

Welcome!

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost  
November 17, 2013 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS Judy McLaughlin, Lay Leader

ORGAN PRELUDE "Prelude in c minor" Joseph Seger

\*HYMN OF INTENTION "How Firm a Foundation" (FOUNDATION) No. 529

\*CALL TO WORSHIP The Nicene Creed in contemporary language by Don Welch

Leader: Our God, the Three in One, is ever steadfast and ever new. Let us join our voices in proclamation of who this God is and who we are because of God's enduring love.

**We believe in God, the creative force that sustains and nurtures all creation and creatures in ways beyond our understanding. We believe that Jesus of Nazareth embodied the power of this force; extraordinarily able to grasp its meaning, he revealed this face of God-reality to us in his life and teaching. He was human, like us.**

**Through grace and mercy he offers us access to this incomprehensible power. There are forces in our lives that assault God's creative force, that brings suffering, degradation and death. In such an assault, Jesus was rejected and killed. But death did not silence his voice. Evil will not eradicate the good that Jesus showed us, a good that lives in us and through us. The power of this creative force is at work in our lives today. This creative force is the Holy Spirit. Our forefathers and mothers gave witness to this source of life in their words and deeds. We, as members of this community of faith, will likewise give witness in our words and deeds. Secure in God's faithfulness, we will fear no evil. When our faith falters, God's goodness and mercy will rescue us. Beyond our lives, grace will abound. Amen.**

+++CHILDREN'S MOMENT Kathy Schmucker  
Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation

FAITH STORY Operation Christmas Child

OFFERING OFFERTORY + "It Is Good to Give Thanks" Dan Forrest  
Chancel Choir William Kaiser, Director

+++ "Sing Joyful Praise!" Mary Lynn Lightfoot  
Joy Unlimited Youth Choir Steve Moore, Director

\*DOXOLOGY No. 94 or See Below  
"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OF CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS


\*HYMN OF CENTERING "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" (HE LEADETH ME) No. 128 v1, 2

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.*

+ANTHEM "Lord, Lead Us On" Joseph M. Martin

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Judges 2:10-23 Pg. 218 OT

SERMON  A Few Good Men and Women  
3/4 in "Detour" The Story Mini-Series

\*HYMN OF MISSION "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (CONVERSE) No. 526

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE + "May the Lord Bless You" Judy Hunnicutt  
+++ "Go in Love" Don Besig

\*ORGAN POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune in D" David N. Johnson  
\*Please stand if you are able CCLI License #1596957

**Next Sunday: The Story (Week 9): The Faith of a Foreign Woman**

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello  
8:30- Joy Unlimited Youth Choir; 11:00-Chancel Choir

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**What is an Acolyte?** All children, youth, and adults interested in learning more about serving as an Acolyte are invited to come learn more on Wednesday November 20 at 6:45 pm, following Thanksgiving dinner.

**Worship Arts Study Kiosk** The Worship Arts Study Kiosk in the Gathering Area will have two members available for conversation about the Worship Arts Study Recommendations after all 3 services this morning.

**What is in Herb's Bucket?** All current church leaders and new leaders for 2014 are encouraged to COME AND DIG IN at the annual "Nuts & Bolts" Leadership Training on Tuesday, November 19 from 6:45p to 9pm in Robinson Hall. You will learn about different tools and resources that will help you with your ministries in 2014.

**Thanksgiving Dinner!** Mike Hubble and our Wednesday Night Ministry Team will be preparing a special Thanksgiving dinner for our Faith UMC family on Wednesday, November 20 at 6:00 pm! Pick up an Act of Grace card following worship today and invite someone to share in this special celebration of thanks!

**Office Ministry Volunteers Needed** Volunteers are needed to help in the church office this winter on Tuesday afternoons, and Thursday and Friday mornings. If you are interested in learning more, contact Sally Miner at 330.837.8607.

**United Methodist Student Day is November 24!** This is the last of the special offerings to the global church this year. The purpose of this offering is for the church to support students as they prepare for life in uniting faith with knowledge. Offerings provide scholarships and loans to deserving United Methodist students. Please consider giving to this worthwhile cause.

**World Thank Offering** will be collected November 24 in the marked boxes located in the Narthex or outside of the Family Life Center. We thank you for your generous support.

