

November 2011

Senior Pastor: Bradford G. Olson Associate: Rick Tettau, Deacon
Preschool Director: Lee Rose

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:00 (Traditional in Sanctuary)
9:45 (Praise Celebration in Community Center)
9:45 & 11:00 Sunday School

Worship Notes

November 6

Communion

“Time is a Gift from God”

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Pastor Rick

November 13

Coins

U.M.W. Sunday – Speaker,
Barb Thompson

November 20

Thanksgiving Sunday

“Have You Ever Seen Jesus”

Matthew 25:31-46

Pastor Brad

November 27

First Sunday of Advent

“Symbols of Christmas:

The Candy Cane”

Pastor Brad

Oct. 2	287	76
Oct. 9	278	94
Oct. 16	246	70

From Pastor Brad

I am no prophet, but I am trying to look forward. Several weeks ago, at our combined service, I outlined some of the things that I think we as a church can be looking forward to in the coming year. I would like to take the next couple of minutes to keep them before us, in hopes that if you have questions or comments, you will continue the conversation. They were:

First, a renewed emphasis on prayer. Pray for those things that you are aware of. Pray for those people you know who have joys or concerns. Pray specifically for Faith Community UMC. Pray with gratitude for those things that go well. Pray that God will redeem those things that don't go so well.

We have a team of people that is being formed to “prayer walk” though the building. If you would like to know more, I'm available to tell you more.

Sunday Participation

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(Pastor Brad)

Second, children are a really important part of our church. Everybody is important, but our children are especially important. As you know, this is a time of transition for our Director of Christian Education. Jeanne Mills will be starting out in this role (see related article). I have a feeling that God is going to do great things through her.

Third, we are a part of The Bishop's Consultation Process. We have been chosen as one of 10 churches in the Conference that The Bishop believes have the potential for great things to happen, and might benefit from the wisdom of outside consultation. It has taken longer than expected for this process to move along, but it seems to be ready to bear fruit. We are trying to schedule a weekend when several objective observers will share with us what they see as our strengths, weaknesses, and things that we need to be doing to be more effective.

Fourth, find ways to add "new" to our mission. Our mission as a church comes from Jesus' last words in the book of Matthew. It is to "make disciples." I would like to see us being more intentional about ways that we can make new

disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. If you are a part of a group, ask yourself, how could I include new people?

New Director of Christian Education

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is very pleased to announce Jeanne Mills has accepted the position of Director of Christian Education (DCE) effective November 1, 2011. As many of you know, Jeanne has been an active member of FCUM and our community for many years. At FCUM Jeanne teaches children's Sunday School, VBS, and Women's Bible Study classes. In the community, she was a Clinic Assistant for Xenia Community Schools and is currently a Preschool Classroom Assistant, as well as President of Xenia City Council. As the part-time DCE, Jeanne is already busy planning programs such as "Breakfast with the Friendly Beasts" and seeking volunteer teachers for Sunday School.

Let's extend a warm Faith Community welcome to Jeanne as she begins her new appointment as DCE and as she continues to provide an educational ministry to our children and adults at FCUM. ~~SPRC

Henderson Settlement Mission Trip

Common Cup is planning a mission trip to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky next spring. All members and friends of our Common Cup

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churches are welcome to participate on this mission trip. Participants should be in high school or older.

Frakes, Kentucky is located in the Laurel Fork Valley of Southeastern Kentucky. The dates of the trip are April 15-18, 2012. We will leave from Faith Community around 1 pm on Sunday, April 15 and return in the early afternoon on Wednesday, April 18. The total cost of the trip is \$90/person which includes transportation, meals, and lodging. We will use the church van for transportation. You can use a personal vehicle at your own expense. Meals covered on the trip are Sunday dinner, all three meals on Monday and Tuesday, and breakfast on Wednesday. We will sleep either in a campus home at Henderson or on the lower bunks in the dorm with separate rooms for guys and girls. Dorms are accessible. This is not a busy time of year, so we will have plenty of space.

