

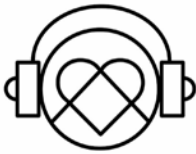


June 15, 2019

What's Happening this week at Faith UMC:



Vacation Bible School
Are you and your friends registered for Vacation Bible School on June 17th-21st? Don't miss out! Get registered [here!](#)



KultureCity: Sensory Inclusive
FUMC is partnering with Kulture City to make sure everyone's needs can be accommodated at the church. Keep reading to find out more!



Garden of Weedin'
Are you ready to grow some vegetables and help make delicious salsa for the community? If so, keep reading!

Note: If you don't see your Ministry Team/Group it's because you didn't submit anything for THIS Navigator. The Navigator is a bi-weekly email-blast. If you need to submit something send to the Communication Team Email:

Communications-Team@faithumchurch.org



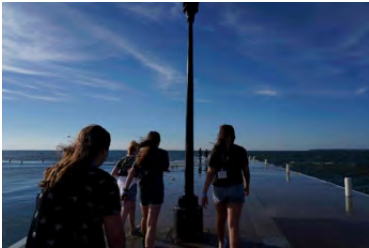
Letter of Reflection: Youth Annual Conference

"In remembering my middle school experience, feelings of awkwardness, clammy hands, and poor self-image reflect back menacingly. However, it was a spiritually formative time of life for me, as I'm sure many can agree. Through our Lord's guidance, I was able to learn from those awkward situations and grow.

Although I have attended many events with the youth group and young adults at Faith UMC, it was a completely new experience to attend an event as a chaperone. This past weekend, I joined ten students and six other chaperones from Faith for the Youth Annual Conference (YAC) hosted in Lakeside, Ohio to learn about the peace and love of Jesus Christ. The students were able to engage in modern worship, listen to influential speakers, and passed legislation to increase youth involvement in the Annual Conference.

Being able to counsel these students and get to know their personalities and laugh with them was an experience I won't soon forget. In those moments of uncertainty in middle school, I counted on my church and my youth group to encourage me to get through. When I was unable to get past the D- I got on my Science test and feeling lonely when my friends at school were away, I remember youth group helped me. For this reason, I feel it is incredibly important to support our youth, the leaders not only of tomorrow but also of today. I'd like to thank them for letting me hang out this weekend and teaching me a few things about being in a relationship with our Lord. The entire week I felt that all was well with my soul."

-Kelcey Norris, Faith UMC Communications intern



Membership Care Ministry



Birth Announcement:

Collin John Powell was born April 30, 2019 to Lauren and Brian Powell. Grandparents are Tom and Victoria Powell. Proud Great Grandmother "Granny" is Naomi Powell.



July Birthdays:

Norma Jean Taylor will be 86 on July 1st.
Nancy Pickles will be 85 on July 16th.
Malcolm Moffat will be 91 on July 17th.
Betty Spalding will be 85 on July 17th.
Phyllis Psolla will be 104 on July 24th.



We express our deepest sympathies to:

MJ Moody on the death of her father, Glenn Marshall.

Congratulations to the FUMC scholarship recipients!

Congratulations to our High School Seniors and Graduate Students who received scholarships from Faith United Methodist Church on June 2, 2019.

High School Seniors:

Logan McNutt received the Irwin and Janet Jennings Scholarship and will be attending Cleveland Institute of Design.
Lauren Perduk received the Beverly Hiestand Memorial Scholarship and will attend Kent State University.
Michael Schoeppner received the David Oby Memorial Scholarship and will attend University of Mount Union.
Andrew Spence received the Carol Osborne Memorial Scholarship and will attend Otterbein College.

Graduate Students:

Julia Adams received the Beverly Hiestand Memorial Scholarship and attends Appalachian State University.
Alex Loy received the Fuller/Tschantz Scholarship and attends Ohio University.
Angela Myers received the Steve and Sue Wheeler Scholarship and attends Elon University.
Tim Sarver received the Veterans Scholarship and attends Wheeling Jesuit University.



