

**Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost
November 4, 2012 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.**

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE "Allegro" from Concerto in g minor Matthew Camidge

*HYMN OF INTENTION

"In Times of Great Decision" (AURELIA)
Words by C.W. Gillette

In times of great decision, Be with us, God, we pray!
Give each of us a vision; Of Jesus' loving way.
When louder words seem endless; And other voices sure,
Remind us of your promise: Your love and truth endure.

O God, whose gifts are countless, You send us bearing peace.
You fill our dreams with justice; For all communities.
You give us global neighbors, That all may justly live.
May those we choose as leaders; Reflect the life you give.

O God, you bridged the distance; You opened wide your door.
You call us by our presence; To reach to serve the poor.
You teach us: Welcome strangers! Seek justice on the earth!
May those we choose as leaders; See every person's worth.

You call on every nation; To put aside all greed,
To care for your creation; And for your ones in need,
To care for those in prison, For children, for the ill.
In times of great decision, may we choose leaders well.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Holy and loving God,
Congregation: the privilege of elections is upon us.

Leader: We understand that our loyalties, our citizenship, our priorities are shared between heaven and earth,

Congregation: between here and there.

Leader: You taught us to pray "thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,"

Congregation: and we struggle at how we can best reflect that prayer in our national arena.

Leader: Help us not to join the legions of the cynical or the purveyors of division or the arrogance of "my way or the highway".

Congregation: Help us instead to turn our yearning into prayers.

Leader: Help us in our love for freedom to produce the delight of freedom.

Congregation: Despite the inevitability of winners and losers, help us neither to be sore losers nor sore winners.

Leader: God of all nations, we rejoice in signs of hope around your good creation.

Congregation: We dwell in your ancient promise that we can run and not be weary, walk and not faint, as we journey toward being the people and nations you will us to be.

Leader: from north to south and east to west,

Congregation: from Maine to California, from red state to blue,

Leader: we choose to believe...

Congregation: that Christ is greater than any failure, any weakness, any pitfall or pothole, any candidate, election or human plan.

Leader: With that boldness we live our citizenship,

Congregation: one foot in heaven, one firmly on earth.

GLORIA PATRI (MEINEKE) No. 70

Glory to be the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

+++ (Children are dismissed for Sunday School during Gloria Patri)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY + "When My Lips Can Frame No Sound" Jay Althouse
Andy Dolvin, Tenor
+++ "You Are My God!" Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir William Kaiser, Director

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94
(LASST UNS ERFREUEN)

"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 CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS
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.*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Micah 6:8 PG 866 OT
Luke 10:25-28 PG 71 NT

SERMON *Hope Beyond Politics*
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION
INVITATION
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
ASSURANCE OF PARDON
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

No. 12

+++SOLO (during the distribution of the elements)
"When My Lips Can Frame No Sound" Jay Althouse
Andy Dolvin, Tenor

*HYMN OF MISSION

"Hymn of Discernment" (NETTLETON)
(words amended from Katherine Willis Pershey)

Congregations are a vessel where Christ's
presence can be known.

Here the gift of incarnation perseveres in flesh and bone.
We together are his body, together bound in love we grow.
Laughing, loving, always serving, praising God, forgiving foes.

In the church, you call forth servants to be servants of the Word.
Ordinary souls responding to the still small voice they heard,
Saying, Go, and serve my people.
Tend their wounds and help them see
that the love of God is endless as the vast and stormy sea.

Holy Spirit, we have gathered in this place to find our way.
Telling stories, casting visions, seeking guidance as we pray.
Calm our nerves, dispel our worries, send us forth in clarity.
Let our practice of discernment be imbued with charity.

*BENEDICTION

+*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Three-fold Amen" No. 898
+++*CHORAL RESPONSE "Two-fold Amen" Robert C. Bennett

*ORGAN POSTLUDE "For All the Saints" Janet Linker

** Please stand if you are able*

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Next Sunday at Faith Church

Ron Luikart, Veterans Day Speaker
8:30 AM- Celebration Bells
11:00 AM – Carol Choir/Cherub Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hurricane Sandy Relief To help the victims of Hurricane Sandy, donations can be made to the church with the Advanced # 3021787 in the memo or by visiting www.umcor.org. Links to information on the United Methodist Committee on Relief can be found on our website: www.faithumchurch.org.

Website Update: Our interim website is up and running! New information is being added daily! Check out Living Faith, Time & Talent Surveys, Listen to Previous Sermons & More!!

Join Us In Sunday School!

Nursery (Infant – Age 2) – 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 AM in Room 18

Following the Children's Sermon, the following ages/grades will be invited to attend Sunday School:

Preschool (Ages 3-5) – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 20

Grades K-2 – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 6

Grades 3-5 – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 8

Middle School Youth @ 11:00 AM in Wesley Hall

High School Youth @ 11:00 AM in the Youth Room

Adult Sunday School @ 9:45AM in the

Conference Room & West Parlor

Adult Sunday School @ 11:00 AM in Room 16

Wednesday night faith connections

Come on out on Wednesday, November 7th!

