

Announcements for Sunday, November 2, 2014

New Announcements

Our Italian Dinner Fundraiser was held last Saturday and was a big success! Seventy people attended for dinner – both members and their guests – and there were forty-five silent auction items for sale. In addition, there were take-home entrees and soup, as well as some donations. After expenses, we made \$2,815.00!! A donation of \$500.00 will be made to the Cleveland Food Bank, and the rest will go toward the budget deficit. Thanks to all who donated and/or attended, and everybody who worked on the event, especially our cook, Kathy Lorentz. – Gail Yusko

Bread for the World Sunday: Thank you to everyone who contributed to Bread Sunday. The total amount received was \$544.00.

If anyone would like to borrow the documentary on hunger and poverty, "A Place at the Table," portions of which we recently screened as part of Bread Sunday, they are welcome to do so by contacting the church office. Hear more of the stories of Rosie, Tremonica, Barbie, and others, as well as learn more about the reality of hunger in America, as we as a congregation continue to work for justice and peace in this important area.

The Faith Reading Group will meet this Wednesday, November 5th, to discuss *What We Talk About When We Talk About God* by Rob Bell. Meet in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m. for refreshments. Discussion starts at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Please come.

Join Women of Faith on Friday, November 21st, for dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Please sign up across from the kitchen. A donation of a salad or a dessert is requested. All women are invited, as are your guests.

Ministry Chairs, please remember that the annual report for your ministry is due, by email, to Bob Goss (office@faithucrrhoh.org) in the church office by **Friday, November 21st.**

General Synod is coming to Cleveland! The biennial national gathering of our denomination, General Synod, is being held in Cleveland on June 26-30, 2015. Having GS in our hometown is a great opportunity to participate in the life of the church in its national setting, and a number of Faith folks have participated in General Synods in the past (most recently in Hartford, CT, in 2005, and in Grand Rapids, MI, in 2009). The Ohio Conference is organizing the many volunteers from local congregations who will be needed to welcome and assist the more than 4,000 delegates and visitors to the Cleveland Convention Center next June. **Volunteers receive a discount on their Synod registration fee, so please sign up to be a volunteer before registering for Synod!** Go to <http://www.ucc.org/synod/> and scroll down to the "Ohio Conf. Volunteers" tab to sign up, and then register for a great time at Synod!

Areas of our parking lot have become uneven due to tree roots, so please exercise particular care as you approach the church from the north (lower) side of the tree island in the parking lot. **If possible, avoid walking near the Reserved Parking areas,** as these spots are where the tree roots are most prominent. A long-term remedy for this problem is part of our three-year capital campaign. In the meantime, please be mindful as you traverse the parking lot, especially as inclement weather approaches.

Previous Announcements

Sarah Elizabeth Peck and George Leo Simms invite the members and friends of the Faith Church family to their wedding ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 9th, at 2:30 p.m., here at Faith. They lovingly welcome your presence and support. Sarah is the daughter of Candy and Steve Peck, and all are longtime members of this congregation.

Faith Seniors will be meeting on Tuesday, November 11th, at 1:00 p.m. at the church. Our discussion will revolve around becoming a source of encouragement for our active military so that they can engage with seniors who care for them. All are welcome. Please come.

Join Faith Church Preschool for their First Annual Chili Cook Off on Thursday, November 6th. Sign up to donate or just come for an inexpensive dinner. Participants will be given one free adult entry to the event. Sign up at the bulletin board outside the Social Hall.