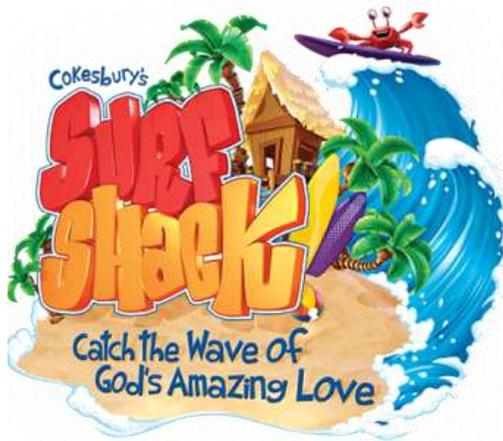




Faith United Methodist Church

432 59th Street

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VBS 2016

July 11-15

See Registration form in this issue
or register on-line at faithchurchdg.org

IMPORTANT DATES

- 7/11-15 Vacation Bible School
- 7/14 Senior Fellowship – Bohemian Crystal – 11:30 AM
- 7/21 JOY Fellowship – 1PM – Library
- 8/11 Senior Fellowship
- 8/18 JOY Fellowship – 1PM - Library

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 9 AM Sunday School for All Ages
- 10 AM Worship Service
- 10 AM Children's Church
- 11:15 AM Fellowship



JULY/AUGUST ECHOES OF FAITH

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Rev. Dr. Charles Insun Yoon
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Rev. Charles Yoon began his life and faith journey in Korea. He was born into a Christian (a Methodist pastor's) family and He was called to ministry during a summer revival retreat when he was a junior in high school. After high school, he entered Methodist Theological Seminary in Seoul to study theology (B. Th.) and continued to study further focusing on church history at the graduate school of Methodist Theological Seminary (M. Th.).

After graduating from the seminary, Rev. Yoon served several churches in Korea. He started his ministry as a local pastor at Yol-Mi Methodist Church in a rural area. Then he served as a pastor of Christian Education at Sung-Eun Methodist Church and an associate pastor at Kum-Ho First Methodist Church in Seoul, Korea. He was ordained at Kyung-Ki Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church in 1992 and became a full-member at Seoul Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church in 1994.

Upon coming to the United States to further his theological training, Rev. Yoon earned his Master of Divinity (M. Div.) degree from Theological School at Drew University in Madison, NJ and continued his academic journey as he earned Master of Philosophy (M. Ph.) degree and Doctor of Philosophy degree (Ph. D.) at Drew University. While he was studying at Drew, he



started a new Korean-American congregation, Mok-Yang Methodist Church in Springfield, NJ and served the church until he was appointed to Prophetstown United Methodist Church in Prophetstown, IL in 2005. During his pastorate at Prophetstown UMC, he transferred his membership from the Korean Methodist Church to the United Methodist Church and became a full member of the Northern Illinois Conference in 2008. Since 2011, he has served as an associate pastor at First United Methodist Church in Crystal Lake, IL.

Rev. Yoon has been serving in several leadership capacities on various church related boards and committees at district, conference, and national levels. He was the chair of the Commission on Archives and History of the Northern Illinois Conference (2012-2016) and a member of the Elgin District Superintendency Committee (2012-2016). He is one of the board directors of the John Wesley Theological Institute, a member of the Historical Society of the United Methodist Church and a member of the John Wesley Theological Society.

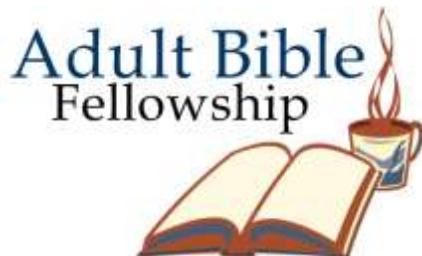
Rev. Yoon's family includes his wife, Esther and his three daughters: Kristine, who will be a junior at Washington University in St. Louis, MO, studying biology (pre-medicine track); Sarah, who will be a freshman at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, planning to study economics; and Eunice, who will be a sophomore at IMSA (Illinois Math and Science Academy) in Aurora, IL.

