun filled ones!

Here's a list of Celebrations:

Spring Valley Bible Camp, Muscatine, IA - **FSM mission trip** went really well.



The students and counselors were blessed by our students' presence and contributions to group time and chapel time. The Skit TEAM did incredible, the message bringers did awesome, the worship team did amazing and the camp kids clung tightly to ALL the students because of the impact they made while just being the amazing mission team/people they ARE!! They used God's gift for HIS glory and it was seen that week!



VBS 2026- KiD's Under Construction (another home-grown curriculum by an amazing TEAM of leaders). Went off without a hitch! This year we shortened it by one day and I've received positive feedback so it looks like we will continue that timing next year!

The Crew and Station leaders did an amazing job being with the students and just showing the LOVE of Jesus to them. We had a good handful of interested children of how Jesus can be their Lord and Savior and a handful of decisions were begun. We will take time to follow-up with their families as we continue the relationships made that week. We now look forward to VBS 2027! Will you be a part of the impact on these young students' lives next year?



Faith Kids Summer- "Cookin' with Jesus" has cooked! It was a great year of an amazing SUMMER Kid's TEAM! The Kids learned about how life will throw you some unexpected ingredients and the Bible has a recipe for each one. The Bible was used as the Master

Cookbook for each "Special Ingredient". The teaching TEAM has done amazing along with our resident Worship leaders and SUPER FUN crew leaders and there's no way we can forget our awesomely consistent NURSERY TEAM! Please join me and give a HUGE "Thank YOU" to those who support our families by loving and teaching the children in ALL of the different capacities. We snacked on our crafts and played some major fun games all on the way to a closer relationship with Jesus!



Many members of the Mission Team recently enjoyed lunch with a couple people serving in the 10/40Window. Karen Hoglund and her mother, Marion, were able to join them, making the gathering especially meaningful. During lunch, they discovered that Marion had an unexpected connection with those serving in the 10/40 Window. God is so good! Our team always appreciates opportunities to visit and catch up with the missionaries our church supports.

The Sisters of Hope International (SOHI) trip that was canceled in July has been rescheduled for September 10-October 2. Please pray for the team as they travel to Uganda to connect with and serve women there. Specific prayer requests include:

- * Lucky and Loy, who have recently faced difficult circumstances.
- * The conferences and staff retreat, that they would be fruitful and encouraging.
- * New students, that God would provide and prepare the right women.
- * Safe travel, good health, and protection for the team.
- * Every interaction, that the team would faithfully represent our Heavenly Father to each person they meet.

Several people from Faithbridge attended Colin Murphy's Celebration of Life at the beginning of August. It was a beautiful tribute to a man who faithfully served God.

The Pregnancy Resource Center will hold its Pearls of Hope Gala, celebrating 30 years of God's faithfulness. See page 20 of the FaithBytes for RSVP.

Please continue praying for all the missionaries our church supports.

The Mission Team is also looking for a couple of new members as some current members prepare to step away. For more information about joining the team, contact Becky Maninga at 218-820-4320.

The **Host—Usher—Greeter Team** is looking for volunteers willing to welcome our visitors by becoming Door Greeters, Ushers and Welcome Desk Hosts. Contact Tracee in the Office.



Grief Share



Grief Share is a grief support group for help and healing after the death of a family member or friend.

If you've **grieved the death of a loved one**, you know the grief process is overwhelmingly painful, lonely, and confusing – and **if you've found healing through God's comfort and the help of others**, you may have a desire to help grieving people, but you're not sure how.

GriefShare is a video-based support group that **equips people like you to help the bereaved**. It helps grieving people make sense of their suffering. The GriefShare videos, workbook exercises, and small group discussions give participants useful information and helpful perspectives that help them heal from grief. If you have a **desire to help and care for grieving people**, **GriefShare may be the ministry for you** to serve in.

