

Announcements for Sunday, June 8, 2014

New Announcements

With great joy, we welcome into the faith and family of the Christian church **Kayden and Kylen Frank**, sons of Cindy and Tim Pokorny, grandsons of Pat Frank, and nephews of Diane Frank. Please welcome Kayden, Kylen and their family to Faith church with your prayers and Christian love.

We remember with thanksgiving the Christian life and witness of **Bill Ritchey**, who died peacefully in his sleep, with his family at his side, on the afternoon of June 1st. Bill had been ill for some months and was at The Greens skilled nursing facility in Lyndhurst.

Calling hours will be from 2-4 p.m. on Friday, June 20th, at Fioritto Funeral Home (5236 Mayfield Rd., Lyndhurst, 44124), and a **memorial service for Bill, followed by a simple reception, will be held here at Faith at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 21st.** Please keep all of Bill's and Mary Ellen's family in your prayers, and condolences may be sent to the family in care of Mark and Gail Ritchey, 19991 Uppervalley Dr., Euclid, OH 44117.

Rick Lorentz and Gene McAfee will be attending a special 40th-anniversary Lobby Day for Bread for the World in Washington, DC from June 8-11th. Lobby Day is an opportunity for us to meet with our elected officials to remind them of the need for our food aid resources to be used wisely and compassionately. Rick has attended Lobby Day on behalf of our church for a number of years; this will be Gene's first trip. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel and work on behalf of the poor and vulnerable.

The Faith Midweek Intergenerational "Like Living Stones" Program is this Wednesday, June 11th 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 meet on Wednesday, July 2nd, to discuss *May the Road Rise Up to Meet You* by Peter Troy (512 pages). Meet in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m. for refreshments. Discussion starts at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

PORTRAITS OF HOMELESSNESS: Portraits of Homelessness, featuring 47 photographs and stories of residents from Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry's Men's Shelter in Cleveland, will be on display at Messiah Lutheran Church from June 3 through June 30, 2014. While on staff at the shelter, Lydia Bailey wrote the stories and took the photographs of those who pass through the shelter. Bailey's intent is to bring the experiences of the men to life thereby raising awareness about homelessness. The collection has traveled throughout our region, including Columbus, OH and Washington, DC since 2010. A forum on homelessness will be held at Messiah, Sunday, June 15 at 9:45, including shelter residents, LMM Director Michael Sering, and artist, Lydia Bailey. Messiah Lutheran is open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except for Wednesdays.

Previous Announcements

Summer at Faith: Our summer schedule at Faith is lighter and more relaxed than our schedule during the months from September through May. Our educational program takes a vacation, and worship moves from 10:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., followed by a brief social time. **Please mark your calendars for this schedule change, which begins on June 15th, 2014.**

Faith Seniors will be meeting this Tuesday, June 10th, at 1:00 p.m. at the church. It will be a Hats and Afternoon Tea Program. Please bring a decorated hat and enjoy an afternoon tea. All are welcome. Please come.

Join us for Pride! Faith will again have a tent and table at the Gay Pride Festival this year to be held on Saturday, June 28th. It will be at Voinovich Park, located at the end of East Ninth Street behind the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. We are looking for volunteers to staff our table and hand out information on Faith and the UCC from noon until 7:00 p.m. Please sign-up on the sheet across from the kitchen. For anybody who has ever "worked" our table at the Festival, you know it's a really fun time, and please see Mary or Ron Ober for more information.