

New Announcements

Good news regarding our Capital Campaign: Faith Church committed itself, at its August 11th meeting, to raising \$10,500 to launch its \$42,000 Capital Campaign to replace the sanctuary roof. To date, \$11,910 has been given from 20 donors, bringing us to our first goal in less than one month. This in-hand cash will allow us to begin the process of repairing the roof before inclement weather sets in. Thanks to everyone who has responded so promptly and generously so far – we're on our way!

Fifth Sunday Offering: There will be no Fifth Sunday offering this month. The offering for December has also been cancelled. MLC has decided that while the initial stage of the capital fund campaign is underway, we should focus all of our efforts towards that goal. If there are any questions, please see Ron Ober.

Greenwood Farm 5th Annual "Family Fall Fun Fest at the Farm" is being held on Saturday, September 21st, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Greenwood Farm, 264 Richmond Road. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a fun fall afternoon at the farm, featuring house and grounds tours, guided creek walks, hayrides, eco-demonstrations, classic car and antique farm equipment display. Live entertainment featuring RHHS Choir at 1:15 p.m., Bedford Concert Band at 2:30 p.m., and the band Reflection at 3:45 p.m. and special guest Cleveland Metroparks Historical Interpreter Foster Brown from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Food for sale provided by Old Carolina BBQ. Admission to the fun fest is free, though a \$2.00 per person donation for touring the house is gladly accepted. All proceeds benefit Greenwood Farm. Check www.greenwoodfarmassn.org for more details.

Mark your calendars for Sunday October 6th: Faith UCC will be celebrating 10 years with Rev. Gene McAfee. We will have a guest preacher this Sunday, along with a pot luck lunch following worship. Please sign up for the pot luck lunch on the bulletin board so we know how many to set up for. We request that you make a casserole of your choice of something from the old Faith Church Cook Book. If you have any questions please see a member of the celebration service committee: Gail Yusko, Ron Ober, Mary Ober, or Donna Nedrow.

Come to the 12th Annual Armenian Food Festival and Bazaar at St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church, 678 Richmond Road. The dates and times are: Fri., Oct. 4th, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Sat., Oct. 5th, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sun., Oct. 6th, from Noon to 5:00 p.m. More information on the bulletin board.

Women of Faith: The Women will celebrate "Back to School" on Friday, September 20th, at 6:30 p.m. We'll have a favorite school meal of pizza and salad, share our pictures and memories from high school, and have a presentation by Mary Galey from Faith Preschool. The sign-up sheet is across from the kitchen. Please bring: One salad bar ingredient (veggies, nuts, croutons, etc). Lettuce and dressing will be provided. Your high school yearbook or picture of yourself from high school and a memory to share. A gift card or cash donation for Faith Preschool to Target, Giant Eagle, Dave's Market, Lakeshore Learning, or Pet Supplies Plus. The preschool can use these for snacks, educational items, and supplies for pet hamster/gerbil. All Faith women and guest friends are welcome. Contact Nancy Jacquet or Gail Yusko if you have any questions.

Stewardship Campaign 2013: the ongoing financial needs of Faith Church are met by the financial stewardship of our members, and this year's stewardship campaign will start on Sunday, September 22nd. Margaret Mills, Associate Association Minister for Stewardship, will be our special guest on Sunday, October 6th, and pledges for 2014 will be received during worship on October 13th. Please see Ken Vogt (chair), Rose McIntyre, Marilyn Wilson, or Gail Yusko, the members of our Stewardship Ministry, if you have any questions about this year's campaign.

The Faith Reading Group will discuss Kazuo Ishiguro's *Never Let Me Go* on Wednesday, October 2nd, starting with coffee in the kitchen at 7:00 p.m. followed by discussion at 7:30 p.m.

The Cleveland Ecumenical Institute for Religious Studies, is offering a variety of courses during its fall term, which begins Sept. 18th (e.g., Treating the Whole Person, Preaching the Word for Our Time, Can We Talk about Race?, Religion, Zeal and Violence, Coming Home, and The Compassionate Heart). See their poster on the bulletin board for more information.

Members of Faith Church are invited to a forum on sustainability, free trade, and environmentally-sustainable practices for congregations and other community organizations on Monday, September 30th at 7 p.m. at Franklin Circle Christian Church, 1688 Fulton Rd., Cleveland, Ohio 44113. It is being led by leaders from Heights Christian Church, Lakewood Christian Church, as well as Franklin Circle Church. The event is free and refreshments will be provided. For more information call 216-781-8232.