During our two work days

you can expect to help in the greenhouse, work on campus, or assist with a home repair project. All work will match the skill level of participants.

On our last visit to Henderson we planted flower beds and built a raised vegetable garden.

In the evening, Henderson staff will provide educational programs and you can enjoy some free time in the mountains.

The purpose of this mission trip is to strengthen the partnership between our Common Cup Churches and Henderson Settlement, grow in our understanding of missions, create friendships with one another, and share the love of God with the people of Kentucky.

Many thanks to Ruthanne and Bill Lamb who will host our group during this mission trip! Please register with Pastor Rick. You will need to read a 5 page Work Camp Handbook, complete medical release forms, and make your payment by January 31. The Common Cup Council is providing \$500 towards our projects which is why the cost of the trip is lower than it would have been otherwise.

For more information about the trip please attend the Mission Trip information session on November 2 in the Parlor at 6:30 pm after the Common Cup meal. To inquire about a mission trip scholarship, please contact Pastor Rick. May God

bless your service to the Lord.

2012 Guatemala Mission Trip Meeting

Come join us on Wednesday November 2nd at 6:30 pm in Room 15 C for an informative

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(Guatemala)

meeting about the 2012 Adult Mission Trip to Guatemala, July 13-22, 2012. This year we will be traveling with Mission2Guatemala, a mission agency run by a local couple from Xenia. Come hear more about our trip. For questions, contact Val Zimmerman at 513-503-0831 or valzimmerman3@gmail.com.

The Shepherding Program

In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35

Faith Community has 26 homebound people and eight still need shepherds. Prayerfully consider visiting, calling or just sending a card to one of these people. As

the verse above says "we must help the weak and "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Call me, Laurie Krakowiak, 694-8114.

Higher Education

Faith Community has 31 young adults who are participating in a college this school year and one young adult in the military. Please pray for their guidance and perseverance. The college students are all named on the bulletin board in the educa-

tion wing on the first bulletin board on the right. There are index cards with their names and addresses. Take a card to pray for this student or send a "thinking of you" card to them. It is important to keep in touch with our young students at this time in their lives and to let them know they are still connected to their home church. Thank you. Laurie Krakowiak.

Pastor Appreciation Month

FCUM is very blessed to have dedicated pastors who seek to equip and encourage the church to effectively and enthusiastically make disciples of Jesus Christ for the purpose of transforming the world. Senior Pastor Brad Olson and Associate Pastor Rick Tettau have full schedules: planning meaningful sermons and worship services that glorify and honor

God; overseeing the effective communication of staff and laity in the church; providing pastoral care for those who are lonely, infirmed, troubled or are in need of spiritual guidance; actively participating in ecumenical-shared ministries of the Clergy Common Cup program, Xenia Area Association of Churches (XAAC) and

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Mission Society Board in the greater Dayton area; as well as providing spiritual leadership through classroom teaching. Through their examples, Pastors Brad and Rick help to lead us in our daily journey with our Lord. Please join the Staff-Parish Relations Committee in thanking and affirming our pastors by letting them know how much we appreciate their presence in the church, their leadership in our community and their mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ in order to transform the world! - SPRC



**Stephen Ministry
The Caregiver's
Compass**

The Caregiver's Compass is a common thread in the training and service of our



Stephen Ministers. The symbol in the center of the compass is a *Chi-Rho*, an ancient symbol for Christ. It reminds Stephen Ministers of the Christ-centered nature of their caring ministry. The Four points of the compass guide Stephen Ministers to be compassionate, full of faith, skilled, and trustworthy.

Continue to pray for our Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders as they use this compass as a guide for their ministry, always striving to provide Christ-like care on behalf of our congregation.

Reminder:

A seminar on *Caregiving to and for the Cancer Patient and Caregivers* sponsored by the Greater Dayton Stephen Ministry Network will be held at Fairhaven Church from 3-5 PM on Sunday, November 6th.

