

## Announcements for Sunday, October 11, 2015

### New Announcements

**The altar flowers this morning** are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Patrick McEvoy Cromwell, whose memorial service is tomorrow. Mac was a longtime friend of the pastor and the grandfather of Eleanor Skinner Speers, one of Gene's goddaughters.

**Stewardship Campaign** - A Message from Ken Vogt, Chair; Today marks the official end of the Stewardship Campaign for fiscal year 2016. The pledge cards that you received with Gene's letter will be collected today. I have had inquiries from a couple of members asking what they should increase their pledge by. Ideally it would be great if we all could tithe, but that is not possible for everyone. What it comes down to is personal choice. What are you able to pledge to the life of the church? The current rate of inflation through August 31st is 0.2%. So the rate of inflation + 2, 3, 4, or 5 percent would be a step in the right direction of sustaining /maintaining the church and the programs within the church - Sunday School, Choir, the church grounds, etc. Our Finance Ministry and the Budget Committee will soon be working on the budget that will be presented to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on December 13th. The MLC, Stewardship Committee, and the Budget Committee would really appreciate it if you could **please have your pledge cards turned in no later than Sunday, October 25th.** Thank you to everyone for your prayerful consideration of your pledge for 2016.

**Second Sunday Of Our October Fair:** Today, we will have the following ministries and groups at coffee hour available to explain their mission or activity.

Buildings and Grounds  
Prayer Squares  
Prayer Team  
Finance Ministry  
Movie Group  
Loaves and Fishes  
Stewardship

The primary purpose of the October Fair is to let members of Faith know about the various activities and ministries available to them. This is not necessarily a recruiting event. Please take a few minutes at Coffee Hour to familiarize yourself with the multitude of opportunities offered by these groups to make your membership in our church a more fulfilling and rewarding experience.

**Pray, Act, Give to End Hunger: Bread Sunday 2015.** Faith Church is a Bread for the World Covenant Church, and on Oct. 25th we will join with our partner communities of faith around the world to further the work of ending hunger in Christ's name. **Rick Lorentz, Coordinator of our Bread Team, will bring the morning's message and lead our worship that Sunday.** An envelope will be available in the bulletin for those who wish to make a special donation to Bread's work. Please join us for that special service.

All members of Faith Church are invited to the **Eastern Ohio and Western Reserve Associations 2015 Joint Annual Meeting**, Saturday, October 31st, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at The Federated Church Family Life Center (16349 Chillicothe Road, Chagrin Falls 44023). Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Rita Root will open God's Word for us. Following worship, we'll attend to business and hear from some of our ministry partners. Then professor, pastor, writer, and our theologian-in-residence Jan Linn will lead us in exploring God's Continuing Testament in our local congregations and associations. Register by Friday, October 16th, by contacting the Faith Church office.

**Loaves and Fishes Meal** is scheduled for Friday, October 30th. Volunteers are needed for shopping, cooking, baking, and serving. We will car pool and leave Faith at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, October 30th. If you can help, please contact Kathy Lorentz at 440-461-3219 or email her at [lorentzka@aol.com](mailto:lorentzka@aol.com).

**Do you buy food for Faith? If so, please shop at Gordon Food Service whenever possible.** In addition to lower prices, GFS offers a shopping-rewards program for non-profits like Faith. Whenever you buy food or food supplies for Faith -- for the Women's Group, for Loaves and Fishes, for a special breakfast or lunch -- you can ask that the reward points from your purchase be credited to Faith UCC in Richmond Heights. Those points translate into real savings for Faith! Please remember GFS (two locations -- South Euclid and Mentor) when you need to shop for food for Faith.

**The Faith Reading Group** will meet on Wednesday, November 4th, to discuss Anthony Doerr's *All the Light We Cannot See*. Coffee in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m., discussion in the parlor at 7:30 p.m. Please come.

### Previous Announcement

**Faith Church Preschool** is having a Movie Night featuring *Monsters Inc.* on Friday, October 16th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall at a cost of \$3.00 in advance or \$4.00 at the door. Come enjoy an affordable family night out with food, friends, and fun. Please bring a pillow and blanket. Pizza, popcorn, drinks, and candy will be available at \$1.00 each.