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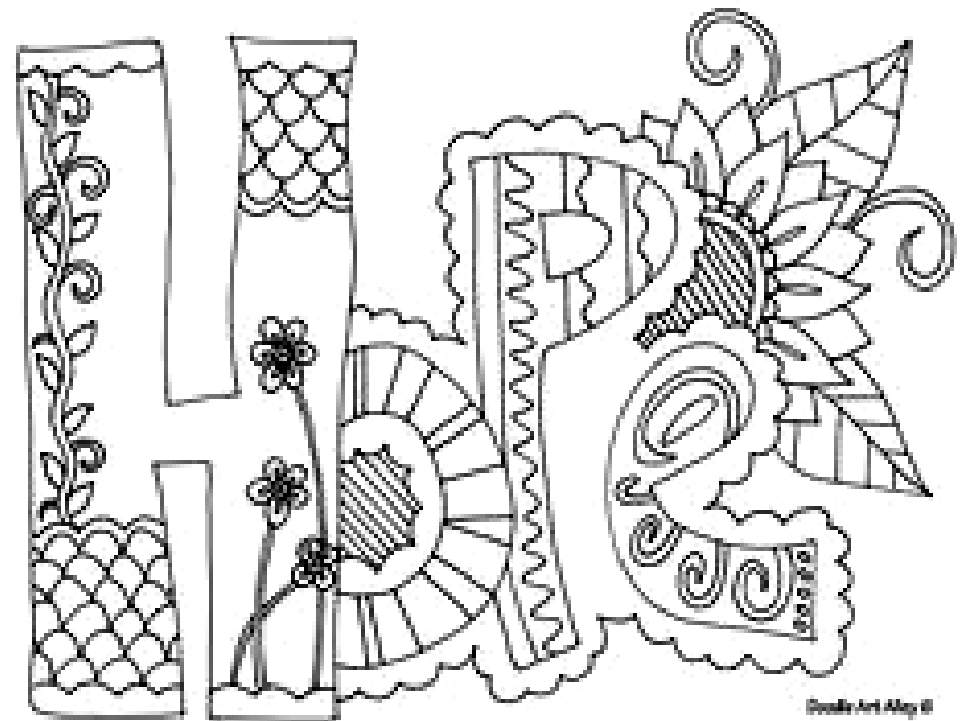
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★ Items need to be submitted for the bulletin by Wednesday morning.

★ If you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, we would like to know...call us at 453-7988.

Faith

United Methodist Church



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

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ADVENT 2016

Faith United Methodist Church

November 27, 2016

The Order of Worship



Announcements and Welcome. (Please sign the Connection Card)

♪ Prelude

📖 Hymn: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196

🕯 Lighting of Advent Candle

In a world of war, famine, and disease, where children grow up as orphans, where families go hungry and entire regions face destruction by illness, God, we call upon you to come.

**In a world where so many have lost hope,
we call upon you, Lord of Hope, to come.**

In this season of Advent, we wait for the coming of Hope into our world.

We await the birth of the Christ-child, the coming of God into our lives in a new way.

Come, Messiah, come, and save us.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. (Hebrews 10:23) *Candle is lit.*

Let us pray together:

**Jesus, who brings hope into hopeless situations,
we thank you for your heavenly rescue mission,
which we remember at Christmas. We light this
candle as a reminder of the hope that you bring.
We offer up our prayers of hope, knowing that you
care deeply about each and every one of these sit
uations. Amen.**



Please pray for: Faith UMC, Bob & Melanie Kirkwood, Pam Thomas, Terry England Family, Phil & Grandma Plummer, Janice Moore's healing, Jimmy Moore, Family of Bob Dudley, Loni Revercomb, Don Miller, Cindy Morehead, Jordan Lang, Jared Lang, Bonita Klinehoffer, John & Kim Cain, Daniel Ghrist, Janice Moore family, Shellie Siefert, Sherry Brooks, Jim Porter, Dianna Slifko, Kay Baker, Melissa Wood, Joesy Moore, Ben Welker, Sarah Ardrey, Carole Sayre, Debbie Paul, Doug Adams, Alice Goyne, Norma Coyle, Jeannine Cady, Pam Thomas, Henrietta Hurst, Logan Wolford, Joyce Stimpert, Art Herron, Todd Sands, Erin Watts, the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

Medical Faith shut-ins: Kathleen McCutcheon and Frances Johnson.