Faith United Methodist Church is seeking a permanent part-time organist. Responsibilities include providing music for traditional services on Sunday morning and accompanying the Chancel Choir. The church has two traditional services on Sunday morning and the Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesday evening.

Additional duties include services during Lent and Advent as well as accompanying other musicians as needed. The church has a three manual Schantz Pipe Organ and Boston Grand Piano. Please select the Employment Opportunities tab on the website for more information on the position and the sanctuary instruments.

Service in Mission Ministry Team

Time to GARDEN!

A recent news article mentioned benefits of gardening: better physical, mental and social health, along with decreased stress and anxiety. You can enjoy some of the same benefits by getting involved in our "Garden of Weedin" project. Get outdoors, work in the earth, water the vegetables, help with the harvest, or help make that famous salsa. This project of growing the vegetables and making salsa helps feed many hungry people in our area.

Call **Trudy Jones at 330-494-4723** or email her at trudy@neo.rr.com to get involved. There are no meetings to attend. New gardeners (even families!) will be given personal orientation to the garden process. We welcome your participation! Also, remember to bring empty pint jars to the office.

Pennies for Paraguay Update

"Our students are into their fourth month of school. Paraguay is suffering from rain and flooding, similar to many areas of our nation. We have the same seven students that we had last year. Nicolas is now in 10th grade and attends a technical school where we support him. Maria is also in 10th grade. Besides her regular studies, she takes bass lessons at the musical school. Her letters to us are visually beautiful. Amir is in 11th grade and described his summer travels. Carlos is our youngest student in grade 2. His mother continues to fight cancer. Our third graders are Fabricio and Luana, who send drawings and thanks. Sofia is in 4th grade and sends much love to our congregation, as do all the students.

A special thanks to our communication sponsors, who write or email our students: the Andrews family, Elise Krigline, Donna Benzing, Patti Deems, Jim and Libby Blake, and Debby Hensel.

As of mid-June, we have enough money for two students in 2020. The school fears they will be 40-60 sponsors short next year. Wouldn't it be great if we could sponsor even more students next year? Keep the coins, currency, and checks coming! Every penny counts!"

-Trudy Jones

Spiritual Formation Ministry Team

Mark your calendars and don't miss out on Faith's 2019 Summer Events!
Get registered today!
Help spread the word by sharing with your friends, neighbors and families!



VBS 2019, Roar: Life is Wild! God is Good!

June 17 - 21, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Pre-register by June 15 and receive a FREE ROAR VBS Music CD (one per family) as a special gift! Register online at <https://faithumcchildren.weebly.com/participant-registration1.html>



Camp Read-A-Lot

Wednesdays July 10, 17, 24, 9:30 am - 11:30 am

July 31, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Register online at <https://faithumcchildren.weebly.com/participant-registration.html>
A special Thank You to the Stark Community Foundation for the Summertime Kids' Grant supporting Faith United Methodist Church's Camp Read-A-Lot!

Opportunities to Serve this Summer!

Get involved this summer and make a difference in the lives of our children and families!

Complete the Volunteer Registration for Summer Ministries! The registration link can be found on the home page of our website.



VBS 2019, Roar: Life is Wild! God is Good! ~

June 17-21, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Crew Leaders & Helpers - assist groups of kids in traveling throughout the stations.
Station Assistants- assist leaders such as at Imagination Station, Games, Snacks, etc.
Tech Team - help take pictures and videos and assist with sound/video needs for the opening and closing.
Registration/Hospitality - help with registration and welcome families

Camp Read-A-Lot ~

July 10, 17, 24, 9:30 am - 11:30 am, July 31 ~ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Group Leaders & Helpers - assist groups of kids in participating in the Camp Read-A-Lot activities; assist with stations to guide groups through activities.
Tech Team - help take pictures and videos and assist with sound/video needs for the opening and closing.
Registration/Hospitality - help with registration and welcome families

Summer Sunday School ~ Sunday mornings at 9:45 and 11:00

Nursery ~ Sunday mornings at 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00

Sunday School Teachers & Helpers learn about God while helping kids learn!

