

CONNECT YOUR HEART TO GOD!

JOIN US STARTING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

Join us in finding ways to connect YOUR heart to God. xpress urself opens at 2:15pm. Dinner from 5:00pm– 6:00pm. Contact Susan @ 287.0690 for tickets by 3:40pm. \$3/youth & \$6/adult. 6:00pm– 8:00pm – Youth fellowship time – games, message, worship, announcements, prayer, small group time, getting to know each other and how to connect with God. xpress urself will close at 8:15pm. Join us, bring a friend, meet new friends, see old friends and have an awesome time!!!

AUGUST SPECIAL OFFERING FOR OUR 2015 YOUTH MISSION TRIPS

When our youth depart each summer for their mission trips, part of this is made possible by YOU, the congregation. Our youth and their families pay about ½ of the cost for the mission trips. This is done through personal finances and individual fundraising by the youth. The other portion comes from our special offering and group fundraisers such as our bazaar and Greene Country Pre-Fair Judges Catering. If there are additional funds needed, it is requested during the budgeting process. Last year over \$1200 was donated for our mission trips through this special offering. The numbers have been crunched for the 2014 mission trips and we did pay for the trips through the special offering from 2013, the bazaar, Judges Catering and a few individual donations. Once again, no budget money has been used. The plan for 2015 is still being worked out. We may have a Middle School/High School trip as well as a High School/College Age trip or we may do one large trip for everyone. The picture will be coming together within the next few weeks. We ask you to prayerfully consider supporting our youth mission trips not only through prayer, but also financially. We were able to support 16 youth and 4 adults in their mission work this summer. This is thanks to many people, including YOU! Please make donations for our mission trips by notating "Youth Missions" in the memo on your check or on your offering envelope. Thanks for your ongoing support of our youth and youth missions.



BIKE TO CHURCH SUNDAY! On Sunday, September 7, don your favorite cycling jersey and ride your bike to any service. Don't want to ride from home? Pick a place closer to FCUMC and ride in from there. Don't want to ride your bike at all? Wear your cycling jersey and join the fun. Don't wear cycling apparel? Bike to Church anyway! ALL cyclists are welcome! Mark your calendar now so you don't miss this cool event! For more information call Bill or Carol Sykes at 937-562-3063.

NEW MEMBER LUNCH: Almost every Sunday this year we have had some guests who have been a part of Faith Community for the first time. Are you among them? Are you interested in making more of a commitment? Have you been wondering how folks become members around here? We will be having a get together on Sunday, September 14, for a light lunch around noon. Pastor Brad and Pastor Rick will be there to talk a little about the Methodist movement in general, and Faith Community in particular. New Members will be received the following Sunday, September 21, as part of worship. If you are interested in attending, please give the church office a call, so that we know how many to prepare for 372-7601.

FAITH COMMUNITY DAY AT THE XENIA COMMUNITY THEATRE - Our church is hosting a fellowship event at the Xenia Community Theatre on September 7 at 3 pm for the presentation of *Our Town*. You will need to reserve your tickets by calling 372-0516. Two youth from our church are a part of the play. Hope to see you at the theatre.

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS & THEIR PARENTS: Laurie Krakowiak is our contact person for Higher Education and she would like to have the following information: Name, address, birthday, email, and college attending. Please send info to laurielamont@juno.com. Thank you!

WOMAN'S BIBLE STUDY: Children of the DAY by Beth Moore. Join Beth and walk the shores of Thessalonica with this verse-by-verse Bible study of 1 and 2 Thessalonians. The 9 week class will be an in-depth study with personal workbook assignments and weekly videos. The class will be held Wednesdays, September 10th through November 5th, at Faith Community United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall C. Meeting time is 9:30-11:30 a.m. with Jeanne Mills and 6:30-8:00 p.m. with Ann Wolf.

COMMON CUP - begins on September 3. The meal begins at 5 pm with growth groups following at 6:30 pm. Below are the two growth groups that begin on September 3. Please see the Common Cup Handbook for a full listing. Handbooks will be available on August 31.

EPHESIANS: BUILDING A COMMUNITY IN CHRIST The book of Ephesians sets forth God's eternal purpose to create through Jesus Christ a new society which stands out in bright relief against the somber background of the old world. For the sake of the glory of God and the evangelization of the world, nothing is more important than the church becoming God's new society. Twelve lessons to study under the guidance of beloved pastor and teacher John Stott contain inductive study questions, application, commentary, prayer helps and leader guidelines. Clarence Dinnen, teacher.

COMMON CUP BIBLE STUDY This study will explore three books of the Bible: 2 Kings, Psalms, and Jonah. The class begins with an overview of the readings followed by discussion and thought questions. 2 Kings continues the story of a divided monarchy in Judah and Israel. Many of the kings were not faithful to God, yet God keeps a promise even when people are unfaithful to God. Jonah is the reluctant prophet who discovers an important truth about God's love as he fulfills his call. The Psalms chosen for this class are known as the Psalms of Korah which were written during the time of 2 Kings. We will discuss how these scriptures offer a missional focus to the church today. We conclude with prayer. Also, this class is offered on Thursday mornings at 10 am in the Parlor. Pastor Rick Tettau, teacher.



CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING WEEK

Monday, September 1st

Labor Day – Church Closed

Have a safe holiday!

Tuesday, September 2nd

First Day of Preschool

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Girl Scout Troop #32782

15 B & C

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Trustees Meeting

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Wednesday, September 3rd

10:00 am

Deadline for 9-7-14 bulletin

1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Preparations for Common Cup

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Common Cup Dinner

FCC

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Youth Group

Youth Rooms

6:15 pm - 7:15 pm

Handbell Choir Rehearsal-Adult

Music Room

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Kid's Club

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Chancel Choir

Sanctuary, Nursery

Thursday, September 4th

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Thursday Bible Study

Parlor

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Spirit.fire meeting

FCC

Friday, September 5th

Saturday, September 6th

8-24-14 Offering \$5,690.00

Weekly needed \$10,419.00

SERMON NOTES
August 31, 2014
"How Many Walked By"
Exodus 3:1-15

What is the story of Moses and the burning bush in a nutshell?

What did Moses have to do before God spoke to him?

What does this tell us about the nature of God?

Do you think there were others who saw it, but just walked by?

Has there been a time when you have felt God speaking to you?

Why was Moses keeping his father-in-law's flock in the wilderness?

What does this tell us about how God speaks?

What was unusual about what Moses saw?

What does this tell us about how God speaks?

How did Moses respond to God?

What does this tell us about how God speaks?

What will you do this week to be fully attentive to God?



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thank you for celebrating with us this morning.

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interested in a more traditional approach to worship? next week check out our
traditional service in the sanctuary.

stay up to date and get calendar info with our weekly communitE email. just send

a note to pastor brad at bgolson@aol.com.