**Calling All Bakers!** UMW is planning their annual **Cookie Walk for Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars now! We need bakers to donate 6 dozen of your favorite homemade cookies. Cookies can be dropped off in Robinson Hall kitchen on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-4pm or Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 12noon. Please indicate if your cookies contain nuts. Thank you for your support. Proceeds benefit both local and global UMW missions. Questions? Contact Kathy Myers at 330.361.4624

**Circle of Love** will meet on Thursday, November 21 at 7pm in the parlor. Our speaker will be Carol Lichtenwalter, the executive director of Pegasus Farm. She will share with us about the programs offered by Pegasus, volunteer opportunities and their plans for the future. We will be collecting paper towels, toilet paper and tissues/Kleenex for use at Pegasus. This meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend.

**Pumpkin Pies & Rice Pudding** Thanksgiving is right around the corner. Make your meal complete by purchasing a UMW pumpkin pie (\$8) or rice pudding (Lg \$8, Sm \$4). Sign up in the Gathering Area or outside the Family Life Center now through Nov. 17. Pies can be picked up November 24 after each of the services. Proceeds continue to help us be Sisters in Service. Thank you!

**Beautiful Hand-Embroidered Gifts from China** The sale of the beautiful ornaments made by the women in China has been extremely successful. Thank you to all who made a purchase. You have made a difference in the life of the women. There are still a few ornaments available for sale today in the Gathering Area.

**Operation Christmas Child** Thanks to everyone who contributed to this year's shoe box project! What an overwhelming blessing! If you would still like to contribute, monetary donations can be made by Nov 18.

**Advent Devotional Book** Contact Pam Wig or Kathy Schmucker if you are interested in writing a devotion or providing artwork for the Advent book.

**Community Christmas Adopt-A-Family** Families are now available! Sign-ups are available at the table in the Gathering Area or contact Nancy King to sign up today (330.499.2711). Monetary donations are also appreciated and may be made out to either Faith United Methodist Church or Nancy King with "Adopt a Family" in the memo.

**Community Thanksgiving – November 26 @ 7pm** The North Canton Area Ministerial Association is once again hosting its annual Community Thanksgiving worship service! Join together with area churches for a night of worship at St. Paul's Catholic Church. Rev. Michael Gleason will bring the message and the evening will feature A Community Choir. All singers are welcome and if interested contact Jack Frient at 330.705.8675.

**Health & Wellness needs a Chair!** The Health & Wellness Ministry Group is in need of a Chair in order for the team to continue in 2014. If you have a passion for areas such as medical needs, physical fitness, nutrition, accessibility to people with disabilities, care of the environment, mental health, and providing resources, then be sure to contact Betsy Gorrell 330.352.7230 to learn more!

**Holiday Shopping?** Faith's Education & Spiritual Formation Ministry Team is excited to invite you to check out our Virtual Bookstore!

Visit our website ([www.faithum.weebly.com/virtual-book-store.html](http://www.faithum.weebly.com/virtual-book-store.html)) and click on the special links to Cokesbury & Amazon! All purchases made through these online links will help support our ministries!

2013 Stewardship Focus - Tracking of Pledges in Bulletins			
		Member Units Pledging (Running Total)	Amount Pledged (Running Total)
Week of:	27-Oct	147	\$ 446,543
	03-Nov	178	\$527,287
As of This Week	10-Nov	184	538, 217
2012 Year End:		236	\$638,000

### Last Sunday's Worship Attendance

8:30am: 84 9:45am: 132 11:00am: 181 TOTAL: 397

## This Week at Faith UMC

### Sunday

After All Services - Youth Mission Brunch  
9:30 am Stephen Ministry Training, E Parlor  
9:45 & 11 Sunday School  
5:30 pm Joy Unlimited Choir  
6:00 pm Fun Over 50, Parlor  
6:30 pm Refuge Youth Ministry

### Monday

8:00 am Fall Fitness Class, RH  
10:30 am Monday Women's Bible Study, *The Story*, W Parlor  
6:30 pm The Story Young Adults, Rm 5  
7:00 pm Men's Open Basketball, FLC  
7:00 pm The Story Digging Deeper, W Parlor  
7:00 pm Covenant Bible Study, Rm 16  
7:00 pm Meditation Class, Rm 8