**Fall Session begins September 12th through December 19
Saturdays from 10 AM to 12 PM in the Chapel**

For information, contact Becky A. directly by phone
218-252-3500 or email: grambecky1023@gmail.com
or the web: <https://griefshare.org/>
Sign-Up at faithbridgepr.org/griefshare/



Faith Prayer Ministry

- Requests can be phoned/emailed to the Church Office or to the Compassion Coordinator, Jan Henderson (732-4522), who will forward them to the Prayer Group or Prayer Chain, as you direct.
- **Prayer Warriors: A weekly prayer list, can be delivered to your FBC mailbox or emailed upon request.**



Faith Military Connections

Josie Bohman	Jared Lange	Patricia Pfeifer
Alek Briceno	Chase Lodi	Hunter Schommer
Esther Meva-Briceno	Sonny Lodi	Jim Slesman
Maggie Kay Carter	Malachi Martin	Owen Van Batavia
Brian Evink	Sean McGaffey	

Thanks for praying for our servicemen; for their safety and for their families.

We need your help: If the status of any of the following military personnel has changed, please inform the office so we can update this list. Thank you!



Awana



Please be in prayer about your role with AWANA at Faithbridge this fall. Leader/Listener registration open on web now.

Kids AWANA Online Registration

www.faithbridgepr.org/events

September 9th - 5-6:30 PM Parent Orientation and
Book Pick-Up in the Fellowship Hall
September 16th - 6:55 PM - First Night of Awana

Note: - Keep your eyes open as you browse clearance aisles for fun/appropriate T&T store items to donate!

Reminder to Parents: Start planning a time each week to help your children learn their Awana Verses!
Parent Participation = Success ☺



Bits and Pieces

We need a Release Time Teacher for a 3rd grade class and 4th grade class. Talk to Tracee (Office) or Pastor Mike for more details. Wednesday afternoons from 1-3:00 PM.

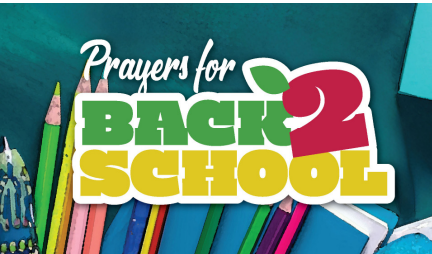


Congratulations to Andrew and Paige Rockensock on the birth of their daughter, Kinsley Rae. She was born on Friday, August 11th and weighed 7# 12 oz. She was welcomed by grandparents Dennis and Teresa Rockensock and Corey and Audra Hill. This dark haired beauty is surrounded by lots of aunts, uncles and cousins!

Phone Number change—Mary Ann Pech 612-802-4445

Linda (Downes) Sinell's husband, David, passed away August 6th from cancer. See Jan for her address, to send a card.

Look for items for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes during September and October.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 9 AM Gym use 3:30 PM Heritage Comm 5 PM Pickleball	2 5:30 PM Chapel use	3 9 AM Gym use 10:30 AM Pickleball 1 PM Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	4 Office Closed Family Camp (4th-7th) - Camp Lebanon	5
6 Communion Sunday 8 AM Worship Service 10 AM Worship Service 10 AM Livestream 4:30 PM Spanish Speaking Svc	7 	8 9 AM Gym use  5 PM Pickleball	9 5 PM AWANA Parents Orientation and Books Night-Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM Chapel use 7 PM FSM Begins - Upper Room	10 9 AM Gym use 10:30 AM Pickleball 1 PM Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	11 Office Closed Dads N Daughters - Camp Lebanon	12 10 AM GriefShare
13 Fall Schedule Begins 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Faith Classes 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Livestream 4:30 PM Spanish Speaking Svc	14 Homeschool use 6 PM Trustee Brd Mtg 7 PM Deacon Brd Mtg	15 9 AM Gym use 5 PM Pickleball	16 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Chapel use 6:55 PM AWANA 7 PM Room to Breathe 7 PM FSM	17 9 AM Gym use 10 AM BSF 10:30 AM Pickleball 1 PM Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	18 Office Closed	19 10 AM GriefShare
20 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Faith Classes 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Livestream 4:30 PM Spanish Speaking Svc	21 Homeschool use 10 AM Mission Circle	22 Fall Senior Day at Camp Lebanon 9 AM Gym use 9:15 AM FaithMoms 5 PM Pickleball	23 5:30 PM Chapel use 6:55 PM AWANA 7 PM Room to Breathe 7 PM FSM	24 9 AM Gym use 10 AM BSF 10:30 AM NO Pickleball 6 PM PRC Pearls of Hope Gala - Gym 1 PM NO Gym use 6 PM Praise Team	25 Office Closed Women's Retreat #1 - Camp Lebanon	26 10 AM GriefShare
27 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Faith Classes 10:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Livestream 4:30 PM Spanish Speaking Svc	28 Homeschool use 11:45 AM Faith Seniors 6:30 PM Missions Team	29 9 AM Gym use 10 AM FaithMoms Gym 5 PM Pickleball	30 5:30 PM Chapel use 6:55 PM AWANA 7 PM Room to Breathe 7 PM FSM	 SEPTEMBER 2026		

