Announcements for Sunday, December 14, 2014

New Announcements

This morning's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Leon Nichols by his family. Leon was the brother-in-law of the pastor.

We welcome our new members joining Faith Church this morning: Ed Jacquet, Mary Kay Jennings, and Susan Myers. Please take a moment to greet these newest members of our church family.

Assisting in Worship this morning are Gabby Nedrow, who carried in the Advent banner, and our newest members of Faith Church, who are lighting the Advent candles.

Mission Fund Update: With the balance of the remaining funds for 2014, the Mission Fund made the following distributions: \$1,000.00 to Project Love, \$500.00 to Claire's Crusade, and \$165.00 each to OCWM, Neighbors in Need, Christmas Fund, One Great Hour of Sharing, and Strengthen the Church. We will ask for requests again in the spring.

Join us at the Homewood Service: At 11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month, Faith provides a brief (30-minute) Protestant worship service for the residents of Homewood, the assisted living facility across Richmond Road. Donna Nedrow, Bert McGrath, Don Post, and Gene McAfee lead the service, but the services are always better when a few additional members of Faith Church attend. The staff and residents of Homewood appreciate this service, so please join us at 11:30 a.m. this Tuesday, December 16th, in the living room of Building Number 2. You'll be glad you did!

Just a reminder that Sunday, December 28th is the final Sunday in 2014. Any contributions that you wish to be counted for 2014 should be placed in the offering plate by this day. Also please note that the end-of-the-year giving statements, including Capital Campaign contributions, will be ready for distribution in mid January. If anyone would like a copy earlier, to catch up on pledges, they should contact the church office.

Please save your old Christmas cards, and any other season cards, for Liz Duncan, who will take them to Breckenridge, where the residents remake them and sell them for the Residents' Comfort Fund.

Previous Announcements

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held today at 12:15 p.m. A limited number of paper copies of the annual report are available today.

Join us for Christmas caroling! Following the annual meeting of the congregation today, we will be caroling to our shut-ins from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. following a special lunch for carolers.

2015 pledge envelopes are available for pick up today.

This year's Giving Tree is up and full of ornaments! Take an ornament, or two, off the tree, purchase the item and place it, unwrapped, under the tree. All items must be new. Donations will be accepted through December 21st. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Eve at Faith: Our family service will be in the sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. There will be a potluck supper in the Social Hall at 6:00 p.m. Please sign up if you are coming. A candlelight service with communion will be in the sanctuary at 8:00 p.m. If you feel you need a ride to attend one or all of these, please speak with Donna Nedrow so we can help to provide transportation for you.

The pastor will take his final week of 2014 vacation from Friday, December 26th, to Friday, January 2nd. For pastoral concerns during that time, contact Donna Nedrow at 440-478-9376. For pastoral emergencies contact the pastor at 216-382-3156.

Music Teacher Oksana Melnychenko invites everyone at Faith to a Christmas Recital in the Social Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 20th. The recital will feature Oksana's students, a number of whom have played for our services. The recital is free and open to the community.