Pray for your church, your pastor and your church leaders. Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks unless we are otherwise notified. Please submit all prayer requests by detaching and put in offering plate.

Calendar for Faith

Sunday, November 27		
Sunday School:		9:30 AM
Morning Worship:		10:30 AM
Friday, December 2		
Adopt-A-Child:		7:30AM-3:30 PM
NA Ladies Night:		5:00PM-?
Saturday, December 3		
Private Family Baptism:		10:30AM
Sunday, December 4		
Sunday School:		9:30 AM
Morning Worship:		10:30 AM
Thursday, December 8		
Eventide Circle:		12:00 PM
Saturday, December 10		
UMW Christmas Brunch		10:30 AM
Sunday, December 11		
Sunday School:		9:30 AM
Morning Worship:		10:30 AM
New Hope Circle:		6:30 PM
Thursday, December 15		
Leadership Meeting:		6:30 PM
Sunday, December 18		
Sunday School:		9:30 AM
Morning Worship:		10:30 AM
Saturday, December 24		
Christmas Eve Worship Service:		7:00 PM
Sunday, December 25		
Christmas Worship @ First UMC		10:00 AM

 Call to Prayer "*Emmanuel, Emmanuel*" UMH 204

✝ Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer

 Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

✝ The Doxology UMH 95

✝ Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we are the work of your hands and we come before you with thanksgiving. Receive these gifts as signs of hope, that what you have begun in our lives will continue until that great day comes when you will make all things new. We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

 Hymn: "*O Little Town of Bethlehem*" UMH 230

The Best Is Yet to Be Gospel Lesson: Mark 13:24-37 Pastor Joy French

 Hymn "*In the Bleak Midwinter*" UMH 221

✝ Benediction (Congregation reads bold print)

As we leave this place, and scatter back out into the world, may the God of hope, who loves us and gave himself for us,

fill us with all joy and peace today and throughout the coming week, so that in believing, we may abound in hope.

Go forth as Advent people, through the love of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Faith UMC's Christmas Project: Bring the Homeless out of invisibility.
Muskingum County Point In Time (PIT) Homeless Count 2017**



Beginning now until Christmas, we will be collecting items to hand out during the annual homeless count in January. The items that are collected will be distributed to the homeless individuals/families volunteers locate during the Point in Time Homeless Street Count conducted in January 2017.

Items needed for the 2017 Point In Time Homeless Count

- ✓ New or gently used Water-Resistant/Proof Dark Colored Sleeping Bags (Temperature Graded for COLD Ohio winters preferred) (Desperately needed!)
- ✓ Heavy Wool Socks, Hats, Scarves & Gloves (Desperately needed!)
- ✓ New or Gently used Dark Colored Backpacks (always needed)
- ✓ Hygiene Products [Please no mouthwash or Hand Sanitizer]
- ✓ Non-perishable snacks [Granola Bars, Packs of crackers, etc.]
- ✓ Bottled Water

If you have any questions regarding the items or the PIT count contact Lynsey Yarger-Co-Chairman

Muskingum County Continuum of care at 740-454-6866 ext. 344 or Email: hcvp-fss@zanesvillehousing.org

Items can be brought to Faith UMC anytime from now until Christmas and we will take them down. Last year's homeless count was around 50 people. Let's help keep those 50 people warm this winter!



Liturgists for December

November 27	Mark Crawmer
December 4	Lari Harper
December 11	Marlene Farley
December 18	Randy Schreiber
December 24	Nick Howard

A Vintage Christmas



All ladies of the church are invited to the annual Christmas brunch hosted by the United Methodist Women on December 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Our theme is "A Vintage Christmas". It is a time to slow down, remember and reminisce. It's a time to reflect on God's love and faithfulness! It's your time to stop and savor what Christmas means to you – and have fun in the process while making a "vintage" craft.

Please join us for good food, great fellowship and a delicious brunch.

Reservations are due to Roberta Covert by Dec 4th. The cost of the meal is \$5.00