Save the Date: This year's "Blue" Christmas service will take place in the chapel at 6:30 on Wednesday evening December 7th.

For additional information about either of these opportunities or to learn more about Stephen Ministry, contact Brenda Boroff at 453-2485.

United Methodist Women

Mary Rebecca Tuesday, November 8, 1-3 PM – Parlor

Lydia Wednesday, November 9, 7-8:45 PM – Parlor

Dorcas Tuesday, November 15, 1-3:30 PM- Parlor

Priscilla Monday, November 21, 7-9 P.M. – Parlor

United Methodist Men

Faith Community United Methodist men rented a garden spot on Towler Road and planted 40 tomato plants given by Rev. Bob Warner and 7 rows of potato plants. This project netted 250 lbs of tomatoes and 90 lbs of potatoes for the local Fish Food pantry. The tomatoes were gleaned every other day over 6 weeks, providing a steady flow of tomatoes throughout that period of time. We received many praises for this effort from the Fish Food Pantry.

Habitat for Humanity Request

Ron Rodenroth, new volunteer coordinator was the speaker for the September 26th FCUMM meeting and requested help on their new site at 489 E. Church St, Xenia. Anyone interested **should show up at 9 AM any Saturday morning. They work until 4 PM** and lunch is served on site. If any group from our church is interested, they also need meals on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Contact Frank Brown for more information on this project at 768-3255.

Courageous Movie

The FCUMM sold 25 tickets and the feedback from those who attended was that it is a tremendous movie. It's still going on at movie theaters and a report from MVDUMC indicates prime time for Friday and Saturday showing are almost sold out. All men are encouraged to go see this movie.

Community Men's Breakfast scheduled for Saturday, November 12th at First Lutheran Church, 287 W. Main St., Xenia.

Registration starts at 7:30 with breakfast at 8 AM. Program ends at 9 AM. The breakfast will be catered by Greg Delaney, inspirational message by Nathan Chrisman of the Cleft and music by the Faith Community "Faith 4 Christ" quartet. All men are encouraged to attend. For more information contact John Sherer at 372-2204.

Thank you to everyone who sent cards, visited, and prayed for me during my recent hospitalization. Your concern is very much appreciated.

*Sincerely,
Ramona Jane Foster*

Prayers and Sympathy

to the family of **Pauline Fowler**; addresses: Dr. Robert Fowler, 1036 Carroll Lane, La Fayette, CA 94949; Sandy Taylor, 6909 Woodridge Ave., Oklahoma City, OK;

to Ann Halder and family on the death of her husband, **Paul "Rusty" Halder**;

address: 594 N. King Street,
Xenia
and to the family of **Betty
Schweibold**; address:

Edward "Buz" (Cindy)
Schweibold, 1231 Harmony
Lane, Fairborn, OH 45324.

Baptism

Morgan Marie Fleming was baptized October 9, 2011. She was born August 16, 2011 and is the daughter of Eric and Kiley Fleming; grandparents are Michael and Linda Miller and Kenneth and Monica Fleming; Godparents are Nathan and Tanya Langlo.

Blood Drive

Thanks to the following who came to Faith Community to donate blood on September 29, 2011:

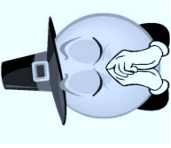



Diane Chappell	Scott House	David Peters
John Ford	Robert Hutcheson	Jodi Pitzer
Lynn Ford	Karen Johnson	Stephanie Porter
Charlene Fox	Dorothy Kammerer	Amber Smith
Marcella Gifford	Lisa Lare	Ashley Smith
Heath Grooms	Cynthia Lennon	Brittany Soper
John Hames	Judith Martin	Bruce Spitler
Margaret Harris	Richard Montgomery	Richard Stetzer
Mark Hartman	Betsy Murray	Thomas Wallman
Jane Henning	Thomas Muse	

**Deadline for December Faith Links:
Monday, November 14**

Thank you Lord for Your many blessings.



