

## Announcements for Sunday, July 6, 2014

### New Announcements

**Faith Church is grateful to everyone who has contributed gifts in memory of Mary Ellen and Bill Ritchey.** To date, \$635.00 has been received in memory of Mary Ellen, and \$545.00 has been received in memory of Bill. Please remember the Ritchey and Galambush families as they continue to mourn the passing of these loved ones.

**Faith Church Preschool** would like to thank Liz Duncan for her generous donation to provide a large new living space and storage for the school's pet guinea pig, Jack. The new set up is located next to the library. Please come take a look. We are very excited for Jack. Thank you very much Liz.

**The Faith Midweek Intergenerational "Like Living Stones" Program is this Wednesday, July 9th at Faith:** Bring your own dinner at 6:00 p.m., and the program starts at 6:35 p.m. Stones? Living? Join members and friends of Faith Church as we explore biblical stones and stone metaphors. Who is the Rock of your salvation? At Faith UCC, we learn together with activities for the entire group, as well as options for younger folks.

**The Faith Reading Group** will have no discussion due to summer break for the date of Wednesday, August 6th. We will discuss *The Smartest Kids in the World: And How They Got That Way* by Amanda Ripley (non-fiction, 320 pages) on Wednesday, September 3rd, starting with coffee in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m. followed by discussion at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Please come.

### Previous Announcements

**We rejoice with Art and Pat Bacon over the birth of their newest granddaughter, Gwendolyn Catherine Bacon,** who was born on June 20th to Chet and Meg Bacon. Gwendolyn, who was 20 inches long and weighed eight pounds and one ounce at her birth, is the sister of Allyson and Willow. Please remember the Bacon family in your prayers at this special time in their lives.

**Faith Seniors Lunch:** on Wednesday, July 16th, at 12:00 Noon, Rev. Gene has invited the seniors to his home, 1089 Avondale Road (corner of Avondale and Adrian Roads), for one of his specialty lunches. Please sign up across from the kitchen by today.

**Join us after church on July 13th for a birthday potluck lunch** to celebrate birthdays in June, July, and August (including Bill Polkon's 99th!). The church will provide meat, bread, and drink to go with your side dishes. **Please sign up opposite the kitchen by July 7th** so we know how much food to prepare. The pastor will be happy to answer any questions.

**"Myths and Realities about Hunger -- a Dialogue"** will be the sermon offered by Rick Lorentz and Gene McAfee during worship on Sunday, July 13th, at 9:30 a.m. This special sermon is the outgrowth of Rick and Gene's participation in Bread for the World's Annual Gathering and Lobby Day in Washington, DC, in June. Please invite friends to join you for this special dialogue sermon.

**Save the date for the July Women's Event - Thursday, July 17th:** We'll enjoy harmony in the great outdoors at the Mayfield Village Grove amphitheater, listening to the Sweet Adelines and Johnnycake Ridge Barbershop Quartet. Bring a bag supper and a blanket or lawn chair and meet at the Grove at 6:30 p.m. or meet at the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. to carpool there. See the bulletin board to sign up and for directions. See Gail Yusko or Mary Ober with questions.

**Is marriage equality important to you?** If so, you are invited to a conversation with the Rev. Dr. Rita Root, our Associations General Minister, other members of our denomination, and representatives from Equality Ohio on Monday, July 21st, from 10 a.m. until noon in the Pilgrim Hall (lower level) of the Brecksville United Church of Christ (23 Public Square, Brecksville 44141). This conversation will also include the possibility of forming a Prophetic Witness Team to work for marriage equality for all in Ohio. **Please RSVP to Brecksville UCC (440-526-4364) by Monday, July 14th.**