Summer Wednesday Night Faith Connections Dinner and Messy Church~
July 24, August 14 beginning at 6:00 pm

Volunteers will help cook, set up, clean up and serve Wednesday dinner; help set up and clean up Messy Church stations; assist with some of the Messy Church activities and help kids and families do the activities.

Safe Sanctuary Summer Ministry Orientation Dates for VBS and Camp Read-A-Lot volunteers are scheduled for:
Sunday, June 16 at 12:30 pm

You only need to attend one orientation even if you want to serve in multiple ministries!

The Giving Tree - Look for the Giving Tree in the Gathering Area! Select a tag and purchase the item needed to support Faith UMC's Summer Ministries! Thank you!

VBS Set Up, Sunday, June 16 after 2nd and 3rd worship services. Join us for an hour or two on Sunday to help prepare for VBS.

Contact Kathy Schmucker, Pam Wig, Bethany Sedziol or Sue Schillings to learn how you can get involved in one of our summer community ministries and make a difference this summer!

Create a Drum or Safari Animal Contest

Grab some friends and get creative this summer! Build an African Drum or an animal you would see on the African plains to help decorate for our upcoming VBS!

- Drums and animals can be any size, small to large!
- Please bring your creations to Faith UMC by Sunday, June 16th or the first day of VBS. Label with your name and contact info.
- All entries will be displayed during VBS and can be picked up by their owners after VBS Celebration Sunday on June 23.



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faith connections



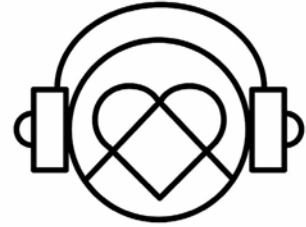
Summer Wednesday Night Faith Connections Dinner and Messy Church~

Wednesday July 24 beginning at 6:00pm!

Mark your calendars and join us for an evening of fun, food, faith and fellowship beginning with dinner at 6:00 pm followed by Messy Church! All are welcome!

Faith UMC is partnering with KultureCity to become Sensory Inclusive Certified!

Awareness, Acceptance, Inclusion!



Faith United Methodist Church has partnered with KultureCity to improve our ability to assist and accommodate persons with sensory needs. Our objective is to provide an inclusive and seamless experience for all persons for all events including those with sensory needs. We strive to raise awareness of the needs and challenges faced by individuals with sensory processing disorders by supplying our Volunteers and Staff with continuous training and by offering the resources and the following accommodations to our guests: Sensory Bags, Weighted Lap Pads, Signage that identifies Quiet Areas and Headphone Zones, Social Story and KultureCity All-Inclusive App (download at the App Store or Google Play).

Sensory Inclusion FAQ

What is the sensory inclusion initiative?

Kulture City's sensory inclusion initiative is designed to help arenas, zoos, aquariums, museums, restaurants and other places of public attraction better serve their guests that might have sensory needs/sensory processing issues.

What is a sensory need/sensory processing issues?

A sensory need/sensory processing issues is one where the guest affected by this finds noises, smells, lights and even crowds not only overwhelming from the sensory perspective but also sometimes physically painful. Because of this, these guests often find themselves isolated from the community.

What are some groups that are affected by sensory need/sensory processing issues?

These could be guests with PTSD, autism, early onset dementia, anxiety, stroke patients just to name a few.

How does partnering with KultureCity help?

KultureCity helps by providing the necessary training to better serve guests with these needs. They also provide signage, weighted lap pads, sensory bags that contain noise cancelling headphones, fidgets tools and much more in order to truly create a welcoming experience for these guests.

What is the end result of the initiative?

It helps all guests feel welcome and included in our locations. It also helps us reach a huge portion of our community that has long been isolated.

How many people have a disability in the USA?

1 in 5. With 16% having visible disabilities and the remaining 84% with invisible disabilities like PTSD, autism, dementia, strokes etc. The common denominator for these groups are sensory issues.

What is a Quiet Area?

