

Announcements for Sunday, March 26, 2017

New Announcements

Easter Flower order forms are located at the literature rack by the entrance to the sanctuary. Orders are due by Sunday, April 2nd.

Saturday Matinee Group: Watch next Friday's emailed announcements for the name, time, and location of the movie for Saturday, April 1st.

Previous Announcements

Caring for creation one Great Lake at a time: Both of Ohio's senators have expressed their concern of the proposal to reduce federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative by 97% for the coming year. This funding has been essential for restoring the damage done to the Great Lakes, including Lake Erie, by careless human activity. If you would like to support our senators in their efforts to maintain current funding for this unique part of God's creation, you may submit a letter via their websites or by phoning their offices. This matter of environmental stewardship was discussed at our midweek Lenten program recently. A sample letter, courtesy of Jim Christensen, might say: Dear Senator xxx. Thank you for joining your colleagues on the Great Lakes Task Force in supporting full funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, which is vital to your constituents here on the North Coast. Please continue to monitor carefully the progress of this funding throughout the budgeting process. Websites: Sen. Portman: <https://www.portman.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/contact-form>
Sen. Brown: <https://www.brown.senate.gov/contact/email>
DC telephone numbers: Sen. Portman: 202-224-3353
Sen. Brown: 202-224-2315.

Loaves and Fishes Meal is scheduled for Friday, March 31st. Volunteers are needed for cooking and serving. We will be cooking at Faith this Thursday, March 30th, at 1:00 p.m. We will car pool and leave Faith at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, March 31st. If you can help, please contact Kathy Lorentz at 440-461-3219 or email her lorentzka@aol.com.

Our thanks to Alicia Bruscino, Sarah Harris, Kelly Holtz, Leslie Huston, and Donna Nedrow who are Faith's Sixtieth Anniversary Committee! With the pastor, they will be developing plans to celebrate our sixtieth birthday as a congregation, so please share with them any ideas you have for this upcoming celebration -- and thank them for their service to Faith Church.

The Highland Heights Green Task Force for Wednesday, April 5th, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Highland Heights Community Center, 5827 Highland Road will have Luka Papalko from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and will be presenting on all things utilities: Energy Choice, NOPEC, consumer protection tips, energy efficiency tips and much, much more. Bring your bills and any questions, complaints, concerns you have with your current utility services. A flyer concerning this meeting is posted in the hallway.

The Cleveland and Northern Ohio Chapter of CAIR -- the Council on American-Islamic Relations -- is holding its fifteenth annual gala and civil rights banquet on Saturday, April 1st, from 4-10 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Embassy Suites Rockside (5800 Rockside Woods Blvd., Independence 44131). The theme of this year's gala is "Uniting America: Building Bridges, Not Walls!" Tickets are \$50 each, and scholarships are available for anyone who wishes to represent Faith Church at this event (which Kimberly Whitney has attended, as one of our denominational representatives, in the past). Phone 216-830-2247 to order tickets, and contact the church office for scholarship assistance.

Faith Friends program titled **They Came from Cleveland** with Dennis R. Sutcliffe which was scheduled for Tuesday, March 14th, has been rescheduled, due to the weather, for Tuesday, September 12th, at 1:00 p.m. at Faith Church. Please mark your calendar.