

**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
October 14, 2012 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.**

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE "May the Grace of Christ, Our Savior" Robert Powell

\*HYMN OF INTENTION "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" Irby

Open now thy gates of beauty,  
Zion, let me enter there,  
Where my soul in joyful duty  
Waits for Him Who answers prayer.  
Oh, how blessed is this place,  
Filled with solace, light and grace!

Lord, my God, I come before Thee,  
Come Thou also unto me;  
Where we find Thee and adore Thee,  
There a heav'n on earth must be.  
To my heart, oh, enter Thou,  
Let it be Thy temple now!

Here Thy praise is gladly chanted,  
Here Thy seed is duly sown;  
Let my soul, where it is planted,  
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,  
So that all I hear may be  
Fruitful unto life in me.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God, you have honored us with the opportunity to be stewards of your kingdom. Help us to carry out the tasks you give us faithfully and responsibly.

**People: Lord, thank you for the privilege of being your stewards. Help us to bear fruit that will last.**

Leader: As your stewards, we pray that you will fill us with your wisdom and strength so that we may use our time, talents, and treasures in ways that glorify you.

**People: Lord, thank you for the privilege of being your stewards. Help us to bear fruit that will last.**

Leader: Dear Jesus, in Your ministry here on earth, you became our model for stewardship. Because of your love, sacrifice, and obedience, we are delivered from the Law to grace.

**People: Lord, thank you for the privilege of being your stewards. Help us to bear fruit that will last.**

Leader: Help us, Lord, to be faithful instruments through which you work. Through our hands and feet you bring love and care to the needy; through our lips you tell others of your life-saving Gospel; and through our minds, hearts and treasures you support the work of your church.

**People: Lord, thank you for the privilege of being your stewards. Help us in this hour and through all our lives to bear fruit that will last.**

+SOLO "Bourree" from Cello Suite No. 3 (BWV 1009) J.S. Bach  
Joanne Fox, Hammered Dulcimer

+++ANTHEM "Fruit That is Rooted in You" Celeste Clydesdale  
Cherub Choir Sandy Wallace, Director

+++CHILDREN'S SERMON

FAITH STORY

OFFERING  
OFFERTORY + "St. Basil's Hymn" Greek  
+++ "Sing and Dance, Children of God" Michael Bedford  
Carol Choir Joanne Fox, Director; Susan Deibel, Accompanist

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94  
"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

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 PG 616 OT

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.*

GOSPEL LESSON John 15 PG109 NT

SERMON

*Living as Fruitful Stewards in Time*  
Bearing Fruit that Lasts – Sermon 1 of 3  
Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

\*HYMN OF MISSION "Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom" No. 508  
(FOR THE BREAD)

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Three-fold Amen" No. 898

\*ORGAN POSTLUDE "Postlude in D" Powell

\* Please stand if you are able

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**Next Sunday at Faith Church: World Communion**

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello  
8:30 AM- Chancel Choir  
11:00 AM – Joy Unlimited

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Bearing Fruit That Will Last!** "Fruitful Use of Time" is our theme for this week. Time is one of God's most precious gifts to us so want to employ it well. When we seek God's divine guidance through his Word and prayer, we can accomplish much more with our time. We pray that the Bible studies and sermon messages will help us to be fruitful with our time as well as with our talents, and money, which will be our focus the following two weeks. Our prayer is that this series on bearing fruit will challenge you to grow spiritually and to "bear fruit that will last." May God's Holy Spirit fill each of us as we grow, serve, and work together.

**Hymn Sing!** We will be having a "Favorite Hymn Sing" during the consecration of our pledges on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Please submit your favorite hymn to Pastor Cara by October 21<sup>st</sup> for consideration for that Sunday!

**Time & Talent 2012** Everyone has received a mailing about our fall Stewardship Program, "Bearing Fruit That Will Last". A time and talent survey is being mailed out to all adults as well. Time and Talent surveys for our children and youth will be given out during their Wednesday Night or Sunday programs. Our database of members in ministry is very outdated. We would like everyone to fill out a form indicating what you are currently volunteering for and other areas in which you are interested. Checking what you are interested in doesn't mean that you be required to help in all those areas, so don't be afraid to indicate all areas of interest. The goal for our church this year is to have 200 time and talent offerings returned. We also would like to see 50 people who fill out the survey indicate a new area that they would be interested in serving. Contact Lauralee Stiffler with questions ([lstiffler@faithumchurch.org](mailto:lstiffler@faithumchurch.org) or 330.499.6040 x13)

**Guidestone**, a Health and Wellness organization of the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church, has made a donation in our name to thank Faith Church for our hospitality. In August, Faith Church hosted a 2-day seminar with national speakers who equipped and empowered leaders who serve Stark County children and families. This gift was directed to benefit the children and families of Stark County.

