

New Announcements

We welcome to the pulpit of Faith Church this morning Ms. Judith Campbell, who, with her husband, David, is a member of Bainbridge Community UCC. A retired English teacher, Judith has studied with Gene McAfee in the WRA Lay School, and has preached for her home congregation on numerous occasions. We are grateful for her service to Faith this morning, and it is our delight to welcome Judith today!

New Adult Sunday School class starts next Sunday, September 8th, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor. The Gospel of Matthew, eight Sunday mornings from September 8th to October 27th led by Pat Bacon. An opportunity to spend time with Matthew's Jesus and to hear the "warning of opportunity." Get your book today from Pat before or after Worship to prepare for the first session next Sunday.

The Faith Reading Group will discuss G. K. Chesterton's *The Man Who Was Thursday* this Wednesday, September 4th, starting with coffee in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m. followed by discussion at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Matinee Group: This Saturday, September 7th, the movie group will go to see **The Butler**. We will meet at the Atlas Cinemas (formerly Phoenix Theaters), at the Eastgate Shopping Center, for the showtime closest to 5:00 p.m. and have dinner afterwards. Please check the paper on September 7th for the time of the movie. You can call Jill Dugovics at 440-449-7832 if you have any questions about the time or the event. All are welcome.

Women of Faith: The Women's Ministry is having a potluck dinner on Friday, September 20th, at 6:00 p.m. It is an all inclusive Women of Faith event. It is similar to the mother/daughter banquet, but more inclusive and welcoming new friends. The sign-up sheet is across from the kitchen. Please bring a salad/dessert to share.

Transporting Fran: As we switch back to fall church services, Ray Hein's schedule goes back to teaching Sunday School. Therefore, the need again arises for folks to transport Frances Olhava back and forth from Homewood (across the road). Please make any arrangements with Lou Hein for either a regular stint or an emergency last minute Sunday when you can help. We hate to see her miss services because of a lack of drivers, especially when it's such a short distance. Lou will set up a schedule and follow up with you. Please call her with a list of times you can help at 440-223-8335.

The Roof Capital Campaign, as discussed and voted on at the August 11th Congregational meeting, has begun. The goal of the Capital Campaign shall be to raise \$42,000 within a multiyear period, with the immediate goal of raising \$10,500 (1/4 of the total amount) within a four month period. Repairs to be undertaken are:

- Removal of the existing cement shingles and underlayment on the sanctuary roof.
- Repair of deteriorated subroofing, soffits, fascia, and gutters.
- Installation of new underlayment and asphalt shingles on the sanctuary roof.

If you are able to contribute now as the initial \$10,500 commitment required to start the project, please mark your checks as "Roof Capital Campaign". All the contributions to the Campaign will be held separate from the general funds of the church and will be used only towards the capital improvements outlined above. The annual giving statements will reflect these donations. Contact Kathy Lorentz or Ron Ober if you have any questions.

Faith's music ministry is expanding to provide new opportunities for members of the congregation to participate on an occasional basis all year long, with once-a-month changes to both the handbell and adult voice choir schedules. All rehearsals will remain on Thursdays. On the **first Thursday** of the month (beginning Sept. 5th), we will have a "**Handbell Break-Out**" evening, at the usual bell rehearsal time (6:45-7:30 p.m.), open to anyone in the congregation who would like to be involved in playing handbells with hymns, in a small group, or perhaps as a substitute ringer. The **third Thursday** of the month will have a change in the adult voice choir schedule, to be called simply "Third Thursdays." On "**Third Thursdays**," (from Sept. 19th) the adult voice choir time (7:30-9:00 p.m.), will be set aside for small vocal or instrumental ensembles to meet and practice selections for special worship music. All are welcome, and I will be happy to help organize groups, solos, etc. Please see or contact Mary Ober, Faith's Music Director, with any questions (msb.ober@gmail.com or 440-339-7386 cell).

Attention College Students: Please give Karen your new address and preferred email address.

Faith Seniors will be visiting an Amish farm for a 1:00 p.m. dinner on Tuesday, September 10th. Meet at the church at 11:45 a.m. to car pool. The cost is \$18.00. Reservations are being taken by Liz Duncan.

Kitchen update from Lou Hein: There has been purchased some disposable vinyl gloves for the kitchen. In order to protect consumers please use them when handling food.