A quiet area is simply a location that may be helpful to someone who may need to take a break to rest and calm themselves. The areas identified as Quiet Areas at Faith UMC can still be used for activities as they always have been.

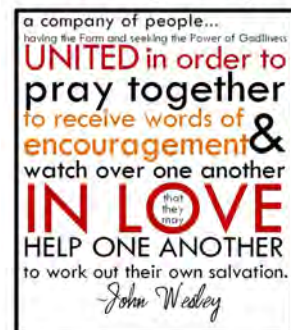
Online training is available for all persons at Faith UMC who work with children, youth and adults and serve as greeters, ushers, welcome crew. Your completion of the online training is vital to the certification process so that we can be welcoming of all persons! Please contact Kathy Schmucker at kschmucker@faithumchurch.org if you have any questions or would like more information. Thank you for your prayers as Faith UMC continues to move through the certification process.

Learn more about KultureCity at www.kulturecity.org.



Get Connected at Faith UMC

adult groups



Iron Sharpens Iron. Thursdays at 7:00 pm beginning June 27 with a Saturday retreat on June 29.

Coordinators: Pastor Cara and Tom Strauch

This is a 10-week workshop concerning how faithful followers of Jesus can productively discuss highly contentious issues. The objective of this workshop is to show that we, as United Methodists, can maintain close relationships with each other even while disagreeing strongly on important matters because the mission of Jesus holds us together.

Our Methodist identity is based on connection with each other, and we've traditionally understood that listening to each other builds understanding, empathy, and community, strengthening the individual piety and the church's engagement with community. The UMC has struggled (sometimes actively and sometimes passively) to openly and productively engage the conversation about human sexuality. What if people in North Canton could trade their diverse perspectives, ideas, and stories? Would then understanding, empathy, and wisdom be fostered? If a small group in a small city could do this then could the broader church try this approach? Might then the UMC be able to negotiate a way to stay together?

We will have two co-facilitators who have different viewpoints. The co-facilitators will offer resources on thinking and communication, and every member is invited to bring additional information to the table. Together we will develop our own communication process that fosters better thinking, effective communication, and deeper understanding - while strengthening our connection with each other.

You will be invited to share your story and how that has shaped your beliefs. You will also be invited to share how you feel your beliefs put into action will best serve the mission of Jesus' love in the world. You will also be asked to listen carefully to other's stories, beliefs and hoped-for actions and attempt to appreciate them. We will use the Wesleyan Quadrilateral structure to explore the various perspectives - Experience, Tradition, Scripture, and Reason.

What if we could demonstrate that continued connection is attainable despite real differences? What if the UMC could be moved toward continued dialogue and a more vibrant, diverse, growing church? Maybe we could just be a small part of the transformation of the world by the model of and in the name Jesus Christ.

Financial Peace University Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm.
Facilitators: Chuck and Beth Standley.

Faith 101, Sundays at 9:45 am. Review the Christian Faith, Methodism and Faith UMC with Pastors Steve and Cara. Last class for this session is Sunday, June 16.

Proof of God, Men's Life Study, Saturday, June 22 at 7:00 am
at Beyesly's Restaurant. Facilitator: Kim Reynolds.

Coffee Talk: Navigating the Messiness of Faith and Life,
Tuesday, June 25 at 9:30 am at Cultured Coffee & Waffles on Portage St.

Theology for our Times, Friday, June 28 at 12:00 pm at Beyesly's Restaurant.
(NOTE: Meeting on a different week this month.)

Summer Adult Groups are now forming. What's your summer passion? Gardening, Running, Walking, Bonfires, Reading, Scrapbooking, Cooking, Exploring Nature, Art, Other ideas? We are looking for people interested in helping to form some fun and creative short-term small group Bible study experiences this summer.

Visit our website to learn about all the new groups beginning this spring. To learn more about other opportunities for adults happening at Faith UMC or more details about any of our adult groups, visit our website or contact Kathy Schmucker, Spiritual Formation Director, at kschmucker@faithumchurch.org or call 330-499-6040, ext 107 or 330-224-6138.