All-Church Potluck
Sunday, July 10
@ 11:15 AM
Everyone is invited!



Welcome Pastor Charles Yoon and family.

Please bring a dish to share.
Please label your dish and make a notation if there are nuts mixed in.
You may leave your dish in the kitchen and it
will be ready for Fellowship Time.
Thank you.



ABF

9:00-9:45 AM – Youth Room
You can take your coffee to ABF.

Christian Education offers the following class:

“Spiritual Gifts & Callings”

A class for youth, young adults, and adults to hear God’s voice, specifically identify His call on their lives, understand the gifts He has given them, and full their purpose in the local church and also in every area of life on a daily basis.

When: May 29th – August 14th

Where: Youth Room FUMC

Time: 9-9:45 AM

Teacher: Mike Abron



Child Care Schedule

We need many more volunteers!

I want to help: Name _____ Phone _____

SUNDAY	9:00 AM NURSERY	10:00 AM NURSERY	10:00 AM Toddler Room
JULY 3	Christine Fischer	Christine Fischer	Karen Dubinoff
JULY 10	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
JULY 17	Volunteer	Shirley Kendall	Stephanie Necker
JULY 24	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
JULY 31	Volunteer	Volunteer	Elaine Carmichael





Children's Ministry Update - July/August 2016

Matt Gressett, Director of Children's Ministries:
childrensdirector@faithchurchdg.org

I hope everyone enjoyed the puns and other bad Dad Jokes of our Father's Day skit as much as the children enjoyed putting it on. I also hope everyone liked the children's special music for Pastor Duk's retirement. We want to wish him only joy and happiness in the years to come!

Looking ahead, Vacation Bible School is quickly approaching. In fact, it's right around the corner! If you haven't registered your child or children yet, please do so. We've already gotten a few applications, but I imagine there's plenty more of you out there. Registration is quick and simple, and the form can be found on our website. Check it out here: <http://faithchurchdg.org/vbs.html>

I want to thank our Sunday School teachers for their amazing service over the year. However, now that summer is upon us, I'm sure they are looking for a break. If anyone would be interested in helping with Sunday School or leading a class for the summer, please let me know via phone or email. My number is (662)570-9317, and my email is childrensdirector@faithchurchdg.org. If you can't lead a class during the summer but still want to help, we are now looking toward the coming school year and will need teachers then as well.

Finally, I would like to address a concern that has been brought to my attention. I know that in recent weeks the children have been in service quite a bit. Between Mother's Day, communions, a guest pastor, Father's Day, and now Pastor Duk's retirement, they've actually been in service a lot. I'm aware that sometimes they can be antsy or jittery. They like to move around a bit. Sometimes they make some noise. And often they don't fully understand all the customs and liturgy of a service. But I would like to remind all of us of Jesus's words and actions in the Gospel of Mark:

"People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them, and blessed them."
Mark 10:13-16

Jesus was welcoming to ALL children. He did not put any stipulations on which ones were to come to him. He did not say only the children who could sit still and be quiet were allowed to come to him. So I want to posit the question: Are we welcoming the children into the waiting arms of Jesus or are we hindering them? Maybe if we remember that we adults, who too often have a tendency to be a bit stuffy, are to have faith like a child we can better empathize with the wiggling child who doesn't realize her whisper is actually very loud. Or perhaps, instead of being annoyed with the child who doesn't understand the motions of Communion, we can see that as a teachable moment. After all, none of us came into this world knowing how to act in church. We had to learn. So I encourage everyone to let the children come, and let them learn... Because if we don't, if all we do is send them out or discourage them, then when they do come of age, they either still won't know how to act, or worse, they simply won't want to be there or they won't be there.

Peace,

Matt

God Bless Our Graduates!

8th Grade Promotion

Matthew Bair

(Son of Chuck & Rita Bair)
O'Neill Middle School

Matt will attend Downers Grove South High School.

Jordan & Jessie Carlquist

(Grandtwins of Wally & Carol Carlquist)
Thomas Middle School

Jordan & Jessie will attend Hersey High School in
Arlington Heights.