### Tuesday

6:00 am Men's Prayer Group, Balcony  
9:00 am Quilts to Share, Rms 5 & 6  
9:00 am UMW Pie Making, Kitchen  
9:30 am Celebration Bell Rehearsal, Rm 8  
10:45 am Children's Literature Webinar, Conf. Rm  
6:00 pm Christian Ed/Spiritual Formation Ministry Team Mtg, Rm 5  
7:00 pm Herb's Bucket Leadership Training, RH  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts, RH/FL

### Wednesday

8:00 am Fall Fitness Class, RH  
9:00 am Wednesday Women's Study: Fruits of the Spirit, W Parlor  
12:15 pm Staff Meeting, Conf. Rm  
5:00 pm Carol Choir, Choir Rm  
5:15 pm Cherub Choir, Rm 8  
6:00 pm Faith Connections Wednesday Program, RH  
6:30 pm Sewing for Missions  
6:45 pm The Story Continued, Parlor  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday

1:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group, Rm 8  
2:00 pm Faith Stitchers, Parlor  
6:30 pm Circle of Love, Parlor  
7:00 pm Trustees, Conf. Rm

### Friday

8:00 pm Endowment Meeting, Conf. Rm

### Saturday

7:00 am Men's Life Study, Variety's Restaurant

### November 17

### November 18

### November 19

### November 20

### November 21

### November 22

### November 23

# welcome to the journey.

No matter where you are in your faith journey, there is a place for you here. You may find this bulletin helpful as you explore all the happenings at Faith UMC. Below are some of our ongoing activities. Please don't be afraid to ask questions – our members-in-ministry and staff are eager to help you plug in to where God is calling.

## Sunday School (9:45am and 11:00am)

### Children (Babies & Woddlers – Grades 5)

Stop by the Children's Welcome Station near the Sanctuary and Family Life Center to sign-in, make their nametags, and find information!

Nursery – Room 18

Preschool Ages 3-5 – Room 20

Grades K-2 – Room 6

Grades 3-5 – Room 8

Youth (Grades 6-12) "Out-of-the-Box" in the Youth Room

### Adults

9:45: *The Story*: Faith Meets Life in the West Parlor

Faith Bible Study: Genesis to Revelation in the Conference Rm

11:00 *The Story* in Room 16

## Small Groups & Classes

Several groups meet during the week for discussion, prayer, community, digging deeper into God's Word, exploring questions of faith...All are welcome! Visit the link below for more information and get connected at Faith! It is not too late to get involved in a group! Interested in forming a new group? Please contact Kathy Schmucker.  
[www.faithum.weebly.com/small-groups.html](http://www.faithum.weebly.com/small-groups.html)

## Wednesday Night Faith Connections

Every Wednesday, everyone is invited to come together for fellowship and a free dinner at 6pm! Programs and small groups are available for people of all ages following the dinner.

### 5:00/5:15pm - Children's Choir

5:00 pm – Carol Choir Practice (Grades 3-5)

5:15 pm – Cherub Choir Practice (Grades K-2)

### 6:00 pm – Dinner for Everyone!

6:30/7:00 - Programs for children and adults following dinner!

## The Story & Bible Study Resources

We are currently participating in the church-wide Study and Worship Series, *The Story*. This series walks us through the Bible chronologically for 31-weeks and it provides the opportunity for people of all ages (children, youth and adults) to experience the Bible in a new, fresh way. Copies of the different versions of the *The Story* are available for children, youth, and adults at *The Story* cart in the Gathering Area. Visit our website for weekly devotions for adult and families to help you connect to *The Story*.

Check out the Bible resources page for Bible Apps, translation charts and other Bible story resources.



## November 17, 2013

**Co-Pastors:** Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello  
**Organist:** William Kaiser **Acolyte:** +++Mackenzie Barton  
**Liturgists:** +Jon Rittenour +++Cindy Wilcox  
**Greeters:** +++Herb & Beverly Kimble

*Today's altar flowers are given by Jim & Chris Bednar in honor of their children and grandchildren and by Dale Holwick in memory of his wife, Nancy.*

**Worship Services:** Sundays at 8:30AM, 9:45AM & 11:00AM  
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