NOVEMBER 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 All Saints Day 6:15 PM-Project Hope-16B & C 7-9 PM-Trustees-#6	2 4:50-5:35-Youth/Agape Bells-MR 5-8 PM-Food Court-FCC/Programs-all areas 6-8 PM-Youth-YR-FCC 6:15-7:15-Adult Bells-MR 6:30-7:15-Chapel Service 7:30-Chancel Choir-S	3 10-11:30 -Bible Study-P 1-3:30 PM-Women's Club-P 7-10 PM-Praise Band-Rehearsal-FCC 7 PM-Common Cup Council-15 A		5 2-5 PM-Birthday Party-15 A,B Set clock back one hour before bedtime
6 COMMUNION Daylight Saving Time Ends 8-9:30 AM-Pre-service Prayer-C 8:30,9:45,11 AM-Worship 9:45-10:15-Wesley Choir 9:45 & 11 AM-S.S.	7 6:30-8 PM-Cub Scouts-15A&B 7-8:30 -Boy Scouts-15C	8 Election Day 10-11:30-Gr. Co. Council on Aging-P 12-8 PM-Greene Rehab Thanksgiving Dinner-FCC/K 1-3:30-Leap Of Faith Quilters-15A 1-3:00-Mary Rebecca-P 6:15 PM-Project Hope-16B & C 6:30-8:30-Art Club-#11 7-9 PM-Staff Parish-#6	9 10 AM-BULLETLIN DL 4:50-5:35-Youth/Agape Bells-MR 5-8 PM-Food Court-FCC/Programs-all areas 6-8 PM-Youth-YR-FCC 6:15-7:15-Adult Bells-MR 6:30-7:15-Chapel Service 7-8:45 PM-Lydia-P 7:30-Chancel Choir-S	10 10-11:30 -Bible Study-P 7-10 PM-Praise Band-Rehearsal-FCC 7-9 PM-COM-Ed. Wing Parlor	11 Veterans Day 8 PM-12 AM-Youth Movie Club-Youth Rooms,FCC	12 12 AM-9 AM-Youth Movie Club-Youth Rooms,FCC
13 COINS 8-9:30 AM-Pre-service Prayer 8:30,9:45,11 AM-Worship 9:45 & 11 AM-S.S. 9:45-10:15-Wesley Choir	14 6:30-8 PM-Cub Scouts-15A&B 7-8:30 -Boy Scouts-15C Deadline for December Faith Links	15 1-3:30 PM-Dorcas-P 1-3 PM-Stephen Min.-L 6:15-7:15-Project Hope	16 10 AM-BULLETLIN DL SEE NOV. 2	17 Youth Bazaar-FCC 10-11:30 -Bible Study-P 6:30-8:30-DAR-L 7-10 PM-Praise Band-Rehearsal-FCC 7-9 PM-Church Conference-Sanctuary 7-8 PM-Technology Team-Parlor	18 Youth Bazaar-FCC	19 Youth Bazaar-FCC
20 8-9:30 AM- Prayer 8:30,9:45,11 AM-Worship 9:45 & 11 AM-S.S. 9:45-10:15-Wesley Choir	21 6:30-9 PM-Stephen Ministry-#6 6:30 PM-Cub Scouts-15 A,B 6:30-7 PM-Worship Design Team-Stage 7-9 PM-Priscilla-P 7-8:30-Boy Scouts-15C	22 1-3:30-Leap Of Faith Quilters-15A 6:15-7:15-Project Hope 6:30-8:30-Art Club-#11 7-9 PM-Finance-#6	23 10 AM-BULLETLIN DL No Food Court/Growth Groups	24 Thanksgiving 	25 Church Closed	26 5-9 PM-Double I-15A/Kitchen
27 8-9:30 AM- Prayer 8:30,9:45,11 AM-Worship 9:45 & 11 AM-S.S. 9:45-10:15-Wesley Choir	28 6:30 PM-Cub Scouts-15 A,B 6:30-9 PM-UJMM meeting with Spouses-15A/K 7-8:30-Boy Scouts-15C	29 5:30-9 PM-Lions Club Dinner-15 A,B 6:15-7:15-Project Hope	30 SEE NOV. 2	24 Thanksgiving 	25 Church Closed	26 5-9 PM-Double I-15A/Kitchen
					OFFICE HOURS 8 AM-4 PM Monday thru Friday PRESCHOOL - 9:15-11:45, 1:00-3:30 Monday Thru Friday	ROOM USAGE KEY: C=CHAPEL FCC=FAITH.COM.CTR. FH=FELLOWSHIP HALL K=KITCHEN L=LIBRARY MR=MUSIC ROOM NA=NARTHEX NU=NURSERY O=OFFICE P=PARLOR