Hannah Ji

(Daughter of Hank & Jenny Ji)
Gregory Middle School

Hannah will attend Neuqua Valley High School.

Emily Lin

(Daughter of Jeff & Elaine Lin)
Kennedy Junior High

Emily will attend Naperville Central High School.

High School Graduates

Natalie Alcantara

(Daughter of Elmer & Rose Alcantara)
Hinsdale South High School

Natalie will attend Elmhurst College.

Garnett Chavez

(Son of Obet & Ruth Chavez)
Bolingbrook High School

Garnett will attend the College of DuPage.

Clark Francisco

(Son of Mar Francisco)
Bolingbrook High School
Clark is joining the Navy.

Lexi Johnson

(Daughter of Tim & Gemma Johnson)
Downers Grove North High School

High School Graduates (continued)

Samantha West

(Granddaughter of Marion Kenney)
Sandwich High School

Samantha will attend the Waubensee Community
College and plans to teach sign language and
be a sign language interpreter.

Higher Education Graduates

Kristen Bair

(Daughter of Chuck & Rita Bair)
Benedictine University

Bachelor of Science in Health Science

Ryan Bielak

(Nephew of Pam Bielak)

Bradley University, Peoria, IL

Bachelor of Science Degree in the College of
Liberal Arts & Sciences

Ryan has applied to teach English in South Korea
for

2 years and is waiting to see if he is accepted.
Then he will return home for Grad school.

Sarah Anne Carlquist

(Granddaughter of Wally & Carol Carlquist)
St. Louis University

Registered Nurse

Sarah plans to do hospital nursing.

Paul Joseph Carlquist

(Grandson of Wally & Carol Carlquist)
Trine University

Bachelor of Science Degree in Biomedical
Engineering

Paul plans to be full-time employed.

Angelia DePante

(Daughter of Albert & Emilene DePante)
North Central College

Bachelor of Arts in Accounting

Angelia plans to work and study for the
CPA license.

Higher Education Graduates (continued)

Tyler Espino

(Grandson of Roy & Lydia Espino)

Elmhurst College

Tyler graduated as Cum Laude, Senior Graduate of the Year, and 2016 College Ambassador from Elmhurst College. Bachelor of Science Major in Accounting and Management. Tyler is the President of his fraternity and member of the Wrestling Team at Elmhurst College.

Jeffrey Francisco

(Son of Efren & Ceferina Francisco)

Chamberlain College of Nursing

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Magna Cum Laude)

Jeff plans to take the board exam and pursue a career to be a nurse anesthetist.

Timothy Allen Hines

(Nephew of Barb Abarro)

University of Illinois

Bachelor in Criminal Justice

Matthew Lueck

(Grandson of Jim & Judy Fox)

Waubensee Community College

Associate Degree in Science

Matt will attend Northern Illinois University.

Lewis Ricci

(Grandson of Willard & Janette Skaer)

Arizona State University

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

(Summa Cum Laude)

Lewis is returning to Arizona State University for Masters Degree.

Blake Sheaks

(Grandson of Betty Sheaks)

University of Kentucky

Masters Degree in Safety & Health

PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES

God of truth and knowledge,
By Your wisdom we are taught the way
and the truth.
Bless these graduates as they now finish
this course of study.
We thank you for those who taught
and worked beside them,
And all who supported them along the way.
Walk with these graduates as they leave
and move forward in life.
Take away their anxiety and
confusion of purpose.
Strengthen their many talents and skills,
Instill in them a confidence
in the future You plan,
Where energies may be gathered up
and used for the good of all people;
For the sake of Jesus Christ.
Amen.



We're Proud of You!



Dear Friends at Faith Church,
 My sister, Shirley Walsh (87) passed away on
 June 13th. Thank you for the many sympathy cards
 I received... Bill Wagner



**Philippine Independence Day
 June 12**

It was a great celebration for us being church members of Faith UMC our Philippine Independence Day, to share the taste of some Filipino food. We thank all who participated sharing their favorite dish. On that special day Rev. Dr. Celestino Cancio, a Pastor in the Philippines, shared his faith and ministries with us. He always tells us to keep in our heart and mind the gospel of Matthew 6:33, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Amen."

