

## Announcements for Sunday, May 28, 2017

### New Announcements

**Please keep the family of Merle Sundheimer in your prayers** following Merle's death on May 24th. Merle and his wife, Sue Georges, were longtime members of Faith Church prior to their relocation to Twinsburg. Condolences may be sent to Sue at 9890 Country Club Circle, Twinsburg, OH 44087.

**To my wonderful church family,** I'm overwhelmed by your wonderful caring show of love during my recent surgery and recovery. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your love and support. -- Sheila Marcus

**From Anne Pillot, Coordinator of the Community Meals program in which Faith participates through Loaves and Fishes:** Dear Dr. McAfee, Thank you for the \$500 contribution made by Faith UCC this month to the Community Meals Program. At our recent meeting of congregation leaders, we noted that Faith UCC has been serving meals as a member of the program for 23 years! That dedication is remarkable and much appreciated by our meal guests. During my visits, guests often talk about how glad they are for everyone's work, delicious menus and kindness; they recognize the effort that goes into each meal. This program has always been about feeding body and spirit, and is exemplified by your group's commitment. Thank you! Please convey the gratitude of the Meals Program with the Faith UCC congregation for this donation. **Special thanks to Kathy Lorentz, who has coordinated our Loaves and Fishes program for more than two decades,** as well as all the volunteers who bake desserts, shop for the meal, cook, deliver, and serve the meal downtown. This is an important part of our church's mission work and it matters in the lives of our community members.

**Saturday Matinee Group:** Watch next Friday's emailed announcements for the name, time, and location of the movie for Saturday, June 3rd.

**The Strengthen the Church Offering** will be collected on Sunday, June 11th. "Invest in the future of Christianity" is the theme of the Strengthen the Church Offering. An envelope for your donation will be in the bulletin that Sunday.

### Previous Announcements

**Thank you, Volunteers!** To thank everyone who has volunteered for Faith Church this past year, the church staff will be hosting Social Time today, Sunday, May 28th. Please join us and accept our thanks for your service to Faith.

**Social Time Hosts:** Since our Preschool does not need the Social Hall for gym during the summer months, it is not necessary to take down the tables and chairs after Social Time through Sunday, August 20th.

**Would you like a green burial? When your present life has ended, do you wish for your body to be returned to the elements from which it came, in the most environmentally responsible way possible? If so, join us on Saturday, June 10th, when we will tour Foxfield Preserve, Ohio's first natural burial cemetery, in Wilmot, Ohio.** We will carpool from Faith's parking lot at 10:00 a.m., arriving at the Amish Door Restaurant in Wilmot for lunch at approximately 11:30 a.m. Our guided tour of and information session about Foxfield is scheduled from 2 - 4 p.m., and we will be back at Faith by approximately 5:30 p.m. The only cost is for lunch, a fuel donation for those who drive, and any donation you would wish to make to the Wilderness Center, the nonprofit nature center and land conservancy that operates Foxfield. Please sign up by the end of church on Sunday, June 4th, and see the pastor or Donna Nedrow if you have any questions.

**Faith Friends** will be enjoying lunch at Reverend Gene's home (1089 Avondale Road, South Euclid) on Thursday, June 8th, at 12:00 noon. In order for him to know how many people to prepare lunch for, please sign the sheet opposite the kitchen by the end of church on Sunday, June 4th. Donations will be taken at lunch.

**The church is invited** to an open house party to celebrate David Nedrow's High School Graduation. The date is Saturday, June 17th. The time is from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. It will take place at the Nedrow home, 14333 Radcliffe Road, Chardon 44024. RSVPS regrets only to Donna Nedrow at 440-478-9376.

**Minutes from the April 30th, 2017 meeting of the congregation are available** on the church website at <https://sites.google.com/site/faithuccmembers/mlc-minutes>, second from the bottom of the list, with the file name "20170430CongregationalMeetingMinutes-Draft.pdf". If anyone has trouble accessing that document, please send an email requesting access to webmaster Jim Christensen at [webmaster@faithuccrhoh.org](mailto:webmaster@faithuccrhoh.org). Copies of the minutes are also available in the church office and opposite the church kitchen. **Members of the congregation are asked to read these minutes prior to our next meeting, which will be after worship on Sunday, Aug. 13th.** Corrections to those minutes may be made at the meeting.