## 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, October 17th!

**Join us for dinner at 6pm!**

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

Don't miss the fun! Bring your friends! Childcare Available! Registration forms can be found at the church information station or contact Kathy Schmucker, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation. [kschmucker@faithumchurch.org](mailto:kschmucker@faithumchurch.org) or 330.499.6040 x17

**Volunteers Still Needed!** We are still in need of leaders and helpers with the Wednesday night program, nursery, and 2<sup>nd</sup> adults to assist in Sunday School classes. Contact Kathy Schmucker, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation for more information. (330.499.6040 [kschmucker@faithumchurch.org](mailto:kschmucker@faithumchurch.org) )

### \*\*REMINDER TO ALL EDUCATION AND YOUTH VOLUNTEERS!

Please return your applications as soon as possible to the church office. If you were not able to attend our volunteer orientation in September, please pick up your information packet near the mailboxes in the church office. Thank you so much for your dedication & commitment to our children & youth!

### Our Next First Tuesday Prayer Service is November 8<sup>th</sup> @

**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!

**Canton Calvary Mission Dinner** The annual Canton Calvary Mission dinner/auction will be held on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at Brookside Country Club. This is the mission's main fundraiser each year. Tickets are \$40 (\$13.75 of which goes directly to the mission). For tickets, call the mission 330.454.8610, or contact Sharon Jacot at 330.494.5067. New items and basket donations for the auction are also welcome!

**Website Update:** Our interim website is **up and running!** New information is being added daily! Be sure to look through the new available features!

## Worship Attendance Last Sunday:

<u>8:30</u>	<u>9:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Total</u>
91	125	149	365

## THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

### Sunday

9:45 & 11  
5:30 pm  
6:30 pm  
6:30 pm

### Monday

**6:00 pm**  
7:00 pm  
7:00 pm  
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### Tuesday

6:00 am  
9:00 am  
9:30 am  
**6:30 pm**  
6:30 pm  
7:00 pm

### Wednesday

6:00 am  
9:15 am  
5:00 pm  
5:00 pm  
6:00 pm  
6:30 pm  
6:30 pm  
**6:30 pm**  
7:30 pm

### Thursday

7:15 am  
7:30 am  
12:00 pm  
1:00 pm  
2:00 pm  
6:30 pm  
6:30 pm  
**7:00 pm**  
7:00 pm

### Friday

### Saturday

### October 14

Sunday School for All Ages!  
Joy Unlimited Youth Choir, Choir Room  
Refuge Youth Ministry – The Invisibles Session 2  
Refuge Parent Group, West Parlor

### October 15

#### **Emmaus Board Meeting, RH W**

Acts Bible Study, West Parlor

Covenant Bible Study, Rm 16

#### **Emmaus Meeting, RH E**

Meditation Group, Room 8

Men's Open Basketball, FLC

### October 16

Men's Prayer Group, Balcony  
Quilts to Share, Rms 5 & 6  
Celebration Bells – Rm 8  
**Finance Meeting, Conference Room**  
Women's Bible Study, W Parlor  
Boy Scouts, RH, FLC

### October 17

Men's Bible Study, E Parlor  
Women's Morning Study Group, W Parlor  
Carol Choir, Choir Room  
Cherub Choir, Rm 8  
Wednesday Night Faith Connections Dinner, RH  
Faith Kids, RH, FLC  
Faith Parents, West Parlor  
**Sewing for Missions**  
Chancel Choir

### October 18

Retired Men's Breakfast, Susanna's  
Working Women's Breakfast, Samantha's  
Library Volunteers  
Alzheimer's Support Group, Rm 8  
Faith Stitchers, Parlor  
Scouts – God & Life, Rm 5  
Cub Scouts  
**Trustees, W Parlor**  
Embracing the Prophets, Rm 8

### October 19

### October 20

# Faith

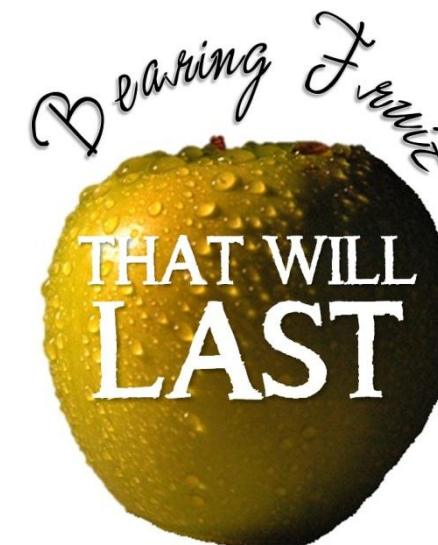
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### October 14, 2012

With gladness in our heart, may we all exult in the Lord! Let us eagerly greet one another with a warm and friendly spirit. You, friend, are most welcome in the house of the Lord!

**Co-Pastors: Rev. Steve and Cara Stultz Costello**

**Organist: William Kaiser**

**Lay Readers: +Sue Weaver, +++Cindy Wilcox**

**Greeter: John Miller**

*The altar flowers are given by Naomi Powell in honor of Marguerite Schwab's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on October 20<sup>th</sup>!*

### 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 Sept/Oct Upper Room & Daily Bread devotionals.



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