Also, we thank everyone celebrating the joy and sadness of Pastor Duk and Myungza Kwon's retirement during our fellowship time. Food was great! Thank you Alvin Madrid and to all who helped prepare and clean up, THANK YOU. GOD BLESS.

Please continue signing up and/or helping in our fellowship. Let us know if you have some questions. We need more people to sign up. As a reminder, the church picnic is getting closer. If anyone has some suggestions like a different date or anything, PLEASE let us know.

Thank you and God bless to all,
 Rose Alcantara, Emma Deguia
 & Ancey Alcantara



Everyone 55 years of age (older and younger) is invited to the Senior Luncheon at:

**Bohemian Crystal Restaurant,
 639 Blackhawk Dr., Westmont,
 Thursday, July 14th at 11:30 a.m.**

If you plan on going, please call Bonnie Gentile at 630-969-3419 so she can include you in the reservation.

If you need a ride to Bohemian Crystal, call Bonnie and she will be happy to arrange for someone to pick you up.

So, until then, take care and God Bless!

**The Downers Grove FISH
 Pantry helps families in need.
 The following items are always
 appreciated:**



- Toilet paper
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Large canned meats (stews, chili, etc.)
- Bars of soap
- Pudding and Jello
- Canned fruit
- Vegetable Soup
- Cereals
- Financial donations

Please bring your donations to Faith Church and place them in the FISH Barrel located in the narthex.



All men are invited to Men's Bible Study & Breakfast on Tuesdays from 6-7AM at Omega Restaurant on Ogden Ave. Study of "Nehemiah" led by Bill Miller.

Parsonage and Restroom Update from the Trustees

As of this writing, some things have been completed. Primarily our parsonage is now ready for our new Pastor. The wallpaper has been removed and a fresh coat of paint has been applied to the kitchen that matches the new tile floor. A new electric range has been installed and the old freezer from the garage has been removed. In the basement the sump pump was reconditioned with a new float switch. Two of the four bedrooms have been painted. This completes the parsonage which is ready for our new Pastor to move in on Friday.



The church's upper restrooms have been completed, except for soap dishes, trash cans, and mirrors. We will install the smaller items as soon as they become available. The lower restrooms have all the tile installed, and as soon as they can be walked on, we will get the stools, urinals, and stalls installed. Once we have the frame installed for the Corian countertops, they will come in and measure it and we hopefully expect delivery in 10 days to two weeks.

As Trustees, we will be glad to see this project finished, as it has placed a tremendous load on us and our families. Thank you for your patience in getting this project done.

JULY-AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

July

- 6 Emiline Alcantara
Steve Howeler
- 7 Winston Lin
- 9 Douglas Carmichael
Terry Paulhus
- 10 Bernadette Wozniak
- 11 Gail Olson
Janette Skaer
Cindy Ayers



- 13 Rudy Gutierrez
Leonard Sukut
- 14 Rose Alcantara
Jackie Madrid
- 16 Christine Fischer
- 19 Mel Gehrs
- 20 Bonnie Russell
- 23 Judy Fox
- 24 Joyce Rosenfeld
- 25 Rosanne Paulhus
- 26 Rupert Mayuga
- 27 Ali Exconde
- 28 Vic Fischer
- 29 Cynthia Pirtle
- 31 Jon Wilcox

August

- 3 Ed Dellongo
- 5 Mia Johnson
- 7 Sharon Moore
Conrado Villanueva
- 8 Ed Exconde
- 9 Naty Alcantara
- 10 Paul Pagulayan
- 12 Esmeraldo Cordova
- 13 Bruce Denby
- 15 Diana Smith
- 16 Marlys Aspel
- 17 Karen Dubinoff
Mirna Mayuga
- 20 Ruth Wolfe
- 22 Hazel Cramer
- 24 Kristine Scherbring
- 28 Pam Bielak
- 30 Renato Francisco
- 31 Harold Whitt
Cely Chavez

For those who are celebrating birthdays during the coming week, their names will be listed in the bulletin and announced during the worship service on Sunday. We have a new tradition. If all the birthday people for that week are present at the Sunday service, the congregation will sing Happy Birthday. We hope you can be present as your birthday is celebrated.



