

## CONNECT YOUR HEART TO GOD!

Xpress urself closed December 31<sup>st</sup>. Happy New Year!

**CONFIRMATION 2015** Are you in 8<sup>th</sup> grade or older and are interested in what it means to be a member of Faith Community Church? Confirmation may be just for you! Starting in mid/late January, we will be having a series of classes that speaks to making that commitment. Watch for more details... Contact Susan if you are interested. We are also looking for Mentors. If you might be interested, be in touch with Susan.

### YOUTH OUTING: SCENE75

Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 10:30am-2:30pm. We will head to Scene75 and play a game of lasertag and one go cart race as well as \$5 of Scene75 money. COST \$15 per person. Paperwork and money due to Susan TODAY. Limited Space Available. Paperwork located in FH info bins.

### LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA SALE - YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER

For each kit we sell, our group/youth, earn \$5. Help support our youth! There is an order form in the church office if you are interested in ordering. **Order & Payment deadline:** Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. **Delivery to Faith Community:** Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 5pm-6pm in the FH. Contact Susan Fellie for more information!

**ADVENT OFFERING FOR LOCAL MISSIONS:** This year the Advent and Christmas Offering will go to support local missions. There are people in need all over the world, including Xenia. This year we will focus on those in need in our own backyard. The groups that the special offering will support will include: Community Action Partnership (CAP), FISH, Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) and the Red Cross. Please give generously.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2015** are available for pick up in the Narthex through, Sunday December 28<sup>th</sup>. Any envelopes not picked up by December 30<sup>th</sup> will have to be mailed at a cost of \$2.00 per box. When picking up your envelopes, if you see a name of someone that you know who will not be able to pick them up and you will be seeing them, it will be a cost saving to the church if you could deliver them. It would be appreciated if everyone would use the envelopes with their contribution number so that proper credit can be given when processing in the computer system. An envelope has to be made up when the numbered envelope is not used. Thank you for your cooperation and support with this process.

**HOLIDAY HOURS FOR CHURCH OFFICE:** To give our dedicated volunteers some much deserved time off, the church office will close at noon Wednesday December 24, 2014, and will reopen Monday January 5, 2015. If you need anything from the staff many of them will be working during this week, but irregular hours. We will be checking the outside mail slot, voice mail and email during this week. If you need to get into the church, please call the church to set up an appointment. Have a wonderful and safe holiday.

**NEW BIBLE STUDY:** At the end of the book of Revelation, God says to John in a vision, "I am making everything new!" If you would like to be a part of a new Bible study class in the new year, then please join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm in Room 6 starting on January 7 or on Thursday mornings at 10 am in the parlor starting on January 8. We will study the book of Revelation. Please come to the first class having read Chapters 1-5. We will study this often confusing book by discerning how John's vision of a new Jerusalem gives the church a missional focus today. All are welcome.

**80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY RECEPTION:** The family of Tim Holly will be hosting an 80<sup>th</sup> birthday reception for him immediately following the 11:00 worship service today. The reception will be in Fellowship Hal A & B. Everyone is invited to come.



### CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING WEEK

Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Boy Scouts

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**Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am

Deadline for 1-04-15 bulletin

**Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

Have a Safe and Happy New Year!

Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**12-21-14 Offering \$16,382.00**

**Weekly needed \$10,419.00**

Have a Safe

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

**SERMON NOTES**

December 28, 2014

“Serving with Song: Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Luke 2:22-40

What is the story about how this song came into being?

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What was it originally about?

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Who is going?

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Who do Anna and Simeon represent?

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What is “it”?

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What do you do to share “it”?

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Where are we supposed to tell “it”?

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What are some of the stories in the Bible about things that happen on mountains?

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What does the song challenge us to do about Jesus’ birth?

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What will you do differently this week because of what you have experienced this morning?

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**December 28, 2014**

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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](mailto:bgolson@aol.com).