Join us for dinner at 6pm!

Faith Kids and Faith Parents begin at 6:30pm!

Contact Kathy Schmucker, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation. kschmucker@faithumchurch.org or 330.499.6040 x17

Prayer For Our Nation Prayer stations and resources to guide us in praying for our country during the upcoming election and Veteran's Day will be available in the Gathering Area from November 2-November 12. All are encouraged to come and pray during church office hours and evening activities.

Operation Christmas Child Wednesday Night Faith Kids are collecting items to pack shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child between now and November 5th. Items can be placed near the church information cabinet. A list of suggested items is available too. We are also requesting donations of clear plastic shoe boxes.

Our Next First Tuesday Prayer Service is Tuesday, November 6th @ 8:30 AM. Please notice the time change to the "winter hours". Join us for our First Tuesday Prayer Service with guest speaker, Jan Baker. All are welcome!

"We Want You" Leadership Training On Election Day, November 6, we will be holding our annual Leadership Training from 7-9pm. Please join us for practical information specific to the ministries at Faith UMC. A good portion of the evening will be about new processes and new ideas on how our church can better communicate our message to each other and to our community.

Second Wind Whether it's hiking the length of the Appalachian Trail or biking from Washington to Florida, author Paul Stutzman gets around! Join us to hear stories from his close encounters from America. Copies of his books will be available for purchase. Tuesday, November 13 from 11:45 to 2:00pm. Cost: \$5 per person. Please call Betsy Douce with your reservation (330.499.3337) **no later than November 8th!**

Partners in Faith Date Night! On Friday, November 9th, we will be hosting another Date Night! Won't you join us? Contact Paige Bullock 330.499.6040

Schedule: 6:15PM – Drop Off

6:30PM – Program in the Chapel

7:00PM – Go Out for a Date!

9:00PM – Pick up your kids!

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday November 10th Sewing for Missions is hosting a sewing clinic from 9am-2pm in Robinson Hall. We will be making feminine kits for Camphor Mission in Liberia. We need people to cut fabric so sewing skills are not necessary. Contact Sue Bell with questions at 330.499.3620.

Youth Mission Team Brunch! Youth Mission Team will be holding a brunch after all three worship services on November 11th in Robinson Hall. We wish to honor our military veterans so all veterans eat free at the brunch. Proceeds will benefit the 2013 Youth Mission Trip to Rockford, IL.

Church Conference being Hosted at Faith UMC! Everyone is invited to our Church Conference which will be held on Sunday, November 18th at 4:00pm in the Chapel. Faith UMC, along with Church of the Lakes, will meet with our new District Superintendent, Dr. Benita Rollins, for a time of worship, music & reporting.

A COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING! You are invited by the North Canton Area Ministerial Association to come together with churches all around our area for "A Community Thanksgiving" being held on November 20th at 7pm. Come and hear our very own Pastor Cara Stultz Costello who will be speaking at First Christian Church on Market. No cost and all are welcome!

Worship Team Opportunities! The Worship Ministry Team is looking for people to help in the following areas: Acolyte Coordinator, Communion Steward Coordinator (9:45), Greeters Coordinator (11:00), Liturgy Coordinator, Wedding Coordinator & Worship Design Coordinator (9:45). Contact Bob Snyder if interested! 330.499.3984

Pumpkin Pie & Rice Pudding Sale! UMW is now taking orders to Pumpkin Pies & Rice Pudding which will be on sale on November 18th. Contact Kim Wallick with any questions: 330.497.2462

Donations Needed! We are in need of clean, empty plastic jars with lids (such as peanut butter jars) for the Advent program before November 28th. Items can be placed in the box in the church office. THANK YOU!

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS! Adopt-A-Family names will be available in November. Watch for more information in the coming weeks. Contact Nancy King with any questions: 330.499.2711.

Nativity Exhibit: Are you willing to share your nativity or nativities for display the entire Advent season beginning November 21st in the Gathering Area? Are you interested in helping with set-up or tear-down? Please let Jan Baker know of your interest at 330.499.7321 or rbaker1@neo.rr.com.

Canton Calvary Mission requests Ramen Noodles for November.

Worship Attendance Last Sunday:

<u>8:30</u>	<u>9:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Total</u>
112	132	127	371

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Welcome! We hope you find comfort, peace, and joy in this place as we come together to worship the Savior of the World!

Co-Pastors: Rev. Steve and Cara Stultz Costello
Organist: William Kaiser

The altar flowers are given by John & Penny McClellan in celebration of their granddaughter, Hayden McClellan's birthday!

WELCOME:

- Communion is available today in the Chapel. Guided meditation books are available. Please enter quietly.
- Large print copies of the order of worship and hearing aid devices are available from the ushers.
- Restrooms are located in the hallway off the Gathering Area.
- Find Sunday School for all ages & Childcare Info inside!
- Copies of the weekly Prayer List are available at the Information Station in the Gathering Area along with Nov/Dec Upper Room & Daily Bread devotionals.



CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!