Vacation Bible School 2016

July 11-15, 9:00am-12:00 Noon

Ages: Age 4 thru entering 6th Grade

Cost: \$0 RSVP by July 8

PARENT INFO:

Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

City & State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Phone 2 _____ Email _____

Emergency contact Name and phone number: _____

People allowed to pick up your children & phone number: _____

CHILDREN INFO:

First & Last Name _____ Age ____ Date of Birth _____

Grade in coming year _____ Allergies/Medical Conditions _____

First & Last Name _____ Age ____ Date of Birth _____

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First & Last Name _____ Age ____ Date of Birth _____

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Grade in coming year _____ Allergies/Medical Conditions _____

**To register, please return this completed form:
to the church office in person or mail by July 8th if possible
(Faith United Methodist Church, 432 59th St., Downers Grove, IL 60516)
or email to Matt at childrensdirector@faithchurchdg.org
For any questions, please call the church office at 630-968-0442**

(Please fill out Web Site Photo Release Form on reverse side.)

Faith United Methodist Church

Web Site Photo Release Form

Faith United Methodist Church is utilizing the Internet and the latest technologies through the development of its church web site at faithchurchdg.com. The FUMC web site is primarily used to publish church information for new, current and prospective FUMC members. As such, student photographs and work may be included to highlight church activities and projects.

FUMC would like to ensure that certain web publishing guidelines are being followed in the development of the church web site. For this reason, we require parental or guardian consent for the release of student photographs and work to be published at the FUMC web site.

Web publishing guidelines include:

- The student's full name and other personal information, such as address or telephone number WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED on the Internet.
- Photos of large groups of students may be published on a church web site WITHOUT parental or guardian permission ONLY IF individual students are hard to identify even with full frontal view or one-half or more of the student's face is out of view.
- The identification of students and/or their work in photos will be by grade and/or initials only.

Unless a written statement to the contrary is filed with the Office of FUMC, all students, parents, and guardians give implicit permission and authorization to FUMC to use any photograph of themselves that is taken or is authorized by a FUMC staff member for instructional or promotional purposes. By granting permission, students and their families and guardians release any and all claims against FUMC.

Check one:

- Permission IS granted to use photographs and work of my child on the church web site following the guidelines above.
- Permission IS NOT granted to use photographs and work of my child on the church web site.

Name of Student (please print)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Please return this form to the classroom teacher or FUMC Office:

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www.faithchurchdg.org

Approved by Board of Trustees 1/22/08



VBS 2016

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"Remember that the Lord is great and awesome!" Nehemiah 4:14b

Watusi, Twist, or Surfer Stomp your way to a greater understanding of God's amazing love!

Our VBS Supply Wish List-- **REVISED**

Thank you in advance for your help.

- Bottled water: small, such as 8 oz. and 16 oz.
- Sea shells - small
- Beach items, such as small buckets, beach towels, sand toys (Include your name on anything you want returned after VBS)
- Small paper plates
- Dixie cups
- Paper napkins
- Small Zip bags
- Large bag Fiber Fill – 3 please
- Dollar Store colored markers – 10 pkgs.
- Cheerios* – different flavors
- Crackers – Ritz*
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch*
- Hot dog buns*
- Rice & Corn Chex*
- Pretzels*
- 8 oz. bottled water
- Oyster crackers*
- Lemonade mix
- Pretzel & Gold Fish crackers*
- Apple juice
- Tub cream cheese
- Plain M&Ms
- Canned American cheese
- Raisin bread*
- Block of mild cheddar cheese
- Paper plates
- Small bagels*
- Dixie cups
- Paper napkins
- Zip-Lock bags – sandwich & quart size

* Gluten-Free please

★ Also looking for: 4 more Shepherds