

Announcements for Sunday, December 29, 2013

New Announcements

Christmas Fund Offering: Our congregation has contributed a total of \$273.00 for our Christmas Fund Offering (formerly Veterans of the Cross) for 2013. This money benefits church workers in need of assistance. Thank you to all who contributed.

Ingathering 2013 update: Thanks to everyone at Faith who has contributed to this year's Ingathering Offering. To date, \$1,150.00 has been donated for the New Covenant Lutheran Church hunger center on Hayden Avenue.

Saturday Matinee Group: This Saturday, January 4th, the movie group will go to see **Philomena**. We will meet at the Cedar Lee Theatre for the showtime closest to 5:00 p.m. and have dinner afterwards. Please check the paper on January 4th for the time of the movie. You can call Jill Dugovics at 440-449-7832 if you have any questions about the time or the event. All are welcome.

Faith Seniors will be meeting on Tuesday, January 14th, at 1:00 p.m. at the church. Forget about the January cold and join us. We will be having a Game Day. Please bring games to share with one another. All are welcome. Please come.

Previous Announcements

2014 pledge envelopes are available for pick up today.

Just a reminder that today, Sunday, December 29th is the final Sunday in 2013. Any contributions that you wish to be counted for 2013 should be placed in the offering plate by today. Also please note that the end-of-the-year giving statements, including Capital Campaign contributions, will be ready for distribution in mid January.

Paths of Righteousness: When the 14th Dalai Lama and a whole generation of highly accomplished teachers from Tibet became refugees in the late 1950s, they brought with them a unique tradition for the systematic construction of a Spirit-filled life. These eight Sunday morning sessions, beginning on January 5th, will provide a very abbreviated introduction to the use of this "spiritual technology" to build a progressively wider and deeper understanding and practice of both Buddhist and Christian precepts. This class will be facilitated by Jim Christensen.

Update on Bill Ritchey: As many at Faith already know, Bill Ritchey has been recovering from surgery, first at Hillcrest Hospital, then at the Rehabilitation Center of Euclid Hospital, and, since Wednesday, December 11th, at Homewood Residence (Building 3, Room 101, 3 Homewood Way, Richmond Heights, OH 44143; 216-291-3803). Please keep Bill and Mary Ellen and their family in your prayers, and Bill would love to hear from you. Cards and phone calls are always welcome -- better yet, drop by and say hello in person!

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.