*Don't forget to look in your Church
Directory for the September
Birthdays and Anniversaries*

**Library is open on Sunday mornings:
9:00 am - 12:00 pm**



Access to the library is also available during the week when the church office is open. Someone from the office will let you into the library and check out instructions are available.

- **Mounce's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old & New Testament Words** by William D. Mounce -- A comprehensive, accurate dictionary of biblical Greek and Hebrew words, enhancing Bible study for laypeople and pastors alike.
- **An Ordinary Woman's Extraordinary Faith:** The Autobiography of Patricia St. John by Patricia Mary St. John -- Beloved author of "Treasure in the Snow," Patricia St. John relays her time as a missionary nurse and how God used her in other areas of service throughout her life.
- **A Passion for the Impossible: The Life of Lilius Trotter** by Miriam Huffman Rockness -- Biography of Lilius Trotter, a talented 19th-century artist who left her privileged life to minister in Algeria for nearly forty years, befriending Muslims and sharing her faith through art and love.
- **Making Brothers and Sisters Best Friends** by Sarah, Stephen and Grace Mally -- A practical guide that uses humor and personal insights to help siblings transform conflict to friendship, featuring perspectives from three authors.
- **Peril & Peace Volume 1:** Chronicles of the Ancient Church by Mindy & Brandon Withrow -- A captivating journey through the lives of early Christian leaders, unveiling the roots and growth of the church amidst challenges.

Check out the Library Bulletin Board for more story details!



A CALL TO CIRCLE CAMP

Camp Lebanon is asking you to **Circle Camp** in prayer, donations, volunteering, and extending invitations to others.

See how God leads you to “Circle Camp.” Faithbridge Church is one of 20 Member Churches who are part owners in Camp Lebanon. Our responsibilities are to send a representative to the Annual Meeting and participate in Work Day Opportunities.

Check this out...

- ☐ Camp began in 1947 with 46 acres. It now has over 140 acres.
- ☐ Camp Lebanon served nearly 13,000 guests in 2025. That’s an average of 250 guests per week for 52 weeks.
- ☐ Camp’s Food Service produced nearly 100,000 meals in 2025.
- ☐ This year, in addition to Summer Camps, Camp will host 1000 quilters, 750 men’s and women’s event guests, 750 parent/child event guests, 750 family campers, 750 children and youth at Fall and Winter events, and numerous rental groups.
- ☐ In communication with their families and their local churches there have been 45 baptisms this summer.
- ☐ Research is showing Christian Youth and Children’s camps remain one of the most effective environments for evangelism and spiritual growth.

To finish 2026 well and launch into 2027, Camp Lebanon is asking you to



Go to God in Prayer
Intest Financially
Volunteer
Extend an Invitation

Circle Camp Lebanon in prayer! GOAL = 100 Weekly Prayer Warriors.

*You will receive prayer updates, special communications a couple times a year. Pray at least once a week for:

- ☐ Camp Staff and their families.
- ☐ Guests who come to Camp.
- ☐ Camp’s commitment to Biblical truth.
- ☐ Spiritual fruit.
- ☐ Financial support.
- ☐ Growth – spiritually and numerically.

continued

Circle Camp Lebanon financially!

Your timely gift will help meet current needs.

Goal: raise \$300,000 by December 31, 2026.

How many \$50 spots is God leading you to fill?

\$50 Spots Filled Since August 1 = 970

\$50 Spots Remaining = 5030

Circle Camp Lebanon as a volunteer!