Faith UMC Children's Sunday School
9:45 & 11:00 on Sunday Mornings
Deep Blue at Home with God
Weekly Family Devotions available at the Children's
Welcome Station

Try this Family Devotion with your family!
Read: Believers Share (Acts 4:32-37)
Bible Story Focus: We are called to share what we have with each other.
Wonder Together: What are some ways you can share with others?



Memory Verse: An abundance of grace was at work among them all. (Acts 4:33)
Pray Together: Share joys and concerns, and then pray, Dear God, thank you for giving us a church family that loves and supports us. Amen.



Summer Camp
It's not too late to register!

Pick up a campership packet at the church or download from the Summer Camp page of Faith's website to take advantage of the scholarship opportunities available. We want to help kids get to camp this summer! <https://faithumcchildren.weebly.com/summer-camp.html>

You are encouraged to invite a friend, especially someone not connected to any church, to go to camp this summer! Imagine how life changing that gift could be for a student and their family! Contact Kathy Schmucker, Tallie Paz or Pastor Steve for more information.

Faith UMC Library/Media Center News
Stop by Faith UMC's library and check out some great books for your summer reading enjoyment! Faith's library has a wide variety of resources for children, youth and adults. Check out the red cart in the hallway outside the library for resources connected to Faith UMC's worship series and/or ministries of Faith UMC and the United Methodist Church.



Calendar "Snapshot" view online at <http://www.faithumchurch.org/calendar.html>

Sunday, June 16th
8:30 am

Worship Services- 8:30; 9:45; 11:00

9:45 am	Sunday school 9:45 & 11:00- Rooms 6, 8, 18, Youth
9:45 am	"Scripture in the Wesleyan Way" Study- Room 16
9:45 am	Faith 101- West Parlor
12:30 pm	Safe Sanctuary- Summer Ministry Orientation- Gathering Area
Monday, June 17th	
9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
5:00 pm	Golf League
Tuesday, June 18th	
6:00 am	Men's Prayer Group- Balcony
9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
6:00 pm	Phase 1 Planning Group- Room 8
6:30 pm	Finance Meeting- Conference Room
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts- Robinson, FLC
Wednesday, June 19th	
9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
7:00 pm	Organist Search Team
Thursday, June 20th	
7:30 am	Women's Prayer Breakfast @ Samantha's on Market
9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
1:00 pm	Alzheimer's Support Group- Room 8
1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry- Parlor
1:30 pm	Community Assistance Team- Room 5
7:00 pm	Stewardship Team Meeting
Friday, June 21st	
9:00 am	Vacation Bible School
12:00 pm	Theology of the Times- Beyesly's Restaurant
Sunday, June 23rd	
8:30 am	VBS- All in One Worship Services**- 8:30; 9:45; 11:00
9:45 am	9:45 & 11:00- Nursery Room 20
9:45 am	"Scripture in the Wesleyan Way" Study- Room 16
Monday, June 24th	
5:00 pm	Golf League
Tuesday, June 25th	
6:00 am	Men's Prayer Group: Balcony
9:30 am	Coffee Talk @ Cultured Coffee and Waffles on Portage
10:00 am	Summer Story Time FFLC-Library
6:30 pm	Financial Peace University
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts- Robinson, FLC
7:00 pm	SPRC- Conference Room
Thursday, June 27th	
7:30 am	Women's Prayer Breakfast @ Samantha's on Market
1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl- Parlor
1:15 pm	Welcoming the Stranger Group- Room 5
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Supervising Session- E/W Robinson
7:00 pm	Circle of Love- Pavilion (or Parlor if rain)
7:00 pm	Iron Sharpens Iron- Youth Room
Saturday, June 29th	
10:00 am	Faith Kitchen
Sunday, June 30th	
8:30 am	Worship Services- 8:30; 9:45; 11:00 am
8:30 am	New Member Orientation- Parlor
9:30 am	New Members Received

9:45 am
9:45 am

Sunday school 9:45 & 11:00- Room 6, 8, 18, 20, Youth
"Scripture in the Wesleyan Way" Study- Room 16

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