Youth News & Help the Youth

The Refinery & The Filling Station

OPEN on Wednesdays from 6p-8p. Join us for fun, fellowship and faith talk! Refinery is for 6th-8th graders. Filling Station is for 9th-12th graders.

YOUTH MOVIE CLUB

Holiday Theme

Friday, November 11th 8p til
Saturday, November 12th at 9a
\$5, permission slip, snack and
beverage to share. Deadline to
sign up, Wednesday, November 9th.

SAVE THE

DATES:

Caring Place,
Thursday, Dec.
1st from 4p-8p
Youth Council,
Sunday, Dec. 4th
from 12p-2:30p



Youth Band – Revelation ~ Practice Schedule

Watch for schedule!

All youth are welcome!

Contact Darren McGlothen if you are interested. 372.5849



Youth Help Needed!

Thursday, November 17th from 3p-8p Bazaar Prep

Friday, November 18th from 3p-9:30p Bazaar Help

Saturday, November 10th 9a-7p Bazaar Help

LASERQUEST

Wednesday, November 23rd

10a-3p – The Cost is \$20 and includes: Triple Play, pizza, chips and beverages. Deadline for ppwk & pmt, Sunday, November 20th. PPWK located in the FH info bins.

If you have questions about the info on the Youth pages, contact Susan Fellie at 372.7601.

4th Annual Fall Youth Bazaar

Friday, November 18th and Saturday,
November 19th

Donations needed for cookie walk (cookies and supplies for cookies) and for silent auction.

Faith Community United Methodist Fall Youth Bazaar

Fri., Nov. 18th 6p-9p & Sat., Nov. 19th 10a-5p

**VENDORS: TASTEFULLY SIMPLE, MARY KAY, TUPPERWARE, AVON, SILPADA,
PAMPERED CHEF, SCENTSY, USBORNE BOOKS, HOMEMADE CARDS, CANDIES,
JEWELRY, CHRISTMAS ITEMS AND MUCH MORE!!!** Cookie Walk, **LITTLE TYKES
SHOP FOR CHILDREN.** Silent Auction. Food will be available for purchase. Gift
wrapping will be available.

Proceeds will help fund our 2012 youth missions

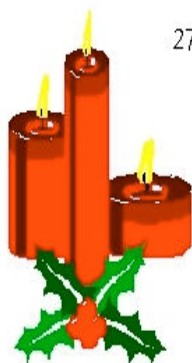
Faith Community United Methodist Youth

100 Country Club Drive, Xenia, 937.372.7601



Help Ring in Christmas for St. Paul Outreach Center

All of the children and youth who participate in the programs at St. Paul United Methodist Church are given the opportunity to choose a gift for each member of their family. These gifts are then wrapped and taken home by the children. Faith Community will be helping ring in this time of sharing by collecting gifts. There will be Christmas trees in the Narthex and Community Center Nov. 6th-27th. Please take a bell and purchase the item indicated. Return it to the church no later than Nov. 27th. There will be large boxes near the trees. Gifts should cost \$5.00 or less.



This holiday season, let's wish for a Christmas that truly honors the birth of Jesus and shows our concern for the family of God. Let's remember God's greatest gift and give to others in Christ's name.