- ☐ Volunteers help keep Camp costs down and encourages everyone...the volunteer and the Camp.
- ☐ Paint cabins: Five are completed. Ten still need painting.
- ☐ A variety of grounds and facilities’ projects.
- ☐ Camp Nurses, Fishing Grandparents, Fall Cleanup, and more!

Goal: 100 Volunteer Responses.

Circle Camp Lebanon through invitations!

Invite others to...Pray, Attend an Event, Donate, or Volunteer.

Goal: 100 People Extending Invitations.

to those who are already
 Circling Camp
 with prayers, investments, volunteering, and inviting!
You’re awesome.

Contact to sign up

Kent S. Hannestad - Director of Development and Marketing
kent@camplebanon.org 623-404-1947



Sept. 11-13 - Dads & Daughters

September 22 - Senior Camp Day

Sign-up at Faith Seniors Kiosk in Fellowship Hall

Sept. 24 - 27 - Women’s Retreat #1

October 1- 4 - Women’s Retreat #2

DEACON OF THE MONTH Matt Munson

Matt and Christa have been married for 23 years and are parents to four great boys; William 19, Micah 17, Aden 14, Lewis 6. They have made Faithbridge their church home for 16 years.



Matt grew up in Nevis, MN and graduated from Nevis High School in 2000. He attended Macalester College in St. Paul where he graduated in 2004 with a degree in Computer Science. He and Christa moved back to the Park Rapids area in 2005 where Matt continued working as a carpenter which has since become his career.

"I was raised to know the Lord and have walked with Him since I was a child. " When Matt reflects on his life with Christ, he realizes more the truth that "God is who He says He is: - a loving, sovereign, merciful God who is faithful. He has remained and will remain with me all the days of my life. He is so good! We serve an awesome God!"

A verse that has shaped Matt's walk with Christ is Deuteronomy 8:3-4 "He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know ... that He might make you understand that man does not live on bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord."

Board of Deacons	Ken Osterberg - Chr	Denny Sleen	David Lindquist
	Bud Kading	Drew Maninga	Charlie Schmidgall
	Matt Munson	David Wolff	Steve Criswell



Adult Faith Classes Beginning Sept. 13th

"Begin the Journey" Class With Deacon leadership

"Man Up" Class for Men with Pastor Jeff

Women's Class with Jessica Lange

Prayer Class with John Parks

"Desire to Live More for Jesus" with Dan Kallevig

Watch for more details in the Sunday Bulletin insert on Sept. 6th.



It was a great summer!

FSM Team to Spring Valley Bible Camp, Muscatine, IA



Kids Under Construction VBS



Anniversary Announcement



If you'd like to send a card...

Dave and Verna Cripe
6102 Magnolia Lane #4
Floyds Knob IN 47119

(former Seniors Pastor
at Faithbridge)

Mexico Mission Trip Announcement

Join Mark and Miri Larson...
Tapestries of Life Mission Trip
January 9-16, 2027

An introductory meeting will be held in the Fall for those who are interested in going to Mexico Orphanage. Pray about your participation in this great opportunity.

If you have questions, please talk to Larsons at church or call Miri at 218-255-5043



Compassionate Neighbor Opportunity

Volunteers Needed!

CHI St. Joseph's Health is in need of volunteers to fill the following volunteer opportunities:

- ***Surgery Waiting Area - Patient/Family Assistance** (4 hours a week. Monday afternoon, Wednesday morning or afternoon, & Thursday afternoon)
- ***Gift Shop** (4 hour shifts)
- ***Hospice Volunteers** (as needed)

If you are interested, please call the volunteer office at (218)616-3383, email sonja.day@commonspirit.org, or apply online: chisjh.org/services/volunteer-services/

Pregnancy Resource Center



RSVP to enter
giveaways...

Northwood
Family Getaway
4 nights at Loon's
Nest Resort

Couples Escape
Breezy Point
Getaway +
MN Favorites Basket

Use QR code to
RSVP



30th Anniversary • You're Invited

Pearls of Hope Gala
Every Pearl Tells a Story

Thursday, September 24, 2026
6:00 PM — Social Hour & Hors d'Oeuvres
7:00 – 9:00 PM — Program & Live Music
Faithbridge Church, Park Rapids, MN

Featuring keynote speaker - Pam Stenzel
Suggested attire: Dressy Casual or Cocktail

Reserve your spot at <https://partiful.com/e/jmiNmHjJnJ7DjI6TK2da> . If you have any difficulties registering, call the Pregnancy Resource Center at 218-732-5212.

LISTINGS BELOW ARE COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOT NECESSARILY FBC ENDORSED



Friday, September 25, 2026
4:30 - 7 pm

Support Mentorship!

Funds are used to:

- Recruit mentors
- Make matches with youth
- Support local families
- Support matches
- Conduct regular group activities
- Provide program oversight

- \$15 suggested donation for adults
- Youth portions available for reduced donation

Event Sponsored by:



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Park Rapids American Legion
Otto Hendrickson Post 212
900 1st St E
Park Rapids, MN 56470

Headwaters Center for Lifelong Learning

American Legion 1:00-2:30 PM

Sep. 8 "Writing Historical Fiction"

The challenge of blending factual content with fictional characters.

Sep. 15 "Dr. Delbert Dumas: Guilty or Not?" Northern MN's own Jekyll and Hyde character.

Sep. 22 "Three Old Guys: Snowmobile Adventure #2" 3500 mile ride... MN to Newfoundland

Sep. 29 Part Two: Life in America" Fay Dickey immigrant story



Eastside Church,
Thursdays, 6:30pm

No advance sign-up necessary.
Celebrate Recovery is open to anyone dealing with hurts, hang-ups or habits.



You are invited to join the Crystal Brook Bible Study group on Wednesdays at 2:30 PM.

Ray DeLaurier and Steve Criswell are sharing the leadership.

LIVING AT HOME

218 Industrial Park Rd.



The following events are held there.

Caregiving support group - Monthly, 1st Wednesday from 1:30 - 3:00 PM

An Afternoon Out is for those experiencing memory loss and their caretakers. Thursdays, 1-2:30 PM

SOLOS - 1st Monday of month 10:30-Noon

Parkinson's Caregiver Group meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 PM in the Caregiver Activity Room.

Caregiver Closet - Tues./Wed. 1-3pm / Thurs. 10-noon

Beyer, Danielle (Cody) *Red River Youth for Christ*
Special Projects Coordinator



- We have two (before school) Bible studies and are **praying** for female volunteer(s) so to have both a male and female lead at this location.
- We are starting a new program, Rebalance. This 12-week class runs two hours per week and 2 of our 3 schools have agreed to start it this fall. **Pray** that this goes well and that the third school will agree to this program also.
- We have several juvenile center youth who are waiting on placements or foster families. Please **pray** for equipped placements/loving families to become available to these teens.

Blake, David and Rita *Southeast Asia with Wycliffe*
Management of Bible translation programs.



- **Praise** for safe travels—internationally (Indonesia) and stateside (John Hopkins for Ruby's graduation from Nursing School).
- **Pray** for daughters, Ruby, Laura and Mary for their future plans.
- **Pray** for David and his colleagues as they follow up on August's plans for starting new translation projects in Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines.
- **Praise** for the dedication of the Gospel of Mark, the first Scripture in the Korowai language. **Praise God** for this scripture and **pray** that it will impact hearts of the people.

Borstad, Mike and Sherry *Latin America with Cardón Ministries*
Leadership development by teaching classes and seminars in Latin America (long-distance and on-site).



- Please **pray** especially for the pastors in Cuba and Nicaragua as pressure from the government has increased dramatically on the church since Mike was in Nicaragua last Fall.
- **Pray** for a work of the Spirit in the hearts of the Batesville Hispanic Church for encouragement for those who faithfully serve.
- **Praise** for the 15 Chile students who participated in the OT online teaching in June.

N & J *10/40 Window with IBMGlobal*
Training Nationals to plant healthy churches (Bible college & seminary, internship program, conferences, orphan care).

- **Praise** for the provision of a meeting facility, for believers, for new believers coming to Christ and interns preparing for ministry.
- **Pray** because the stress of dealing with corruption and security for believers is real and difficult. **Pray** that the work of the ministry will go unhindered, be protected spiritually, physically and financially.
- * **Praise** God for safe ministry travel to and from our region.

Note: Anti-Conversion law goes into effect August 28th in their country. Safety of Christians is in jeopardy.